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Gentlemen:

Please find attached my letter to the Watchtower Society, dated August 21, 2014, in which I documented my reasons for concluding that it is an apostate religious organization.

The study article, "Their Refuge—A Lie!", in the June 1, 1991, Watchtower publicly denounced Christendom as an apostate religious organization because several religions were accredited to the United Nations as non-governmental organizations. However, the *very next year*, the Watchtower Society *also* became accredited to the UN as an NGO and served essentially as its publicity agents for the next ten years, reapplying each year for accreditation, until the alliance was exposed by the Guardian newspaper in October 2001. The Watchtower quickly withdrew its UN membership and attempted to discredit the Guardian report. When that failed, it falsely claimed that the UN had changed the criteria for member NGOs, completely ignoring its own published policy that membership in any organization deemed to be under judgment by God constitutes apostasy. I feel that Jesus' prophecy at Matthew 12:37--"By your words you will be condemned" - fits the Watchtower Society as much as it fit the apostate religious leaders of his day.

Inasmuch as the attached letter--and two previous letters mentioned therein--remain unacknowledged and unanswered by the Watchtower Society; and inasmuch as my conscience will no longer permit me to be associated with a religious organization which, by its own standards, is apostate; I have decided to officially end my association with the Watchtower Society and with Jehovah's Witnesses, effective immediately.

Signed,

Roger [REDACTED]

"No one should be forced to worship in a way that he finds unacceptable or be made to choose between his beliefs and his family."
(From the article, "Is It Wrong to Change Your Religion?" July 2009 AWAKE!, page 28)