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WASHINGTON

September 24, 1947.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Dear Secretary Forrestal:

As per our recent conversation on this matter, you are hereby authorized to proceed with all due speed and caution upon your undertaking. Hereafter this matter shall be referred to only as Operation Majestic Twelve.

It continues to be my feeling that any future considerations relative to the ultimate disposition of this matter should rest solely with the Office of the President following appropriate discussions with yourself, Dr. Bush and the Director of Central Intelligence.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Harry Truman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the page.

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BRIEFING DOCUMENT: OPERATION MAJESTIC 12

PREPARED FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER: (EYES ONLY)

18 NOVEMBER, 1952

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SUBJECT: OPERATION MAJESTIC-12 PRELIMINARY BRIEFING FOR
PRESIDENT-ELECT EISENHOWER.

DOCUMENT PREPARED 18 NOVEMBER, 1952.

BRIEFING OFFICER: ADM. ROSCOE H. HILLENKOETTER (MJ-1)

NOTE: This document has been prepared as a preliminary briefing
only. It should be regarded as introductory to a full operations
briefing intended to follow.

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OPERATION MAJESTIC-12 is a TOP SECRET Research and Development/
Intelligence operation responsible directly and only to the
President of the United States. Operations of the project are
carried out under control of the Majestic-12 (Majic-12) Group
which was established by special classified executive order of
President Truman on 24 September, 1947, upon recommendation by
Dr. Vannevar Bush and Secretary James Forrestal. (See Attachment
"A".) Members of the Majestic-12 Group were designated as follows:

Adm. Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter
Dr. Vannevar Bush
Secy. James V. Forrestal*
Gen. Nathan F. Twining
Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg
Dr. Detlev Bronk
Dr. Jerome Hunsaker
Mr. Sidney W. Souers
Mr. Gordon Gray
Dr. Donald Menzel
Gen. Robert M. Montague
Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner

The death of Secretary Forrestal on 22 May, 1949, created
a vacancy which remained unfilled until 01 August, 1950, upon
which date Gen. Walter B. Smith was designated as permanent
replacement.

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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 07 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 bodies 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.

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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 "ETEs", 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 "F".) 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 purpose 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 06 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 border 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.E.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, contingency plan MJ-1949-04P/78 (Top Secret - Eyes Only) should be held in continued readiness should the need to make a public announcement present itself. (See Attachment "G".)

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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/EO)
- *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/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "E".....Operation Majestic-12 Blue Team Report #5. 30 JUN '52. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "F".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #2. 31 JAN '48. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *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 Folio (Extractions). (TS-MAJIC/EO)

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Appendix C—The Cutler-Twining Memo following the beginning of the Washington, D.C., UFO flap on July 12, 1952

From Twining to Lib. of Congress STF

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 13, 1952

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL TWINING

The President expects you to attend the Extraordinary Meeting of the National Security Council in the Broadcast Room of the White House, Thursday, July 16, at 9:00 A.M. The program will be explained in detail at the meeting. It is advisable not to plan any other engagements before 6:00 P.M. on that day.

Due to the nature of the Meeting, it is necessary to take special security precautions and to maintain absolute secrecy regarding participation in, as well as the substance of, the Meeting. It is requested that you enter the White House grounds via the Southeast Entrance not later than 8:45 A.M. and descend from your car at the South (Diplomatic) Entrance of the Mansion. Your car should be discharged and not wait anywhere in the vicinity of the White House.

The President expects you to lunch with him at the White House at 12:30 P.M.

Note: STF

In order to avoid communication on this subject, it is understood that in the absence of contrary word your concurrence in the above arrangements is assumed.

Robert Cutler
ROBERT CUTLER
Special Assistant
to the President

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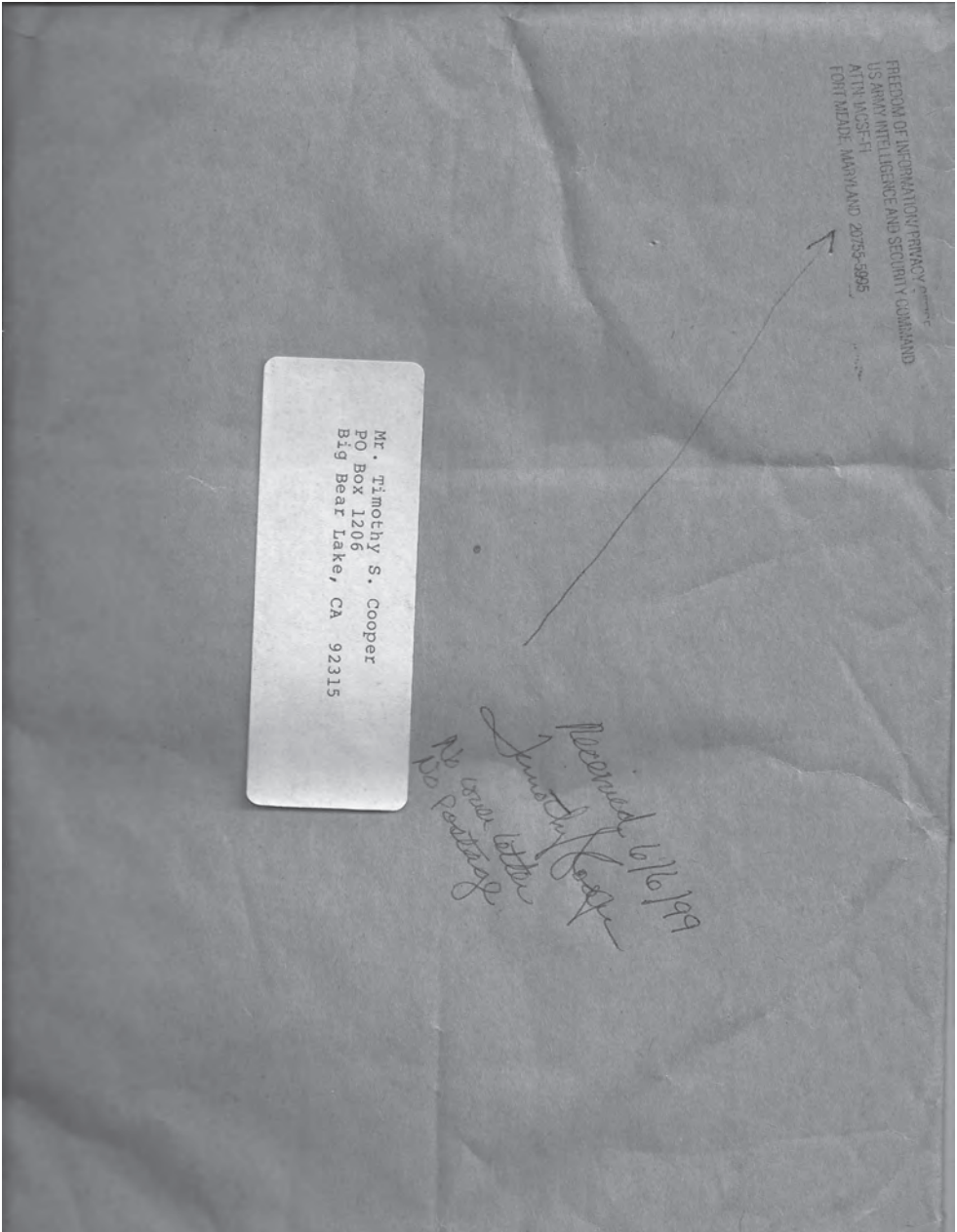
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Appendix E—The Bowen Manuscript*



Envelope to Tim Cooper Mailed from FOIA Office, Fort Meade, Maryland, containing the declassified Bowen manuscript.

(Courtesy of Dr. Robert Wood and Ryan Wood, www.majesticdocuments.com.)

FILE COPY

*Submitted to Project
Book in 1946
Unclassified and
Unescalated*

Vernon Bowen
51 Keoffaram Road 1947-1955
Old Greenwich, Conn

120 Woodside Drive
Milbrook 1955-1959
Greenwich, Conn.

26 ShoreyAcre Drive 1959-
Old Greenwich, Conn. Present

AN ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF FLYING SAUCERS

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By

VERNON BOWEN

Other writings by
Vernon Bowen

Children's Books

THE LAZY BEAVER
THE WONDERFUL ADVENTURES OF TING LING
SNOW FOR CHRISTMAS
THE EMPEROR'S WHITE HORSES
(All published by David McKay Co.)
Records (Collaborations)

THE LITTLE TUNE THAT RAN AWAY (DECCA)
LITTLE TOMMY TINKLE (SIMON & SCHUSTER GIANT GOLDEN RECORD)

Interpretive material added by Dr. Robert M. Wood

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an orb twice the size of the moon, a black spot in the sky, a strange blip on a radarscope, a cone-shaped object, a vague glow in the sky, a cigar-shaped figure, or a splash of light like a comet's tail. These dissimilar objects are converted, with the flick of a typewriter, into saucers."

In considering all of the writing on saucers, it would be interesting to know how many of the writers--or, for that matter, how many of the sighters of so-called saucers--have read Charles Fort.

Is it conceivable that their writing--or their eyesight--might have been affected by their reading of him?

But such a question is obviously absurd. The idea of a hoax, started and continued by readers of Charles Fort, ~~is~~ by members of the Fortean Society, is untenable. Too many people, people who could only have heard of, or read the writings of Charles Fort by the wildest of coincidences, especially among the European peasantry, have reported seeing unknown objects, both in the skies, and landed on earth. And thousands of people have ^{repeatedly} seen these objects--at least, the ones in the sky--at one time.

Handwritten note:
I hope to
write his
memoirs

Such reasoning might lead to the asking of another question: Are Major Keyhoe, Roy Palmer, Kenneth Arnold, George Adamski, Harold T. Wilkinson, Donald E. Menzel, Frank Scully--and all other writers on the subject of saucers--counter espionage agents for the U.S. Government? Are all of them, by official directive, muddying-up the greatest cover-up job of modern times?

Such a question is equally absurd in the light of the record, in the light of the fact that saucers--or of things with the same attributes of **TOP SECRET/MAJIC** centuries, if not for millennia.

A page from the manuscript with a mention of Donald Menzel and a handwritten note in the border about hoping he keeps his mouth shut

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Inconceivable first the possibility of hoax when you read such items as this: In The New York Herald Tribune for December 3, 1954, there appeared an editorial about a meteorite that ripped through the roof of the house of Mrs. ^{Hewlett} ~~#####~~ Hodges of Sylacauga, Alabama, striking her on the ~~#####~~ hip and hand. ^{retrieved} ~~###~~ USAF requested the meteorite for study. The World Telegram & Sun, in an article the same day, said that the rock was being studied at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. That's headquarters for saucer investigations. Later, in the February 13, 1955, issue of American Weekly, Mrs. Hodges, writing as Ann Elizabeth Hodges, stated that one of the policeman who called at her house following Mrs. Hodges' call to them "explained that all police departments throughout the country were under orders to turn over to the Air Force any object that fell from the skies##." It is hardly conceivable that USAF would issue such an order--unless it expected something could fall from the skies.

And here's another one: At least twice in 1954, Dorothy Kilgallen, in her column in The New York Journal American, had cryptic remarks. One: "Is it possible that new peeps through the telescope on Mt. Palomar indicate that many a scientist--and textbook--could have been wrong about the universe?" And again, in her column Broadway Bulletin Board, on November 15, 1954, Miss Kilgallen stated that "a Harvard professor is telling his classes that he can prove that there are people on other planets."

These things don't sound much like hoax.

Now does this one:

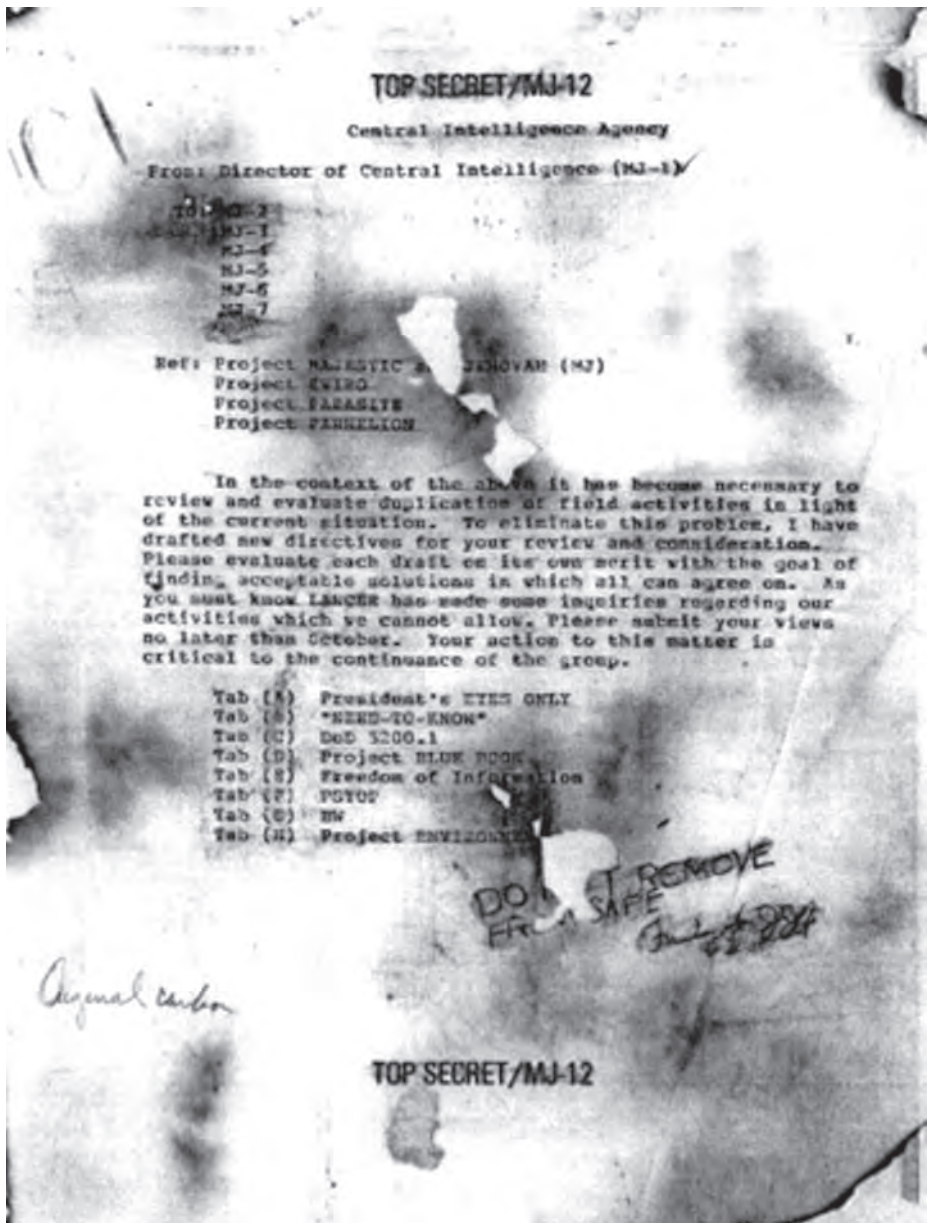
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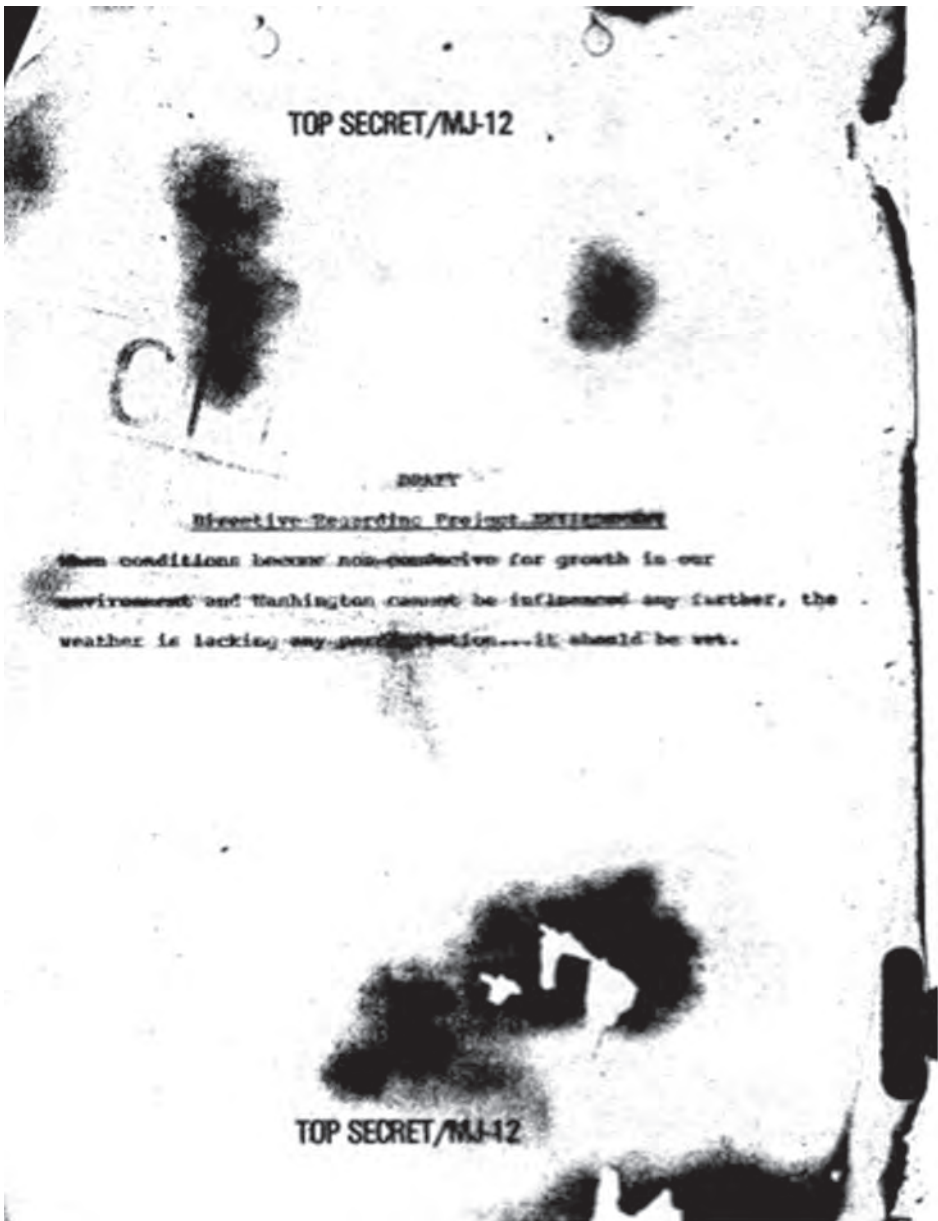
A page from the manuscript referencing Dorothy Kilgallen with border notes asking, "What is DM doing?"

Appendix F—The Burned Memo referencing “Lancer,” JFK’s code name.



Note that the memo was sent to MJ-2 through MJ-7, indicating not all MJ-12 members were in agreement. (Courtesy Dr. Robert Wood and Ryan Wood. www.majesticdocuments.com)

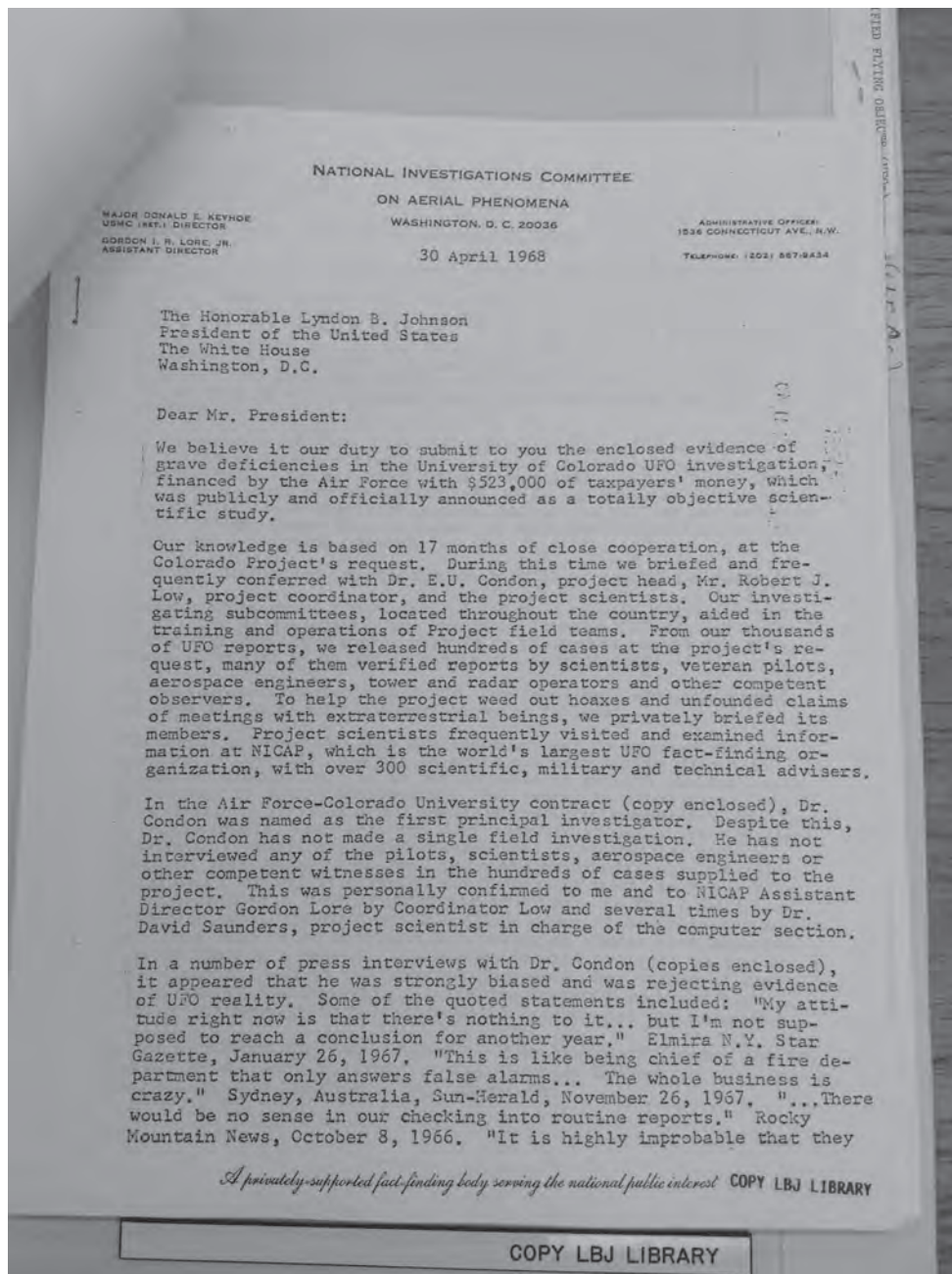
Appendix G—The most chilling of the Burned Memo documents.



The reference to “wet” is a code name for assassination.

Courtesy of Dr. Robert Wood and Ryan Wood. www.majesticdocuments.com

Appendix H—Letter from Donald Keyhoe to President Johnson



A four-page letter from Donald Keyhoe to President Johnson expressing his grave concern over the Colorado Projects handling of their UFO investigation. (Courtesy Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library.)

(UFOs) exist." Denver Post, October 8, 1966.

In September, 1967, NICAP ceased transmitting UFO reports to the Project after we learned there was a split, with Dr. Condon and Mr. Low evidently preparing for a negative conclusion, and the majority of the scientists, including Dr. David Saunders and Dr. Norman Levine, strongly opposed. In a visit to NICAP headquarters, Mr. Low admitted the project split. In the presence of Assistant Director Lore and myself, he also confirmed that Dr. Condon had made no field investigations or questioned witnesses and added, "If he were to write a report today, the conclusion would be negative."

On November 14, I sent a list of questions to Dr. Condon and Mr. Low, stating we would resume transmissions if the answers were satisfactory. The questions (copies enclosed) asked if Dr. Condon intended to make any investigations, if he had examined any of the hundreds of NICAP submitted reports, and if the project was actually objective and impartial, as stated by university officials, the Air Force and Dr. Condon himself.

Both Dr. Condon and Coordinator Low refused to answer the questions.

Shortly after this, I was privately given a copy of proposals made by Mr. Low to University Vice President Thurston Manning and other university faculty members, discussing whether to accept the Air Force offer and if so how to handle the investigation.

In this proposal memorandum by Mr. Low (copy enclosed), he summed up some of the faculty members' views as follows:

"In order to undertake such a project one has to approach it objectively. That is, one has to admit the possibility that such things as UFOs exist. It is not respectable to give serious consideration to such a possibility. Believers, in other words, remain outcasts... Our study would be conducted almost exclusively by nonbelievers, who, although they couldn't possibly prove a negative result, could and probably would add an impressive body of evidence that there is no reality to the observations. The trick would be, I think, to describe the project so that, to the public, it would appear a totally objective study but, to the scientific community, would present the image of a group of nonbelievers trying their best to be objective but having an almost zero expectation of finding a saucer. One way to do this would be to stress investigation, not of the physical phenomena, but rather of the people who do the observing... If the emphasis were put here... I think the scientific community would quickly get the message."

In the Air Force contract, signed by Vice President Manning and Dr. Condon, an entirely different set of Colorado University proposals was incorporated, including this statement:

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"The work will be conducted under conditions of strictest objectivity by investigators who, as carefully as can be determined, have no predilections or preconceived positions on the UFO question. This is essential if the public, the Congress, the Executive and the scientific community are to have confidence in the study..."

At the request of Dr. David Saunders, we permitted our subcommittees to continue field-team cooperation, though we transmitted no further reports. Dr. Saunders explained that a majority group of project scientists still hoped to persuade Dr. Condon to take a different approach and examine all the serious evidence.

Some time later, a copy of the Low proposals was given to Dr. James E. McDonald, a University of Arizona atmospheric physicist who has carried out an extensive single-handed UFO investigation under a university grant.

Early in February, 1968, Dr. Condon and Mr. Low learned of this. Dr. Condon summarily discharged Drs. Saunders and Levine, who were chiefly involved in giving McDonald the document. In a press release, Dr. Condon stated the cause was "incompetence." The project administrative secretary, Mrs. Mary Louise Armstrong, resigned in disapproval of the firings and the handling of the project. Dr. Condon wrote McDonald and the President of the University of Arizona and demanded return of what he called "stolen" papers, but McDonald refused.

Shortly afterward, information about the firings, NICAP'S role, and the Low proposals was given to author John Fuller for an article in LOOK Magazine (copy enclosed). The article includes a box statement by me as to our long cooperation and the reasons for our final break with the Project.

We sincerely regret the failure of the project, to which so many people looked for a fully impartial UFO evaluation, if not final answers. We fear that public loss of confidence may make the project's report, being prepared by Mr. Low, of little value.

The most serious effect, we believe, is that Congress, the press and public may refuse belief in any further investigation arranged by the Defense Department, although we know of no evidence that the Air Force was aware of the negative proposals.

We respectfully suggest, Mr. President, that the void resulting from the Colorado fiasco be filled as soon as possible by the creation of a commission of carefully selected scientists, selected by you but completely independent of any military or civilian agency of the Government. From reactions to the Colorado situation, stated to us by NICAP advisers and outside scientists, we feel sure that scientists of high stature are available, with neither negative nor positive conclusions but convinced that the UFO situation is a problem serious enough to require total investigation.

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We suggest that all major decisions of such a commission be by majority vote, that the chosen men be recognized authorities on astronomy, aerospace operations and planning, electronics, and other fields related to UFO investigations.

More detailed suggestions will be forwarded to you as soon as we study the opinions of our Board of Governors, advisers and outside scientists. Meantime, NICAP offers any such created commission its full cooperation, including our massive evidence, and the assistance of our field investigators.

Sincerely yours,
Donald Keyhoe
Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC, Ret.
Director of NICAP

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Appendix I—FBI memo on Frances Swan and her channeling with AFFA.

(Courtesy U.S. Government.)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/2/54

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-0)

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SUBJECT: Mrs. FRANCES SWAN
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

This interview is predicated upon a telephone call received by SAC L. L. LAUGHLIN on 7/29/54 from [redacted] Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Navy Department. b7c

On the same date [redacted] was interviewed in Room 2912, Main Navy Building. Also present during the interview was [redacted] and [redacted] furnished the following information: b7c

They advised that the Office of Naval Intelligence had forwarded a file to the Bureau of Aeronautics with enclosure which had been received from [redacted]. According to [redacted] and [redacted] resided near [redacted] who had been receiving messages through thought transmission. [redacted] approached [redacted] and advised him that "flying saucers" were here to help mankind. Information received by [redacted] indicated that [redacted] became interested in the messages received by [redacted] and felt that the matter should be investigated by the Government. b7c

[redacted] advised that [redacted] wrote to Admiral ESPEY, Director of Naval Intelligence, on 6/1/54 enclosing some of the messages received by [redacted]. Receiving no reply to his original communication, [redacted] again wrote ONI on 6/7/54. [redacted] advised that the first letter that [redacted] wrote to ONI contained information that [redacted] was receiving messages through thought control from "outer space" and wrote them down as she received them. The letter, according to [redacted], stated that [redacted] would write without any effort on her part and would write continuously for four or five hours at a time without getting tired. He stated that ONI had in their possession the transmissions or messages that had been received by [redacted]. b7c

[redacted] stated that ONI had advised that in the absence of any definite evidence of conversations, they would do nothing in the matter. He also stated that the Bureau of Aeronautics took no official action in [redacted]. b7c

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in the matter. [redacted] was questioned concerning the position that the Bureau of Aeronautics had taken and he remarked that he did not believe that this was pertinent. After further questioning, he subsequently stated that the Bureau of Aeronautics was of the belief that this was a matter for ORL. b7c

[redacted] stated that he "unofficially" became interested in the matter and at the invitation of [redacted] he went to [redacted] where he spent 7/24, 25, 26/54 in the residence of [redacted]. [redacted] stated that he informed Admiral SAUCEK, his superior in the Bureau of Aeronautics, that he was going to visit [redacted]. b7c

[redacted] stated that inasmuch as [redacted] had received no response from the Government concerning this matter, he began reading books on flying saucers. [redacted] advised that during the time that he was a house guest of [redacted], there was also present [redacted] who was also interested in flying saucers. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was at [redacted] residence with his family and was there in an unofficial capacity. b7c

[redacted] advised that during his stay, he and [redacted] had various interviews with [redacted] and had had contact with the "outer space" through [redacted]. During the interview with [redacted] and the contact with "outer space," [redacted] stated that they sat in a group and he observed [redacted] writing messages that she was receiving from someone in "outer space." According to [redacted] informed him that the people from "outer space" could use her eyes and ears to see and hear. According to [redacted] this is accomplished by the use of a mechanical device and all conversations are recorded by the people in "outer space." [redacted] indicated as an example as to how messages were relayed, he stated that he asked [redacted] a question which she was to relay to the people in "outer space" and before she had time to relay the question, she began writing the answer down to his question on paper. b7c

[redacted] stated that [redacted] informed him that whenever she was to have contact with the people in "outer space," she would get a buzzing sound in her left ear to indicate that they were "on the line." [redacted] stated that [redacted] complained to the people in "outer space" that this buzzing sound gets very annoying and painful to her ear. She also stated that the messages had been coming since May 27, 1954, and would come at all times of the night and consequently she was losing a great deal of sleep. According to [redacted] arranged a schedule with the people in "outer space" so that the messages would not interfere with her sleep. [redacted] advised that a schedule was arranged between [redacted] and the people in "outer space" that she would receive messages on the following schedule: 8:00 in the morning, 12 noon, 6:00 in the evening, every day of the week. b7c

██████████ stated that ██████████, and ██████████ had also heard the buzzing sound in their ears, but have not been able to receive transmissions or messages. ██████████ stated that the transmissions related to flying saucers, location and why they were here, life on other planets, and life in the hereafter, and prophecies in the Bible. ██████████ advised that ██████████ could contact people in "outer space" by mental thought control. b7c

According to ██████████ stated that there were two space ships from which she had been receiving messages. They were described as 150 miles wide, 200 miles in length, and 100 miles in depth. ██████████ stated that these ships are designated as M-4 and L-11 and they also contain mother ships which measure approximately 150 to 200 feet in length. ██████████ related that ██████████ had informed him that there were approximately 5,000 of these mother ships. He stated that "AFFA" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship M-4 which is from the planet Uramus and "PONNAR" is the Manager or the Commander of the ship L-11 which is from the planet Hatann. ██████████ related that ██████████ stated that these contacts with "AFFA" and "PONNAR" were for the purpose of protecting our own earth from destruction caused by the explosion of the atom bomb, hydrogen bomb, and wars of various kinds which they, "AFFA" and "PONNAR," say disrupt the magnetic field of force which surrounds the earth. ██████████ stated that ██████████ also related that contact was made for the purpose of protecting the whole universe because if the "fault lines" break or go to pieces, it would effect the entire universe. According to ██████████ stated, "AFFA" and "PONNAR" are presently working in the area of the Pacific Ocean repairing "fault lines" which are in danger of breaking. b7c

██████████ stated that both he and ██████████ were looking for proof and they wanted to know whether they could contact the man from "outer space." According to ██████████ advised that he and ██████████ could make contact in "outer space" on any frequency provided they informed her first of the frequency that they were to use so that she could advise the people in "outer space." ██████████ stated that in connection with his contacting "outer space," he could make no commitment as he did not know how far the Navy would go. He advised, however, that ██████████ stated that he would try to make contact with "outer space" on Sunday, August 1, 1954, and was going to use a high frequency. ██████████ stated that to make sure that contact was made, ██████████ advised that the ship from "outer space" would come within 100 miles of ██████████, so that ██████████ would have no difficulty in making his contact. b7c

██████████ stated that ██████████ wanted to know if physical contact could be had with the people in "outer space." ██████████ advised ██████████ and ██████████ that the people in "outer space" wanted to know if they could provide them protection and that if physical contact were to be made, they would appear in a force which would consist of 5,000 "bells" or "flying saucers." b7c

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According to [redacted] these "bells" or "flying saucers" would appear over many nations of the world during the latter part of August 1954, and would come close enough to the earth so that they could be seen by man and that they in turn would be able to see people on the street. b7c

[redacted] stated that [redacted] wrote a letter to MARGARET CHASE SMITH, Senator from Maine, concerning this information, who forwarded the information to the Secretary of Defense and copies were sent to the Army, Navy, and Air Force. According to [redacted] also wrote a letter to the President of the United States. b7c

[redacted] stated that none of the persons involved in this matter were interested in publicity. He stated that he would be willing to assist the Bureau in the investigation of this matter if the Bureau desired, inasmuch as he believed [redacted] and [redacted] had confidence in him. b7c

[redacted] described [redacted] as being of middle-class circumstances, having a very modest home with furniture below middle-class. He stated that she has [redacted]. He considered her to be a [redacted] person, [redacted] and one who has studied [redacted]. b7c

The above information is being made available to the Office of Special Investigations, United States Air Force, and no further action is being taken by this office.

Appendix J—Letter from Air Force information officer Albert N. Chop



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OFFICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

26 January 1953

Henry Holt & Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:

This will acknowledge your letter of recent date regarding a proposed book on "Flying saucers" by Major Donald R. Keyhoe, U. S. Marine Corps, retired.

We in the Air Force recognize Major Keyhoe as a responsible, accurate reporter. His long association and cooperation with the Air Force, in our study of unidentified flying objects, qualifies him as a leading civilian authority on this investigation.

All the sighting reports and other information he listed have been cleared and made available to Major Keyhoe from Air Technical Intelligence records, at his request.

The Air Force, and its investigating agency, "Project Bluebook," are aware of Major Keyhoe's conclusion that the "Flying Saucers" are from another planet. The Air Force has never denied that this possibility exists. Some of the personnel believe that there may be some strange natural phenomena completely unknown to us, but that if the apparently controlled maneuvers reported by many competent observers are correct, then the only remaining explanation is the interplanetary answer.

Very Truly Yours

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