THE SOKA GAKKAI FINALLY DENIES THE DAI-GOHONZON OF THE HIGH SANCTUARY

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A decision was made by the Soka Gakkai at its Executive Council Meeting on November 7, 2014, to modify the “Doctrinal Clause of the Bylaws of the Soka Gakkai.” At the National General Meeting for Prefectural Chiefs held on the same day, President (of Soka Gakkai) Minoru Harada announced that the Gakkai itself will “certify the Gohonzon.” He stated:

We will not consider the Gohonzon of the second year of Ko’an (1279) to be the object of worship for us to uphold. (Seikyo Shim bun [Soka Gakkai Official Publication], November 8, 2014)

This announcement represents the denial of the Dai-Gohonzon of the High Sanctuary of the Essential Teaching, and it is an act of great slander against the True Buddha Nichiren Daishonin.

THE TREMENDOUS DISCREPANCIES IN THE SOKA GAKKAI’S OWN PRONOUNCEMENTS

In September of 1993, almost two years after the Soka Gakkai was excommunicated from Nichiren Shosho, Daisaku Ikeda made the following statement:

“The fact will never change in the slightest that the Dai-Gohonzon—which comprehensively permeates the entire Jambudvipa world and which is the ultimate purpose of the Daishonin’s advent into this world—is the fundamental basis of our faith and practice.” (an excerpt from a Daisaku Ikeda speech in September 1993)

Furthermore, the object of worship of the Soka Gakkai is a transcription of the Dai-Gohonzon. The Soka Gakkai Joju-Gohonzon, located at their General Headquarters, was transcribed by Nissho Shonin, the Sixty-fourth High Priest of the Head Temple. The Gohonzon of Nichikan Shonin, which is the source of the object of worship printed by the Soka Gakkai, also is a transcription of the Dai-Gohonzon.

Moreover, in the “Silent Prayers” section of the Soka Gakkai Gongyo book, there is the following:

I sincerely devote myself and express my appreciation to the Dai-Gohonzon of the Three Great Secret Laws, which comprehensively permeates the entire Jambudvipa world. (Sept. 2004)

A recent edition of the Soka Gakkai magazine, Daihyaku-renge, states the following:

For the Appointment Examination: “The True Purpose of His (Nichiren Daishonin’s) Advent into This World” (shusse no honkai) is the Dai-Gohonzon, comprehensively permeating the entire Jambudvipa world, which was established on the 12th day of the tenth month of the second year of Ko’an (1279). (Daibyaku-renge, August 2014)

Now, however, their new pronouncement is:

We will not consider the Gohonzon of the second year of Ko’an (1279) to be the object of worship for us to uphold. (Harada) (Seikyo shim bun, November 8, 2014)

We ask all SGI members—Do you still want to follow the Gakkai?