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Dear Grant & Scott:

I am taking this opportunity to write this letter to the both of you so as to save time. Please accept my apologies for not having written sooner. Things have been hectic around here for the past couple of months what with moving and all, and as a result my correspondance has managed to get even further behind than usual.

In any case, thank you, Grant, for sending the material on the Carman film. I am not too surprised to see that Mr. Barry managed to both screw up the facts and claim the spotlight at the same time. Your material is a welcome addition to the file. I am still interested in getting a copy of the original film if at all possible. This, of course, would be for research purposes only.

I presume by now that the two of you have had a chance to read and assess my Las Vegas paper. I think the time had come to blow the whistle on government disinformation about UFOs and provide some much needed counterpoint to the Lear-Cooper material. One of the key points in that mess, at least to me, was that I was able to establish a direct connection between one of Lear's "confidential" sources and the very same office in Washington that was responsible for directing much of the effort against Bennewitz. That, coupled with the fact that much of Lear's material was an embellished regurgitation of the same fluff they fed Paul, told me what I needed to know about Lear. As for Cooper-- he's a highly intelligent individual who is very good at taking in material from a variety of sources and twisting it around to suit his purposes. Either he's a clever opportunist who's taking advantage of the Lear situation and the general paranoia of the UFO community to try to make himself look important, or he's a C/I man whose specialty is deception. My present thinking is that the former is more likely the case because his methodology doesn't fit the latter type at all. Also, if you take the trouble to compare his earlier pronouncements with those he is making currently, you will discover a host of inconsistencies.

By the way, T. Scott-- it was Cooper who was selling transcripts of his paper at Las Vegas for \$25.00, NOT me. A transcript of my

14,000 word monograph, which as you know was printed in FOCUS, was \$10.00 if purchased straight out; but FREE to anyone purchasing an EIGHTEEN month subscription to FOCUS for \$20.00. (Normally FOCUS subscriptions go for \$20.00 for only twelve months. Thus for their \$20.00, subscribers got an extra six months plus the Las Vegas issue for free.) I would appreciate it if you would check your facts next time, Scott.

Government disinformation about UFOs has been going on for a long time. My goal is to try to stop it by exposing it to the public, and at the same time, uncover what is behind it. What I did in Las Vegas began the first part of this process. There will be more to come. The next issue of FOCUS (circulation now about 500) will carry more.

If the UFO community is upset by what I'm doing, it certainly hasn't shown in the dozens of calls and more than 100 letters I have received. So far, supporters outnumber critics by a ratio of eight to one! To those who have expressed outrage over the fact that I allowed myself to become involved in the disinformation game, I point out two things: First, if I hadn't done it, the government would simply have found someone else who would have; and Second, if I hadn't blown the whistle and exposed the process, the UFO community would still be in the dark about it and fawning after Lear and Cooper. In short, if you want the world to know that the lady's wearing poka-dotted bloomers, the best way is to run the evidence up the flag pole in front of a crowd of people. Naturally a few people are going to be horrified by the process, but that's the way it goes.

Now, as to the two questions you posed, Grant, in your letter of last month: (1) I regretfully must deny your request for permission to use a picture of Doty from the videotape. For my own part, I had no problem with it; but there are others involved and I was unable to obtain unanimous consent. (2) Rick Doty is certainly aware of who Phil Klass is. On that basis, I would take anything Doty might have said to Klass with a large measure of salt. Rick told me that the only reason he talked to Klass at all was to see if he could have some fun with him. I had a transcript of the Doty-Klass conversation in my hands barely a week after it occurred, and both Rick and I had a good laugh over it. As to how I know that Linda (Howe) and I haven't "poured (our) coffee from the same pot", as you put it; the answer is really quite simple. I brew my coffee strong and black; Linda prefers hers weak and with lots of sugar. Taking your question in a more serious light; knowing that disinformation games were being played put me in a much better position to safeguard against them than others who had no idea what was going on. Remember, I also had contacts who were far enough removed from the counterintelligence side of things to enable me to do a certain amount of double checking. This is why I have continually held my cards close to the vest and played to the table only when I was reasonably certain I was on a solid footing. The principal point, however, continues to be not who was (is) being duped, but rather, why. Until the last card has been played, the game isn't over.

I've taken the liberty of placing you both on the FOCUS mailing list as complimentary subscribers; although considering the lack of communication from either of you over the past month along

with some of the nasty comments T. Scott has made, perhaps I should have been more "characteristic" and held out for the twenty bucks. Remember, "sharing" is a two-way street. If I don't hear something meaningful out of you guys in the near future, I'll assume your not interested.

Am sending along a copy of my recent letter to Bill English. Perhaps it will clarify a few other points for you. Meanwhile, best regards to you both.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

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Dear Bill:

Thank you for sending me a copy of "Pegasus". Aside from the material about me on page one, I was most interested in the pledges you make in your "Policy Statement" which appears on page three-- especially those you make about using only "factual information" and "not allow(ing) character assassination."

I do not know why you seem to harbor so many negative feelings about me, or what I may have done to offend you. Whatever it is, you certainly seem to be very hot under the collar about it. However, I did note in listening to a tape of your Las Vegas speech that you made a distinct call for unity and an end to the in-fighting in the UFO field. You will recall that I made a similar statement in my presentation. On the strength of that, added to the fact that (as least as I recall it) we once got along quite well, I would like once again to propose that we put aside past differences and try to work together. I hope you will give this your serious consideration.

Now, with respect to the piece on page one of your newsletter, I cannot imagine who the (anonymous and obviously second-hand) source of your information might be, but I can tell you first hand that it is completely erroneous. My interaction with Mr. Bennewitz was as stated in my Las Vegas presentation. In addition, on a number of different occasions I was accompanied on my visits to him by other individuals who, I am sure, would be more than happy to verify that fact if necessary. One particular occasion, which you can easily check on if you wish, occurred in 1984 when I and one other person were visiting with Paul in his office. I had been there about twenty minutes when Tracy Torme, Tom Adams and one other individual whose name I do not recall walked in. They were quite surprised to see me; I was quite surprised to see them; and Paul seemed quite amused by it all. Ask Tracy or Tom about it. I am certain they will recall the incident. You might also talk to Gabe Valdez, who knew as early as '81 or '82 that Paul and I were acquainted.

Furthermore, you seem to have misinterpreted what I said at Vegas about the role I was playing in the Bennewitz affair. Therefore, I wish to offer the following three corrections to the material printed in your newsletter:

(1) You state that I "met and knew Paul Bennewitz in the latter

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part of 1979." This is incorrect. Please refer to Page 5, paragraph 2, and page 6, paragraph 2 of the text of my paper (as printed in FOCUS, Vol.IV #4-5-6; 30 JUN. '89) for clarification. Page 6, para. 2 clearly states, "I first met Paul in early 1981...." (If you haven't got a copy of the text, let me know and I'll be happy to send you one.)

(2) You state that I "was instrumental in feeding Bennewitz mis-information (sic)." ~~Not true. Once again, refer to page 6, paragraph 2 of my text, which states:~~

"My role in the affair was largely that of a freelancer providing information on Paul's current thinking and activities. I had nothing whatsoever to do with the counterintelligence and the disinformation...."

(3) You state that I was "partly the reason for Paul's involuntary committal to the New Mexico State mental hospital." This is both untrue and erroneous on its face. First of all, if Paul was ever involuntarily committed to a state mental hospital, I am completely unaware of it. My statement (pg. 8, para. 1, bottom) was, "Not long afterward I heard he had been hospitalized and was under psychiatric care." The hospital, as I understood it, was a local facility, not a mental hospital or institution, and Paul had not been "committed". He was simply under the care of a psychiatrist. Secondly, you will note that in the same paragraph cited above, I clearly state that I tried to counsel Paul to drop his UFO activities before they completely destroyed his health. Indeed, I genuinely liked Paul, resented what "they" were doing to him, and did everything I could (short of blowing my own cover) to get him to realize he was the object of an extensive counterintelligence game. The fact is, Paul already knew that. Somehow I think much of his problem came from his unflagging belief that if he stayed with it long enough, truth as he saw it would somehow triumph over deception.

As far as my motivations in making the statement I did in Las Vegas, I think the time had come to blow the whistle on government disinformation about UFOs and provide some much needed counterpoint to the Lear-Cooper material. One of the key points in that mess, at least to me, was that I was able to establish a direct connection between one of Lear's "confidential" sources and the very same office in Washington that was responsible for directing much of the effort against Bennewitz. That, coupled with the fact that much of Lear's material was an embellished regurgitation of the same fluff they fed Paul, told me what I needed to know about Lear. As for Cooper-- he's a highly intelligent individual who is very good at taking in material from a variety of sources and embellishing it to suit his purposes. In my opinion, he's either a clever opportunist who's taking advantage of the Lear situation and the general paranoia of the UFO community to try to make himself look more important than he really is, or he's a C/I man whose specialty is deception. My present thinking is that the former is more likely the case simply because his methodology doesn't fit the latter type at all. Also, if you take the trouble to compare his earlier pronouncements with those he is making currently, you will discover a host of inconsistencies; which, at the very least, calls his ultimate credibility into serious question.

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In any case, congratulations and best wishes on "Pegasus" and your UFINET project. I hope you will print this letter in an upcoming issue in order to correct the mistakes cited above. I also sincerely hope you will take another look at the animosity you seem to harbor against me, and see if there isn't some way we can cooperate. After all, we both do have a common purpose. Please let me hear from you in the near future.

Cordially,

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