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THE MJ-12 AFFAIR:

Facts, Questions, Comments

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FACTS

First, it has been established that "Falcon", one of the principle sources of the MJ-12 material, is Richard C. Doty, formerly attached to District 17 Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) at Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Sgt. Doty retired from the U.S. Air Force on October 1, 1988.

How do I know that Doty is "Falcon"? During a recent telephone conversation, Linda Moulton Howe told me that when Sgt. Doty invited her to his office at Kirtland AFB in early April 1983, and showed her a purportedly authentic U.S. Government document on UFOs, he identified himself as code-name "Falcon" and stated that it was Bill Moore who had given him that name.

Also, in early December 1988, a ranking member of the production team responsible for the "UFO Cover Up?-- Live" television documentary confirmed that Doty is "Falcon". This same individual also identified the second MJ-12 source who appeared on the program, "Condor", as Robert Collins who was, until recently, a Captain in the U.S. Air Force. Like Doty, he was stationed at KAFB when he left the service late last year.

Both Doty and Collins deny any involvement in the MJ-12 affair. However, Linda Howe has issued a sworn affidavit, agreeing to testify under penalty of perjury, relating to the events during the course of her meeting with Richard "Falcon" Doty at KAFB in 1983 (Enclosures A and B). Thus far, Doty has not issued a sworn affidavit, or agreed to testify under penalty of perjury, to reenforce his denial that the events of his meeting with Howe occurred as she has described them.

For the moment, I will not identify the "UFO Cover Up?-- Live" source who identified Doty as "Falcon" and Collins as "Condor". I do, however, encourage others to independently attempt to secure confirmation of the statements that he has already made. At least two producers connected with the documentary know the facts.

QUESTIONS

Now that "Falcon" and "Condor" have been identified, it seems prudent to examine the past activities of Richard Doty and Bob Collins to see whether those activities tend to add to, or detract from, the credibility of the MJ-12 scenario that they have so vigorously promoted within the ufological community. That is, do their actions reflect a genuine attempt to release authentic above top secret information to the public or, on the other hand, suggest a disinformation campaign designed to confuse and mislead?

Let's begin with Doty. Sgt. Richard Charles Doty first received widespread attention after he wrote the now well-known AFOSI Complaint Form relating to UFO sightings near Kirtland AFB in 1980 (Enclosure C). This document, typed and signed by Doty, takes on new significance in the light of an incident known as the "Weitzel Hoax". Briefly summarized, this odd tale unfolded as follows: In 1981, the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization received an anonymous letter from an individual who claimed to be a USAF airman assigned to the 1550th Aircrew Training and Testing Wing at Kirtland AFB (Enclosure D). The writer further claimed to have had a rather dramatic UFO sighting, together with a Craig Weitzel and others. The letter relates that Weitzel reported the sighting to a "Mr. Dody" (sic) at Kirtland AFB OSI.

Researcher Benton Jamison located and contacted Weitzel in 1985 (Enclosure E). Weitzel stated that he did indeed report a UFO sighting to Sgt. Richard Doty in 1980, but that the actual incident in no way resembled the CEIII experience described in the anonymous letter. Weitzel also denies that he was subsequently contacted by a mysterious individual who demanded that he turn over any photographs that he might have taken of the UFO, as the letter claims.

So, it would appear that the writer of the anonymous letter, whomever he was, took a real event and greatly embellished it for some reason.

And why is this letter so significant as regards questions about Sgt.

Richard Doty's credibility as a source for allegedly secret government documents? Simply because careful analysis of the anonymous letter reveals that it was almost certainly typed on the same typewriter used by Doty to complete the 1980 OSI Complaint Form.

Enclosure F is a report by researcher Brad Sparks which addresses typeface irregularities and stylistic traits that are identical in both the anonymous airman's letter and Sgt. Doty's report. Actually, Sparks' typeface analysis is incomplete. In addition to the irregular "u" that he identifies, it can be seen that the letters "gh", as in the word "sighting", are jammed together in identical fashion in both the letter and the report. Lower case "o" is also jammed against various letters that follow it in both the "Weitzel" letter and Doty's Complaint Form.

A professionally-conducted analysis of these flaws should be able to determine, with a reasonable degree of certainty, whether the "anonymous airman" used Doty's typewriter to compose his overblown tale. If this fact can be established then two obvious questions arise: 1) How and why did the unidentified airman from the 1550th Aircrew Training and Testing Wing gain access to Sgt. Doty's typewriter at OSI? 2) On the other hand, did Doty himself type the letter and, therefore, attempt to perpetrate a hoax for some as yet unknown reason?

Because it has been established that Richard Doty is "Falcon", a chief source for the MJ-12 material, it now seems imperative to thoroughly investigate this incident to resolve these unanswered questions. The second question, in particular, is of obvious importance. Perhaps the Fund for UFO Research, which has recently solicited contributions to further investigate the MJ-12 affair, would consider funding an expert typographical analysis of both the anonymous letter and Doty's Complaint Form to determine whether or not there is a link between the two.

Even more disturbing than the implications of the "Weitzel Hoax"

is an incident that raises the strongest doubts about Richard Doty's credibility as a source of information and documents relating to the U.S. Government's involvement with UFOs. mation about this incident comes from Dr. Bruce Maccabee and links Doty to the so-called Ellsworth AFB hoax. According to Maccabee, Bill Moore has acknowledged that Richard Doty confessed to forging the document that describes the alleged events connected with the Ellsworth case (Enclosure G). Doty apparently claims that the UFO incident there actually occurred, just as described in the document, and that he only wanted to bring it to public attention. He, therefore, proceeded to type the "document" himself, incorporating the "facts" that he claimed to know to be true, and then released the bogus report to various researchers. Enclosure H is an exposé written by Bob Pratt, and published in the January 1984 issue of the MUFON Journal, describing his investigation of this hoax.

If it can be established, beyond any doubt, that Richard Doty forged the Ellsworth AFB document, what would that say about his credibility as a chief source for the MJ-12 material, under the guise of "Falcon"?

MORE QUESTIONS

In addition to the serious questions raised by the "Weitzel" letter and the Ellsworth AFB hoax, there also exist fundamental discrepancies between information provided by "Falcon" and the "facts" contained in the so-called Eisenhower briefing paper.

The Briefing Document (Enclosure I) was purportedly written by alleged MJ-12 member Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, in November 1952, for presentation to then President Elect Dwight D. Eisenhower. Among other things, it states that two UFOs had crashed, one in July 1947, near Roswell, New Mexico; the other in December 1950, on the Texas-Mexico border.

Linda Howe states, however, that when Sgt. Doty invited her to

his office at Kirtland AFB OSI, in April 1983, he provided her with information that contradicts this version of events. Howe states that Doty confirmed the existence of a secret government group called MJ-12 and then opened a desk drawer and produced a document entitled "Briefing Paper for the President for the President of the United States". (Not the Eisenhower document)

Howe states that she was allowed to look through the alleged "Briefing Paper" but told not to take notes. She states that part of the document was a catalog of crashed UFO cases, including one near Aztec, New Mexico in 1948 (or '49).

Now, if the <u>Eisenhower</u> briefing paper is genuine and was indeed presented to Ike in November 1952, why was no mention of the Aztec crash contained in it? Is it plausible that the soon-to-be president would be let in on a secret of paramount importance—that of alien visitation—but not be given this important information? Why would he be told about two UFO crashes but not about a third? Why would the Aztec crash, if it did occur, be any less significant than the other two cases mentioned in the briefing paper?

In short, if the briefing paper that Sgt. Doty showed to Linda Howe was genuine, what does that say about the accuracy (and authenticity) of the Eisenhower document? If, on the other hand, the former was bogus and was meant to mislead Howe for some reason, what does that say about Richard "Falcon" Doty's reliability as a source for MJ-12 material as a whole?

At the risk of being redundant, may I again point out that Linda Howe has sworn out an affidavit indicating a willingness to testify, under penalty of perjury, as to the truthfulness of her statements relating to her meeting with "Falcon" at Kirtland OSI.

About Robert "Bob" Collins, I know very little. I have established that at the time of his departure from the U.S. Air Force, he was assigned to the Plasma Physics group at Sandia National Laboratories, located at Kirtland AFB. Linda Howe states that in November 1987,

Collins was "frantically" trying to get her to meet with him in Albuquerque. At that meeting, also attended by John Lear, Collins showed the two some MJ-12 documents, primarily relating to a live alien allegedly held captive by the U.S. Government. According to Howe, Collins stated that he had worked "behind the scenes" with Bill Moore for years.

MOORE QUESTIONS

So, how does Mr. Moore fit into the MJ-12 jigsaw puzzle? On the face of it, he appears to be just a UFO researcher who has been approached by questionable government sources. I have information, however, that raises doubts about his public image as merely a "civilian" researcher. Indeed, it appears as if he may be working (or have worked) for one of the U.S. intelligence agencies. I base this statement on the following information:

In December 1985, I read an article by Barry Greenwood about an allegedly ultra-secret government group called "MJ-12". The article was based on information provided by researcher Lee Graham. In March 1986, I met with Mr. Graham at his home, in the hope that he would elaborate on the information contained in Greenwood's article. I found Graham to be open, honest, and sincere. While I do not agree with many of his conclusions regarding MJ-12, I know that he is definitely not the "kook" or "space cadet" that some some have branded him. On the contrary, his statements to me that evening were logical and down-to-earth. I simply disagree with some of his premises.

As we talked, Lee provided me with copies of some of the "documents" that have come to be associated with the MJ-12 affair, including the "Project Snowbird" paper and the "Project Aquarius" TWX. When I asked who had given him the documents, he would only say that the person worked for the government, as an intelligence operative or information conduit.

Over the next fifteen months I called Graham several times, to ask

whether there had been any developments regarding the MJ-12 matter. Perhaps the most noteworthy event during that period was the visit to Graham by two agents from the Defense Investigative Service (DIS). The agents were apparently sent to find out why Graham, who holds a "Q" security clearance, was in possession of allegedly secret government documents that had not been properly declassified.

In early June 1987, I called Lee again. This was shortly before Bill Moore's press conference in Burbank, during which he intended to unveil the "Eisenhower briefing paper" and other MJ-12 material. During this call, without any prompting from me, Graham revealed that the person who had given him the documents was in fact Bill Moore. I was puzzled. Graham had previously said, on several occasions, that he had gotten the documents from an individual who worked for the U.S. Government, presumably in an intelligence capacity. As far as I knew, Bill Moore did not work for the government in any capacity.

I asked Graham to explain this discrepancy. He unhesitatingly replied that when Moore first approached him with the documents, he (Moore) showed him some kind of government ID card, with Bill Moore's picture on it but an alias typed beneath it. According to Graham, Moore indicated that he was working for the U.S. Government for the purpose of releasing sensitive UFO-related documents to the public.

I began to take notes. So incredulous was I about all of this that I asked Lee to repeat his statements, which he did. I then asked him which agency Moore claimed to work for. He responded that Bill Moore's ID badge was identical to the badges shown him by the two DIS agents. When I skeptically retorted, "You mean to tell me that Moore's badge looked like the DIS badges?", he replied, "No, it was identical to them."

Graham went on to state that Moore claimed that he (Moore) had been "flagged" in U.S. intelligence agencies computer files so that

other operatives would not stumble over and inadvertently expose his operations. Lee went on to say that he had once been introduced to Moore's "superior" whom Moore would only identify as "Richard".

At the conclusion of this rather baffling phone conversation with Graham, I specifically asked him whether there was anything that we had discussed that I should not repeat. He answered, "No", and indicated that he would send me materials relating to his investigation by the DIS, Bill Moore's first approach to him, and other, related matters. A week later, I received the items that Graham had promised and found that references to Moore, by name, had been censored by Lee. By this time, however, I had already spoken to Barry Greenwood, Peter Gersten, Bob Todd, and others about the details of Moore's approach to Graham. Apparently word got back to Moore about these conversations because I later heard that he had vehemently denied that he was a government operative and claimed that he was only playing a "joke" on a gullible Lee Graham. The "government ID", according to Moore, was a laminated MUFON card.

Enclosure J is a letter, dated May 8, 1986, that Graham sent to the DIS in which he discusses Moore's first approach to him. Graham mentions that when he was interviewed by the two DIS agents, he told them about Moore and his ID card. Graham then goes on to ask why Moore had not been interrogated about his possession of allegedly secret government documents, copies of which he had given to Graham. (One might also ask why Moore had not been questioned about his impersonating a government agent, if in fact his ID card was bogus as he now claims.)

Enclosure K is a second letter from Graham to the DIS, dated October 19, 1986, exactly seven months after Lee was interviewed by the two DIS agents. In it, Graham again mentions that Moore has not been interrogated by the DIS over this lengthy period. He concludes that it is because Moore does indeed work for the U.S. Government, just as he had been told by Moore himself.

Graham has a point. If Moore was only "joking" when he showed Lee

the bogus ID card (an ID that looked so authentic that Graham calls it "identical" to a DIS badge) one would think that Moore would have been questioned by the DIS about this potentially serious matter. If Moore was impersonating a government intelligence operative as he disseminated "documents", then surely some intelligence agency would be interested in pursuing the matter. And yet, according to Lee Graham, seven months after he had told the DIS about Moore and his badge, no one had apparently approached Moore about this incident. Why?

One might reasonably postulate that this apparent lack of follow-up by the DIS suggests that Moore does (or did) work for the U.S. Government, just as he claimed to Lee Graham. If this turns out to be true, however, given the highly questionable track record of one of Moore's chief sources, "Falcon", one must ask whether it is information, or disinformation, that he has been disseminating. In this regard, one might also ask why did Moore not immediately disassociate himself from Richard Doty once he had discovered that Doty had forged the Ellsworth AFB document? Instead, Moore later presented Richard "Falcon" Doty on national television as a reliable intelligence source of information about UFOs. Why?

Another serious issue involving Bill Moore that needs to be resolved concerns the so-called "Project Aquarius" document (Enclosure L). This paper contains the first reference to "MJ-12" to be widely circulated within the ufological community.

On the face of it, the Project Aquarius document is a teletype message, sent by AFOSI Headquarters to Kirtland AFB OSI, dealing with analyses of UFO photographs and films taken by Dr. Paul Bennewitz. However, AFOSI HQ denies that it sent the message and calls it a forgery. It now appears that, in this case, AFOSI is telling the truth.

In a letter to attorney Peter Gersten, dated April 4, 1983, Dick Hall states that Bill Moore privately admitted that it was he who

did a "cut and paste job" and then "retyped" the document (Enclosure M). If this is true, why would Moore do such a thing? If a genuine message was sent to Kirtland AFB OSI, dealing with Bennewitz' photos, MJ-12, and the rest, why didn't Moore disseminate it in its original form? Wouldn't the "retyped" version of it, if discovered to be such, raise doubts about the credibility of the information contained in it?

If Moore did "retype" the document, can he now produce the original to substantiate the accuracy of the information contained in "his" version? If so, it will be interesting to see whether the "original" document will be confirmed as authentic by AFOSI Headquarters.

I should point out that I possess additional information about the Project Aquarius document that I intend to withhold until Moore has produced (or failed to produce) the "original".

A RESPONSE TO BILL MOORE'S OPEN LETTER

Just as I was concluding this missive, I received a copy of Bill Moore's open letter to those who would question his activities. In response to his criticisms and pleas, I would like to make the following points:

First, Moore states that he is not a "forger", a "hoaxer", a "fabricator", or a "counterfeiter". Whether he is any of those things, I will leave to others to decide. I would ask, however, if he could suggest an appropriate word to describe his actions when he did a cut/paste/retype job on the Aquarius document? If Moore believed that he was "the only one on the right track", as Doty flattered him, then that's his problem. If, however, he has engaged in the altering of government documents before releasing them to an unsuspecting public, then that becomes a problem for all of us. The credibility of any document, even when released via the Freedom of Information Act, will come into question in the minds of many once it has been learned that a "leading ufologist" has tampered with this or that document. And yet, Moore has the

absolute nerve to rail against those who would question his "methods".

Second, Moore feigns self-righteous indignation when he denies that he is "some sort of government agent". But clearly, he has only himself to blame for this "rumor". If the ID badge that he showed Lee Graham was fake, and if he was lying when he claimed to be an intelligence operative, does he now have any right to bemoan the fact that his escapade has finally come to light? I, for one, do not believe for an instant Moore's laminated MUFON card story. That explanation smacks of the ridiculous "red herring" about there being two Richard Dotys that Moore offered up when the "Falcon"/Doty connection was first suggested publicly by Barry Greenwood in 1987. While I am sure that there are plenty of Richard Dotys in this world, only one is the MJ-12 source "Falcon".

Third, Moore calls efforts by researchers to learn the identities of his MJ-12 sources "inappropriate" and states that for "obvious reasons" his response to these inquiries will be "no comment". This posture, of course, also conveniently shields from scrutiny the fact that his "primary" source for the MJ-12 material, Richard Doty, has apparently acknowledged forging the Ellsworth AFB document—a fact that Moore himself knew at least as early as March 1988. In view of this revelation, the attempt by Moore to project the appearance that he is merely protecting a confidential government source rings hollow. Indeed, it seems likely that his desire to avoid embarrassment and well-deserved recriminations is a chief motive for his "no comment" stance.

SUMMARY

So, what does the MJ-12 affair add up to? I agree with Bill Moore: it would be premature at this time to draw conclusions. It would not, however, be premature to carefully consider the following facts:

1) A handful of "documents" have mysteriously surfaced relating to

an allegedly ultra-secret UFO policy group, code-name "MJ-12". No government agency will confirm the papers' authenticity and the National Archives has noted several discrepancies about one of them, the so-called "Cutler memo" (Enclosures N and O).

- 2) Another of the documents, the "Project Aquarius" message, has been discovered to be fake, in the sense that it has been altered by Bill Moore before being released to the public. As I write, there is no publicly available evidence that the original document Moore "retyped" was itself authentic.
- 3) The primary source for orally-transmitted MJ-12 material, codename "Falcon", has been determined to be Richard C. Doty. According to Dr. Bruce Maccabee, Bill Moore has acknowledged that Doty confessed to forging the Ellsworth AFB document. Further, Doty's typewriter at Kirtland AFB OSI has been implicated in the "Weitzel" hoax, and he has provided information to Linda Howe that contradicts the "facts" contained in the Eisenhower briefing paper.
- 4) The primary researcher involved in the MJ-12 affair, Bill Moore, has, by his own account, faked a government ID card and passed himself off as an intelligence operative to at least one individual for a period of over two years. Whether Moore showed Lee Graham a laminated MUFON card, as he now claims, or a genuine government badge of some type remains open to question.

At the beginning of this letter, I asked whether the actions of those involved with the MJ-12 affair tended to suggest a genuine release of authentic UFO-related information to the public or, on the other hand, a disinformation campaign (or for that matter, a simple hoax). I hope that those who are truly committed to finding the answer to this question will now renew their efforts. Hard questions must be put to Moore. Evasive answers and self-serving pronouncements from him should no longer be tolerated. I trust that those who have acted in good faith, including Jaime Shandera and Stanton Friedman, will be among his toughest questioners.

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- a) That my letter of October 17, 1987 to JUST CAUSE Editor Barry J. Greenwood and JUST CAUSE Publisher Larry Fawcett truthfully and accurately described my meeting with AFOSI Special Agent Richard C. Doty at the AFOSI office at Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 9, 1983;
- b) That Special Agent Doty showed me several pages entitled "Briefing Paper for the President of the United States of America" on the subject of unidentified flying vehicles.
- 2. I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing statements are true.

SIGNED: Linda Moulton Howe

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Dear Barry and Larry:

This letter is to follow up the paragraph in the last JUST CAUSE publication, Page 8, Number 13, September 1987, about my and others' receiving information from AFOSI Special Agent Richard Doty.

First, some corrections and clarifications.

- 1) "Majestic" is not the only reference I have heard for the UFO special studies group known as MJ-12. I have also heard "Majority," "Majic," "the Club," "the Committee" and 54/12. The letter-number combination is consistent with British and other intelligence organizations' longtime use of letter-number combinations as neutral titles for sensitive subjects. The confusion of different names could be another result of the disinformation and information-tracking plan used by MJ-12 since the 1940's to manipulate and confuse people investigating the UFO phenomenon.
- 2) The Nordic-type extraterrestrials, or "blonds," were known to me as the "Talls," in contrast to the small "Grays" or "Little Guys." (I believe the term "Highs" was used by Paul Bennewitz, Albuquerque.)
- 3) The time of my meeting with Mr. Doty was April 1983, not 1984. The location was the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque, New Mexico. It was then known as AFOSI District 17. Later its designation changed to AFOSI District 14-06. Mr. Doty showed me an identification badge which named him as Richard C. Doty, Special Agent (SA), Air Force Office of Special Investigations. That matched the title and signature name on the now well-circulated 1980 Kirtland AFOSI documents concerning the UFO intrusions at the Manzano nuclear weapons storage area in Coyote Canyon at Kirtland.

In early 1983, I was working on the script for a documentary about the UFO phenomenon for Home Box Office (HBO). The meeting with Agent Doty had been arranged by Peter Gersten, the New York attorney working then with the Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS) which your publication represents. Attorney Gersten had met with Richard Doty and author/Focus publisher William L. Moore in Albuquerque on January 10, 1983. I understand Mr. Gersten also met privately with Agent Doty the following day. Mr. Gersten told me that Richard Doty had information about the 1977 or 1978 Ellsworth UFO landing (dates vary with different sources). Mr. Gersten said Agent Doty was willing to talk to me about Ellsworth and a meeting occurred at the AFOSI office at Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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During the conversation, Agent Doty handed me some typed pages which were titled simply "Briefing Paper for the President of the United States" about the subject of unidentified flying vehicles. There was no designation of a specific president nor do I remember a specific date. Agent Doty said he had been asked by his superiors to show me the briefing paper, that I could ask questions, but could not take notes. The content described a series of crashed UFO discs at Aztec and Roswell, New Mexico; Kingman, Arizona; and a crash in Mexico. Extraterrestrial bodies from the downed crafts were retrieved and taken to laboratories for examination. The paper also described information from direct contact with the "Grays" about their extraterrestrial intervention and manipulation of the human race's biological, sociological and religious evolution. The paper outlined the government's efforts since the 1940's to ascertain the origin, nature and motives of the E. T.'s through Project Sign, Grudge, Gleem, Pounce, Blue Book and others and concluded with a list of some current projects: Sigma (communication with E.T.s), Snowbird (E.T. craft technology and efforts to fly one), Aquarius (overall research and contact program re: E.T.s) -- and one "closed" project with a name similar to Garnet which involved the E. T. connection with human evolution.

Agent Doty said I was being shown the briefing paper because the government intended to release to me several thousand feet of color and black and white film taken between 1947 and 1964 showing crashed UFO discs and extraterrestrial bodies as historic footage to be included in the HBO documentary, supported with official government confirmation. The term "Ebe" was also used to describe the "Grays," a government acronym for "extraterrestrial biological entity/s." Agent Doty said I would be contacted by other people regarding security and screening arrangements of the historic footage.

I called the Director of the Documentary Department at HBO and told her about the meeting and the pending release of government film. She and I agreed that complete silence was warranted until actual film, photos or other evidence were forthcoming.

But by the end of May, Agent Doty informed me that the historic UFO footage would not be released until a later date because of some "political delays." He also informed me that he was officially out of the film project, but that others would continue to contact me. Without the promised film or at least official signed letters of intention to release the film, HBO unfortunately decided the documentary production phase should not go forward. That decision is perhaps what the government's goal was all along.

I had done the 77-minute "A STRANGE HARVEST" documentary about the animal mutilation mystery for the CBS affiliate in Denver. That film contained many first hand testimonies associating glowing discs and/or tripod marks with pastures where mutilated animals had been found in great numbers in the 1970's and tapering off in numbers through the 1980's in geographic areas as diverse as Canada, the United States, Mexico, South America, parts of Europe and the Canary Islands off the coast of Africa. It was implied to me between 1983 and 1984 that my documentary "upset" some government people who do not want UFOs and animal mutilations associated in public media. Thus, a logical conclusion is that MJ-12 did not want that same filmmaker who did A STRANGE HARVEST to focus on the UFO phenomena for a national TV audience.

In spite of the HBO decision, there were other contacts with me about MJ-12's desire to release some of the historic UFO footage in a documentary broadcast, perhaps on PBS. But no film was ever released to me and I have no knowledge about AFOSI Special Agent Richard Doty's specific UFO work or contacts with other UFO researchers after the summer of 1983.

It should be noted that in a November 1975 radio broadcast in Houston, Texas that California film and TV writer Robert Emenegger told radio interviewer Frank Haley that in the early 1970's another government release of UFO footage was promised. Emenegger was working with Sandler Films in Los Angeles on a documentary called UFOS: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE, narrated by the late Rod Sterling. Emenegger and Sandler were promised historic footage about a UFO landing at Holloman Air Force Base to be included in the documentary for national broadcast in 1974. That footage was also withheld.

I, for one, have no doubt about the existence of an invisible and very powerful government entity challenged with extraterrestrial relations, communications, research and technology development — whether it's called MJ-12, 54/12 or any other name. Its first mission was to retrieve and analyze the crashed discs and extraterrestrial bodies in the 1940's. In 1987, is MJ-12 still troubled, confused and in conflict within its own ranks about the consequences of the E.T.s' presence on this planet? Or do they know that we are nearing the end of some kind of Earth cycle superimposed from out there which will permanently change the fate of all of us? If so, perhaps MJ-12 has decided that public ignorance is still economic and public bliss, until ...?

Sincerely,

Linda Moulton Howe

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- - 1. On 2 Sept 80, SOURCE related on 8 Aug 80, three Security Policemen assigned to 1608 SPS, KAFB, NM, on duty inside the Manzano Weapons Storage Area sighted an unidentified light in the air that traveled from North to South over the Coyote Canyon area of the Department of Defense Restricted Test Range on KAFB, NM. The Security Policemen Identified as: SSGT STEPHEN FERENZ, Area Supervisor, AIC MARTIN W. RIST and AMN ANTHONY D. FRAZIER, were later interviewed separately by SOURCE and all three related the same statement; At approximately 2350hrs., while on duty in Charlie Sector, East Side of Manzano, the three observed a very bright light in the sky approximately 3 miles North-North East of their position. The light traveled with great speed and stopped suddenly in the sky over Coyote Canyon. The three first thought the object was a helicopter, however, after observing the strange aerial maneuvers (stop and go), they felt a helicopter couldn't have performed such skills. The light landed in the Coyote Canyon area. Sometime later, three witnessed the light take off and leave proceeding straight up at a high; speed and disappear.
 - 2. Central Security Control (CSC) inside Manzano, contacted Sandia Security, who conducts frequent building checks on two alarmed structures in the area. They advised that a patrol was already in the area and would investigate.
 - 3. On 11 Aug 80, RUSS CURTIS, Sandia Security, advised that on 9 Aug 80, a Sandia Security Quard, (who wishes his name not be divulged for fear of harassment), related the following: At approximately 0020hrs., he was driving East on the Coyote Canyon access road on a routine building check of an alarmed structure . As he approached the structure he observed a bright light near the ground behind the structure. He also observed an object he first thought was a helicopter. But after driving closer, he observed a round disk shaped object. He attempted to radio for a back up patrol but his radio would not work. As he approached the object on foot armed with a shotgun, the object took off in a vertical direction at a high rate of speed. The guard was a former helicopter mechanic in the U.S. Army and stated the object he observed was not a helicopter.
 - 4. SOURCE advised on 22 Aug 80, three other security policemen observed the same '

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aerial phenomena described by the first three. Again the object landed in Coyote Canyon. They did not see the object take off.

- 5. Coyote Canyon is part of a large restricted test range used by the Air Force Weapons Laboratory, Sandia Laboratories, Defense Nuclear Agency and the Department of Energy. The range was formerly patrolled by Sandia Security, however, they only conduct building checks there now.
- 6. On 10 Aug 80, a New Mexico State Patrolman signted awaerial object land in the Manzano's between Belen and Albuquerque, NM. The Patrolman reported the sighting to the Kirtland AFB Command Post, who later referred the patrolman to the AFOSI Dist 17. AFOSI Dist 17 advised the patrolman to make a report through his own agency. On 11 Aug 80, the Kirtland Public Information office advised the patrolman the USAF no longer investigates such sightings unless they occurs on as USAF base.
- 7. WRITER contacted all the agencies who utilized the test range and it was learned no aerial tests are conducted in the Coyote Caryon area. Only ground tests are conducted.
- 8. On 8 Sept 80, WRITER learned from Sændia Security that another Security Guard observed a object lænd near an alarmed structure sometime during the first week of August, but did not report it until just recently for fear of harassment.
- 9. The two alarmed structures located within the area contains HQ CR 44 material.

Dear Sir;

On July 16, 1980, at between 10:30 - 10:45AM, Craig R. Weitzel, 644 Wind Glove Rd, Marietta, Georgia, a Civil Air Patrol Cadet from Dobbins AFE, Ga. visiting Kirtland AFB, NM, observed a dull metallic colored UFO flying from South to North near Pecos New Mexico. Pecos has a secret training site for the 1550th Aircrew Training and Testing Wing, Kirtland AFB, NM. WEITZEL was with ten other individuals, including USAF active duty airmen, and all witnessed the sightings. WEITZEL took some pictures of the object. WEITZEL went closer to the UFO and observed the UFO land in a clearing approximately 250 yds, NNW of the training area. WEITZEL observed an individual dressed in a metallic suit depart the craft and walk a few feet away. The individual was outside the craft for just a few minutes. When the individual returned the craft took off towards the NW.

On July 17, 1980, at about 2210hrs., Weitzel was in his temporary billets on Kirtland AFB, N4, when an individual dressed in a dark suit, came to his door. The individual was described by Weitzel as being: 6'3" tall, weight, 170 lbs, slender built, dark black hair, dark eyes, wearing sunglasses, narrow shaped face. The individual identified himself as a Mr. Huck from Sandia Laboratories, a secret Depart of Energy Contractor on Kirtland AFE. Mr. Weitzel, not being from the Albuquerque area, did not know what Sandia was. After obraining an explantation from the individual, Weitzel allowed the individual in. The individual told Weitzel that he saw something vesterday near Pecos that he shouldn't have seen. The individual stated the craft was a secret craft from Los Alamos, NM. The individual demanded all the photographs. Mr. Weitzed explained that he didnn't have any photographs, that all the photographs were with a USAF airman and Weitzel didn't know the individuals name. The individual warmed Weitzel not to mention the sighting to anyone or Weitzel would be in serious trouble. After the individual left Weitzels room, Weitzel wondered how the individual knew of the sighting because Weitzel didn't report the sighting to anyone. Weitzel became scared after thinking of the threat the individual made. Weitzel call the Kirtland AFB Security Police and reported the incident to them. They referred the incident to the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), which investigates these matters according to the security police. A Mr. Dody, a special agent with OSI, spoke with Weitzel and took a report. Mr. Dody also obtained all the photographs of the UFU. Dody told Weitzel he would look into the matter. That was the last anyone heard of the incident.

I am a USAF Airman assigned to the 1550th Aircrew Training and Testing Wing at Kirtland AFB, NM. I was with Weitzel during the sighting, however, I did not see the craft land. I spoke with Weitzel after this Mr. Huck visited him. Weitzel was very upset and wanted something done about it. But after Weitzel spoke with the OSI, Weitzel changed his attitude. Weitzel didn't want to talk about the matter anymore. I called and spoke with Mr. Dody. He disavowed any knowledge of the photographs and stated Weitzel decided not to make a report of the sighting.

I have every reason to believe the USAF is covering up something. I spent a lot of time looking into this matter and I know there is more to it than the USAF will say. I have heard rumors, but serious rumors here at Kirtland

that the USAF has a crashed UFO stored in the Manzano Storage area, which is located in a remote area of Kirtland AFB. This area is heavily guarded by USAF Security. I have spoke with two employees of Sandia Laboratories, who also store classified objects in Manzano, and they told me that Sandia has examined several UFO's during the last 20 years. One that crashed near Roswell NM in the late 50's was examined by Sandia scientists. That craft is still being store in Manzano.

I have reason to beleive OSI is conducting a very secret investigation into UFO sightings. OSI took over when Project Blue Book was closed. I was told this by my commander, COL Bruce Purvine. COL Purvine also told me that the investigation was so secret that most employees of OSI doesn't even know it. But COL Purvine told me that Kirtland AFB, AFOSI District 17 has a special secret detachment that investigates sightings around this area. They have also investigated the cattle mutations in New Mexico.

I don't expect you people can do anything about this, but I thought I'd let you know. I must remain anonymous because I ama career ariman with time remaining on active duty. I feel I would be threatened if I disclosed my name. I know that you people can't guarantee my anonymity.

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CRAIG WEITZEL'S SIGHTING

(AS RELATED IN A PHONE CONVERSATION ON DEC. 18, 1985)

The sighting took place on a bright, cloudless day during the summer of 1980, most likely in July or August. At the time Weitzel was a trainee in a summer program for air cadets, and was based at Kirtland AFB, near Albuquerque, New Mexico. On the day of the sighting, Mr. Weitzel and about 25 fellow air cadet. trainees and airmen were in mountainous country about 100-200 miles from Albuquerque. He is not sure of the location, recalls that he swam in the Pecos river that day. The group was on top of a mountain, at an altitude of about 10,000 feet, practicing surface-to-air signalling. They had just completed a "big F", used by someone in trouble on the ground to signal any overhead aircraft that food and water are needed. The letter was made from orange and white parachute panels, and was about 50 feet Someone said "what is that", indicating an object above long. It seemed to Weitzel that it was about ten or fifteen them. thousand feet above them, and was, as he put it, "kind of silvercolored, but darker". It was not conspicuous, but when one person saw it, he could point it out to you. If you held a dime at arm's it would cover your image of the object. length, particularly struck Weitzel, who had some familiarity with the physical principles of flight, was that the object, when first seen, was very close to hovering. The object stayed in this semihovering mode for about 15 minutes, and then started to move very slowly southward. After moving through about 15 degrees of arc, it then stopped and changed course, moving north again, in effect, reversing its direction. After about five more minutes, "accelerated like you never saw anything accelerate before", and "that was it".

When the group got back to the base, he filed a report. He remembers thinking it peculiar that none of the Air Force personnel with whom the air cadets were training did so.

(This summary of a phone conversation with Craig Weitzel was typed by Benton Jamison)

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Typographical and Stylistic Source Analysis of: (A) Anonymous 1980-1981 Letter

- (A) Anonymous 1980-1981 Letter to APRO
- (B) "Alleged Sightings," AFOSI Complaint Form by R. C. Doty, 8 Sep 80
- (C) "Frequency Jamming," Alleged AFOSI Complaint Form, ca. 14 Aug 80

After extensive analysis of photocopies of the above-cited three documents (A, B and C), it is my conclusion that they probably were composed and/or typed by the same person using the same typewriter.

Document B presumably is a genuine document, having been officially released in 1982 by the U.S. Air Force under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S. Code 552). Therefore, the author of Document B, AFOSI Special Agent Richard C. Doty, or some associate or subordinate of Doty's who makes official records in his name, probably is the author of Documents A and C.

The evidence for the identity of authorship is that each of the three documents (A, B and C) displays the following peculiar electromechanical and stylistic traits in common:

 Misalignment of lower case letter "u" so that it is shifted slightly below the level of the rest of the letters in every line of type in each of Documents A, B and C. The amount of misalignment is on the order of 0.1 millimeter.

In light of points 2 and 3 below, this is indicative of an electromechanical fault probably characteristic of one specific typewriter.

- Absence of any other systematic or frequent letter misalignments or peculiarities in each of Documents A, B and C.
- 3. Use of Esquire 10 (Pica) Typestyle in each of Documents A, B and C.
- 4. Unusual personal stylistic trait where the numerals for time and the abbreviations "hrs." or "AM" are joined without a space in between. These appear in

Document A: "10;45AM" (sic)

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Document C: "2215hrs."

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This analyst has reviewed tens of thousands of pages of U.S. Air Force records including several thousand pages of AFOSI (Air Force Office of Special Investigations) records, which in turn included several hundred pages of AFOSI documents from Doty's District 17 Office. Not a single instance of such a stylistic trait is recalled.

5. Stylistic trait of blacking out or penning in corrections to misspellings and typographical errors. Examples appear only in Documents A and B (2 and 5 instances, respectively) as Document C apparently was short enough and sufficiently accurate in typography as to not need such corrections.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE 'ELLSWORTH CASE'

By BOB PRATT Editor, MUFON UFO Journal

A story gaining credence among some UFO researchers concerns the reported landing of a UFO near a missile site in South Dakota on November 16, 1977, with the UFO's occupants stealing the missile's nuclear components and wounding a security policeman.

It has come to be known as the "Ellsworth Case" because the missile site is under the command of Ellsworth Air Force Base near Rapid City, South Dakota.

As one of those who investigated the alleged incident, I can say positively that it never happened.

Unfortunately, some people choose to believe otherwise. Let me explain some of what I know about the "Ellsworth Case" and perhaps we can lay it to rest.

The background

On February 9, 1978, when I was a

staff reporter for the National Enquirer, we received an anonymous letter at our Florida offices that was mailed from Rapid City. Because it apparently involved UFOs, it was turned over to Bill Dick, then an articles editor responsible for most UFO stories.

It contained what appeared to be a carbon copy of an official U.S. Air Force incident report, plus a brief, unsigned, typewritten note. The report was stamped FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY at top and bottom.

Supposedly from the commander of the 44th Missile Security Squadron, it described the incident as a Helping-Hand (security violation)/Covered Wagon (security violation) at Lima 9 (68th SMSq Area), 7 miles SW of Nisland, SD, at 2100 hours on 16 Nov. 77.

The person identified as receiving the report was Paul D. Hinzman, SSgt, USAF, Comm/Plotter, Wing Security

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As a result, I was attacked by the debunkers because Stan Deyo is on that magic list of people that they say to avoid. On the other hand, I was accused by some pro-UFO people of giving credence to his work because I mentioned what I saw. Neither side really cares about the details; they simply want to be the censors. I resent this.

Over the years I have communicated with people on all sides of the UFO controversy and I believe I have gained worthwhile information as a result. I have duplicated and mailed large piles of information, not because I agreed with the content; but because it was part of the data base and I felt it should be considered by those knowledgable in the field. I hoped new ideas would germinate and grow as a result of this free flow of information. It is a challenge I will not abandon, but I must admit my hopes for success are

dwindling.

The common thread found in the reasoning of people dropping out may be summarized as follows: They dislike intimidation and unprofessional treatment, petty bickering upsets them, censorship or the withholding of information makes then feel left out, and they would like to see strong, but thoughtful leadership in their organizations.

Ufologists are finding themselves at a turning point. Many are yielding to outside pressure and some are dropping out. Others are playing the game of "gotcha" with their fellow ufologists. If someone does not rise above petty organizational politics and the senseless attacks on the workers to lead this army of volunteers, then the present organizations will become ineffective little clubs at best. The ultimate solution to the UFO puzzle will never be realized and the countless victims of UFO encounters in the future will suffer needlessly.

Control. It stated that two security policemen were involved, identified as Airmen First Class Kenneth C. Jenkins and Wayne E. Raeke (pronounced RAY Key, we learned later).

It also said the incident was investigated by Captain Larry D. Stokes and TSgt. Robert E. Stewart. The identity numbers and squdron assignments of all these men were also given.

An OZ alert

Briefly, the report (see illustrations) said that at 10:59 PM on November 16, 1977, an OZ, or Outer Zone, alarm had been activated at Lima Nine missile site (meaning the missile compound had been penetrated) and that Jenkins and Raeke had been dispatched as a Security Alert Team (SAT) from the Lima Launch Control Facility, some 35 minutes away by road.

Upon arriving at Lima Nine, Raeke went to the rear fence line, where he encountered an individual dressed in a glowing green metallic uniform and helmet, who fired some kind of weapon, disintegrating Raeke's rifle and burning his hands and arms.

Jenkins radioed for help, carried Raeke back to the SAT vehicle and then returned to the rear fence line himself. There, he saw two similarly dressed individuals, ordered them to a halt and when they didn't he shot them both, one through the shoulder and the other through the helmet. However, within seconds both rose up and disappeared over a hill. Jenkins followed them and saw them enter a 20-foot-diameter saucer shaped object, which immediately took off and vanished over the horizon.

Investigators later found that the missile's nuclear components were missing. Meanwhile, the injured Raeke was air-evacuated to an undisclosed location.

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The unsigned note claimed the incident actually did happen, that the writer (who couldn't give his name because he was still on active duty) was part of the investigation team and that the Air Force had imposed extremely tight security on the whole thing.

Reaction

Obviously, this was a fantastic story, if it was true. The report form certainly seemed authentic, but the report itself sounded very much like a hoax. However, it had to be checked out.

We were certain the Air Force would deny it, either way, so we did not make any immediate attempt to verify it through official channels. However, we did make a number of phone calls to Ellsworth and Rapid City and, to our surprise, everyone named in the report actually did exist.

Furthermore, everyone was then on duty — except one. We could not reach Raeke, the airman allegedly burned and evacuated. The phone number given for him by the Base Locater simply didn't answer, as if it had been disconnected.

By the end of the day we began to believe there might be something to this after all, and we decided to take a firsthand look.

Everything was handled in great secrecy to protect any exclusive story that might develop. The next morning, Bill Dick and I and Tony Brenna, a

GLOSSARY

Helping Hand: Minor security violation.

Covered Wagon: More serious violation.

Com/Plotter: Communications plotter.

AIC: Airman first class.

WSC: Wing Security Control.

OZ: Outer Zone

L-9: Lima Nine, code name for missile site number nine in the Lima Missile Flight, consisting of ten missile sites.

FSO: Flight security officer.

Security Option II: Pre-set response to serious security breach, involving the recall of all off-duty security personnel and additional manning of all missile sites.

Base CSC: Central Security Control for the entire base.

BAF: Backup Alert Force.

SAT Vehicle: Truck used by Security Alert Team for response to alarms.

10-13 Distress: Radio code signal for "security policeman needing assistance."

MOD: Medical officer of the day.

SAC: Strategic Air Command. 44SMW: 44th Strategic Missile

MSS: Missile Security Squadron.

68th SMSq: 68th Strategic Missile Squadron.

ETA: Estimated time of arrival.

senior reporter, flew off to Rapid City, and only two or three other people on the staff knew where we were for the next ten days.

In Rapid City, we spent the first day and a half quietly seeking any information that would indicate the incident had taken place. We also tried to take a look at Lima Nine, but roads leading to it were blocked by snowdrifts.

From the moment we arrived we had tried repeatedly to reach Jenkins and Raeke by phone and finally got through to Jenkins late on Saturday afternoon. Without being specific as to what we wanted, we tried to pursuade him to come into town and talk to us. However, he was extremely suspicious and refused.

On Sunday morning, we decided

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to make our first direct contact. Both Sergeant Hinzman and Captain Stokes lived in the city, and I went to Hinzman's home and Brenna went to see Stokes.

Hinzman was polite and courteous and he invited me into his home. When I related the story told in the report, he reacted with interest and genuine surprise, wondering why he had never heard about the incident before.

Discrepancies

Then, as we discussed the incident, he began to point out a few things wrong, including the fact that he was not a communications plotter for Wins Security Control but had a job connected with missile maintenace. He also said Sergeant Stewart's first name was Roderick, not Robert, and that Captain Stokes was not a Flight Security Officer (FSO), as the report said, but was in charge of all the FSOs for all the missile flights under Ellsworth's command.

Across town, Brenna was hearing the same thing from Stokes, who also said that he had been in a hospital on the date in question. Stokes phoned the base to inquire about the incident and a short while later, before Brenna left Stokes' home, Brenna received a phone call from Security headquarters at the base. He was asked to stop questioning Air Force personnel off base and was told that if we wanted to discuss the matter we were welcome to come to Security headquarters on Monday. Brenna agreed.

That afternoon, a third reporter, Eric Mishara, flew in from another assignment and joined us. He rented a four-wheel-drive vehicle and spent most of the following week interviewing ranchers and others in the neighborhood of Lima Nine. He found no one who knew anything about the incident.

On Monday morning, Dick, Brenna and I went to Ellsworth, but instead of talking with Security officials we were re-routed to the office of Major Arthur Jungwirth, information officer for the base.

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phone calls, he assured us that nothing of that nature had ever happened. Then, over the next five days, he arranged for us to interview in his office all of the key people named in the report — including Raeke, who had simply been out in the field for a number of days.

Ellsworth commands Lima and 14 other missile flights consisting of 10 missiles each, all scattered across 13,500 square miles of western South

Dakota. Security policemen such as Raeke and Jenkins (who, we later became convinced, had never met one another) spend a minimum of 72 hours in the field and often more when winter snows closed the roads

As for the phone in Raeke's living quarters, it was simply out of order.

We were allowed to tape record all interviews, and everyone we talked to

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answered virtually all of our questions (one sergeant said his personal life was none of our business).

Jungwirth also gave us photocopies of Security Police Desk Blotters for both Lima Launch Control Facility and Wing Security Control, which were minute-by-minute logs of all activities on November 16 and 17. Everything was routine.

He also gave us copies of hospital records showing when Captain Stokes was admitted and discharged.

We meet Racke

Early in the week we talked with Raeke by phone while he was out in the field. On Thursday, when he returned to the base, he immediately came to Jungwirth's office and again submitted to our questions.

Raeke also rolled up his sleeves and allowed us to photograph his hands and arms, which bore no signs of any injuries.

Jungwirth, who also arranged for us to interview several other people not named in the report, was exceedingly cooperative throughout.

During the week, we managed to take a good look at Lima Nine. Contrary to what the report said, there is no hill behind it and no way anyone could take cover from someone wanting to shoot at them. The area around the compound is quite flat, although there is a hill a quarter of a mile to the west.

On Saturday, after nine days in Rapid City, Dick, Mishara and I returned to Florida while Brenna flew to Raeke's hometown in Indiana. There, he obtained a copy of the high school yearbook and verified that Raeke was, indeed, Raeke. He also checked with the director of the funeral home, who told us that Raeke was home on leave

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103 OLDTOWNE RD. SEGUIN, TX 78155 The incident stated in the attached report actually occurred. The incident stated in the attached report actually occurred. The fact Porce appointed a special team of individuals to investigate the incident. I was one of those individuals. I am still on active duty and so I connot state my mane at this time. It is not that I do not trust the Enquirer (I sure jou would treat my mane with confidence) but I do: not trust others. The incident which occurred on 16 Nov 77, was classified top secret on 2 Dec 77. At that time I obtained a copy of the original report. I thought at that time that the Air Force would probably buth the whole abstract at the time that the Air Force would

probably hush the whole thing up, and they did. The Air Force wou the silence on I Dec 77, after which, the report was classified. There were 16 pictures taken at the scene. I do not have access to the pictures at this time.

The unsigned note that accompanied alleged report

on November 16, attending his grandfather's funeral.

Dear Enquirer;

Tapes PSE'd

Back in Florida, I took all the tape casettes to C.R. McQuiston, an expert in PSE, or Psychological Stress Analysis. He analyzed the tapes and concluded that there was no reason to suspect that anyone we talked to in Jungwirth's office was telling us anything but the truth.

However, McQuiston found sufficient stress in the tape of one person not named in the report to suspect he might have perpetrated the hoax. Some days later, Brenna returned to Rapid City and confronted that person. However, the man denied being involved, and the matter was dropped.

We found more than 20 discrepancies or errors in the report — wrong names, numbers, occupations, physical layouts and so on. Had the Security Option alert mentioned in the report taken place, it would have involved all security personnel at the base, and everyone at the base and in Rapid City (population 45,000 plus) would have known about if.

It would be easy to say the Air Force falsified numerous documents, muzzled everyone on the base and in the city, published a phony high school yearbook, and so on, but that is highly unlikely.

The fact that the story is now circulating is perhaps my own fault. Several years later I described the whole thing to several UFO

researchers as an example of hoaxes, and I probably passed on a copy of the alleged report. From there, the report gained a life of its own.

Unfortunately, one researcher later was told by an Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) agent that the incident really did happen, and that is all some people needed. What the agent's motive was, I don't know. I have been told recently that he has since admitted it never did occur.

Last June, a national weekly magazine carried a story on the "Ellsworth Case," and quoted a well known UFO researcher with several books to his credit as saying it did happen and that the Air Force "had snowed the investigators." Perhaps he was misquoted. If not, his own credibility is in question.

We spent a total of 44 man-days investigating this at a cost to the Enquirer (counting salaries, expenses, etc.) of more than \$15,000. We had no doubt that the incident as described in the so-called report never occurred.

NEW ADDRESS

UFO News-Flash, the Englishlanguage bulletin containing Italy's UFO reports and news, has changed address. All correspondence must be sent to the new editor's address:

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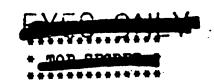
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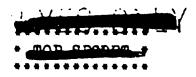
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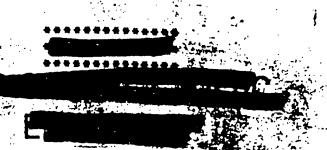
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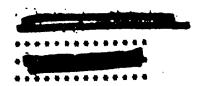
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On 24 June, 1947, a civilian pilot flying over the Cascade Mountains in the State of Washington observed nine flying disc-shaped aircraft traveling in formation at a high rate of speed. Although this was not the first known sighting of such objects, it was the first to gain widespread attention in the public media. Hundreds of reports of sightings of similar objects followed. Many of these came from highly credible military and civilian sources. These reports resulted in independent efforts by several different elements of the military to ascertain the nature and purpose of these objects in the interests of national defense. A number of witnesses were interviewed and there were several unsuccessful attempts to utilize aircraft in efforts to pursue reported discs in flight. Public reaction bordered on near hysteria at times.

In spite of these efforts, little of substance was learned about the objects until a local rancher reported that one had crashed in a remote region of New Mexico located approximately seventy-five miles northwest of Roswell Army Air Base (now Walker Field).

On O7 July, 1947, a secret operation was begun to assure recovery of the wreckage of this object for scientific study. During the course of this operation, aerial reconnaissance discovered that four small human-like beings had apparently ejected from the craft at some point before it exploded. These had fallen to earth about two miles east of the wreckage site. All four were dead and badly decomposed due to action by predators and exposure to the elements during the approximately one week time period which had elapsed before their discovery. A special scientific team took charge of removing these hodies for study. (See Attachment "C".) The wreckage of the craft was also removed to several different locations. (See Attachment "B".) Civilian and military witnesses in the area were debriefed, and news reporters were given the effective cover story that the object had been a misguided weather research balloon.

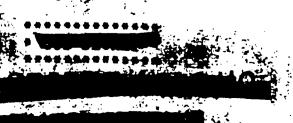




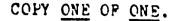
A covert analytical effort organized by Gen. Twining and Dr. Bush acting on the direct orders of the President, resulted in a preliminary concensus (19 September, 1947) that the disc was most likely a short range reconnaissance craft. This conclusion was based for the most part on the craft's size and the apparent lack of any identifiable provisioning. (See Attachment "D".) A similar analysis of the four dead occupants was arranged by Dr. Bronk. It was the tentative conclusion of this group (30 November, 1947) that although these creatures are human-like in appearance, the biological and evolutionary processes responsible for their development has apparently been quite different from those observed or postulated in homo-sapiens. Dr. Bronk's team has suggested the term "Extra-terrestrial Biological Entities", or "ERES", he adopted as the standard term of reference for these creatures until such time as a more definitive designation can be agreed upon.

Since it is virtually certain that these craft do not originate in any country on earth, considerable speculation has centered around what their point of origin might be and how they get here. Mars was and remains a possibility, although some scientists, most notably Dr. Menzel, consider it more likely that we are dealing with beings from another solar system entirely.

Numerous examples of what appear to be a form of writing were found in the wreckage. Efforts to decipher these have remained largely unsuccessful. (See Attachment "E".) Equally unsuccessful have been efforts to determine the method of propulsion or the nature or method of transmission of the power source involved. Research along these lines has been complicated by the complete absence of identifiable wings, propellers, jets, or other conventional methods of propulsion and guidance, as well as a total lack of metallic wiring, vacuum tubes, or similar recognizable electronic components. (See Attachment "P".) It is assumed that the propulsion unit was completely destroyed by the explosion which caused the crash.



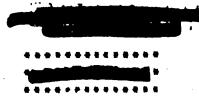
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A need for as much additional information as possible about these craft, their performance characteristics and their nurpose led to the undertaking known as U.S. Air Force Project SIGN in December, 1947. In order to preserve security, liason between SIGN and Majestic-12 was limited to two individuals within the Intelligence Division of Air Materiel Command whose role was to pass along certain types of information through channels. SIGN evolved into Project GRUDGE in December, 1948. The operation is currently being conducted under the code name BLUE BOOK, with liason maintained through the Air Force officer who is head of the project.

On O6 December, 1950, a second object, probably of similar origin, impacted the earth at high speed in the El Indio - Guerrero area of the Texas - Mexican boder after following a long trajectory through the atmosphere. By the time a search team arrived, what remained of the object had been almost totally incinerated. Such material as could be recovered was transported to the A.S.C. facility at Sandia, New Mexico, for study.

Implications for the National Security are of continuing importance in that the motives and ultimate intentions of these visitors remain completely unknown. In addition, a significant upsurge in the surveillance activity of these craft beginning in May and continuing through the autumn of this year has caused considerable concern that new developments may be imminent. It is for these reasons, as well as the obvious international and technological considerations and the ultimate need to avoid a public panic at all costs, that the Majestic-12 Group remains of the unanimous opinion that imposition of the strictest security precautions should continue without interruption into the new administration. At the same time, continuency plan MJ-1949-04P/78 (Top Secret - Ryes Only) should he held in continued readiness should the need to make a public announcement present itself. (See Attachment "G".)



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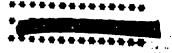
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ENUMERATION OF ATTACHMENTS:

- *ATTACHMENT "A"......Special Classified Executive Order #092447. (TS/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "B".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #1, Part A. 30 NOV '47. (TS-MAJIC/BO)
- "ATTACHMENT "C".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #1, Part B. 30 NOV '47. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "D".....Operation Majestic-12 Preliminary
 Analytical Report. 19 SEP '47.
 (TS-MAJIC/E0)
- *ATTACHMENT "E".....Operation Majestic-12 Blue Team Report #5. 30 JUN '52. (TS-MAJIC/E0)
- *ATTACHMENT "P".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #2. 31 JAN '48. (TS-MAJIC/BO)
- *ATTACHMENT "G".....Operation Majestic-12 Contingency Plan MJ-1949-04P/78: 31 JAN '49. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "H"......Operation Majestic-12, Maps and Photographs Polio (Extractions). (TS-MAJIC/EO)

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ATTACHMENT "A"



Freedom of Information Act Request (5 U.S.C. 552) Defense Investigative Service 1900 Half St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20324-1700

Dear Sirs:

This is a follow-up letter to my request (see enclosure A), which you responded to with reply (see enclosure B).

When I received a copy of the document (see enclosure B2), I made a request to my security office (see enclosure C) seeking to authenticate or repudiate the claims made in this document. I did this, because I do not have a Top Secret clearance and was, therefore, concerned if a breach of security may have been made.

My security office made no request to me to surrender the document (see enclosure B2) making the assumption that it had been released and that I could share same with anyone.

The document (see enclosure B2) had been given to me to (in turn) give a second copy (also provided by the source and as yet not reproduced by me) to researcher John Andrews for authenticating.

Mr. John Andrews of the Testor Corporation is a fellow aircraft buff and expert on the histories of the development of the CIA/USAF Lockheed U-2 (see enclosure D), the CIA/USAF Lockheed A-12/SR-71/D-21 aircraft (see enclosure E) and the alleged USAF/Lockheed F-19 stealth fighter which I have recently become most interested in (see enclosure F).

Following the request of my security office to you (see letter C), to invetigate the document (see enclosure B2), my neighbors, my landlady, and my fellow employees began telling me, that you (the Defense Investigative Service) had approached them asking various questions about me and MOST SPECIFICALLY about my interest in investigating the UFO phenomena, i. e., in authenticating the document (see enclosure B2). It was this investigation (without yet informing me), that led me to make the request that I did (see enclosure A).

Upon giving the copy (given to me) of the document (see enclosure B2) to John Andrews, I was informed by him, that this document had to have been released, and that it was the intention of its source (through me) to disseminate same among the members of the Aerospace community in which I work, and this I did as so indicated to me. Indeed, the source of the document (see enclosure B2) had indicated to me that he had been approached by AFOSI for that very purpose, i. e., to disseminate information to the Public in order to convince them that the UFO phenomena was real and of extrater-restrial origin.

Upon disseminating this document among my fellow employees, some individuals became concerned, resulting in the memo (see enclosure G).

On the 19th of March 1986 I was interviewed by two agents (Alex March and James Kirk) representing the Defense Investgative Service (see enclosure H). In the course of this interview, Mr. Kirk stated that this document (see enclosure B2) had been sanitized for release and that I was free to share same with anyone or make FOIA requests as to its authenticity (see enclosure I) and the agency of its origin. I asked if there were agencies within our Government who approach individuals (researchers) like myself for the express purpose of "leaking" such documentation and was told... "Yes, the Office of Air Force Investigations is one of them!"

I was asked who gave me the document (see enclosure B2) and I gave his name and address.

I also reported to Mr. Kirk, that the individual who gave me the document (see enclosure B2) had an identification card, just like the one HE and Mr. Naval presented me with, to identify themselves as being agents of the Defense Investigative Service. It is to be noted, that this individual HAS NOT been arrested, nor even interrogated for having this document (see enclosure B2). I MUST, therefore presume that this document is GENUINE and has been released: My security office has identified (to me) agents Alex Naval and James Kirk as being with the Defense Investigative Service.

Having been told that this document (see enclosure B2) had been sanitized for release, I shared this information with the source (who provided me the copy of same) and he affirmed that the document HAD, indeed been released.

Prior to having been given the sanitized copy of this page (see enclosure B2) of this document, I was shown the same page, which had NO censoring at all! I MUST, therefore, presume that this document (see enclosure B2) in its entirety, has been declassified for release to the American public. I respectfully resquest-

1. A complete uncensored copy of this document (see enclosure (2) and/or the agency to which I should make the request to acquire same.

Thank you for your time, Sir.

Lee M. Graham 526 W. Maple Monrovia, CA 91016 19 or toper 1906

Freedom of Information Act Request (5 U.S.C. 552)
Defense Investigative Service 1900 Half St., S.W.
Washington, D.C.
20324-1700

Dear Sirs:

Please note (see enclosure A) from Mr. C. A. Bowers (Director of Security) to "All Employees", of the Aerojet Electrosystems Corp., dated 6 October, 1986 wherein it is stated—"An industrial inspection was conducted at the Aerojet Azusa facility during the month of September 1986 by the Defense Investigative Service, Industrial Security Representatives. Results of the inspection disclosed that our security program is in accordance with the requirements of the industrial Security Manual."

On 2 October 1986 (prior to this memo), I met with Mr. C. A. Bowers and presented him with a copy of a memo (see enclosure B) detailing my activities and acknowledging his permission to pursue them. Upon reading this memo he made $\underline{\text{NO}}$ request to me to cease my activities and agreed to the content of this memo.

On the 19th of March 1986 (see enclosure C-Cl), I was asked by your agents Alex Naval and James Kirk if I had ever received a classified document. I responded yes and surrendered the copy I had of this (see enclosure D) document to Mr. Kirk. He read the document and returned it to me, stating that it had been sanitized for release and that I was free to share a copy of it with anyone and make FOIA requests as to the agency of its origin.

Mr. Kirk asked me for the name, telephone number, and address of the individual who had provided me with a copy of this document (see enclosure D). I gave him this information, as also I did your agents Joe Moussiaux and Mat Bartenelli on the 18th of September 1986, when they interviewed Mr. Ron Regehr at Aeroject in Azusa, CA. Mr. Regehr collaborates with me on attempting to authenticate this document (see enclosure D). Mr. Moussiaux and Mr. Bartenelli (at this interview) led me to believe that the investigation had <u>ALREADY</u> been <u>COMPLETED</u> on me:

On the 16th of October 1986, I had dinner with the individual who gave me this document (see enclosure D). He stated that he <u>HAD NOT</u> been contacted by <u>ANYONE</u> representing the Defense Investigative Service and that he <u>WOULD NOT BE</u>, because your computor system is flagged not to interview or interrogate him:

Being a high performance aircraft buff, I am seeking to prove the existence of a Mach 6 aircraft Mr. Fletcher Prouty has led me to believe is being test flown in Nevada (see enclosure E-E3). That is why I made the request that I did (see enclosure B #1) which representatives of the Company for which I work believe would be of great value (i. e. the proof).

I am also convinced that the satellite system detailed in (see enclosure F) has detected the aerial object indicated in this article (see enclosure G). That is why I made the request that I did (see enclosure H-HI) which was responded to with (see enclosure J-JI). Seeing that this DOES exist by declaration of OPEN literature (see enclosure K-K2), and noting that YOUR agents have stated (to me) that this document (see enclosure D) HAS been sanitized for release, I made the request that I did (see enclosure B #2), i. e. with the acknowledgement that an extraterrestrial intelligence does exist (the "Aliens", see enclosure D), the statement- "mere existence" (see enclosure J) may now be amended and by permission of my Company's Security Office (see enclosure B), I am free to pursue the fact that this satellite system (see enclosure K-K2) HAS dtected an aerial device of apparent extraterrestrial origin.

I have informed you of these (my) activities, because I have NO intention of violating my Security Clearance and/or our National Security. By the fact that you HAVE NOT interrogated the individual who has led me to pursue/persist in demonstrating that the "Aliens" exist, I MUST believe that is what I am SUPPOSED to do. Seeing that you HAVE completed your investigation (see enclosure A), I respectfully request-

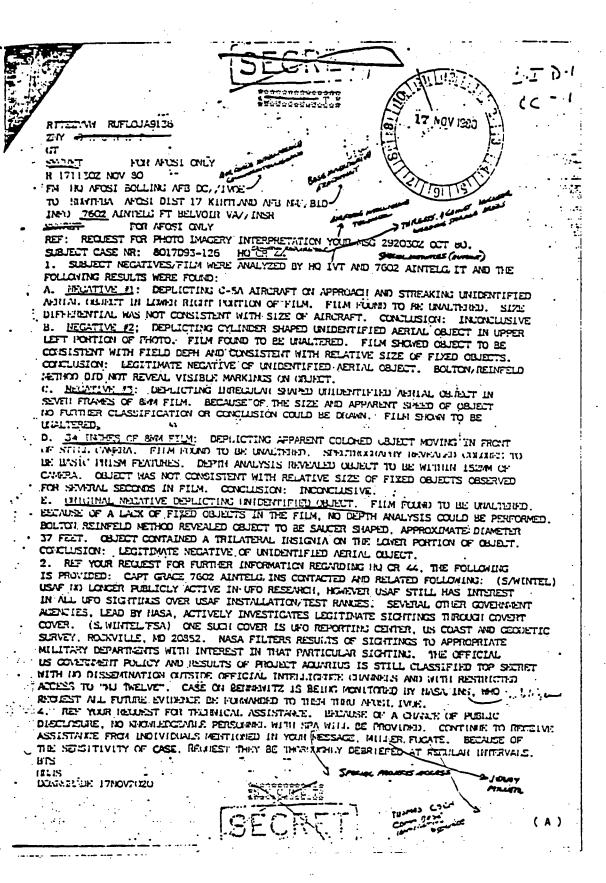
- 1. The release of my records as per your statement (see enclosure C1).
- 2. A statement of authenticity or repudiation of this document (see enclosure D) as WAS promised/STATED by YOUR agents Joe Moussiaux and Mat Bartenelli to Mr. Regehr and myself on the 18th of September 1986 in the Security Office at Aerojet Electrosystems Corporation, in Azusa, CA.

Thank you, for your time, Sir.

Sincerly

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Dear Peter:

To supplement Bruce Maccabee's letter of March 31, which he showed us at an Exec Committee meeting this past Saturday, there are a few things you should know.

- (1) The AFOSI document is not authentic in the sense of not being an original; Moore has retyped it and done a cut and paste job, as he acknowledged in answer to my direct questioning when he attended our meeting three weeks ago. Larry Bryant spotted that it was not an appropriate typeface for AFOSI.
- (2) U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey was long ago absorbed into the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) -- popularly known as "Noah" -something like 10 years ago. I personally checked this in the Government Manual. Most importantly, the changeover occurred many years before this AFOSI document was generated, which may or may not be significant. It is possible that the AFOSI person responding to someone's request for information was not aware of this and was referring to outmoded file material.
- (3) And this is strictly between you and me, when Moore saw the document and request you had referred to us, he badmouthed you, the whole idea of FOIA requests, and every other UFO researcher except -- of course -- him and Stan Friedman. He stated that you had violated an agreement with him and compromised a source knowledgable about "Project Aquarius" that he had lined up.

More and more (and Moore) I am seeing parallels between Moore and, your friend and mine, Todd Zechel, i.e., someone who wants all the action to himself and resents anyone else intruding on his territory. Bruce, apparently, is very taken by Moore, but others of us have our suspicions. I think Bruce lacks some perspective on all this, and I am trusting you to keep peace in the family by not confronting him about it.

If you have any questions about this, my work number is (301) 654-1550, 7:30-4:15 every work day except Thursday when I work at home; home number (301) 779-8683.

Sincerely,

Richard Hall. Secretary-Treasurer

July 14, 1954

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SUBJECT: NGC/MJ-12 Special Studies Project

The President has decided that the MJ-12 SSP briefing should take place during the already scheduled white House meeting of July 16, rather than fellowing it as previously intended. More precise arrangements will be explained to you upon arrival. Please alter your plans accordingly.

Your concurrence in the above change of arrangements is assumed.

> ROBERT CUTLER Special Assistant to the President

from

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Record Order Roll Records of the headquarters United

Washington, DC 20408

Date : July 22, 1987

Reply to
Annof: Military Reference Branch

Subject Reference Report on MJ-12

To The Record

The National Archives has received many requests for documentation and information about "Project MJ-12". Many of the inquiries concern a memorandum from Robert Cutler to General Nathan Twining, dated July 14, 1954. This particular document poses problems for the following reasons:

- 1. The document was located in Record Group 341, entry 267. The series is filed by a Top Secret register number. This document does not bear such a number.
- 2. The document is filed in the folder T4-1846. There are no other documents in the folder regarding "NSC/MJ-12".
- 3. The Military Reference Branch (Edward Reese) has conducted a search in the records of the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Headquarters US Air Force, and in other related files. No further information has been found on this subject.
- 4. Inquiries to the US Air Force, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the National Security Council failed to produce further information.
- 5. The Acting Director of the Freedom of Information Office of the National Security Council informed us that "Top Secret Restricted Information" is a marking which did not come into use at the National Security Council until the Nixon Administration. The Eisenhower Presidential Library also confirms that this particular marking was not used during the Eisenhower Administration.
- 6. The document in question does not bear an official government letterhead or watermark. The NARA conservation

specialist (Mary Ritzenthaler) examined the paper and determined it was a ribbon copy prepared on "dictation onionskin". The Eisenhower Library has examined its collection of the Cutler papers. All documents created by Mr. Cutler while he served on the NSC staff have an eagle watermark in the onionskin carbon paper. Most documents sent out by the NSC were prepared on White House letterhead paper. For the brief period when Mr. Cutler left the NSC, his carbon copies were prepared on "prestige onionskin".

- 7. The Judicial, Fiscal, and Social Branch searched the Official Meeting Minute Files of the National Security Council and found no record of a NSC meeting on July 16, 1954. A search of all NSC Meeting Minutes for July 1954 found no mention of MJ-12 nor Majestic.
- 8. The Judicial, Fiscal, and Social Branch (Mary Ronan) searched the indicies of the NSC records and found no listing for: MJ-12, Majestic, unidentified flying objects, UFO, flying saucers, or flying discs.
- 9. The Judicial, Fiscal, and Social Branch (Mary Ronan) found a memo in a folder titled "Special Meeting July 16, 1954" which indicated that NSC members would be called to a civil defense exercise on July 16, 1954.
- 10. The Eisenhower Library states, in a letter to NNMR, dated July 16, 1987:

"President Eisenhower's Appointment Books contain no entry for a special meeting on July 16, 1954 which might have included a briefing on MJ-12. Even when the President had 'off the record' meetings, the Appointment Books contain entries indicating the time of the meeting and the participants...

The Declassification Office of the National Security Council has informed us that it has no record of any declassification action having been taken on this memorandum or any other documents on this alleged project...

Robert Cutler, at the direction of President Eisenhower, was visiting overseas military installations on the day he supposedly

issued this memorandum --- July 14, 1954. The Administration Series in Eisenhower's Papers as President contains Cutler's memorandum and report to the President upon his return from the trip. The memorandum is dated July 20, 1954 and refers to Cutler's visits to installations in Europe and North Africa between July 3 and 15. Also, within the NSC Staff Papers is a memorandum dated July 3, 1954, from Cutler to his two subordinates, James S. Lay and J. Patrick Coyne, explaining how they should handle NSC administrative matters during his absence; one would assume that if the memorandum to Twining were genuine, Lay or Coyne would have signed it."

JO ANN WILLIAMSON

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SQUIRE AND THE KNAVE (OR BOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE "LA BAMBA")

BY JAIME SHOWDERA.

Dedicated to those who -- despite all common sense, sound judgement, accepted research standards, proven journalistic methods, moral ethics and even the simplest logic -- have stood their ground and kept the FOLLY in Ufology.



THE KNAVES REPORT

SQUIRE: Well my young knave what hath your research wrought?

KNAVE: Sire...

SQUIRE: Squire! Young sprout I have no ambition to be King.

KNAVE: Sorry squire, but the news I have heard is so exciting that I

sometimes forget myself.

SQUIRE: Go on now share that which boggles thy young mind.

KNAVE: Sire..uh..squire, "tis the revelations of Sir Robert of Hastings.

He has proof of the identities of the mysterious FALCON and

CONDOR. The proof is overwhelming. Squire he has talked to many

and has much documentation to support his conclusions.

SQUIRE: This is indeed the greatest of news. There has been so very much

jibberish and unsubstantiated claims and accusations regarding FALCON and CONDOR that it will be refreshing to hear of sound

reporting.

KNAVE: Squire you will be impressed. First, Richard C. Doty, a former

OSI special agent at Kirtland Air Force Base, is FALCON.

SQUIRE: Others have said this, 'tis the proof I await.

KNAVE: Wait no longer Sire..er..Squire. Sir Robert knows this because he

was told by Lady Linda of Moulton & Howe. She states that when she met Doty in 1983 that he identified himself as code-name

FALCON and that he was given this name by Sir William of Moore.

SQUIRE: One moment knave, a knave you'll always be if you don't check facts and bring forth solid information. Lady Linda of Moulton & Howe made no such claims when she first put her story in writing

at the end of 1987. Why would so important a piece of information be missing at that time when she was setting the record straight. I have followed closely statements made public by Lady Linda. She first made a name for herself by studying bovine butchery. She even made a claim to CAUS that she recognized FALCON on the air, in the UFO, COVER-UP-LIVE show. She claims that mannerisms and

speech were the same that she remembered.

KNAVE: Is this not further proof?

SQUIRE: Did Sir Robert check with Sir William of Moore or his partner Sir

Jaime of Hollywood?

KNAVE: No squire he did not. But maybe he thought they wouldn't talk to

him.

SQUIRE: You don't build conclusions on maybes. It is already beginning to look like Sir Robert is really knave Bob "the Hasty". Doesn't it strike you as an amazing quality that Lady Linda could meet with a

person once and then five years later recognize that person disguised on television? What makes her powers even more

miraculous is that when I discussed the process used by Sir Jaime of Hollywood, he defies anyone to make an identification off the screen. In fact there is no mannerism, it is a head and shoulder shot of a person wearing a headset with no light on the person. The voice was run through two devices, the output of which has no

The voice was run through two devices, the output of which has no human voice print. Indeed one must drastically alter their speech pattern simply to be understood. Additionally the video over the face was digitized to further thwart any attempt to identify. I personally checked with sound and video experts and determined this to be true. It is facts that I require not

hearsay and inuendo.

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KNAVE: But squire, did not Sir Peter of "Flag'em Tag'em & Bag'em" once meet this man Doty and say he also recognized him disguised at FALCON?

SQUIRE: Again we have amazing powers of recognition, or is it imagination? You are correct that he said this, but he too had seen the man but once five years before he claimed FALCON was Doty. What is more fascinating about Sir Peter is that he told CAUS that when he was shown a picture recently and asked to pick out this man Doty, he couldn't. When the man was pointed out to him he still did not recognize him. So I ask you, how can this be? How can he not recognize a photograph of someone he met yet make the claim that a silhouette with an electronic voice is sufficient for identification?

KNAVE: Could it be "magic mushrooms" squire?

SQUIRE: Speak to me of facts.

KNAVE: Squire, Lady Linda has a notarized affidavit swearing to the events of her meeting with Doty.

SQUIRE: This could be good. Does she claim in there that Doty called himself FALCON?

KNAVE: No squire. This was signed before she made that claim.

SQUIRE: Well never mind, if she got Doty to appear with her before a royal notary we are closer to the truth.

KNAVE: Uh..well..a..Doty did not participate in this affidavit.

SQUIRE: You mean it's just Lady Linda saying what she wants and swearing it's the truth? And still Doty maintains that she's wrong and that he's telling the truth?

KNAVE: Yes, squire, but only she has an affidavit.

SQUIRE: But foolish knave can't you see that this doen't get us any closer to the truth. Since no one was there with Lady Linda, she took nothing with her, she took no notes, no pictures, no recordings. There is nothing that you can do with this story. Her story is a curiousity of no material value in getting to the truth. It is more likely a ploy to present herself as being more significant than she is.

KNAVE: But what of the affidavit?

SQUIRE: Anyone can go and get such a paper signed any time for a fee. No court has required it from her, no one seems to care but "Hasty Bob". The paper has the same value that the Kings' face does when printed on a roll of royal "bun pod".

KNAVE: But, squire, "Hasty Bob" has made such allegations and he says he has proof.

SQUIRE: Knave, knave, knave, you must understand, claims against the facts are as a fart against the sea breeze. It may cause a stink, but it will all blow over.

KNAVE: But, "Hasty Bob", claims that two producers of the "Cover Up" show know the identity and that one has told him that FALCON and CONDOR are Doty and Robert Collins.

SQUIRE: Does he say specifically that one of them told him?

KNAVE: Well, no.

SQUIRE: I thought not. First, I know a little of this show. It is a lie, pure and simple to make the claim that two producers know the identity of FALCON and CONDOR. There would not be any need of this. It is an assumption that a producer would even have to know. I have spoken to all the pertinent individuals involved and the evidence is clear and convincing that "Hasty Pudding" knows

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SQUIRE: not of that which he speaks. The production did proper due diligence in determining that FALCON and CONDOR were legitmate. It would also be an indictment against the professional ethics of any producer who would betray a confidence. But "Hasty Pudding" does not seem to be concerned with Professional Ethics. By the way, just who is knave Bob "The Hasty"? As I look through this paper of his it is clear that he doesn't do any research of his own. He takes material from others and draws conclusions, where even if the material was accurate, and most, if not all of what is here is indeed inaccurate or simply not pertinent, one could not draw his conclusions. That is a typical ploy of Sir Philip "the UFO Groupie".

KNAVE: Is this the same Sir Philip that it is rumored had a rectal transplant a few years ago and it rejected him? I have heard he is such a royal butt-head that is bowels don't know which way to move.

SQUIRE: I will not comment on such. But of the "Hasty" one, as I look through this he is using as sources third-hand, forth-hand comments and worse. It is the kind of thinking that permeates the work of Sir Larry "the Drip". It seems that one only need hear speculation from two sources and it becomes fact. Sir Jerome "Late of Fate" does not work this way. But many do. There is Sir John of "Jet Lag" the learing one. 'Sir Cooper "the Pooper Scooper", Sir Barry "the Unripe" and of course Lady Linda "the Paranoia Wench". We can safely add to this group "Hasty Bob", it would seem that the one thing all these people have in common is that their pointy little heads are proctologically perfect.

KNAVE: I think I'm beginning to get the point..uh..I mean understand. But what of the study of three papers? He concludes that after analysis of the three photocopies that they were probably composed and/or typed by the same person using the same typewriter. And "Hasty Bob" doesn't just stop there he thinks further examination is necessary.

When you begin to understand critical evaluation, you realize the SQUIRE: need for expert opinion. This study shows very clearly that "Hasty Bob" knows nothing in this area. Anyone with even summary knowledge of questioned document examination realizes you can not make anything more than a cursary judgement as to the possible make of the typewriter using a photocopy. Even that would be tentative because of typeface interchangeability. No examiner would take a photocopy into court. Why? because they alter the fine detail necessary to make a critical judgement. This particular report is embarrassing because not only does it try to reach the conclusion that the documents were typed on the same machine, but by the same person. There isn't a big enough sample to even consider attempting that conclusion. "Hasty Bob is a rare find. He builds a house of cards on a bed of sand in a wind storm. How can any one expect to be taken seriously when they refuse to even try to make contact with principals of a story? Does "Hasty Bob" fear that real facts would confuse his conclusions? Sir Lee "the Graham Cracker", is most upset with "Hasty Bobs" characterization of their conversations." But the biggest question that arises is why didn't "Hasty Bob" even make an attempt to talk to any parties firsthand? He sits there saying that Sir Bruce "the Macadamia Nut" has not yet denied "Hasty Bobs" fourth-hand story. Why should he, any

SQUIRE: fool can see that it is ultimately meaningless. Knave you must from this a lesson learn. There is nothing wrong with having nothing to say — as long as you don't say it.

Look for these (probable) new releases from The Pointy Head Society:

BOOKS

"Howe Now Brown Cow"; by Lady Linda

"How We Identified Every UFO There Ever Was, How We Got Every Document There Ever Was And How We Became More Famous Than Anyone Else" by Sir Larry "the Drip" and Sir Barry "the Unripe", this book soon to be a major production from LBS (The Larry and Barry Show). Represented by Sir Peter of Flag'em, Tag'em & Bag'em.

A TRUE-LIFE ADVENTURE

"How An Alien Bit-off My Testicles And I Lived To Tell About It (Albeit In Falsetto)"! by Sir John of "Jet Lag", "the Learing One":

PUNK ROCK REVIEW

"A Critical Look At The Circle Jerks", by "Hasty Pudding" aka, knave Bob "the Hasty".

The above materials are sanctioned, stamped, certified and checked for profound profundities, lack of morale value, character assassination and general crassness by none other than Sir Walter "the Androgynous One".

March 20. 1989

Robert Hastings 6200 Eubank Blvd NE Apt 833 Albuquerque, NM 87111

Dear Mr. Hastings:

First of all I would like to introduce myself. My name is a Richard C. Doty. I am the former Special Agent, with the Air force Office of Special Investigation.

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on your March 1. 1989 document entitled. "The MJ-12 Affair: Facts, Questions, Comments". I don't intend to comment on the entire document or every statement made therein. I only wish to comment on the information and statements allegedly made by me or about me.

First of all the facts: I am retired from Government service. I was assigned to the former District 17. Air Force Office of Special Investigation (AFOSI), Kirtland AFB, NM and the Detachment 1406, Air Force Office of Special Investigation, Kirtland AFB, NM. District 17 was deactivated in 1984. I investigated the Coyote Canyon incident in 1980 and the Paul Bennowitz affair. I did meet with Linda Howe in 1983. That meeting was at her request. was never shown any classified documents during that meeting. information she has provided in past letters is simply not accurate. The meeting with Linda Howe was monitored by two of my sup-There statements in past U.S. Government Investigations ervisors. on the subject exonerated me of any wrong doings. I am not the person code named "Falcon". I have underwent two extensive Gcvernment investigations regarding this claim. I have been exonerated by the Government on both occasions. My name was connected. with Falcon to cover up the true identity of Falcon. However, they Government knows the true identity of Falcon and that person (employed in Washington by DIA) is presently under investigation. Regarding the Craig Weitzel document. I did not forge the letter to the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization. That again, was solved by a Government Investigation. The real perpetrator was found and punished in 1984. Reference the statement regarding the typewriter. I never typed any AFOSI Complaint forms in my career A secretary typed the forms on a word processor. I with AFOSI. did not have a typewriter in my office. This fact has been well documented. The research by Brad Sparks regarding this typeface irregularities and stylistics traits was not accurate. An expert never uses the word identical. Instead the word similar is used. Especially in court testimony. Microscopic analysis will show that nothing is identical. It is almost impossible to compare an original with photocopies of a document. The photocopying distorts the type face and comparison analysis is never accurate. Government investigation has shown the AFOSI Complaint Form was typed on an Olivette Word Processor 400. The Weitzel letter was typed on an IBM Selectric III. AFOSI did not use IBM III typewriters during the time I was associated with them. However, offices within the 1550th Aircrew Training and Test Wing did use the IBM type—writers. The last thing I would like to comment on was the allegation that I was the author of the Ellsworth AFB document. I was not. Your are a day late and a dollar short. If you would have done your research, you would know that the Government has thoroughly investigated that incident and has a signed sworn state—ment from an airman who was assigned to Ellsworth AFB in 1976-77. That airman confessed to being the author of the document and was later punished by the USAF.

I have never been an illegal source of information to any person. I have never illegally disclosed classified information to anyone. Past Government investigations exonerated me of those allegations. Regarding the enclosure L of your March 1, 1989 document. That document is a hoax. I told this to Peter Gersten in 1983 and to William Moore in 1984. The FBI knows the true author of that hoax document. He is a researcher from the East. As far as the Majectic 12 Briefing Document that was surfaced by William Moore, I can only say I have no knowledge of whether it is authentic or not. I was never in a position to judge it's authenticity.

During my career with AFOSI I did investigate a number of strange sightings of UFOs, however, I never found any facts that would indicate the UFOs were extraterrestrials. Even with the information that I had access to during my Government career, I am not totally convinced UFOs are real.

In the fall of this year, a new book will be available regarding my entire involvement in the UFO affair from 1977 until present. The book was researched and written by a very well named author. Because of his credibility and extensive research (he made the right FOIA requests and obtained a number of never before released documents) any questions regarding my involvement and my credibility will be thoroughly answered.

Since you did not consult me prior to publishing your March 1, 1989 document, I request that you re-circulate the document with this letter attached.

I no longer reside in New Mexico but do have a mailing address in New Mexico. If you care to reply to this letter you may write in care of my New Mexico address. Please allow at least on month for my reply because of the re-mailing time to my current address.

Richard C. Doty P.O. Box 973 Grants, NM 87020

MEMORANDUM ROBERT HASTINGS

TO: Richard C. Doty

RE: Your letter of March 20, 1989

In your recent letter to me, you deny many things: You claim that you are not "Falcon", you claim that you did not forge the Weitzel letter or the Ellsworth AFB document, you claim that you never showed Linda Howe a purportedly secret government document on UFOs, you claim that you do not currently reside in New Mexico.

Well, Mr. Doty, considering that you <u>do</u> presently reside in New Mexico and are in fact employed by the New Mexico State Police in Grants, why should I believe your other denials?

May I once again point out that Linda Howe has sworn out an affidavit, under penalty of perjury, pertaining to the events of her meeting with you in 1983. Are you, Officer Doty, willing to swear out an affidavit, under penalty of perjury, to support your claim that Howe's statements were "not accurate"? If so, please send me a copy of it as soon as possible.

May I also point out that, to date, Dr. Bruce Maccabee has not contacted me to deny my statement that Bill Moore had informed him that you had confessed to forging the Ellsworth AFB document. If necessary, I can produce sworn testimony in a court of law to confirm that Dr. Maccabee has indeed made such a statement, and to more than one person.

In your March 3, 1989 letter to Patrick Huyghe, you claim that your current employment requires that you have a top secret security clearance. Can you please explain why a New Mexico State Policeman, whose chief duty is traffic control, requires a top secret clearance? You also wrote Huyghe that you did "something wrong" while assigned to the AFOSI District 70 Headquarters, Wiesbaden, West Germany, in

1986. You claim that you were asked to leave AFOSI because your superiors viewed some of your counter-espionage activities as "unauthorized". Can you produce documented evidence to support this version of events? Can you also tell me what one's duties might have been if one were a "SP ASST TO CH ADM AND LOG DIV" at Lindsey Air Station, West Germany, in 1986?

Researcher Richard Hall has called for a Congressional hearing that would take sworn testimony from those associated with the MJ-12 affair. Your participation in such a hearing would, of course, be essential. If you are innocent of any involvement in the MJ-12 matter, as you claim you were found to be by two, unspecified military investigations, then I would think that you would welcome the opportunity to <u>publicly</u> attest to your non-involvement before such a Congressional committee-- if only to silence your accusers.

And now, Officer Doty, I must tell you this: Upon learning that you are currently a New Mexico State Policeman, I expressed concern to a number of persons, including my attorney, to the effect that I was somewhat unsettled by this fact. Now I have learned that in the past you have, by your own account, engaged in "unauthorized" actions while a member of AFOSI which resulted in your having to leave that organization. This revelation only re-enforces my concern.

Consequently, I feel compelled to tell you, Officer Doty, that should you ever engage in an "unauthorized" operation against me, I will respond by having my attorney bring to bear the full weight of the law against you, and whomever else might be involved.

I will conclude by saying that I am not the only one who has discovered your current whereabouts and present occupation. I suspect that you will soon be receiving inquiries similar to mine from other ufologists and journalists.

I trust that Bill Moore's recent "research" trip to Grants was, if not successful, at least stimulating. (or did the two of you meet in Albuquerque?)

Sincerely,

Robert Hastings

cc:

David L. Mandell, Esq. Bill Moore Interested parties

Mr. Bill Moore 4219 west Olive Avenue Suite 247 Burbank, CA 91505





From the desk of

March 20, 1989

Dear Bill:

mouth is," I have resigned from MUFON in protest against Lear-headed symposium in Las Vegas.

Some other prievances too (including MUFON policy on Gulf Breeze), but mainly up to here with Walt Andres' bad judgment about UFO sleazes - Sincerely, duch

Richard H. Hall 4418 — 39th Street Brentwood, Md. 20722

March 20, 1989

Mr. Robert Hastings 6200 Eubank Blvd NE# 833 Albuquerque, NM 87111

Dear Mr. Hastings:

In response to your document "The MJ-12 Affair: Facts, Questions, Comments," whose enclosure M is a six-year-old letter from me to Peter Gersten, I wish to set the record straight on a few points. (One of my colleagues who is on your distribution list noted that the inclusion of my obviously personal and private letter proved that "there is no honor among UFO thieves.")

I am totally convinced that Falcon/Doty and some other people who have been feeding information to Moore, Maccabee, and others are intelligence agency disinformation agents, and therefore I must conclude that Moore has been taken in by them. Part of their game is to give out enough verifiable information to be tantalizing, but ultimately making up excuses about "hot stuff" still to come and ultimately playing the classic game of misleading and manipulating the person(s) they are pretending to favor and encourage. I think Bill knows he has been jerked around, but has hung in hoping to wring out the maximum amount of information in case the sources are legitimate. Whether or not he realizes that is exactly the position the manipulators want to have him in I'm not sure. The bootom line is that the Government agents confuse the issues and mislead the public—away from where they need to go to learn the truth.

Unfortunately, I think Bill has engaged in some minor "manipulations" of his own which may be coming back to haunt him (e.g., censoring the uncensored NJ-12 document without saying so; retyping the AFOSI document without saying so) and you do raise some serious questions which he needs to answer-especially his relationship with Graham, obviously a known channel of allegedly secret government information into the UFO community. All of that needs to be clarified. Also, we obviously need to continue doing objective research designed to verify or disprove MJ-12, and the Fund for UFO Research continues to support that goal strongly. Doty/Collins/Lear/Cooper/etc. may or may not be all in cahoots or all working from the same motivation (for all practical effects they might as well be!), but one hypothesis we should not overlook is that they (some or all) are trying to lead us away from MJ-12 through various techniques (even wilder, stranger "inside" reports held out as bait; flashing another--probably fake--MJ-12-like document to Linda Howe; trying to entrap and mislead Moore for purposes of discrediting him, etc.)

Anyway, my main point is that I was not in my Apr. 4, 1983 letter saying or suggesting that Moore was <u>faking</u> (falsely creating) a document. My recollection is that the original simply was of poor quality for reproduction add so he re-typed it, the "cut and paste job" referring to the various rubber stamps and symbols from the original document. I'm not even sure at this late date what "suspicions" about Moore I was alluding to, but as a Board Member of the Fund I have always supported the grants to Moore for his investigations. Most likely I was referring to some of his tactics and style.

I am not convinced that Moore is "one of them," and suggest we all work together to have Doty subpoenad before a Congressional committee, which at a minimum probably would reveal his true colors.

Sincerely.

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WILLIAM L. MOORE BRYAN T. REID

PHONE: 1848158858588

(213) 463-0542

Date: 3/30

Dear Dick,

Thanks for the copy of your letter to Hastings. I deeply appreciate your very candid comments and observations. Indeed, you have come closer to the truth of the matter than you perhaps realize. Let me say only that we've known what we were doing all along and there are going to be some very surprised and embarrassed people once our story can finally be told.

Meanwhile there is one error that needs to be corrected. I did not retype the Kirtland document; I only stated that the version in general circulation had been retyped.

I respect your decision to resign from MUFON. (I am no longer a member either.)
You are one of the few level heads in UFOlogy. Don't allow the bad taste from MUFON drive you out of the field entirely. Hang in there!

As for Has tings, I'm seriously considering a lawsuit. Frankly I'm sick and tired of these Johnny-come-latelys trying to make themselves look important at someone else's expense (namely mine). For the record, I have never met, spoken with or corresponded with the man; and when I tried repeatedly to contact him in order to set the record straight after receiving his outrageous paper, he refused to return my calls or to answer his door when I personally went and knocked on it. (I know he was home— his lights and TV were on and I saw him watching me from his balcony.) Who the hell is this guy?

Thanks for your continued support via the Fund.

With kindest regards,

MEMORANDUM ROBERT HASTINGS

TO: Bill Moore

RE: My open letter regarding MJ-12

First, I will communicate with you only by mail. I want to have a complete record of your response to my open letter. The fact that you have implied that you will bring legal action against me for statements that I have made in the letter only re-enforces my belief that communications between you and I should be in writing.

Second, I consider your numerous phone calls to me to be harassing and your attempted, unannounced visit to me to be threatening. The fact that you called me (and left a recorded message) shortly after you knocked at my door, indicating that you had been surveilling me through an open balcony door, is especially disturbing to me.

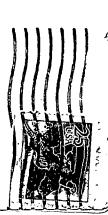
Accordingly, I hereby inform you that if you continue to call me on the telephone or attempt to confront me in person, I will file a complaint with the Albuquerque Police Department. I will also empower my attorney to seek a restraining order against you.

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cc: David L. Mandell, Esq.

Mr. Bill Moore 4219 West Olive Avenue Suite 247 Burbank, CX 91505





3/18/89 **MEMORANDUM**ROBERT HASTINGS

O: The addressees of my recent letter on the MJ-12 Affair

RE: A clarification



In my recent open letter I mistakenly referred to Lee Graham's security clearance as type "Q". Mr. Graham has asked that I send out a clarification on this point. I regret the error.

Mr. Graham has also expressed the opinion that I "mis-represented some of the things" that he communicated to me.

I have reviewed the portion of my letter that deals with Mr. Graham's statements to me, and I consider my account of them to be fair and accurate. While I am certain that neither he nor I could re-construct, word for word, our conversations after this lapse of time, I nevertheless stand by my portrayal of our talks.

As I have already indicated, I consider Mr. Graham to be an honest and sincere individual. I accept the fact that his recollections of our communications may differ from mine on some points.

RobertHastings

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UFO Expert Points to Coverup When Subject is Brought Up

By RICK DAVIS Journal Writer

The subject is Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and possible U.S. government coverups of their existence. The data, presented succinctly by Robert Hastings, comes from years of research and papers obtained under the Freedom of Information Act.

A conclusion is that something akin to the so-called Star Wars space defense plan already exists.
Only it's the alien Chewbaccas that are controlling the machinery, not the human Lukes.

Hastings, an independent civilian researcher presented his "UFOs: The Hidden History" lecture to an verflow audience at the Idaho State University Student Union Ballroom Monday night. In it, he portrayed an ongoing coverup by the Air Force, FB1 and CIA which has come to light since over 600 previously classified documents were obtained by Dr. Bruce Maccabbee, an optical physicist working for the U.S. Navy and W. Todd Zechel, a former Na-

tional Security Agency employee.
The documents include internal memos, reports from air traffic controllers and pilots and North American Air Defense (NORAD) directors' logs which Hastings says, "document a pattern of overflights and interference by UFOs at military nuclear installations since the

Hastings' talk was spon the Issues and Speakers Committee of the ISU Program Board and attracted the largest crowd ever for sch an event, according to director Chris Middleton.

The most provocative document is a memo from Guy Hottel, now deceased, to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in 1950 which discusses the recovery of three flying sauce Each one occupied by three bodies of human shape but only three feet tail." recovered in New Mexico.

Other papers from the CIA discuss the need to get information on UFOs to determine national security implications and overflights and landings by saucers at Air Force attempted intercepts by Air Force fighters and eyewitness accounts from security personnel.

Hastings says incidents at Malma-trom Air Force Base, Mont., in 1966-67 and 1975, Loring AFB in Maine,

Critics and skeptics Lare numerous, from i kintelligence and kmilitary personnel to scientists like Cornell University s Dr. Carta Sagan, who wants proof of UFOS. determination of the second

os Alamos Research Facility in New Mexico and other overflights, expressed clear interest (by UFOs) in nuclear bomb storage hangars.

The latest document, dated August, 1980 describes, "a round disk-shaped craft sighted by security forces near Kirtland AFB, New Mexico.

The object apparently sat down next to a storage area with 400 nuclear warheads and Hastings says he has eyewitness accounts of triggering mechanisms malfunctioning and fires of unknown origin taking place after overflights at other installations.

"They may be selectively sending signals that they have the power to shut down a nuclear launch," Has-tings said. "Whoever is flying these things has an interest in our nuclear weapons capabilities. I've had maintenance personnel who corroborated that when the missiles have been inspected (following UFO overflights) they were found to be nonrative

Hastings added that Zechel con-tacted USAF Col. Robert B. Willingham who swore out a deposition that he had first-hand knowledge of a crash recovery operation on the Texas-Mexico border in 1950, headed by Col. John Bowen. Bowen would neither confirm nor deny the inci-

dent, Hastings added.
"I have two other NSA sources, neither of them who know each other, who were told that alien bodies are stored at Brooks Aeromedical Laboratories in San Antonio, Tex," he continued.

"Why would these people swear out affidavits attesting to something so crazy? They haven't made any

money off it and they appear to be publicity-shy.

Hastings also has a copy of a letter written by then Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater to Lee M. Graham stating, "I have given up acquiring access to the so-called hine room at Wright-Patterson (Air Force Base, Ohio) as I have had one long string of denials from chief after chief."

Hastings said reports indicate saucer remains are stored at the facili-

Goldwater's former administrative assistant, Judy Eisenhower, told the Journal Monday that, "th Senator probably wrote that letter. I remember the incident."

Goldwater, who was chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee at the time, could not be reached for

mment.

Other reports range from a sauce that buzzed an Atlas ICBM which later malfunctioned in 1964 to then CIA executive assistant Victor Marchetti (who later wrote a book on the subject) stating for the record that he came across information that indicated saucers had crashed, been secretly recovered and in-volved, "very sensitive operations."

Hastings says he's not out to "get the government." He says he simply is presenting the facts, which have been routinely denied by the Air Force, CIA and NORAD for years. He says he has no answers and that he is not making very much money lecturing 40 times per year at \$750 plus travel expenses per talk.

After the talk, a number of people counted their own experiences

with UFOs.

They included a sighting of a luminous object hovering above the Gay Mine in 1975, a mysterious stationary bright object north of the Test Area North facility at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory in 1975, a possible scramble of Hill Air Force base jets to investigate a UFO over Ogden, Utah in 1985 and sightings of UFOs above Franklin County power lines on several occasions.

Hastings termed the comments from audience members as typical and referred many of them to the Fund For UFO Research, Box 277. Mt. Ranier, Md., 20712.

He said his involvement with

UFOs began in 1967, when as a teenager visiting the control tower at Malmstrom where his father was stationed, he witnessed the radar sighting of five UFOs.



ROBERT HASTINGS ...Not getting rich, he says.

When the situation got heated and obviously the persons in the were upset I was asked to leave." he said. "I later was told the targets turned out to be objects that were neither aircraft nor helicopters maneuvering near ICBM silos. They ascended in unison at speeds tracked by radar at 4,800 MPH."

Critics and skeptics of the program are numerous, from intelligce and military personnel to scientists like Cornell University's Dr. Cart Sagan, who says that until he sees phylsical evidence of UFOs, he

concludes that they do not exist.
"Sagan has missed the boat," said
Hastings. "He has not been prepared to review the type of data that has come forth. The most vocal critics are the persons who have never studied the data.

Hastings says he is generally wellreceived by his college audiences, and will next speak at Arizona State University later this month. He concludes with his personal opinion of UFOs:

"Perhaps they consider themselves our guardians and are here to keep the children from burning their hands on a hot stove.

9 March 1989

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICTION

Mr. ROBERT HASTINGS 6200 Eubank Boulevard NE Apt. 833 Albuquerque, NM 87111

Dear Mr. Hastings:

Sir, I just received a copy of a document titled-

"THE MJ-12 AFFAIR:

Facts, Questions, Comments

Robert Hastings

March 1, 1989"

Sir, you did NOT communicate with me so that I might check the accuracy before you sent out the above indicated publication. In so stating, I believe that you have mis-represented some of the things that I have communicated to you.

I will NOT, however, get involved in some sort of mailing list contest about who is telling the truth.

I do DEMAND that you correct one inconsistency-

You are alleged to have stated on page 7 of the above indicated document that-

"The agents were apparently sent to find out why Graham, who holds a 'Q' clearance, was in possession of allegedly secret government documents that had not been properly declassified."

Sir, I do not now have, nor to my knowledge have I ever had or pretended to have a "Q" clearance.

I trust that you WILL communicate this fact to those to whom you are alleged to have mailed the above indicated document and will indicate by return mail that you have done so.

If you do not, I have no recourse but to bring legal action against you for mis--representing the facts.

In the future, I would appreciate being contacted before you decide to print things alleged to have been stated by me for their accuracy.

Thank you for your time Sir.

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Lee M. Graham 526 W.Maple Monrovia, CA 91016

P.S. A copy of this letter is being sent to the following for reference-

Senator Alan Cranston Senator Sam Nunn Senator Claiborne Pell Rep. Carlos Moorhead

Mr. Richard L. Huff, Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice.

MEMORANDUM ROBERT HASTINGS

TO: Lee Graham

RE: Your letter of March 9, 1989

I have just received your letter. My reference to your holding a "Q" clearance was an honest mistake. When we met, we discussed, among other things, a mutual friend who works at Sandia Labs in Albuquerque. As you know, he holds a "Q" clearance. At that point in the conversation, you mentioned your security clearance, and the fact that your neighbors had been questioned by apparent government security agents about your interest in UFOs. I mistakenly thought that you referred to your clearance as a "Q" level. My apologies. I never have implied that you ever "pretended" to have a clearance that you did not in fact have. My error was one of misunderstanding your statements.

I will, of course, send a clarification to the addressees of my letter, as you have requested.

As for your statement that I have mis-represented some of the other things that you communicated to me, I request that you be specific. I have just re-read the portion of my open letter that refers to your statements to me and I believe my account of them to reasonably accurate. Indeed, most of my statements you have confirmed yourself in your letters to the DIS.

Again, my sincere apologies for the misunderstanding about your security clearance. On this point, you have every right to be concerned.

Robert Hastings

20 March 1989

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REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

Mr. ROBERT HASTINGS 6200 Eubank Boulevard NE Apt. 833 Albuquerque, NM 87111

Dear Mr. Hastings:

Sir, I just received your letter dated- "3/18/89" wherein you state-

"My reference to your holding a 'Q' clearance was an honest mistake."

And-

"I will, of course, send a clarification to the addressees of my letter, as you have requested."

Thank you Sir for making the correction!

In reference to my letter of March 9, 1989 to you, you have stated-

"As for your statement that I have mis-represented some of the other things that you communicated to me, I request that you be specific."

Sir, here are the specifics-

1. On page 7 of your paper titled-

"THE MJ-12 AFFAIR:

Facts, Questions, Comments"

you state-

"Graham had previously said, on several occasions, that he had gotten the documents from an individual who worked for the U.S. Government, presumably in an intelligence capacity."

I believe that I tried to communicate to you the idea that I BELIEVED that the individual from whom I received the indicated documents worked WITH the U.S. Government because it was stated to me by the AFOSI agents ALEX NAVAL and JAMES KIRK who interviewed me on the 19th of March 1986 (with regard to the "SNOWBIRD" document) and is recorded in my letter of "8 May 1986" to the "Defense Investigative Service"-

"On the 19th of March 1986 I was interviewed by two agents (Alex Naval and James Kirk) representing the Defense Investigative Service (see enclosure H). In the course of this interview, Mr. Kirk stated that this document (see enclosure B2) had been sanitized for release and that I was free to share same with anyone or make FOIA requests as to its authenticity (see enclosure I) and the agency of its origin. I asked if there were agencies within our Government who approach individuals (researchers) like myself for the express purpose of 'leaking' such documentation and was told...'Yes, the Office of Air Force Investigations is one of them!'"

2. Again on page 7 you state-

"According to Graham, Moore indicated that he was working for the U.S. Government for the purpose of releasing sensitive UFO-related documents to the public."

I had tried to communicate to you that I <u>BELIEVED</u> that Moore was working <u>WITH</u> some element of our Government that wants the public to know the truth about the documents that I was provided.

3. You also state on page 7-

"He" (Graham is implied) "responded that Bill Moore's ID badge was identical to the badges shown him by the two DIS agents. When I skeptically retorted, 'you mean to tell me that Moore's badge looked like the DIS badges?', he replied, 'No it was identical to them.'"

It was NOT an ID Badge as I am familiar with ID badges like the one I wear. It was like an ID card similar to the ID card I was shown by the people who claimed that they were from DIS. Your word is "identical"; my word is <u>SIMILAR!</u>

4. You state on page 7 and 8-

"Graham went on to state that Moore claimed that he (Moore) had been 'flagged' in U.S. intelligence agencies' computer files so that other operatives would not stumble over and inadvertently expose his operations. Lee went on to say that he had once been introduced to Moore's 'superior' whom Moore would only identify as 'Richard'."

The "Richard" of whom you are speaking is now known to me as Mr. RICHARD STINGEL. With regard to the above indicated incident; i. e., "Lee went on to say that..."— Since it was Richard himself who with-held his last name from my wife and I at this dinner engagement, might I suggest that you contact Mr. RICHARD STINGEL and ask him why he did what he did. His telephone number is 213-463-0542.

These are my corrections. I believe that they point out the fact that you should have communicated with me before you decided to publish your paper.

I most certainly believe that you should have consulted with Mr. WILLIAM MOORE before you decided to put anything into print about my beliefs regarding Mr. MOORE.

I hope that you will make the proper corrections and inform those on your mailing list.

Thank you for your time Sir.

Lee M. Graham 526 W.Maple

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March 24, 1989

Mr. Robert Hastings 6200 Eubank Blvd. NE Apartment 833, Albuquerque, NM 87111

Subject: "The MJ-12 Affair: Facts, Questions, Comments"

Dear Mr. Hastings:

I must admit that your document is quite a remarkable one. Despite its title and despite the date of March 1, 1989, you seem to be totally unfamiliar with the information that's already in print dealing with the three primary MJ-12 documents, namely the Eisenhower Briefing Document of November 18, 1952; Page 8 of that document which is the Truman-Forrestal memo of Sept. 24, 1947; and the Cutler-Twining Memo of July 14, 1954.

I am enclosing copies of three of my papers dealing with these and dealing with the objections raised to them. It's difficult for me to imagine the purpose of your tirade other than to libel Bill Moore since you seem to be unfamiliar with the facts concerned with these primary documents and with the rebuttal of the attacks that have been made on them. I suppose I should be grateful that you have not libelled me other than to suggest there must be something wrong with me for hobnobbing with somebody who is as bad a person as you apparently think Bill Moore is. But why deal with peripherals instead of the primary documents? Why put out a copy with all sorts of lines through portions of the document when the copies of the regular document itself have ben available for well over a year?

Certainly to judge from the document, you not only have not done your homework first, but you also have done no original research on your own at any of the archives or done any historical research to examine the events described in the primary documents. There is no mention of the Roswell Incident per se and the in-depth investigation that has been done about it, obviously not by you. There is also no confrontation with the facts that can be established to be true as reported in the documents that were unknown to anybody in the UFO field prior to the receipt of these documents. It seems to me that what you are doing is almost as

foolish as Phil Klass's claim that the Cutler-Twining memo couldn't be genuine because it was done in pica type whereas the "tradition" for the White House was elite type; a conclusion derived from examination of all of nine documents when the NSC files in the Eisenhower Library total more than 250,000 documents. It is roughly the equivalent of saying that Henry Aaron was reputed to have hit home runs, but 90% of the time he went to bat he didn't, so reports of alleged home runs were greatly exaggerated. Klass wound up with at least having guts enough to offer \$100 for each genuine document from the NSC area (up to 10) that was done with the same size and style type as the Cutler-Twining memo. He has paid his \$1000.00 check. But what are you offering besides attack? No, sir, I think you have missed the boat entirely.

I trust you will put out a retraction of your attacks and admit your ignorance about the subject of MJ-12.

Considering that I am the only Friedman in New Brunswick, and have my phone number all over the place and I am easily found and have a live 24-hour answering service, it seems rather strange you couldn't afford a phone call to check on some of your facts but could afford to print and ship copies of your collection to so many people. I suppose we all have our own priorities. Looking forward to your admission of grand standing ignorance.

Cordially,

Stanton T. Friedman

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RE: Robert Hastings

Dear Mr. Friedman:

My client, Mr. Robert Hastings, has received reports that you have made slanderous statements about him. Said statements were made by you while promoting your lecture program to college representatives.

Based upon available information, you have referred to Mr. Hastings in terms which would clearly hold him up to scorn and ridicule in the eyes of many respectable people. On at least one occasion, you characterized Mr. Hastings as a "fraud" relative to his achievements as a researcher and lecturer on the subject of "Unidentified Flying Objects."

This letter shall serve as formal written demand that you cease and desist from any further defamation of Mr. Robert Hastings. If we receive any future reports of additional defamatory statements, we will have no choice but to pursue the legal and equitable remedies available to my client.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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cc: Robert Hastings
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May 26, 1989

Dear Mr. Romero:

Re:Robert Hastings

Your client has apparently misinformed you or been misinformed himself as to the few comments I have made about him. Certainly I have not accused him of fraud. I have spoken at more than 600 colleges in 50 states and 8 provinces and have my own record to stand on without any need whatsoever to mention Mr. Hastings. His name came up in a conversation with one college booking person when that person mentioned that they had in the past had someone else speak about UFOs who had talked about the coverup. I asked who it was. He could not recall the name. I suggested Mr. Hastings. He agreed. I did note several differences. I have been a professional scientist fo r more than 30 years, Mr. Hastings is not a scientist. I worked under security for 15 years.. to the best of my knowledge Mr. Hastings had not. I have spent hundreds of hours at various Archives (14 to date) and published a total of 45 papers about my research. To the best of my knowledge Mr. Hastings has indeed done little original research on the coverup, Operation Majestic 12, etc. I would have supposed he would allude to his research in a lengthy, probably libelous package he distributed widely on March 1. I could find no such indication in the package. I did write but have received no response, unless your letter should be so considered. Obviously it contains no indication of original research either. I understand a colleague of mine has also tried to get specific information from Mr. Hastings .. with no luck.

In short then, Mr. Romero, I have not defamed your client, and have no intention of defaming him in the future. I do of course have the right of free speech and fair comment. As you know the best defense against libel is truth. Please inform me of any original research by Mr. Hastings and I will be glad to cite it, should I ever be asked an opinion. Meanwhile, I would suggest that you inform him of the laws of defamation. Perhaps he thinks that it is OK to dish it out.. but not to receive response in kind...the law is supposed to apply to all, or so I am told.

Sincerely,

Stanton T. Friedman

PS I would be happy to exchange a list of my UFO publications, professional memberships, response from satisfied college campus customers etc, for a similar collection from Mr. Hastings. STF

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Researcher claims FBI memo is key to UFO mystery

By JANE HULSE Scripps Howard News Service

LITTLETON, Colo. — Government officials may put down UFOs as science-fiction bunk, but a UFO researcher says they can't deny the contents of a top-secret memo sent to then-FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in 1950.

The memo relates how the Air Force recovered three "so-called flying saucers" that crashed in New Mexico. Aboard each of the three crafts were "three bodies of human shape but only 3 feet tall," the memo states.

The memo is one of hundreds of secret government documents proving the existence of UFOs, according to Robert Hastings, an independent UFO researcher from Albuquerque. Hastings, 35, was in town to speak on the Arapahoe Community College campus Monday night, one stop on his national lecture circuit.

The documents, declassified under the Freedom of Information Act beginning in 1975, indicate a massive coverup by military and intelligence officials, Hastings says.

"The public has a right to know the facts," he said in an interview. He said the government is being "shortsighted to keep the public so totally in the dark regarding seemingly vital information that affects not only Americans, but the entire human race."

The memo describes the flying saucers as "circular in

shape with raised centers, approximately 50 feet in diameter." The small bodies were dressed in "metallic cloth of a very fine texture." Each was "bandaged in a manner similar to the blackout suits used by speed flyers and test pilots."

The memo doesn't say where in New Mexico the crash occurred. But the crash is blamed on the government's "very high-powered radar setup in that area" that could have interfered with the "controlling mechanism of the saucers."

The government documents released to Hastings refer to UFOs repeatedly nosing around nuclear weapons laboratories and ICBM sites. Others note attempted aerial interceptions of UFOs by military jet aircraft.

"Whoever is flying these things is highly interested in our nuclear weapons," Hastings said. UFO sightings increased after World War II, a fact Hastings links to the "birth of the nuclear age."

Hastings speculates that the UFOs and their passengers may be "sending a signal to the government that they have the capacity to interfere with a nuclear launch."

"They are benevolent," he said of the extraterrestials. "There is nothing to indicate hostility. At some point they will make themselves known."

(Jane Hulse is a reporter for the Rocky Mountain News in Denver.)

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UFO researcher charges governing

Dy WILLIAM DROCKS, Chropicle Staff Writer

UPOs have made dorons of visits to planet Earth in the past 40 years and the U.S. government is deliberately trying to keep the public in the dark, a touring UPO researcher said Tuesday at Montana State University.

About 110 persons littened as Robert Hastings, 36, of Myrtie Beach. S.C., presented a nearly two-hour slide show and lecture based on information from declassified government documents and testimony from ranking U.S. military personnel, active and retired.

The government is extremely concerned about unidentified flying objects' apparent interest in nuclear weapons and power plants and has assigned the CIA to look into all reported sightings, Hastings said. But since 1969 the government has claimed to "no longer be interested in UFOs" and has pursued a deliberate policy of publicly debunking the existence of UFOs.

"I'm not condemning the government for their actions," Hastings said. "If I were in their shoes, I might have done what they have done."

But, he added, "The difference between what 'is' and what is said is the difference between night and day."

Despite the government's attempts to cover up the matter, the most recent Gallup poll shows that 57 percent of the American people believe in UFOs, Hastings said. Only 27 percent don't believe in them and the percentage of believers is increasing every time a poll is taken, he said.

His interest in UFOs began 20 years ago when he was present in an air traffic control tower at Malmstrom Air Force Base near Great Falls. His father was an Air Force officer and young Hastings knew several of the workers in the control tower.

Five UFOs, tracked on a radar screen, spent 30 minutes hovering over a nuclear missile silo at



Robert Hastings spoke Tuesday at MSU about unidentified flying objects.

Malmstrom, and then fled at an estimated speed of 4,800 mph after two military jets were dispatched to intercept them, he said.

The episode piqued Hastings' curiosity and in 1973 he began interviewing active and retired Air Force officers about UFOs. He has been on the UFO lecture circuit since 1981.

Using information culled from nearly 10,000 documents which have been released under the Freedom of Information Act, Hastings presented this chronology:

—In 1947, the first "wave" of UFO sightings hit the United States. Sightings were made in every American state except Georgia and West Virginia. The Pentagon tried to defuse public concern — which was still high in the wake of Orson Welles' 1938 Martian

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—In 1948, a sin-menth Air Force investigation concluded that interplanetary spacecraft were undertaking a systematic surveillance of the earth. The report has never been officially released to the public, but its existence has been acknowledged by now-retired Air Force officers.

—In 1952, another wave of public sightings swept over America. UFOs were even believed to be seen hovering over the White House, but the military said the sightings were simply a temperature inversion.

—In 1953, the government began going to great lengths to disprove the existence of UFOs. All sightings by pilots, whether military or commercial, had to be reported to the government, but public disclosure by pilots was deemed a violation of federal espionage laws.

—In 1965, the greatest number of sightings to date was recorded. UFOs were reported almost every night and thousands of people in four Midwestern states said they saw UFOs on the evening of Aug. 2. The largest power failure in history, which threw New York City into darkness on the evening of Nov. 9, also coincided with hundreds of UFO sightings in the northeastern United States.

In 1966 and 1937, UFOs made numerous visits to ICBM silos in Montana, Wyoming and North Dakota. Hastings' sources told him that after the Malinstrom visits, many missiles were found to have failures in their launching and guidance systems.

—In 1976, an F-4 Phantom fighter flown by an Iranian pilot over Tehran attempted to fire an air-to-air missile at a UFO. But the jet's communications, guidance and weapons systems went dead and the pilot regained control only after the plane broke off the encounter.

Hastings' most provocative incidents involved

"abdurtion" of people by UFO-borne aliens,

In the fall of 1961, Hastings said, New Hampiture residents Betty and Barney Hill drew national attention after they revealed under hypnosis that they'd been taken aboard an alien spacecraft. Betty Hill said one of the alien beings spoke with her in broken English. Air Porce records confirm that a UFO was tracked in the area where the encounter took place at approximately the same time.

On Dec. 3, 1967, Nebraska policeman Herbert Shermer was also taken abourd a spacecraft and questioned by aliens who spoke with him verbally and telepathically. Like the Hills, Shermer could only recount the experience while under hypnosis.

The government has even recovered a few UFOs which crashed, leaving dead aliens aboard, Hastings said.

He produced a copy of a Mar. 22, 1950, memo to FBI director J. Edgar Hoover written by Air Force investigators, saying that three 50-foot-diameter flying saucers had crashed in the New Mexico desert. Each craft contained three, 3-foot-tall bodies dressed in metallic cloth. Because the crashes had taken place near a radar installation, the investigators speculated that the alien guidance systems had been thrown awry by man-made forces.

Another UFO recovery took place in 1953, when an Air Force pilot observed an alien spacecraft crash near Del Rio, Texas. Retired Air Force Col. Robert Willingham, a lieutenant at the time, could not land at the site, but returned shortly afterward to find a classic, saucer-shaped ship in good condition, partially buried in the ground. The craft was surrounded by military police and Willingham was ordered to leave and not speak to anyone about the incident.

Not all sightings are UFOs, Hastings stressed. Experts on the subject estimate that 80 to 90 percent of all sightings have a natural or man-made explanation.