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POST OFFICE BOX 5125
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President Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton,

This letter is accompanied by over 20,000 signed copies of a statement known as the Roswell Declaration. The Declaration requests a mandated policy of openness on the part of the U.S. government with respect to any knowledge it might possess or acquire about UFOs or extraterrestrial intelligence. The signatories to this mainstream, grassroots effort, the International Roswell Initiative, include hundreds of scientists and engineers, three retired air force generals, and two former U.S. astronauts.

While the initiative was originally inspired by the 1947 Roswell event, extensive research has established that the Roswell incident itself did not involve an extraterrestrial craft. Whether it is justified or not, there is a widespread lack of confidence in the government's forthrightness with regard to the UFO phenomenon, even among those who do not believe a UFO crashed at Roswell in 1947. For example, a late-1996 Gallup poll revealed that 71 percent of the American public believes that "the U.S. government knows more about UFOs than it is telling."

An executive order guaranteeing that information as profound and important as that relating to other intelligent life in the universe would never be withheld by the U.S. government would surely be considered a positive move by those on all sides of the issue. Whether or not any such information exists, such a mandate would undoubtedly do much to alleviate the American peoples' long-term distrust and suspicion of their government concerning this subject.

Sincerely,

Kent Jeffrey
Coordinator, International Roswell Initiative

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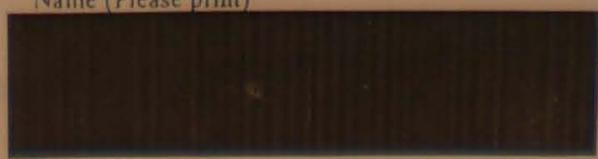
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Edgar Mitchell 6/4/95
Signature Date

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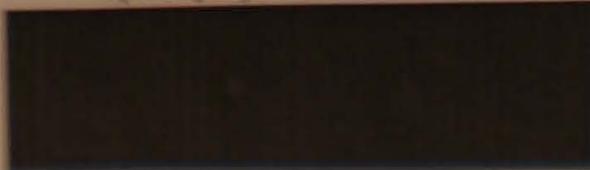
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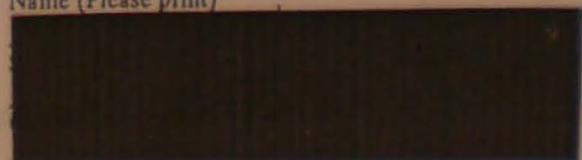
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Frederick C. Blesse ^{4 Nov 1995}
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MARK SANFORD
U.S. Representative (U.S. citizens)

STATEMENT FROM
THREE FORMER OFFICERS
AT THE FOREIGN
TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (FTD)
AT WRIGHT PATTERSON
AIR FORCE BASE.

June 27, 1997

Walter Klinikowski, Colonel, USAF, Retired
Walter Vitunac, Colonel, USAF, Retired
George Weinbrenner, Colonel, USAF, Retired

In view of recent worldwide media attention and apparent public misconception concerning the 1947 Roswell incident, we have chosen to issue a joint statement in an effort to help set the record straight on this most controversial matter. We are taking this step strictly out of a sense of responsibility to the truth, and are doing so of our own volition, without any pressure or encouragement from the U.S. military or government.

Over the past years, innumerable documentaries, books, television shows, and movies have conveyed the impression that the 1947 Roswell event is a matter of historical fact. Incredible-sounding but unsubstantiated claims by alleged witnesses and participants have further exacerbated the situation. Consequently, according to recent opinion polls, the majority of Americans now believe in the reality of an event that never occurred -- the crash of an alien spaceship northwest of Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947, and its subsequent recovery and transportation by the U.S. military to Wright Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio.

Wright Patterson is indeed where the Air Force's technical and intelligence experts were, and still are, concentrated. It is where the recovered wreckage from a foreign craft of any kind with the potential for invading our skies, including an alien spaceship, would be taken and kept for technical analysis. Contrary to the Roswell legend, however, no such craft was taken to and stored at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. If such an event had occurred, as ranking officials of the Foreign Technology Division (FTD) at Wright Patterson, we would have known about it. During our collective tenure there, which spanned a period of 17 years -- 1957 through 1974 -- there was no alien spaceship, and no secret hangar housing it -- of that we give our word.

Going on record with such an unequivocal statement is not something we take lightly. As retired military officers, we would not dishonor ourselves, our military careers, our families, or our country by lying to the American people, especially about an issue of such great potential significance.

Any doubters should note that if an alien spaceship were actually being kept at Wright Patterson Air Force Base by the U.S. government, the administration in power could choose to declassify the matter at any time. With that uncertainty, publicly lying about such an issue, on top of all else, would be pure folly.

As is surely the opinion of the vast majority of Americans, both civilian and military, we are in total agreement that anything as important and profound as knowledge of other intelligent life in the universe would be information that should not be suppressed or censored by any government. It would be information to which all humanity should be entitled.

Walter P. Klinikowski June 27, 1997

Walter Klinikowski, FTD 1960-74, Deputy Director of Intelligence Collections, Director of Foreign Activities

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February 16, 1995

Mr. Kent Jeffrey..

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Dear Kent:

Congratulations! We've tallied a grand total of 12,132 signed copies of the Roswell Declaration. This includes the 800 plus from Londonderry High School in New Hampshire.

Please let us know what your plans are for delivering the petitions to Washington, DC; readers have been calling and asking about the schedule.

I enjoyed working on this project with you. Please call if Omni can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Caroline Dark

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NEW ROSWELL REVELATIONS

ROSWELL — ANATOMY OF A MYTH

by Kent Jeffrey

Almost one hundred years ago, a very concerned eight-year-old girl from New York City, Virginia O'Hanlon, wrote the Question and Answer Department of her family's evening newspaper, *The New York Sun*, requesting to know the truth about Santa Claus. Virginia had been a firm believer, but her young friends had started to sow the seeds of doubt.

On September 21, 1897, Virginia's answer finally came. Francis Pharcellus Church, a former Civil War correspondent and an aging writer for the *Sun*, replied to Virginia's letter in one of the most eloquent and enduring editorial responses in the history of journalism. Church transcended the cold hard facts of reality and avoided shaking Virginia's childlike faith by subtly alluding to Santa Claus as a metaphor for that which is good and noble in life — "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy...."

Recently, the International Roswell Initiative (IRI) received an inquiry from a young girl, Lauren M., living in a small town in New Jersey, that is in many ways reminiscent of Virginia O'Hanlon's 1897 letter to the *New York Sun*. While the IRI is primarily a grass roots effort to declassify whatever information the government might have on UFOs or extraterrestrial intelligence, it has received numerous inquiries over the last three years about the actual Roswell event, many from children.

January 6, 1997

Dear International Roswell Initiative:

I am a 6th grade student who is studying all kinds of interesting information about UFOs... I believe that there are really aliens who have landed and crashed (such as Roswell), but the government tried to cover it up...If you have any information that can help me prove that there are UFOs and aliens, please send me that information. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

*Lauren M.
Mrs. Nielsen's 6th grade*

Having been extensively involved over the last few years with both the investigation of the Roswell case and the effort to get the matter declassified, I would love to be able to answer Lauren M.'s letter in the affirmative. Unfortunately, in clear conscience, I cannot — either directly or metaphorically. Unlike a fanciful story from Western folklore created to appeal to the imaginations of children, the 1947 Roswell case involves real people and an actual event. Additionally, with all the publicity the Roswell event and its alleged coverup have received, along with the accompanying implications of conspiracy and deceit on the part of the U.S. government, Roswell represents a controversy that extends far beyond the relatively narrow confines of the so-called UFO community. As such, Roswell demands an objective, straightforward, and, if possible, definitive answer.

During the last year, compelling new evidence has come to the fore that now makes such a definitive answer possible. Unfortunately, it is not the answer that those of us familiar with the Roswell case have wanted to hear. Declassified 1948 military documents, new testimony from retired military men from both Roswell and the Foreign Technology Division at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, and a thorough reexamination of how the crashed-disk story got started in the first place, make it unequivocally clear that the material recovered northwest of Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947 was not of extraterrestrial origin. In other words, **NO UFO CRASHED AT ROSWELL — WITH OR WITHOUT ALIENS. IT DID NOT HAPPEN. PERIOD.** For those willing to look objectively and rationally at all the evidence, this contention should become resoundingly clear, not just beyond a reasonable doubt, but beyond all doubt.

Disinformation Agent or Defector?

As soon as word got out that I, coordinator of the IRI and author of the Roswell Declaration, had reversed my opinion on Roswell, accusations such as "he is an agent for the government" or "they finally got to him" immediately appeared on Internet postings and elsewhere. While it is generally not prudent to risk giving such silliness even an inkling of respectability by publicly acknowledging it, I will address the

The Roswell incident has long been the focus of intense scrutiny by the UFO community. With the approach of its 50th anniversary, the case may be due an in-depth re-assessment. In an article sure to generate significant controversy, Kent Jeffrey explains his own change of heart.

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Are We Alone Here?
 A Look Into The Possibility of Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence

Nicholas Greene
 2 December 1996

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"The truth is out there." This popular saying from the hit TV show "The X-Files" has inspired many to open their eyes to the strange world of

explained phenomenon. One of the most intriguing of the phenomenon is the possibility of extra-terrestrial intelligence, and the question of have they visited our planet. There is an abundance of evidence to support the concept that outside intelligence has visited the Earth. This evidence ranges from numerous sightings to accounts of alien abduction to evidence of government coverups of encounters. The exploration of these accounts is an important step toward allowing everyone the chance to make a more educated choice when taking a position on this issue. It is important to realize that most people who make "sightings" are usually normal people, not drunks, or the hopelessly insane. This topic, once one of extreme speculation has now begun to gather an immense amount of information under the study of UFOlogy. To tackle the problem, "have we been visited by extra-terrestrials" an extensive amount of the resources resides in interviews with people of first hand accounts of encounters, while some resides in official documents or newspaper articles.

One of the most popular "contact experiences" occurred on July 2, 1947 just outside of Roswell New Mexico. This account contains some of the most conclusive evidence to date concerning extra-terrestrials (ETs.) During a severe thunderstorm on July 2, 1947 something crashed just outside of Roswell New Mexico. On the following day William "Mac" Brazel, foreman of the Foster Ranch, found the wreckage and returned with samples to a neighbor's house. It was agreed that the wreckage was unlike anything they had seen before. On July 6, Brazel presented wreckage to the Chaves County Sheriff, George Wilcox, who called the Roswell Air Force Base and presented the find to Major Jesse Marcel, intelligence officer. Marcel subsequently reported the information to his superior, Colonel William "Butch" Blanchard who ordered the investigation of the site by his officers. At this point the events surrounding the incident began to spiral out of control with lies, bribes, government/military coverups.

Some of the most intriguing information describing the Roswell incident resides in interviews of the Personnel directly involved. The interviews can be divided into two groups, Civilians and Military Personnel. Several civilians had contact either directly or through family members in the military to the incident. The children of Mac Brazel, the locator of the wreckage, told of pieces of metal "You could wrinkle it and lay it back down and it immediately resumed its original shape." They claimed their dad stated "the Army had once told him it was not anything made by us." Glenn Dennis, a mortician in Roswell in 1947 states that "on July 9 or 10, 1947, [he] got several phone calls from the Roswell AAF mortuary officer . . . [for] bodies laid out in the middle of July, in the middle of the prairie." When Dennis visited the base Military Police (MPs) escorted him off the base with the threat "You open your mouth and you'll be so far back in the jug they'll have to shoot pinto beans [into you] with a bean shooter." Later that night Dennis met with a nurse from the base. She described the bodies she had worked on. "Their noses didn't protrude, the eyes were set pretty deep, and the ears were just little indentations . . . the upper arm was longer than the lower. They didn't have thumbs, they had four . . . tentacles." Military officers have also begun to come forward with strange stories about the incident at Roswell. Major Jesse Marcel, the first military officer on the scene, declares "It was quite obvious to me, familiar with air activities, that it was not a weather balloon, nor was it an airplane or a missile." Marcel also speaks of a metal with remarkably similar qualities to that possessed by the children of Mac Brazel. Second Lieutenant Walter Haut, a public information officer at Roswell AAF in 1947, explains that "Colonel Blanchard ordered Haut to issue a press release telling the country that the Army had found a flying saucer . . . [he] took the release into town." Many other officers witnessed the strange properties of the unidentified metal and some reported the existence of three to four strange bodies (Roswell).

Several letters have surfaced from government record dealing with the Roswell incident. In 1995 a report sent to Congress states that regulations in 1947 required air accident reports to be made. The Navy reported no air accidents during July of 1947. In this letter it was also revealed that many records relating to Roswell had been destroyed (July 1995). On July 8, 1947, the Roswell Daily Record released a press release informing that a flying saucer had been found in Roswell (July, 8). This article suggests nothing other than the wreckage was from a flying saucer. On July 9, 1947, a second article released still upheld the idea that the wreckage was a flying saucer (July, 9).

An abundant amount of information has been published on the incident at Roswell. Most of the evidence on this incident I recovered pointed toward

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then he got down and would not comment any further. Now this occurred in 1959. I can go on and on, but time doesn't allow it. "I will tell you ladies and gentlemen that there are all kinds of things going on all the time, we are making rapid progress in exposing this. Since I have begun talking, people

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who tried to leak it out. And if I hadn't done it the way that I did it, you wouldn't be seeing me anywhere standing or walking on this Earth now. They killed President Kennedy and during the workshop, for those of you haven't seen the tape, I will show you, on the tape, who shot the president and why. Between '70 and '73, in Operation Majority it stated verbatim that President Kennedy ordered MJ-12 to cease the importation and sale of drugs

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Mr. Cooper paused briefly, and a lady in the audience asked the obvious question, "Why haven't you been assassinated?"

"If they were to kill me right now, what would you think?" Cooper posed.

"That it's the truth," several people chimed.

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Cooper: "The shellfish poison? If you go to kill someone, one thing I've learned, I learned it real good, I learned it especially good when I went to Vietnam; just because you shoot someone doesn't mean they're going to die. And if they don't die, they're going to be mad. And if they've got a gun, you're dead. So you want the first time to be the last time. So if you really want to kill somebody you don't play around. If you really want to kill somebody ... you kill them, you don't play, you make sure that when you shoot them, they're dead. That way they can't hurt you, can't hurt you at all."

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Regrettably, the next question was totally unintelligible, the time.

"Wasn't the craft at Roswell, New Mexico, destroyed and all the aliens killed?" another young man asked.

"All the aliens were dead but the craft was not completely destroyed, it was severely damaged yes."

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particles of the exploding pellet or the shellfish poison in his brain which would have proved conclusively that Lee Harvey Oswald was not the assassin. In fact, Lee Harvey Oswald never fired a

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The Milton William Cooper Speech

Editor's note: What follows is a transcript of a 45-minute lecture given by Milton William Cooper on November 17, 1989, at the "Whole Life Expo" in Los Angeles, Calif. His speech was transcribed word-for-word from a microcassette recording.

"For those of you who don't know who I am, I was raised in a military family. My family, my ancestors, since they came to this country, have been government people. We have served in the military, we have been patriots, we have fought in all the wars, we care about this country and believe in the constitution of the United States. We know, as many people don't know, that the Constitution of the United States of America is the United States of America! And that's why we've always been ready to do the things needed to preserve and protect it.

"When I left home I went into the Air Force, the Strategic Air Command. As a child I'd heard stories from my father and pilots, other pilots, my father was a pilot, about Foo Fighters, UFOs, strange craft that were not made on this Earth. And as a kid, you hear that in passing, and it's neat, and you giggle about it, and you go out and play 'Space Man,' and you forget it.

"When I was in the Air Force I met men who had participated in alien crashed-craft recoveries. Now this intrigued me, it interested me, but it was usually after quite a few bottles of beer that these stories would come out, and sometimes the next morning I couldn't remember what the heck the guy said.

"When I left the Air Force I went into the Navy, and this is where everything began to happen for me. I had originally intended to just go from service to service and do something that very few people have ever done before. I was a very adventurous, very crazy ... young man, and I thought that that would be a pretty exciting life. I volunteered for submarines, and while on the submarine USS Tyroot, SS-416, on a transit between the Portland/Seattle area and Pearl Harbor, which was our home port; the Pearl Harbor sub base, as the port lookout I saw a craft, saucer-shaped, the size of a Midway class carrier, aircraft carrier, for those of you who don't know how big that is; it's huge, come up out of the water approximately two and a half nautical miles off the port bow, which is about 45 degrees to the left of the pointy end of the submarine. It tumbled slowly on its own axis, and went up into the clouds. It appeared to be moving slowly to me at a distance of two and a half nautical miles, but in reality it was moving pretty fast because it came up out of the water, did a few tumbles, and it was gone!

"I then reported it to the officer of the deck. I didn't tell him what it was that I saw because my Daddy didn't raise no fools and in case nobody else saw it I didn't want to be the only looney on board the ship. So I asked the officer of the deck to help me cover that area, and he did, which is common for officers and lookouts to help each other while on bridge watch because they all hang together if something bad happens. After a few seconds of watching, the same craft, or another craft exactly like it, came down out of the clouds, tumbled again on its own axis, and went into the water. Ensign Ball, who was the officer of the deck, was literally shocked! What could I say? Seaman Dejeralimo, who was the starboard lookout, had also witnessed this, and Ensign Ball called the captain to the bridge who was followed by the chief quartermaster who brought a 35MM camera.

watched for between seven and 10 minutes the same craft, different craft that looked exactly alike, enter and leave the area. It was an incredible show. I don't know if they knew we were there, or if they even cared, but the craft did not glow, they were metal, they were machines without a doubt, they were obviously intelligently guided, they were huge, and having been in the Air Force and the Navy and knowing what it takes, I knew without a doubt, and know it today, that that machine was not made on the face of this earth. Because there's nothing that man can make, that can fly through the air at a speed like that, tumble on its own axis, and enter the water and effectively fly beneath the sea.

"If you've ever been aboard an airplane and then gone aboard a submarine, I know there's probably some of you in this room who have visited a submarine at one time or another, you can readily see just without even any of the technicalities involved how difficult such a thing would be to do. Where would it be built, that size? It was absolutely incredible. It changed my life because then all the stories that I'd heard all my life I knew were true, and I began seeing the world in a different light.

"It wasn't long after that I was trained by Naval security in intelligence. I was sent to Vietnam. I was assigned as a patrol boat captain, first in DaNang harbor, given a crew, given a multi-million dollar patrol boat. My job was to gather intelligence from the people who lived around the harbor and the fishermen who transited the harbor, and maintain the safety and security of the harbor and the shipping. After about five months I was sent up North to the DMZ, to a place called Qua Vieaf [sp], on the Tacan [sp] river. Our base camp was at the river mouth. We were only three miles south of the North Vietnamese border and our job was to patrol the Tacan river from the river mouth to Dang Ha [sp], and then up the Quang Tree [sp] cutoff to Quang Tree city, again to get to know the people on the bank, gather intelligence, and to patrol every night and maintain the safety and security of the river and the river traffic.

"It was while there that I discovered that there was a tremendous amount of UFO and alien activity in Vietnam. It was always reported in official messages as 'enemy helicopters.' Now any of you who know anything about the Vietnam war know that the North Vietnamese did not have any helicopters, especially after our first couple of air raids into North Vietnam. Even if they had they would not have been so foolish as to bring them over the DMZ because that would have insured their demise. Our troops were fired on occasionally by these 'enemy helicopters,' enemy troops were fired on occasionally by these 'enemy helicopters,' and occasionally people would disappear. And on one instance that I know for sure at least one entire village disappeared one night because of alien activity. The reason they used the term 'enemy helicopters' in messages and dispatches was that in Vietnam you could be overrun at any time, no matter where you were. They did not bring crypto encoding equipment into Vietnam, I'm talking about the machinery. What we did is we had crypto tables, and once every 24 hours those codes would be no good. So that's what we used. We also, because of the inability to use crypto transmitting equipment, had to devise code words such as 'enemy helicopters.'

"When I left Vietnam I was eventually attached to the headquarters staff of the Commander in Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet at Macalappa, [sp] Hawaii, which is a little hill overlooking Pearl Harbor, it's a beautiful white building up there, and I was specifically attached to the Intelligence Briefing Team of the Commander in Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet.

"It was during this tour of duty that, in the course of my duties, documents were placed in my hands that were so unbelievable and so incredible that it took me quite a while to adjust to the fact that what I was seeing was real. Now for those of you who don't understand how I could come to see this information, let me give you a little short course in security clearance and the need to know and how you get to see classified information if you're in the military or in the government, it doesn't matter

the rules are the same.

"No. 1, you need a security clearance, and you've got to get a clearance at the level that the information you want to see is classified at. In this instance it was classified 'Top Secret, Magic, Restricted Information,' which I came to find out later is the highest security classification in the Nation. To get that type of clearance, all you have to have is a Federal Bureau of Investigation background check, which takes about six months and they send federal agents to your home, to your old schools, to all your teachers, to your friends, to everybody you put down on your security clearance forms, to all your old addresses, your neighbors, everybody that you've worked for, and it's embarrassing because they don't tell them what they're checking on. They just show them their identification and start asking questions and that's when you find out who's your friend and who's not, because a lot of people get scared and think, 'Bill just robbed a bank and I'm not talking to him anymore.'

"Now once you get that it's called a 'B.I.' and for those of you who have received a copy of my service record look on the first page, the DD-214 where it says 'Security Clearance,' you will see the term 'B.I.' That's a 'Bureau of Investigation' clearance. Now at that point, you have the clearance for everything including Top Secret and above. What determines what you get to see is your need to know, and the job that you have determines what your need to know is.

"I was assigned to the Intelligence Briefing Team of the Commander in Chief of the United States Pacific Fleet, who had to know everything concerning his area of operations which was one half of the Earth's surface; the Indian ocean, the Pacific ocean, and all the land masses in between. Believe it or not, if we go to war, if we ever go to war, it's the United States Navy that strikes the first blow and attempts to keep the enemy at bay while we can get ourselves together, at least historically. Nuclear weapons have kind of done away with that concept, but military commanders like to talk about it anyway.

"Because of this, and you have no conception of the amount of material and information that an area commander has to know; it's unbelievable, and he has to keep track of this, he has to keep on top of it. He has to know what's happening; he has to make the right decisions. Because it's almost humanly impossible for anyone to do that, they have what's called a briefing team, and it's our job to make sure that he has the correct information, all the time, on a 24-hour basis. And every morning, between 8 and 9 a.m., we would give a briefing which covered everything that happened in the previous 24 hours, and everything scheduled to happen in the next 24 hours, and all the pertinent intelligence reports that we had received since the last briefing that he needed to know and that his staff members needed to know. Occasionally we would get messages marked 'Top Secret, Magic, Restricted Information,' and it would be coded in such a way that all you had were answers to questions which you didn't know what the questions were so you really didn't know what the message was all about.

"But eventually I found myself in possession, holding two documents; one called 'Project Grudge,' another one called 'Operation Majority.' Project Grudge contained the history of alien involvement since around 1936, and it began talking about Germany's involvement with a crashed disk that they had recovered in 1936 and were attempting to duplicate the technology. They were not successful despite what all these Nazi hunters want to tell you. If they had been successful, we would not have won the war, because you cannot beat those weapons! You cannot out fly those craft, you can't even think about it with conventional aircraft. If Germany had been successful, we would now have a German flag up in front of this podium.

"They did make some headway. When we went into Punta Mundy [sp] we captured documents, we got some scientists, we got some hardware. The Russians also got some documents, some scientists, and some hardware. It wasn't until 1947 that we were able to capture a craft, a whole craft, not all together but it was everything. And that occurred near the city of Roswell, New Mex-

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There were dead aliens recovered from the craft. In Project Grudge I saw photographs of these dead aliens, of the craft, saw photographs of live aliens; I saw photographs of autopsies, internal organs; I saw photographs of the alien designated 'E.B.' [for Ebel], which was held in captivity from 1949 until June 2, 1952, when he died. I saw the history of what they had been able to do at that time put together, from incidents in the 1800s, which involved aliens and their craft.

"I saw the names of projects. I saw a project that was to fly recovered alien craft that had been recovered intact and undamaged, and some of them were recovered intact and undamaged, and how that happened I have no idea. It was called 'Project Redlight,' and first was conducted from the Tonopah test range in the Nevada test sight and then was moved to a specially built area, ordered built by president Eisenhower, called 'Area-51,' code named 'Dreamland,' in the Groom [sp] dry lake area of the Nevada test sight, by secret executive order. It doesn't exist officially, if you ask anyone, or if you write letters to the government they will tell you it doesn't exist. However if you go out there at several places and see it, fly outside the boundaries and look down and see it, you know it's there, but according to the government it doesn't exist.

"The project to fly, test fly these craft, was ongoing until sometime in 1962 when a craft blew up not far from the test sight, in the air, and the explosion was seen over a three-state area. The pilots were killed, they had no idea what had happened or why the craft blew up, but they put Project Redlight on hold until a later date when the aliens supplied us with three craft and personnel to help us learn how to fly these craft. That project is ongoing, and we now have not only alien craft that we are flying, we have craft we have built, using the captured technology, and some of the UFOs that people report seeing in the United States, and maybe even elsewhere, are flown by United States personnel.

"That may come as a shock to you. We have technology way beyond the limits of what we have been told. A lot of our development technologically, since the end of World War II, has been due to the exchange of technology which occurs in the area called 'Area-51' on a regular basis ... ongoing.

"When James Oberth, Professor Oberth retired, many of you don't know who he is ... not too many space people in here. Professor Oberth was probably one of the greatest rocket scientists and space commentators that ever lived. When he retired, the government gave him a special award, there was a press conference, all kinds of ceremony, and when he got up to speak he said, 'Gentlemen,' and I quote Professor Oberth, he said, 'Gentlemen, we cannot take credit for all the technological developments that we have had in the last decade. We have had help,' and that's where he stopped.

"One of the reporters raised his hand and said, 'Professor Oberth, can you tell us what other country helped us?'

"He said, 'It was those little guys from out in space,' and then he got down and would not comment any further. Now this occurred in 1959. I can go on and on, but time doesn't allow it.

"I will tell you ladies and gentlemen that there are all kinds of things going on all the time, we are making rapid progress in exposing this. Since I have begun talking, people have been coming out of the woodwork at a rapid rate, who know and have pieces of this puzzle, and are helping us to put it together, because I don't have all the answers. I saw an awful lot of material, I have remembered an awful lot of it, I have probably, in my remembering, made some mistakes, and I guarantee you they're minor ones, if I have.

"We have just recently, for those of you who didn't believe that the Jason Society of the Jason Scholars, the secret group, existed, we now have a letter from the Pentagon, with 51 names of the Jason Scholars, an admission from the Pentagon that they hold the highest security clearances in the nation, an admission from the Pentagon that they hold the protocol rank of Rear Admiral, and are treated as such on any military installation or in any government office. There are six Nobel Prize winners on that

There are the elite of the elite of the scientific world, they are the only ones who really know the truth about the technology today and about the real science of physics, because the kids that we're being taught all the time ... If you send your kids to college to learn physics you're wasting your money because they're teaching them stuff that doesn't work, it's not true, it's not real. Gravity is not what we think it is. There is a Unified Theory! We already know what it is; it's what makes these craft work. It's absolutely incredible what's going on.

"How many of you keep up with Billy Goodman's show on KVEG out of Las Vegas? For those of you who don't, I would try tuning in on any night between 10 p.m. and 1 a.m. It's 840 on your AM dial, and the subject every night are those subjects that no other media person in the United States will touch with a 10-foot pole, every single night except Saturday night. It's the only show that you can call in and talk to another caller, you've got three minutes to say whatever you want to say as long as you don't cuss or swear or slander anyone, and every night they're helping to expose this.

"When John Lear and I first said what was going on out at Groom Lake everybody said, 'You're nuts, there's nothing going on out at Groom Lake!' The listeners of the Billy Goodman radio show put together an excursion and went up to Groom Lake and they all, ever since, every night, they go up there and watch them test fly the alien craft ... every night! The first night they had 100 people there. And 100 people saw four alien craft fly, doing things that no airplane and no helicopter can do. Now they don't tell us anymore that there's nothing happening at Groom Lake. What they tell us now is there's no such thing as aliens, it's all government secret projects. That's OK because we'll prove that wrong too eventually, it just takes a while. Because where we were ... it's not where we're at, and I'm really happy about that.

"Now, if you want to see what's happening right now, keep watching your movies, keep watching your television commercials, your alien programs on television, read Whitley Strieber's 'Majestic', which is a part of the contingency plan called 'Majestic' to test the reaction of the population to the presence of aliens on the Earth. And I have just finished my study of Whitley Strieber's book 'Majestic', and I'm going to tell you right now that most of the documents in there, that he says are fiction, are real documents that came right out of Project Grudge. It is part of the government's campaign to leak information out in ways that they can always deny that it's real. There's only one thing wrong with the information in that book, the stories of the characters in there I know nothing about. What I'm talking about are the supposed government documents that he has in that book. I'm telling you tonight they're real. Those are some of the same documents that I saw in Project Grudge back between 1970 and 1973, and where we have wondered before, now we know that Whitley Strieber is working for the government. And we had a suspicion anyway because in the front of his book he states that he got information and was helped by the research team of Moore, Shanderey, and Friedman. William Moore has publicly admitted on July 1 that he is an agent of the United States Government, and we know that the others are too.

"This is going to come out, and the reason they're doing it the way they're doing it is they know eventually you're going to find out that it's all true and real. They're desensitizing you so that you're not shocked, so that there's no collapse of society as we know it, so that the religious structure doesn't fall to pieces, so that the stock market doesn't go crazy, because these were their original fears. Now, there's nothing we can do about the last one because it's already happened, there will be a segment of the population that worships the aliens, even though they're no different than us; they're just from somewhere else, and they may look a little different. They are not gods. But there are already people worshiping the aliens and they predicted this would happen when they slapped the secret stamp all over all this stuff.

"You know, there's really nothing wrong with what's been

ing except for three things. [Cooper forgot to mention the thing, or was sidetracked, or included it into the second ag.]

"No. 1, when they decided to keep it secret they needed to finance it, they couldn't tell the public, so they couldn't tell Congress. They decided to finance it with the sale, importation and sale, of drugs. Now in the documents that I read, in Operation Majority, it specifically stated that when George Bush was the president and CEO of Sapata [sp] Oil, he, in conjunction with the CIA, organized the first large-scale drug importation into this country from South and Central America by fishing boat, to the offshore oil platforms of Sapata Oil, and then from there into the beach, thus bypassing all Customs inspections and law-enforcement inspections of any kind. They are still bringing in drugs, to a limited extent, in this manner. Another manner is by CIA contract aircraft which, one of their bases of landing is Homestead [sp] Air Force Base in Florida. We have affidavits from air controllers who have vectored the planes in, who have made sure that they're not interfered with in any way. We have affidavits from personnel at Homestead Air Force Base who say the planes have been met by Jeb Bush, who is George Bush's son. We have affidavits from people who work in the Gulf of Mexico, in the offshore oil business, that yes indeed, the drugs are coming in, at least some of them, from the offshore oil platforms."

From the audience came a clear statement, "Just say no?"

"Pardon? Right! Just Say No! Well that's what we're going to do ladies and gentlemen with your help. We are going to say no, no more! And you have to do it, you have to act. You either have to act or watch your country go down the tubes."

"Now, that's one of the things that's wrong. The next thing that's wrong is, to keep the secret, they killed a lot of people who tried to leak it out. And if I hadn't done it the way that I did it, you wouldn't be seeing me anywhere standing or walking on this Earth now. They killed President Kennedy and during the workshop, for those of you haven't seen the tape, I will show you, on the tape, who shot the president and why. Between '70 and '73, in Operation Majority it stated verbatim that President Kennedy ordered MJ-12 to cease the importation and sale of drugs to the American people, that he ordered them to implement a plan to reveal the presence of aliens to the American people within the following year. His assassination was ordered by the policy committee of the Vilderbergers. MJ-12 implemented the plan and carried it out in Dallas. It involved agents of the CIA, Division-5 of the FBI, the Secret Service, and the Office of Naval Intelligence. President Kennedy was killed by the driver of his car, his name was William Greer, he used a recoilless, electrically operated, gas-powered assassination pistol that was specially built by the CIA to assassinate people at close range. It fired an explosive pellet which injected a large amount of shellfish poison into the brain, and that is why, in the documents, it stated that President Kennedy's brain was removed. If you've studied the case, you will find that indeed his brain disappeared. The reason for that is so that they would not find the particles of the exploding pellet or the shellfish poison in his brain which would have proved conclusively that Lee Harvey Oswald was not the assassin. In fact, Lee Harvey Oswald never fired a shot, he was the patsy."

Mr. Cooper paused briefly, and a lady in the audience asked the obvious question, "Why haven't you been assassinated?"

"If they were to kill me right now, what would you think?" Cooper posed.

"That it's the truth," several people chimed.

"I've got them right where I want them. If they touch me, everyone who has ever heard me talk is going to be absolutely enraged and is going to know that everything I've said is true. As long as they don't touch me there's going to be some of you who are always going to be wondering. But eventually we're going to bring enough proof out, and if you're here during the workshop you're going to see an awful lot of it that's going to prove to you that it's true. It's real. And it's happening!"

"Okay, I've tried to cover a lot of stuff, just briefly, be-

here's no time in 45 minutes to get into anything very

Mr. Cooper then announced the scheduled workshop session the following day in which tangible proofs could be seen but the transcriber was unable to attend. He then opened up the floor to questions and answers.

A muffled question was barely heard coming from the front of the room, which in essence asked, "What about all the people in the press and others who were in Dallas and who saw the assassination? Couldn't they tell where the shot came from? Why didn't they come forward? There must have been plenty."

"There was, we know that there was at least 18 who were all murdered within two years of the event. The odds of that happening are 1 in 300,000 trillion," Cooper replied.

Again a muffled question, "Why did the driver have to shoot Kennedy?"

"Because the other fools missed! There were a total of three shots fired at President Kennedy, one hit him in the throat and didn't kill him and two of them hit John Connelly [sp]. The one that was fired from the grassy knoll hit the president in the throat. The other two shots came from directly behind the limousine, not the school book depository building, and hit Governor Connelly. Governor Connelly, in intelligence community circles, is known as a 'can do' man, because he took two hits and still kept his mouth shut."

"How is it that the driver, sitting on the front, left-hand side of the car was able to blow off the right side of Kennedy's brain when the bullet actually entered in, and it would have been virtually impossible ..." another person asked.

Mr. Cooper seized the gist of his question and injected, "For those of you who have been listening to all these talk show hosts, whose job it is to be a talk show host, and who have not done any legitimate research into this, if you come to the workshop, I will show you, on the tape, how it was done. You will see that Kennedy was, in fact slumped over against Jackie, his head was turned [this direction], it was very simple, it was easy and you will see it with your own eyes."

Another muffled, off-mike question from a member of the audience inquiring why no one else had come forward with the information Mr. Cooper was disseminating, and why those who knew it had kept it secret for so long was quickly answered, "It hasn't been, I'm talking about it now. Bill English was talking about it eight years ago, but everybody laughed at Bill English. John Lear's been talking about it for three years, and everybody laughed at him. Now there's so many people have been talking about it, people are starting to listen, and it's about time. Because it's about time we that we quit being fools, and that's exactly what they think we are, and we prove it to them every day."

The next question dealt with the alien technology and asked in essence, "Hasn't any one else [other than the government] come up with the energy technology that the aliens have?" to which Mr. Cooper answered, "There's been quite a few people who've come up with it and they've all been stopped, and they'll all continue to be stopped. Because once you have it you have free energy. Once you have free energy they no longer have power over you. You understand? That's why they stop it."

Another question asking, "In the film of the assassination, which was examined greatly by experts, why didn't they conclude that Kennedy's driver shot him?" to which Cooper asked, "Examined by whom greatly? Most of the film that you can purchase has that segment cut out, and you can always tell it by the person running in the background, they'll run up to here ... all of a sudden they'll be down here ... running. You will see in most of the clips that you've ever seen on television, or in the movies, or that you're able to get your hands on, you'll see William Greer start to turn like this ..." then a muffled comment from the audience, then Cooper answered, "That's because they clipped it out! And on a lot of them, I'll bet you most of you, every time you've seen the clip on television, never looked at the driver anyway. If you're really honest with yourself, and with me, you

ur eyes were right on Kennedy."

A woman asked if any of the alien technology was being used present-day military equipment and was answered, "Yes, there's a lot of alien technology contained in the Stealth bomber, that's right. The Stealth fighter was flying for 10 years before you even knew it existed."

As the hour drew late another question, more clearly stated, was asked of Mr. Cooper, "Before you let us all out of here, there's a bunch of us here wondering what can we all do to help bring this all out?"

A single word, "revolt," issued from several listeners simultaneously, but Cooper responded, "Don't revolt. What you need to do is what you should have been doing all along. You need to get involved with your government. The first thing you need to do is purchase a copy of the Constitution, which I know that most of you don't have anywhere in your house, and if I were to go around this room and ask each person what the Constitution says, most of you couldn't tell me what the Constitution says from your grocery bill. And that's the truth! And that is your country! So if you don't know what your Constitution is you're dead already, so the first thing you do is you get a copy of your Constitution. The second thing you do is you learn it! The third thing you do is you start calling your senators and your representatives, and the President of the United States and you start leaning on them, and you tell them, 'Unless you straighten up the government, and unless we start getting the truth, and I mean the whole truth, and no more of this baloney, this is the last job you're ever going to have, period. And I'll do everything in my power to make sure that comes true.' And then write them, frequently, saying the same thing. And then when they're in your area, in their area offices, take a little delegation and go see them, and make them understand that they're going to be living in poverty because they're not going to have a job anymore come election day. You see, the secret government may own the executive branch, but you people, all of us, we own the Congress, and the Congress makes the laws, and the Congress can impeach the entire executive branch! You also have the right to petition the government for a redress of injuries. So you are powerful, you've just forgotten that you're powerful, you've forgotten that that vote that you haven't been doing every time election comes around, that vote has abdicated your power. That vote you did not cast abdicated your power and gave it to those who are subverting the Constitution and are ruining this country."

A gentleman then asked, "What was traded to the aliens for their technology?"

"People and animals," replied Cooper succinctly.

Another man asked, "Is the Soviet Union in on any of this?"

"The Soviet Union and the United States of America have been close allies since the end of World War II and have been closely participating in the secret space program all this time. The Soviets have the same thing we have, yes. What you see happening in the Soviet block right now is not the result of people standing up and saying, 'We want to be free.' It's the result of the international bankers saying, 'You tear down these barriers, and you meet the West half way, give your people some freedom, the West is going to take some freedom away from their people so that we can put together a one-world economic system ... and have all the power. That's what's happening! If you don't believe it, stick around and watch it!'"

A dubious woman then asked, "Why was the shellfish poison necessary? A lot of his brain was blown off anyway."

Cooper: "The shellfish poison? If you go to kill someone, one thing I've learned, I learned it real good, I learned it especially good when I went to Vietnam; just because you shoot someone doesn't mean they're going to die. And if they don't die, they're going to be mad. And if they've got a gun, you're dead. So you want the first time to be the last time. So if you really want to kill somebody you don't play around. If you really want to kill somebody ... you kill them, you don't play, you make sure that when you shoot them, they're dead. That way they can't hurt you, can't hurt you at all."

...regrettably, the next question was totally unintelligible, thankfully Mr. Cooper had a good public address system to amplify his reply. "The first moon landing was May 22, 1962 ... or excuse me, that was the first landing on Mars. I'm sorry, May 22, 1962, was the winged probe that used a hydrazine propeller, flew around approximately three orbits and landed on May 22, 1962, was a joint United States/Russian endeavor. The first time that we landed on the moon was sometime during the ... probably middle 50s, because at the time when President Kennedy stated that he wanted a man to set foot on the moon by the end of the decade we already had a base there."

"What about Mars?" came another quick question.

"We have a base on Mars also," Cooper calmly replied.

"When did that happen?"

"I don't know the exact date but I know the project's name, it was 'Adam and Eve.'"

"How long have you known about this?"

"Well, I revealed it publicly for the first time on July 2, 1989, and within three weeks of the time I revealed it publicly, the government, to get the American people not to listen to me, came out and said that they planned to build a base on the moon and a colony on Mars. Now, three days previous to my speech, representatives from NASA said, 'We can never have a colony on Mars, it's impossible that there's a colony on Mars because Mars is a dead planet.' And it's not a dead planet, they've lied to you about Mars."

"My name is Dave [unintelligible], I'm a representative of the Crystic Institute, and I'd like to know why it was that when we sent a representative down to your home, at your request, you failed to produce any documentation to substantiate your allegations."

"In the first place it was not at my request, I have never contacted the Crystic Institute in my life. I was on the Carol Hemingway Show, she contacted the Crystic institute, she told Daniel Shehan [sp] that I had just said something about Bush and drugs on her show. He called me and told me he wanted to send an investigator, in fact he told me to even help the investigator because he was new at the job, his name was Wayne Nelson, he is a very good gentleman, he stayed at my house for two days, slept overnight on my couch, I gave him everything I had. I never told Daniel Shehan that I had any documents and I never told Wayne Nelson that I had any documents. In fact what I told Wayne Nelson, and I quote, 'Wayne, if I did have the documents I couldn't admit it and I don't know you from Adam, and I don't know Daniel Shehan from Adam and what makes you think I would give them to you.' Who am I going to give them to and how quick are they going to disappear, that was my thought. Wayne Nelson also came to my house with a stack of documents this thick already substantiating the presence of aliens and extraterrestrial craft on this planet, and they are keeping it a secret, because they're afraid somebody'll laugh at them and they'll lose their credibility."

"We need some patriots in this country, not people trying to make a name for themselves, trying to expose some drug runners, because those are just the bag-men. The real crook is in the White House! And you can tell that to Daniel Shehan!"

"Why didn't Jackie Kennedy report [the source of the lethal shot]?" asked another audience member.

"Who's she going to tell? The Secret Service just killed her husband, and they're assigned to protect the president. Also, who had her children? The same Secret Service had her children at the time."

"Wasn't the craft at Roswell, New Mexico, destroyed and all the aliens killed?" another young man asked.

"All the aliens were dead but the craft was not completely destroyed, it was severely damaged yes."

On an unrelated note an older gentleman asked, "Does that mean that Alternative-3 is true?"

"Alternative-3 is absolutely true and so is Alternative-2."

Then a man in his late 20s or early 30s raised his hand, said something unintelligible, and was apparently recognized by

all System
... who asked him to take the podium and address the au-
... what I said was that I thanked him [Cooper] very much for
... going forward and saying something. A lot of my friends out
... here know that I was involved in the United States Special
... forces, UFO Tracking and Research from the years 1971 to 1975.
... My name is Richard Murray, I was based out of the 71st Tac Con-
... trol Flight, McDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida. We were
... 'Mobile Radar Command,' that was combat and war ready. We could
... be loaded on aircraft within an hour and many times were taken
... into areas [to] set up radar. A lot of times we were set up
... around Egland [sp] Air Force Base because that's where they have
... the 'Altered Temperature Weather Control,' where they can test
... various aircraft for their shrinkage and their dimension change
... during altered temperature. So, you know, I was told to shut up
... twice in 1982 and they finally threatened my parents life so I
... stayed quiet, and, that's when Wendel Stevens was taken off the
... streets ... Just like that! And I hid for quite awhile, and de-
... cided to come back out when I heard that you're [Cooper] of such
... high rank as you were, and I felt just in saying that your cre-
... dentials are true, and that what you have to say, everything
... you've said here today, I've heard before behind closed doors.
... And you've really tied the link for me to the Kennedy killing.
... And there's a few more links that have to go on with the Columbia
... Cartel and the money laundering. I think there's more than one
... cartel involved, and they're shutting one of them down so one can
... maintain a power, it just seems to be the way it works."

A muffled question then came from someone in the audience regarding the person referred to as "Colonel Stevens."

"Uh, Colonel Stevens is out of jail now," replied Murray who was quickly asked another question I couldn't hear to which he answered, "I sure hope to hell so, he is a wonderful man, and I give him my utmost respect, and it was one of the saddest days in my life to see what happened to him happen to him. But I don't care what they say about Wendel Stevens, in my heart you can't discredit that man to me. I don't care who the hell you are. I won't listen to it, I don't give a shit if he was screwing babies. You know ... that doesn't ... he's not that kind of a man, I don't care what you say, I know him personally."

The lecture was then essentially over. The "Alternative-2 and Alternative-3" that were referred to briefly are (just guessing now) two government contingency plans to 1. Declare Martial Law and invalidate the Constitution on the premise that a terrorist group had entered the country with a Nuclear weapon with plans to detonate it in a major city. All dissidents would be rounded up and placed in concentration camps and the press and media would be nationalized. All this if the information becomes public before they want it to or if the aliens attempt a takeover, and 2. Another contingency plan to contain or delay the release of this information, the details of which I am probably wrong about anyway.

Mr. Cooper is a man who appears to be in his late 40s, of medium height and weight, and was dressed casually during the lecture. His hairline was receding slightly, and he carried himself with confidence and purpose. Bill Cooper, as he was called by several in attendance, is not a professional speaker. His presentation lacked the polish of repeated deliveries which all the other lectures had during the Expo, but what it lacked in fine tuning was easily made up for in its content.

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Appendix A: Operation Majority

OPERATION MAJORITY
FINAL RELEASE
THERE WILL BE NO CORRECTIONS TO THIS FILE
(C) COPYRIGHT 1989 BY MILTON WILLIAM COOPER
ALL RIGHTS RESERVED
YOU HAVE MY PERMISSION TO QUOTE FROM THIS INFORMATION IN PRESS
RELEASES, PERIODICALS, AND SPEECHES.

ON IN ANY OTHER MEDIA REQUIRES MY EXPRESS WRITTEN PERMISS-

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This file contains the absolute true information regarding the alien presence on Earth and the U.S. Government's involvement with the aliens.

This file contains only the information as I saw it and only my information.

It does not contain any information from any other source. It was necessary for me to issue the information previous to

this release in a manner which would deceive the government until someone was able to independently confirm my identity, my employment, my service record, my intelligence background, the identity of the person to which I gave the information in 1972, his acknowledgment of the information and when it was given to him, that the information is correct, that I have not seen him since 1974, and that I have not communicated with him in any form since 1976.

This was necessary because this file is my death warrant if MJ-12 continues to operate in a manner consistent with its history.

All in the last paragraph has been independently verified by two different people who have no connection with each other. I will only list one for obvious reasons.

Tony Pelham, journalist
Las Vegas Bullet
300 West Boston
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

The original information that I first released was not much MAJI that I was not a threat long enough to have independent verification of the facts before I risked death. [TRANSMISSION GARBLED]

I wish to make it absolutely clear that I do not consider myself a hero.

I believe that most of you would do the same thing if you knew the truth.

I gave an oath that I would uphold and protect the Constitution of the United States of America and I take that oath very seriously.

I am doing no more now than I did when I fought in Vietnam.
I am doing my duty.

Please make copies of this file and send it to your congressman, your senator, the attorney general of the United States, and the Supreme Court.

Send it also to everyone you know.

Attach copies of the Bill English file and John Lears file.

Send anything else you may have which tends to support the information.

I, Milton William Cooper, 1311 S. Highland #205, Fullerton, California, 92632, 1-714-680-9537, do solemnly swear that the information contained in this file is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I swear that I saw this information in 1972 in the performance of my duties as a member of the Intelligence Briefing Team of the Commander In Chief of the Pacific Fleet as a Petty Officer in the U.S. Navy.

I swear that I underwent hypnotic regression in order to make the information as accurate as possible.

I swear that I can and will take a lie detector test or any other test of any reputable person's choosing in order to confirm this information.

I swear that I can and will undergo hypnotic regression conducted by any reputable and qualified doctor of any reputable person's choosing in order to confirm this information.

I will not, however submit to any test or hypnosis by anyone who is now or has ever been connected with the government in any capacity for obvious reasons.

The following is brief listing of everything that I personally saw and know from 1972 and does not contain any input from any other source whatsoever.

MAJESTY was listed as the code word for the President of the

States for communications concerning this information. OPERATION MAJORITY is the name of the operation responsible for every aspect, project, and consequence of alien presence on earth.

GRUDGE contains 16 volumes of documented information collected from the beginning of the United States investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and Identified Alien Crafts (IACs).

The project was financed by CIA confidential funds (nonappropriated) and money from the illicit drug trade. Participation in the illegal drug trade was justified in that it would identify and eliminate the weak elements of our society. The purpose of Project Grudge was to collect all scientific, technological, medical and intelligence information from UFO/IAC sightings and contacts with alien life forms.

This orderly file of collected information has been used to advance the United States Space Program.

MJ-12 is the name of the secret control group.

President Eisenhower commissioned a secret society known as THE JASON SOCIETY (JASON SCHOLARS) to sift through all the facts, evidence, technology, lies and deception and find the truth of the alien question.

The society was made up of 32 of the most prominent men in the country in 1972 and the top 12 members were designated MJ-12.

MJ-12 has total control over everything. They are designated by the codes J-1, J-2, etc., all the way through the members of the Jason Society.

The director of the CIA was appointed J-1 and is the Director of MJ-12.

MJ-12 is responsible only to the President.

MJ-12 runs most of the world's illegal drug trade.

This was done to hide funding and thus keep the secret from the Congress and the people of the United States.

It was justified in that it would identify and eliminate the weak elements of our society.

The cost of funding the alien connected projects is higher than anything you can imagine.

MJ-12 assassinated President Kennedy when he informed them that he was going to tell the public all the facts of the alien presence.

He was killed by the Secret Service agent driving his car, and it is plainly visible in the film held from public view.

A secret meeting place was constructed for MJ-12 in MARYLAND and it was described as only accessible by air.

It contains full living, recreational, and other facilities for MJ-12 and the JASON SOCIETY.

It is code named "THE COUNTRY CLUB." Only those with TOP SECRET/MAJIC clearance are allowed to go there.

MAJI is the MAJORITY AGENCY FOR JOINT INTELLIGENCE.

All information, disinformation, and intelligence is gathered and evaluated by this agency.

This agency is responsible for all disinformation and operates in conjunction with the CIA, NSA, and the Defense Intelligence Agency.

This is a very powerful organization, and all alien projects are under its control.

MAJI is responsible only to MJ-12.

SIGMA is the project which first established communications with the aliens and is still responsible for communications.

PLATO is the project responsible for diplomatic relations with the aliens.

This project secured a formal treaty (illegal under the Constitution) with the aliens.

The terms were that the aliens would give us technology.

In return, we agreed to keep their presence on earth a secret, not to interfere in any way with their actions, and to allow them to abduct humans and animals.

The aliens agreed to furnish MJ-12 with a list of abductees on a periodic basis.

MAJIC is the security classification and clearance of all alien connected material, projects, and information.

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NORDIC means MAJI Controlled.

AQUARIUS is a project which compiled the history of alien presence and their interaction with Homo Sapiens upon this planet for the last 25,000 years and culminating with the Basque people who live in the mountainous country on the border of France and Spain and the Syrians.

GARNET is the project responsible for control of all information and documents regarding this subject and accountability of the information and documents.

PLUTO is a project to evaluate all UFO/IAC information pertaining to space tel [TRANSMISSION GARBLED]

POUNCE is the project formed to recover all downed/crashed craft and aliens.

REDLIGHT is the project to test fly recovered alien craft. It is conducted at AREA 51 (DREAMLAND) in Nevada.

It was aided when the aliens gave us craft and helped us fly them.

The initial project was somewhat successful in that we flew a recovered craft, but it blew up in the air, and the pilots were killed.

The project was suspended at that time until the aliens agreed to help us.

SNOWBIRD was established as a cover for project REDLIGHT. Several flying saucer type craft were built using conventional technology.

They were unveiled to the press and flown in front of the press.

The purpose was to explain accidental sightings or disclosure of REDLIGHT as having been the SNOWBIRD craft.

LUNA is the alien base on the far side of the Moon.

It was seen and filmed by the Apollo astronauts.

A base, a mining operation using very large machines, and the very large alien craft described in sighting reports as MOTHER SHIPS exist there.

NRO is the National Recon Organization based at Fort Carson, Colorado.

It is responsible for security for all alien or alien craft connected projects.

DELTA is the designation for the specific arm of the NRO, which is especially trained and tasked with security of these projects.

JOSHUA is a project to develop a low frequency pulsed sound generating weapon.

It was said that this weapon would be effective against the alien craft and beam weapons.

EXCALIBUR is a weapon to destroy the alien underground bases. It is to be a missile capable of penetrating 1000 meters of Tuff/hard packed soil such as that found in New Mexico with no operational damage.

Missile apogee not to exceed 30,000 feet AGL and impact must not deviate in excess of 50 meters from designated target.

The device will carry a one-megaton nuclear warhead.

ALIENS: There were four types of aliens mentioned in the papers. A LARGE NOSED GREY with whom we have the treaty, the GREY reported in abductee cases that works for the LARGE NOSED GREY, a blond human like type described as the NORDIC, a red haired human like type called the ORANGE.

The home of the aliens were described as being a star in the Constellation of Orion, Barnards star, and Zeta Reticuli 1&2.

I cannot remember even under hypnosis which alien belongs to which star.

EBE is the name or designation given to the live alien captured at the 1949 Roswell crash.

He died in captivity.

KRLL OR KRLLL OR CRLL OR CRLLL pronounced Crill or Krill was the hostage left with us at the first Holloman landing as a pledge that the aliens would carry out their part of the basic agreement reached during that meeting.

KRLL gave us the foundation of the yellow book which was completed by the guests at a later date.

KRLL became sick and was nursed by Dr. G. Mendoza who became

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... on alien biology and medicine. KRLL later died.
This information was disseminated under the pseudonym O.H.
... or Crill.
GUESTS were aliens exchanged for humans who gave us the bal-
ance of the yellow book.
At the time I saw the information there were only three left
alive.

They were called (P&#s) Alien Life Forms.
[TRANSMISSION GARBLED]

RELIGION

The aliens claim to have created Homo Sapiens through hy-
bridization.
The papers said that RH-blood was proof of this.
They further claimed to have created all four major reli-
gions.

They showed a hologram of the crucifixion of Christ which
the government filmed.
They claim that Jesus was created by them.

ALIEN BASES exist in the four corners area of Utah, Col-
orado, New Mexico, and Nevada.

Six bases were described in the 1972 papers, all on Indian
reservations and all in the four corners area. The base near
Dulce was one of them.

MURDER

The documents stated that many military and government per-
sonnel had been terminated (murdered without due process of law)
when they had attempted to reveal the secret.

CRAFT RECOVERIES

The documents stated that many craft had been recovered.
The early ones from Roswell, Aztec, Roswell again, Texas,
Mexico, and other places.

GENERAL DOOLITTLE made a prediction that one day we would
have to reckon with the aliens, and the document stated that it
appeared that General Doolittle was correct.

ABDUCTIONS were occurring long before 1972.

The document stated that humans and animals were being ab-
ducted and or mutilated.
Many vanished without a trace.

They were taking sperm and ova samples, tissue, performed
surgical operations, implanted a spherical device 40 to 80 mi-
crons in size near the optic nerve in the brain and all attempts
to remove it resulted in the death of the patient.

The document estimated that one in every 40 people had been
implanted.

This implant was said to give the aliens total control of
that human.

CONTINGENCY PLAN SHOULD THE INFORMATION BECOME PUBLIC OR
SHOULD THE ALIENS ATTEMPT A TAKEOVER.

This plan called for a public announcement that a terrorist
group had entered the United States with an atomic weapon.

It would be announced that the terrorists planned to deto-
nate the weapon in a major city.

Martial law would be declared and all persons with implants
would be rounded up along with all dissidents and would be placed
into concentration camps.

The press, radio, and TV would be nationalized and con-
trolled. Anyone attempting to resist would be arrested or
killed.

CONTINGENCY PLAN TO CONTAIN OR DELAY RELEASE OF INFORMATION

This plan called for the use of MAJESTIC TWELVE as a disin-
formation ploy to delay and confuse the release of information
should anyone get close to the truth.

It was selected because of the similarity of spelling and
the similarity to MJ-12.

It was designed to confuse memory and to result in a fruit-
less search for material that does not exist.

SOURCE OF MATERIAL CONTAINED IN THE DOCUMENTS WHICH I SAW

The source of the material was an Office of Naval Intelli-
gence counter-intelligence operation against MJ-12 in order for
the Navy to find out the truth of what was really going on.

The Navy (at that time or at least the Navy that I worked

are not participants in any of this.
The different services and the government conduct this type
operation against each other all the time.
The result of this operation was that the Navy cut them-
selves in for a piece of the action (technology) and control of
some projects.

As you can see this file is only a little different from my
previous file.

Only some names were scrambled previously to confuse the
government long enough for someone to verify that what I have
said is the truth.

I have added information in this file that puts me in abso-
lute danger.

I have sent a copy of this file to people all over the coun-
try and will continue to do so.

Please get this file into as many hands as you can and maybe
that will protect me but I doubt it.

HISTORY WILL BE THE JUDGE OF ME AND THIS INFORMATION, AND I
HAVE NO FEAR OF THAT JUDGEMENT.

I SWEAR THAT THIS INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE
BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

I wish to thank all those people who have aided me in reach-
ing this point and for their patience and understanding.

I owe you all more than I can ever repay.

Finally, it does not matter who is right and who is wrong or
if a project name is in the wrong place.

It does not matter who is working for whom or what is really
what.

It should be obvious by now that something sinister and ter-
ribly wrong is going on involving the government and the UFO phe-
nomenon.

We must all band together and expose it now.

I have done my part in the best manner that I could.

I can add nothing else except my testimony in Congress or a
court of law that what I saw and have written in this file is
true and that I saw it.

Everything in my previous* file that does not conflict with
this file is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and
some of it is from sources and research.

You may combine the files to get the entire picture.

Throw out only that information that conflicts with that
contained in this file.

There will be no further additions or corrections to this
information either now or in the future.

My file is complete and stands to be judged by history.

Sometime in the future the exact papers that I saw will sur-
face, and you will all see this exact information contained
within them.

Milton William Cooper

Jan. 10, 1989

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Appendix B: For More Information

Cooper's home address and phone number:

1311 S. Highland #205
Fullerton, Calif. 92632
1-714-680-9537

That phone number connects you to an anonymous answering machine.

This information was taken from the Bill Cooper answering com-
puter on 1-213-281-8222.

For materials and bibliography, send \$2 (no mention made of to
whom you should make out the check) and a 45-cent self-addressed
stamped envelope to:

19744 Beach Blvd. Suite #301

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Beach, Calif. 92648

mix to someone about ordering or available materials, call
Barrington at [redacted] He'll even call you back.
re's what he had to offer as per my phone conversation with him
Feb. 27, 1990:

the real Kennedy assassination tape, \$18. This is the unedited
Zapruder film that clearly shows the driver killing JFK. On
VHS tape.

video of Cooper speech and workshop from Sedona, Ariz., \$32.
This is a videotaped speech and workshop from Cooper that
also shows the Kennedy tape (not very clearly, though). I
think this is basically the same deal as the above tran-
script. On VHS tape.

"Secret Government," \$12. Details, in 28 pages, the workings of
the secret subgovernment in the U.S. since 1947.

"Operation Majority," \$12. Details the goings on and structure
of Operation Majority, the people who run all UFO-related ac-
tivities.

"Jason Society," \$12. List of 51 scientists, last updated in
1987, who work for Operation Majority. The group is still
trying to find the last three scientists who are Jason Soci-
ety members.

For any of the above, send a check to:

John Barrington
[redacted]

Barrington says that the target date for one-world government is
1992.

To invite Cooper to speak or be on TV, call Jeff Patterson or
Scott Reid at [redacted]

Cooper's manager is Michael Callan, at 1-213-550-8368.

Cooper was in Atlanta on Feb. 25. For information call Sam
Matthews at [redacted]

This is the journalist whom Cooper mentions in his Operation Ma-
jority file. This person supposedly can verify the facts:

Ray Pelham
Las Vegas Bullet
10 West Boston
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

For the book Alien Magic by William Hamilton, which has all kinds
of pictures from a secret lab, write:

Bernard Girard
[redacted]

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Appendix C: Musings

There is some thought that the U.S. Air Force, in conjunc-
tion with the Canadians, has standing orders to deny any UFO
sightings to the public.

Timothy Good, in his book Above Top Secret, states:
Cooperation between the United States and Canada in the report-
ing of UFOs was laid down, for example, in the Canadian-United
States Communications Instructions for Reporting Vital Intelli-
gence Sightings (CIRVIS) JANAP 146 (R), issued in March 1966 by
the Joint Chiefs of Staff as well as the Canadian Defense Staff.

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Publication lists instructions for the reporting of information of vital importance to the security of the United States of America and Canada and their forces, which in the opinion of the observer, requires very urgent defensive and/or investigative action by the U.S. and/or Canadian armed forces. 'Sightings within the scope of JANAP 146 include 'Unidentified Flying Objects' as distinct from 'Hostile of unidentified single aircraft or formations of aircraft,' and there are lengthy and elaborate instructions for reporting UFOs" (Good, 192).

And later he states: "Because of reports like these [UFOs], airline pilots became subject to military restrictions contained in a Joint Army-Navy-Air Force Publication (JANAP), drawn up by the Joint Communications-Electronics Committee, and promulgated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and could thus find themselves liable to a prison term of up to 10 years and/or a fine of \$10,000 if they discussed their sightings with the media or public" (Good, 283).

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Stan Barrington offers a document about "Operation Majority, which concerns the dealings of MJ-12. The following discussion, taken from the alt.conspiracy section of Usenet, focuses on the validity of those documents:

"What is the latest status of the MJ-12 documents (concerning authenticity)? I know that Klass did his usual debunking job, but also read that Friedman produced all the supporting evidence Klass had demanded (similar typefaces in use on other documents of the same era, etc.). Has the U.S. Government taken a formal position on the MJ-12 documents? What evidence, pro and con, has been produced on the authenticity issue since their release. What are the details of the release? Any and all information will be appreciated. Thanks."

The reply was: "I don't know about the U.S. Government's position, but Klass has done a pretty good job of showing that there is at least some fraud in the papers. In particular, he has shown that the supposed signature of Harry Truman on one of the critical papers is identical to the signature on another document in the National Archives, except that it's (if I recall correctly) 3.6 percent larger. It is impossible for two signatures to be identical unless one is a photographic copy of the other, and interestingly, most copying machines do a very small expansion of what they copy to prevent edge effects--a blow-up of exactly 1.2 percent. So it would appear this supposed signature is actually a third-generation photocopy of Truman's signature. Handwriting experts have confirmed this. I believe it's written up in the current (Spring 1990) Skeptical Inquirer, but I can't find my copy at the moment so I can't say for sure."

I don't know who Klass or Friedman are, (although Friedman may be the same person that was mentioned as a helper in Majestic by Whitley Strieber, and also mentioned as a government official in the speech) but the Skeptical Inquirer is a respected paranormal debunking newspaper put out by James "the Amazing" Randi.

It also seems to me that the idea that Truman's signature is a photocopy of another one in the National Archives is a bit odd. There must be thousands of Truman signature in the Archives, and thinking that someone could find the one that exactly matched a 3.6 percent enlargement is laughable (but then again, those same people find the idea of a huge UFO cover-up laughable).

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Whitley Strieber is a strange character in this whole affair. He is the writer of Wolfen and The Howling, two horror novels. Lately, he turned to writing about UFOs.

His first book on the subject, Communion, deals with his personal experiences with abduction by an unknown intelligence (Strieber always tries to avoid the word "alien," so he can leave the options open that these are humans that are traveling through time or even an unknown earthly intelligence). His second book, Transformation, is not as familiar to me, but I have heard that

more of the same as Communion, except that it is less well-
ported and deals with a sort of religion of the unknown.
rieber contends in that book that the "others" (as he calls
them) gave him a sketchy design for an anti-gravity motor that
relies on rotating magnets.

His third book is Majestic. Milton William Cooper mentions
it in his speech. This book follows the Cooper speech closely in
many regards; in fact, sometimes it seems like one is stealing
from the other because they are so close. Strieber writes this
book as fiction, but at the end there is a section in which he
says that the book is based on truth and that the government is
hiding information from the public. He insists that this truth
must be brought out. However, Cooper says that Strieber is work-
ing for the government. He offers some proof to this claim, but
he doesn't really say why the government would hire Strieber to
write Majestic, or whether he was hired before he wrote Communion
and Transformation. All Cooper says is that Strieber is testing
the waters, leaking the information in a way that the government
could deny.

I think that if Strieber works for the government, then it
is mostly likely because the government thinks that people will
not believe anything he writes about UFOs, given his history of
writing horror. Thus, the government has Strieber write some-
thing that is based on truth, and everyone thinks it is coming
from such a bad source that it must be false.

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This from Keith Rowell in Oregon:

"You folks interested in Strieber's claims should check out
the book Report on Communion (Morrow, 1989) by Ed Conroy.

"Conroy is a San Antonio-based freelance reporter who wrote
some early articles for the local newspaper and then continued to
explore and investigate till he ended up with a book. He basi-
cally concludes that Strieber's claims are true as far as we now
understand the UFO phenomenon, which is very far from adequate at
this time. (The scholarly and scientific establishment has yet
to honestly and openly embrace the problem of the UFO. Conroy's
book is opening the way for the investigative media people,
though. Things are changing as the UFO issue just refuses to go
away.) You will all hear more and more about the reality status
of UFOs as we go through the 1990s. Intelligence establishment
secrecy is being slowly broken down and the scientific/scholarly
community is slowly putting up less resistance as the years go
by.

"My opinions are based on 15 years of reading the UFO liter-
ature and four years or so of more or less active participation
in the UFO community. It is very hard to understand what is go-
ing on in the UFO community without paying very close attention
to it. The normal sources of news and information cover this
group of people in a very inconsistent and sometimes downright
biased way. You're just going to have to get your feet wet on
this one; otherwise, you'll just be talking through your hat.

"I'll be happy to send via electronic mail my representative
UFO bibliography to anyone who wants it. Lately, new (and sig-
nificant) UFO books are added practically monthly in the past few
years. UFOs are hot again. We seem to be in a peak of activity
again.

"The latest significant book is by Ed Walters on his Gulf-
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UAir Force says dummies used in parachute tests were mistaken for WASHINGTON (AP) The Air Force today offered what it hopes is the final word on claims by UFO buffs that alien bodies were recovered at a crash site in New Mexico in 1947: The "bodies" were not aliens but dummies used in parachute tests.

The explanation on the eve of the 50th anniversary of the incident is offered in enormous detail in a 231-page report the Air Force released today. It is meant to close the book on longstanding rumors that the Air Force recovered a flying saucer and extraterrestrial bodies near Roswell, N.M., in July 1947, and then covered it up.

Skeptics immediately pointed out a discrepancy. The parachute tests occurred years after the Roswell incident. The Air Force theorized that those who saw the dummies were confused over the dates.

Deon Crosby, director of the International UFO Museum and Research Center in Roswell, said the report raises more questions than it answers. She said pictures of the Air Force dummies look like mannequins, and if that's what they were "what does it say about the people in the military who can't tell the difference between mannequins and bodies?"

The title of the report tells it all: "The Roswell Report, Case Closed."

The Air Force in 1994 issued a report on the Roswell incident that said the "spacecraft" that supposedly crashed in the New Mexico desert was an Air Force balloon used in a top-secret program, Project Mogul, intended to monitor the atmosphere for evidence of Soviet nuclear tests.

The Air Force called that report its final response to the Roswell rumors. But later the Air Force came upon evidence it believed would explain the additional rumors that space aliens were recovered at the crash site and were covered up. So today's report was put together to provide what Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall called a "complete and open explanation."

The possibility of a government conspiracy to cover up an actual UFO sighting was ridiculed today by retired Air Force Col. Richard Weaver, who wrote the 1994 report.

"I don't think the government is capable of putting together a decent conspiracy," Weaver said on NBC's "Today" show. "We have a hard time keeping a secret, let alone putting together a decent conspiracy."

Asked if he thought the new report will put the matter to rest, Weaver said, "No, I doubt it. This has become a religion to many people. It's almost a cult. Certainly an unbelievable financial opportunity for many folks. So I think this is going to endure."

Although the Air Force's explanation of a mix-up of parachute dummies for space aliens seems reasonable, there is one aspect that troubles some UFO researchers: The tests with the dummies came about a decade after the 1947 Roswell incident.

Did those who claimed to have seen the "aliens" mix up their dates that badly?

"I think this is a real stretch," said Karl Pflock, a UFO researcher in New Mexico who said he does not believe the Roswell incident involved alien spacecraft.

In its report today, the Air Force offered little elaboration on

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theory of the mix-ups in dates other than speculation that events in the 1940s and 1950s ``have been consolidated'' in the minds of some who claim to have been witnesses.

``It appears that UFO proponents have failed to establish the accurate dates for these `alien' observations in some instances by more than a decade and then erroneously linked them'' to the actual recovery of Project Mogul debris, the report said.

The life-size dummies were used in high-altitude parachute drops from 1954 to 1959 as part of Air Force projects code-named High Dive and Excelsior. The object was to devise a way to return a pilot or astronaut to earth by parachute if forced to escape at extremely high altitudes.

The dummies were transported to altitudes up to 98,000 feet by balloons and then released. Balloons dropped 67 dummies throughout New Mexico in the 1954-59 period. The majority of them landed outside the confines of military bases in eastern New Mexico, near Roswell, according to the Air Force report.

The dummies had a skeleton of aluminum or steel, skin of latex or plastic, a cast aluminum skull, and an instrument cavity in the torso and head.

The Air Force said the existence of such dummies was not widely known outside of scientific circles and ``easily could have been mistaken for something they were not.'' Today such dummies are widely used in auto crash tests.

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ABC "THIS WEEK"
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SAM DONALDSON & GEORGE WILL
 AS: WAYNE LAPIERRE, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, NRA
 SARAH BRADY, CHAIR, HANDGUN CONTROL INSTITUTE
 JAMES MCANDREWS, CAPTAIN, U.S. AIR FORCE RESERVE

ANNOUNCER: From ABC News, "This Week," with Cokie Roberts, Sam Donaldson, featuring David Brinkley and George Will.

MR. DONALDSON: This week, the Supreme Court strikes down part of the Brady gun law, ruling that states cannot be forced to conduct background checks of prospective gun buyers.

REP. CHARLES SCHUMER (D-NY): (From videotape.) It is a victory for the mugger, it is a victory for the gun dealer and it is a defeat for law-abiding citizens everywhere.

JIM FOTIS (Law Enforcement Alliance): (From videotape.) This law was nothing than more than political posturing and meaningless rhetoric. It hasn't done a thing to help law enforcement.

MR. DONALDSON: Is there a new battle brewing over gun control? We'll ask Sarah Brady, an outspoken advocate of handgun control; and Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president of the National Rifle Association.

And this week, the Pentagon tries to put an end to 50 years of questions about whether a UFO really crashed near Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947.

COL. JOHN HAYNES (U.S. Air Force): Bodies observed in the New Mexico desert were probably test dummies that were carried aloft by U.S. Air Force high-altitude balloons for scientific research.

MR. DONALDSON: But the true believers are not satisfied.

CITIZEN: This is the third story the Air Force has come up with in 50 years. Our story hasn't changed.

MR. DONALDSON: In the Roswell incident, is it really case closed? We'll ask Captain Jim McAndrew, the author of the Air Force report, who spent three years researching the event at Roswell.

And our roundtable. No flying saucers or extraterrestrials here. With Bill Kristol, George Stephanopoulos and Linda Douglass.

Welcome to our program. Cokie is off. Her son Lee is getting married, and we wish everyone the very best.

Well, there is some other news today. Shortly we'll go live to Las Vegas for the latest on last night's incident in which Mike Tyson bit off a bit of Evander Holyfield's ear.

But first, we're on the eve of the transfer of sovereignty to China of Hong Kong, ending 156 years of British rule. And Peter Jennings is there. Peter joins us live today from Hong Kong.

Peter, exactly where are you standing? And how are things going for the transfer?

PETER JENNINGS (ABC News): Well, they're going very well. And as you can see, we didn't come for this, Sam, but it is one of the great photo ops of all time. We're on the Hong Kong side of what is clearly the most celebrated harbor in the world, and that is the Hong Kong side as seen from the other. And right down there in the lower left-hand corner of your frame is the center where the hand-over is actually going to take place.

This harbor, this deep-water harbor which the British have found so useful for their navy for more than a century has only a couple of British ships left in it, including tonight a rather small one. The royal yacht Britannia is here just at our feet, where Prince Charles is staying and which will take him and the last governor of Hong Kong, Chris Patton, into the dark tomorrow night, a dewy-eyed occasion for a great number of people here. But it's much more important than that, as you know.

MR. DONALDSON: Peter, we journalists are often accused of looking for trouble, so I'll just ask the question: are there any demonstrations tomorrow? The turnover happens at midnight. And what do you make of the fact that China is sending in regular army troops shortly after the turnover?

MR. JENNINGS: Sam, let me deal with the second part first, less important what I make of it than what the Hong Kong people make of it. I think people generally, Sam, have been much calmer about the People's Liberation Army coming in here 4,000 strong. They know that it's part of the agreement, they know there are going to be fewer troops here than the British actually had at one point.

They think the Chinese on the mainland have been a little insensitive by deciding to send in armored personnel carriers, but quite frankly, the headlines about the Chinese army coming in here are somewhat fervent at

man they are here. Under the basic agreement between the People's Republic of China and Hong Kong, it will be the Hong Kong police who keep order here, and so at least everybody I have talked to, in all walks of life, takes it the army is a show of sovereignty by the Chinese government, an attempt to say we've arrived and this is the way it is.

Now, as to demonstrations tomorrow night, yes, there are going to be some, of course. Some of the most ardent democrats have said they will demonstrate against the dissolution of the elected legislature here and the Chinese coming. But again, I think it's a pragmatic demonstration tomorrow, wanting to use the world's spotlight, but not wanting to take undue advantage of it.

MR. DONALDSON: Peter, sum up in just two or three sentences what this transfer means to the United States.

MR. JENNINGS: Well, I think for us it's the litmus test of the U.S.-Chinese relationship in Asia. It's the most important relationship we have in Asia, if not the most important one in the world at the moment. And I think everybody will look to what happens here to see whether or not the Chinese actually keep an agreement. And if something can be accomplished here, then who knows what's possible about Taiwan? That's what the Chinese government certainly has in mind. And who knows what can happen about Korea?

And as the U.S.-Chinese relationship gets ever more important, this is a place to see if they keep their word.

MR. DONALDSON: Thank you very much, Peter. We'll be seeing you soon.

Peter anchors our coverage tomorrow, with a special edition of "Good Morning America," and continuing at 11:00 a.m. with the live ceremonies.

Well, what a scene it was last night in Las Vegas. It wasn't so much a heavyweight championship fight as it was a championship bite. In the third round, challenger Mike Tyson bit off a portion of champion Evander Holyfield's ear. See that. Look at that. The referee called a temporary halt and warned Tyson about his conduct. The fight resumed, and Tyson took another bite at Holyfield's ear. And the referee stopped the fight and awarded the decision to Holyfield. A melee erupted in the ring, and guests stampeded out of the hotel.

MIKE TYSON: (From videotape.) He kept going down and coming up, and he charged into me.

EVANDER HOLYFIELD: (From videotape.) Why do you have to bite somebody? If you feel that you could whoop me, why you can't whoop me with the gloves on?

MR. DONALDSON: Well, that's a good question. Joining us live now from Las Vegas is ABC's Armen Keteyian.

Armen, why did he do it?

ARMEN KETEYIAN (ABC News): Well, I think Tyson said, Sam, it was in retaliation. He said in the second round of the fight, Holyfield had head-butted him much like he did in the first fight last November. He sliced open Tyson's right eye. And Tyson was outraged and irate that Mills Lane, the referee, didn't do anything about it, so he decided to take matters into his own hands -- or actually, into his own mouth.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, Armen, right after that melee that we saw erupt in the ring, everyone erupted from the hotel, there was a great, huge commotion. All h-e-you-know-what broke out. Tell us about that. You were there.

MR. KETEYIAN: There was some pretty serious stuff, Sam. The chaos in the ring was masked by the chaos and pandemonium and panic in the casino. There were some widespread reports that both the local police and the highway patrol, that there were gunfire -- gunshots inside the casino shortly after the fight. The MGM Grand says no, no, it was champagne bottles dropping or beer bottles. What's not in dispute is that there were several fights inside the casino. That triggered a stampede out the front door, thousands of people trying to flee the casino at one time, 24 people injured, several of them seriously, 1 person reportedly with a heart attack. Another woman who we talked to said she was trampled on the way out, flipped over a guardrail. Another woman who we spoke to said she had been hit face down into the concrete.

So they closed the casino for two hours. There were SWAT teams, or not SWAT teams, but local police and paramedics all over the place. And the casino at this point is just starting to get back to normal.

MR. DONALDSON: Wow. Talk about your Las Vegas spectaculars. Very quickly now, what happens to Mike Tyson now?

MR. KETEYIAN: Well, what happens short-term is on Tuesday, the Nevada Athletic Commission is going to hold a hearing, an emergency hearing.

going to find out whether there is cause. They've already added him, they've already withheld his \$30-million purse pending this ruling. They're going to decide whether there's enough basis to permanently suspend Tyson. And Tyson will have a chance to repeal and go before the committee or the association if indeed they're going to do it.
MR. DONALDSON: Thank you very much, Armen Keteyian, from Las Vegas. Thanks.

Coming next, a debate over the future of the Brady gun control law with Sarah Brady, the chair of Handgun Control and the wife of James Brady, for whom the bill was named; and Wayne LaPierre, the executive vice president of the National Rifle Association.

And later, we'll have an exclusive interview with Jim McAndrew, who wrote the Air Force's report on alleged UFO sightings at Roswell.
(Announcements.)

MR. DONALDSON: Here with us now is Sarah Brady, head of Gun Control, Incorporated; and Wayne LaPierre of the NRA. And joining me in the questioning, as always, is George Will, and also ABC News Justice Department Correspondent Linda Douglass. Welcome to both of you.

MS. BRADY: Thank you.

MR. LAPIERRE: Thank you.

MR. DONALDSON: Glad to see you. Ms. Brady, does what the Supreme Court did in striking down the provision which requires local law enforcement officers to conduct background checks, does that seriously impair the bill and what the law intended?

MS. BRADY: Not at all, no. We're disappointed that it wasn't upheld in total, but a majority of the law was. We still have the waiting period, the rest of the law is intact, and nationwide law enforcement fought for this piece of legislation. They're going to continue for the most part, to run background checks.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, Mr. LaPierre, you opposed the bill when it was passing through Congress. Do you know feel that what you opposed has been satisfied, or do you still think it's an undesirable law?

MR. LAPIERRE: Well, Sam, we felt that if the check was going to be carried out and be constitutional, it had to be carried out at the national level. I mean, there's a lot of people hiding behind phony statistics on this. They don't have 188,000 felons or 250,000 felons. They've got a lot of John Smiths confused with John Smiths.

If they don't have that, you in the media ought to join with us and demand they start prosecuting people. They've only prosecuted, U.S. attorneys, seven people, according to the General Accounting Office, and jailed three in four years. I mean, is law enforcement, U.S. attorneys giving all those felons a pass, saying just go home? I mean, credit card companies are tougher on someone that overdraws their credit card than they're being on these so-called felons. We need to get the instant check on line nationally. That's the way to do it. The NRA will support it. It's a better system, and let's do it.

MR. DONALDSON: Are you saying the problem was overblown, that there aren't that many people out there who shouldn't have handguns who would get them?

MR. LAPIERRE: I'm saying the statistics you're hearing in the press and from the president are not accurate. If they are, why aren't they prosecuting them? Most of those are simply clerical errors.

And there's not a technology problem on putting this technology on line. Look, I mean this is the age of the Internet. You have laptops on airplanes. You have kids running around with computers and video games where the technology's more complicated than what it would take to get some of these police records at the state level off of paper and computerizing them. And that's the only way you get a check.

MR. DONALDSON: Ms. Brady, is he right, the statistics are sort of all overblown here?

MS. BRADY: Not at all. In the first place, background checks nationwide have stopped over 250,000 people from purchasing guns. What he is talking about is how many prosecutions for people who lived on their farm. That's not what this law was intended to do. It was to stop 250,000 felons or fugitives or kids from being able to buy guns. It's preventing the purchase before it is made, and it's very wise to do.

The instantaneous check system, when it is up and going along with the background check, will be fine, but it's far from being ready and going, and it has nothing to do with the national software or anything of that type. It's the fact that the states around the country, many of them, are just not up to date and are unable to get their criminal record history

and computerized.

LAPIERRE: But --

MR. DONALDSON: Let's let George get in here.

MR. WILL: Well, before going on to the next question, respond to Ms. Brady's point about those numbers.

MR. LAPIERRE: Sarah, I'm all -- we're all for -- the NRA is all for the check, but that argument just doesn't wash. I mean, that is the simplest technology we have available. You simply take the records off paper and computerize them. If we don't do that, even if there is a check at the local level, police officers are on their hands and knees going through paper files.

MS. BRADY: But in states like West Virginia, where they're still in shoeboxes, it's taking time to get them up. That's --

MR. LAPIERRE: Congress has appropriated a half a billion dollars to get it done.

MR. WILL: Mr. LaPierre, let's not talk about the technology for a moment. Let's talk about Ms. Brady's point, which is that your number that seven have been prosecuted and three convicted, is not the relevant question. The question is how many felons have been stopped from getting guns? Do you dispute her measure of the effectiveness of the law?

MR. LAPIERRE: Well, I would say, unless you prosecute, you probably haven't stopped any, because almost all felons buy their guns illegally anyway. And the few that are dumb enough to go into a gun store --

MS. BRADY: Now Wayne...

MR. LAPIERRE: -- and get flagged, if you don't prosecute them, they're simply going and getting a gun illegally and going about committing their crime. We are in favor of the check. I'll join with Sarah. And I've already talked to Speaker Gingrich and Majority Leader Lott. They're willing to meet this week, go down to the White House. Let's go down together and let's do whatever it takes to get the national instant check on line. It's the only way under the Supreme Court decision there will be a check.

MR. WILL: Ms. Brady, what is your position? What do they do when they're turned away at the gun dealer? Do they say, "Heck, I can't get a gun," and go home?

MS. BRADY: That's exactly what happens and -- except for the ones in which -- and there have been many prosecutions of this type -- where there is a felony warrant out for their arrest and that's discovered at that point. Then this is not an arrest on Brady bill line on the form. This is where you discover during the background check, so-and-so has lied, they're wanted for murder or domestic abuse or something, and they are then arrested and prosecuted. And there have been numerous of these that have happened, and this is a totally different type of prosecution.

MR. LAPIERRE: I agree with that. The only way you'll get yourself prosecuted, the way it's been working, is if the U.S. attorneys want you for something else. Then they'll prosecute you, but that's not good enough.

MS. BRADY: And that's what -- but the purpose of the background check is very simple. It is to stop illegal purchases, and that's what it has been doing. It does no more or no less.

MS. DOUGLASS: Mr. LaPierre, what is your opposition in the first place or the grounds for the opposition to the five-day waiting period? Why is it so important for someone to be able to go down and immediately get a gun?

MR. LAPIERRE: Well, under every scenario, including the Brady bill, keep in mind, the wait disappears. It was simply an interim measure. But the best is an example in Virginia, where you had a woman whose ex-boyfriend said he was going to kill her. She went out that day, bought a gun through the instant check; she was checked out and she was a law-abiding citizen. That night, he broke down her door, tried to kill her, came at her with a machete. She saved her life by having a gun. You had another, a 911 call in L.A., where a woman called 911 and said my ex-boyfriend's trying to kill me. They said over the tape on 911, "We can't do anything until he gets there." Well, he got there and he killed her.

MS. DOUGLASS: So which of the concerns is most important, the ability to immediately get a gun to protect yourself, forget the police --

MR. LAPIERRE: That's pretty important.

MS. DOUGLASS: -- or the ability to keep a gun out of the hands of a criminal?

MR. LAPIERRE: Well, the way you do that is the national instant check. Under the Supreme Court decision, it's the only way we're going to have a

The NRA supports it. Majority Leader Lott supports it. Gingrich supports it. The only one dragging their feet is the Justice Department at the White House, for some reason. And Congress has already appropriated a quarter of a billion dollars to carry it out.

MS. BRADY: And most of it has been disbursed.

MS. DOUGLASS: But Ms. Brady, in fact, the police probably would benefit well, would they not, from an instant check? Do they really take the five days and use all that time to find out everything about -- the police, the busy police -- everything about someone who wants to buy a gun?

MS. BRADY: I think it's a wonderful -- it will be a topnotch tool for law enforcement to have an instantaneous check. But in addition -- that is not going to be sufficient to run a really good comprehensive background check. It won't have medical records. Criminal mental patients won't be up and going on it. We need -- I think they need -- in addition they're going to need several days. I don't think it -- not necessarily has to be the full five days.

MS. DOUGLASS: Well, what do you want to do in the interim? You want to propose some legislation to put the onus on the gun dealer to do a background check?

MS. BRADY: The onus, we hope, is on -- I mean, law enforcement wants to do it, wants to do -- and we don't know yet what kind of legislation we're going to propose.

But I do want to say one thing about a waiting period. It has always been in Brady, in law, that anyone who is in any danger whatsoever can waive -- the waiting period can be waived and they are able to get a gun that day. So that is a -- that's a red herring. That doesn't affect it.

MR. LAPIERRE: But try getting that gun if someone's trying to kill you. But the point -- the bottom line is, until you computerize these records, when a police officer pulls someone over right now, forget the gun check, on an interstate highway in the middle of the night and punches into his machine, he's not getting that data. And the people that were opposed --

MS. BRADY: Oh, we're all for that, though. I mean --

MR. LAPIERRE: And the people that were opposed to computerizing the mental health records of people being adjudicated mentally incompetent was the White House.

We were in favor of that.

MS. BRADY: I think --

MR. DONALDSON: We're about out of time.

MS. BRADY: I think we agree on the fact that a national computerized check system is the best possible method. I'm only saying we also need a waiting period.

MR. DONALDSON: We're about out of time, and I just want to ask very quickly, Britain now is moving toward banning handguns entirely from the population. Are we headed in that direction?

MR. LAPIERRE: I would hope not. I mean, the constitutional right to own a gun is one of the great privileges, one of the great freedoms, and --

MS. BRADY: No, we're not headed there.

MR. LAPIERRE: -- it shouldn't be eliminated.

MS. BRADY: No, but I think we are headed toward common sense controls to keep guns out of the --

MR. DONALDSON: All right, thank you very much, Mrs. Brady.

MS. BRADY: Thank you.

MR. DONALDSON: Mr. Wayne LaPierre.

MR. LAPIERRE: Thank you, Sam.

MR. DONALDSON: For being with us today.

Next, the first interview with the author of the Air Force report on Roswell, Jim McAndrew.

(Announcements.)

MR. DONALDSON: Two things of note reportedly happened in the New Mexico desert in the 1940s. The first atomic bomb was exploded there, and that was real. And a lot of people believe a spaceship with alien creatures aboard crashed there. But is that real?

ALIEN (From film, "The Day the Earth Stood Still"): We have come to visit you in peace.

MR. DONALDSON: Hollywood and the American public have always been fascinated by UFOs, and ground zero for that fascination is Roswell, New Mexico.

In July 1947, something fell from the sky and landed in the desert north of Roswell. The nearby Air Force base reported it was a flying disk, a UFO. Hours later, they said no, it was a weather balloon. For 50 years, the controversy has raged over what really happened in the desert that

PRESIDENT CLINTON: (From videotape.) No, as far as I know, an alien
ship did not crash in Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947.

MR. DONALDSON: This week, the Pentagon tried to put the whole issue to
rest, saying reports of alien bodies in the desert were actually Air Force
dummies used to test parachutes.

MANX: The reports of military units that always seem to arrive shortly
after a crash were actually accurate. Descriptions of Air Force personnel
engaged in the dummy recovery operations.

MR. DONALDSON: But that explanation hasn't ended the controversy.

MANX: They must think we're the dummies to believe a story like that.
It's probably the most preposterous of all the cover stories.

MR. DONALDSON: And the town of Roswell has turned its notoriety into a
\$5 million cottage industry. The town boasts two UFO museums, including
this recreation of a supposed alien autopsy. And this weekend, tens of
thousands of people are streaming into town to celebrate the 50th
anniversary of the incident at Roswell.

With us now is Mr. Jim McAndrew, who as an Air Force reservist, your
rank as a captain, recently researched and wrote that report that Colonel
Haynes relied on.

Welcome. Nice to see you.

MR. MCANDREW: Thank you.

MR. DONALDSON: Mr. McAndrew, you say it was a weather balloon, but the
first Air Force officer on the scene, who clearly must have had some
experience with things like weather balloons, said, "Hey, this is a UFO.
This is a flying disk."

MR. MCANDREW: Well, the other Air Force officer on the scene, who's
still alive, said it wasn't.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, we had a difference of opinion right there. Tell
us what your theory is. What was it?

MR. MCANDREW: I think we've had a series of events brought together
over the years, and now we have the large myth which has developed from it.

MR. DONALDSON: It was a weather balloon. What about the --

MR. MCANDREW: Actually, it was never a weather balloon. It was a
high-altitude research balloon. It was actually the very first one ever
flown in New Mexico. Since then, there's been about 2,000. And actually,
the targeted high-altitude research balloon area is the area around
Roswell, New Mexico.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, you've supplied us with sort of a recreation,
a video of the way you think it went. Let's take a look at that right now.
This is what, then, your theory amounts to. There's the balloon, and all
right, what's that dropping from the balloon?

MR. MCANDREW: That's an anthropomorphic crash test dummy that were used
by the Air Force from 1953 to 1959 in New Mexico. And what I want to bring
it back to is that when you go to the witnesses' original statements who
claim they saw these things, they say they saw dummies. They never said
they saw aliens.

MR. DONALDSON: George.

MR. WILL: But they say they saw dummies in 1947, correct?

MR. MCANDREW: No, sir.

MR. WILL: No, they don't?

MR. MCANDREW: No. These stories didn't start coming really until about,
oh, really, 1989, after "Unsolved Mysteries" had a 1-800 number.

MR. WILL: Now, am I correct that all of this started because Mr. and
Mrs. Don Wilmott (ph) were sitting on their porch at 105 South
Pennsylvania Avenue in Roswell 50 years ago? If they hadn't seen what they
said was a disk in the sky, would none of this have happened?

MR. MCANDREW: Well, that's not totally accurate. That's one theory.

MR. WILL: Tell me what you think is accurate.

MR. MCANDREW: The Air Force was testing, using their high-altitude
balloons. They just began testing them in New Mexico in 1947 after having
gotten into a lot of trouble in New York City and in the New Jersey area.
And they moved to

a desolate area to do that. And the very first research balloon landed
north of Roswell. A rancher found it, didn't know what it was, and the
myth has evolved from there.

MR. WILL: Now, is it your contention -- I mean, the Air Force was put
in an awkward position of proving a negative, proving that something
didn't happen.

And so far, I'd say you haven't done it. We have lot of people who have
a passion to believe --

MCANDREW: Have you read my book, Mr. Will?

WILL: Have not.

MR. MCANDREW: It'd be a good place to start.

MR. WILL: I'll do it.

MR. MCANDREW: But what I'll just say is that -- because what these people have said that they've seen did not exist in 1947, so there's a problem right there.

MR. WILL: What didn't exist in 1947?

MR. MCANDREW: The detailed descriptions of not only the dummies, but the vehicles, the procedures, the individuals, right down to the red tape that was on the collar of --

MR. DONALDSON: But these were people later who claimed to be eyewitnesses, people who saw that there was an autopsy going on of these little men. I mean, did they make it up?

MR. MCANDREW: I think that autopsy didn't come till about two years ago.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, wait a moment. Hold on a moment. These people claim that they saw it back then. The fact that they didn't come forward until recently does not necessarily mean that their claim is inaccurate.

MR. MCANDREW: Well, if you're talking about the mortician's account?

MR. DONALDSON: Yeah.

MR. MCANDREW: Okay, there's a hole in his story you can drive a hearse and two flower cars through.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, drive it through.

MR. MCANDREW: The people he describes as having been there were not there. And then some of those people are deceased, but I found one who's alive and well and living in Aztec, New Mexico. He's very upset that his -- that he's being portrayed as having been involved.

MS. DOUGLASS: Isn't this really a matter of the credibility of the government in continuing to try to answer the questions about what happened? I mean -- (inaudible) --

MR. MCANDREW: Well --

MS. DOUGLASS: -- version is you have crash dummies dropping from the sky, their fingers broke off, so they only had four fingers. Plus somebody -- a parachuter who was injured and his head swelled. Isn't this a matter that hasn't been handled especially well by those who keep trying to explain it?

MR. MCANDREW: Let me address why the Air Force got involved. In 1994, we were directed by Congress to investigate this. And we did, and we published a report. And subsequent to that, we found other information which described these -- which would account for these alien bodies. So you're kind of in a catch-22. If you go forward with the information, you're on a wild goose chase and people don't like that. If you don't go forward with the information, you've got a cover-up going. So we opted for a UFO glasnost and just lay it on the table and let people decide for theirself.

MS. DOUGLASS: But you still can't answer the question that was raised in "Independence Day," and that is, what goes on in area 51, where everyone who believes in the UFOs and the aliens believes that they're experimenting on the bodies of extraterrestrials? What is going on in area 51?

MR. MCANDREW: I thought it was a great movie, and I think you should try and pin the Air Force down on that. I'm here representing myself.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, let's look at one of the stories, which was that there was this ghastly odor, this terrible odor, which must have been the bodies in the autopsy, little men.

MR. MCANDREW: Well, now we're getting into something that is not too pleasant and that's really not worth laughing about, is that --

MR. DONALDSON: Well, I'm not laughing. I'm asking about it.

MR. MCANDREW: Well, based on the research that we conducted, those were probably dead Air Force members killed in an aircraft crash. And that's another element is that everybody takes this tongue in cheek, and rightly so, but we're talking about scientific projects being misrepresented and dead and injured Air Force people being misrepresented. It just required a response.

MS. DOUGLASS: Captain, the polls show that 80 percent of Americans believe that the government knows more than it's saying about extraterrestrials. Does the government know more than it's saying about extraterrestrials?

MR. MCANDREW: Well, I don't think they know more than I do because I did the research, and I'm telling you that this Roswell incident is exactly as it appears in this book.

WILL: The government usually is accused of knowing less than it's saying. Can you tell me, after you've been through all of this and you've dealt with the problem of trying to stamp out what you may consider mass hysteria, what is your final analysis of the longevity of this story and the difficulty the Air Force has with killing it? Are these people caught up in mass delusion?

MR. MCANDREW: Well, I'll just correct you. We didn't attempt to stamp anything out. We just wanted to lay the facts on the table and let people judge for themselves. And I encourage people to get in touch with their local government printing office or call here to Washington, get a copy of the book, and judge it for themselves.

MR. WILL: Well, aside from abstract intellectual interest, what was the supposed effect of this? What did you want to happen?

MR. MCANDREW: To lay the facts on the table.

MR. WILL: To what end? To kill something, right? To kill an idea?

MR. MCANDREW: That's your opinion, sir, not mine. No, we just -- no, we had our scientific projects and dead and injured being misrepresented.

MR. WILL: How do you explain the fact that it takes such a thumping great volume there to try and stop this belief that you think is false?

MR. MCANDREW: I don't find it a thumping great volume. It's a comprehensive look at this --

MR. DONALDSON: Mr. McAndrew, what do you make of what's going to happen in Roswell this week? Thousands are expected to come to that little town -- and I know it well, it's in my neck of the woods -- to celebrate what they firmly believe is this Roswell incident.

MR. MCANDREW: Well, my opinion is if you want to stand on the street corner and yell UFO, go do it, but don't indict another organization, in this case, the U.S. Air Force. It's just not true.

MR. DONALDSON: Not true. So all those people going there are just out there spending their money and the town's merchants are just out there taking it?

MR. MCANDREW: Well, I'll just explain how I did the research, okay? Carl Sagan, he advised in one of his books, when you have a situation like this, take out the "baloney detection kit." And that's what we did. And what I found is that we had a kernel of truth, a lot of baloney peopled a pot of gold.

(Laughter.)

MR. DONALDSON: On that note -- we can't improve on that, Mr. McAndrew -- Captain McAndrew. Thank you very much for coming today.

MR. MCANDREW: Thank you.

MR. DONALDSON: And later still, David Brinkley. But next our weekly roundtable, with the rest of the week's news, with ABC News Analysts Bill Kristol and George Stephanopoulos.

(Announcements.)

MR. DONALDSON: I said no aliens here. Here we are.

MS. DOUGLASS: How do you know?

MR. DONALDSON: Well, I don't. Do you want to confess?

(Laughter.)

Bill Kristol and George Stephanopoulos, let's start with the Supreme Court. A number of important decisions this past week. And let's begin with one which struck down a law to try to reduce pornography on the Internet, particularly when it had to do with children. The Supreme Court said there's a community interest in trying to do that, but the wider interest is preserving the First Amendment. Who wants to take this?

MR. KRISTOL: L: Well, child pornography remains illegal, actually. The problem the Supreme Court found with this law was that it went beyond child pornography to try to strike down indecency on the Internet. All the editorial pages love this court decision and they think it's foolish of Congress to try to worry about this. I think out there in the country, lots of parents appreciate -- that are worried about the Internet, don't think their children should be exposed to -- not just to hardcore pornography, but even to indecency, and would like the government to help them protect their kids from the coarseness of the culture we've created. Now, how to do that responsibly is a tough question, but I don't think

this issue is going to go away.

MR. WILL: One of the government's arguments for sustaining this apparatus of censorship was that, indeed, putting it in place will allow parents to happily have the Internet in their households, so censorship would spread the Internet, which spreads the free discussion of ideas. The court gave that argument short shrift.

MR. KRISTOL: As they should have, in my view.

MR. WILL: The people defending this act wanted to make the Internet as innocuous as radio, which is regulated. But it's regulated because radio is singularly intrusive, and a child on a random course up and down the Internet could on unregulated radio encounter something offensive. To encounter something offensive on the Internet, you have to look for it; you have to know what you're looking for. There may be 10,000 pornographic sites on the Internet, but only 3 percent of the commercial sites are devoted to that stuff. It's so huge.

MR. DONALDSON: I know, I might as well confess --

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: It's not that you can find it. You don't have to weaken the First Amendment in order to get these protections. The technology is catching up with people's real concerns, and you can put something like a V-chip on the Internet. And I think the justices were right, therefore, to hold the line against a further weakening of the First Amendment.

MS. DOUGLASS: Well, they say you can put something like a V-chip on the Internet, but the fact is there are a lot of flaws in the software. Every time they try to find some way to block it off, kids are a heck of a lot smarter than their computer-illiterate parents. And it really is a question. I mean, there has to be a way other than just constant monitoring of your kids, which you can't always do, as much as you try, to keep them away from this stuff. Prosecutors at the Justice Department will tell you that if you log on as a teenager, you can in 15 minutes make contact with pedophile.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, I want to hear someone really defend the First Amendment issue here. George, you --

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: I think I just did, Sam.

MR. DONALDSON: You did and you did. But I mean, I want to hear a table thumping.

MR. WILL: Well, part of the problem, Sam, was the congressional language said, and they were drawing on Supreme Court opinion, said that they banned certain material offensive to community standards.

Now, what is the pertinent community in cyberspace? What is it? Where is it, for that matter? I mean, we're dealing with a technology here that renders obsolete the vocabulary that's been used in prior First Amendment cases.

MR. DONALDSON: All right, let's go to the Religious Freedom Act, which Congress passed and which the Supreme Court says no, that's not constitutional.

MR. KRISTOL: I think this was the first week in the history of the United States that the Supreme Court struck down three congressional laws in one week, the two we've mentioned and the Brady bill. The first two were passed by huge majorities, the Decency Act and the Religious Freedom Act, signed by the president, supported by both parties.

It is a striking week, and even though the court might have had technically pretty good arguments in each case, in the old days, the court had a great deal of deference to Congress, they tried to construe the acts to be constitutional. I do think it says something about the Supreme Court and its sense of its role that it cheerfully strikes aside these pretty major laws that Congress passed.

MR. WILL: The court had a terrific argument in that it was provoked by the Congress. In 1996, when the Congress passed this act, Congress put in its legislative finding, it said to the Supreme Court, in a 1990 case, you got wrong the free exercise of religion clause.

Now, in 1803, the Supreme Court said, we're the ones who construe the Constitution, we do not take this dictate from --

MR. KRISTOL: Congress has a right to construe the Constitution as well, as does the executive branch, a right and an obligation. And what's striking in both these cases -- in all three of these cases; with the Brady bill, too -- is that the Congress of the United States, the president of the United States, the Justice Department of the United States all thought this was constitutional, and the court felt --

MR. DONALDSON: But since Justice Marshall, the court has said, we have the final construing.

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: That's right. What's really holding the majority in this court together is a deep suspicion of federal power. I mean, they really believe the federal government, whether it's Congress or the executive, is the real threat to liberty, not states' rights. And I think that's going to continue to play out in the coming decisions, whether it's on affirmative action next year, or if you look at the assisted suicide, they pretty much upheld the bans on assisted suicide.

they going to do when a state like Oregon, perhaps, legalizes assisted suicide? You're going to see a real clash of principles here.

MR. DONALDSON: Before we get to that, Linda.

MS. DOUGLASS: (Inaudible) -- is the right of a state to make laws on assisted suicide. In other words, you can ban assisted suicide, you can pass a law to make it legal, and so what this is all about, as Bill is saying, is giving the -- devolving the power back down to the states in a very dramatic way.

MR. DONALDSON: I want to ask you about the Religious Freedom Act. I mean, the name sounds wonderful. I mean, it also is a First Amendment freedom.

What's wrong with the Religious Freedom Act?

MS. DOUGLASS: Well, certainly there's a fascinating coalition of those who disagree with what the court says, that is, that if laws are technically neutral on religion, then they should be able to -- that religion should be able to flourish under those laws. You shouldn't be able to make a law that prohibits a practice in religion like the smoking of peyote by some Indian groups or the wearing of certain clothing by some religious groups.

So in that sense, there are those who really feel that this erodes religious freedom. But obviously, the court has said here that the Congress went too far granting a religious freedom right that doesn't exist in the Constitution.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, going back to assisted suicide, the court did not say that you could not practice it in states.

MS. DOUGLASS: Right.

MR. DONALDSON: It simply said that there is no constitutional right to have a doctor assist you in your suicide.

MR. WILL: And this was a very wise flinching from making the mistake they made in Roe v. Wade, which was to put themselves on a path to saying all intimate, personal decisions are -- the exercise of choice in those matters is a fundamental constitutional right. They've stopped short of doing that now.

MR. DONALDSON: Anything about the court's decision to sort of punt when it came to the line-item veto? Members of Congress had applied, saying it was unconstitutional. The court said, in effect, you don't have standing.

MR. WILL: They said, look, no one's been injured by this yet; wait till the president exercises it.

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: Then they'll strike it down.

MR. WILL: Then they'll strike it down in a New York minute, I think.

MR. KRISTOL: In the meantime, one thing people haven't noticed is that in the meantime, Bill Clinton has the line-item veto. And we're about to have 13 appropriations bills and a budget passed by the Congress over the next four months, with President Clinton for the first time in U.S. history, the president having the ability to line-item veto particular appropriations. So the practical consequences of their jurisdictional decision in refusing to decide the case could be pretty significant in this year's budget fight.

MS. DOUGLASS: But all we need is one person to say that person was injured by this act of the president executing his right.

MR. DONALDSON: This dam wasn't built.

MS. DOUGLASS: Right.

MR. DONALDSON: This flood control project was not authorized.

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: Then we'll see another 9-0 decision.

MR. DONALDSON: That's right. Well, is there anything finally to say about these justices?

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: I would like to add one other point. You know, you talked about devolution, and I think there's a very interesting study this week by a man named Ed Lazarus (ph) in "U.S. News," who points out that a lot of this has to do with the regional bias.

You now have a majority on the court which is made up of Westerners and Southerners who are very suspicious of the federal government. They're joining a majority at every level of government. The president and vice president are Southerners, leadership in Congress from the South, and I think you're really seeing when you look back on this time an end to the reconstruction era and a real threat, I think, to the federal government's ability to protect everyone's liberties.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, let's hold it right there. We'll be back with more, including something on ear biting. And later, David Brinkley.

MR. BRINKLEY: The U.S. and all the world say they want clean air. From

Japan, maybe this will help. Shortly.

(Entitlements.)

MR. DONALDSON: The Senate has now voted to increase premiums on Medicare for the elderly with incomes above \$50,000, and to phase in a new age, from 65 to 67. George S., is that a good idea? Will it fly?

MR. STEPHANOPOLSKIS: No and

MR. DONALDSON: I see. Can you elaborate?
(Laughter.)
MR. STEPHANOPOLSKIS: First of all, this was not part of the budget deal that the Democrats and Republicans agreed to earlier in the year. Secondly, it's going to create profound changes in the long term in the system. It's going to take away the universal character, and there's going to be a huge problem created for those people who fall in the gap between 65 and 67. How are they going to get health insurance? It affects about five million elderly Americans.

MR. WILL: It's being phased in over 25 years, which means that all Americans 40 years old or younger have a quarter of a century to plan for two years' additional time before they're eligible for Medicare.

MR. DONALDSON: Be the ant, not the grasshopper -- is that what you're saying?
MR. WILL: Yeah. Look, if we had in 1935 indexed Social Security's retirement age to life expectancy, life expectancy today is about 72, 73, that would be the retirement age, there would be no problem with Social Security. We're just adjusting Medicare to take account of normal demographic changes.

MR. DONALDSON: Linda.
MR. DONALDSON: Well, they're also talking about making changes in this which would cover that gap from 65 to 67, making it possible to enroll at an earlier age. And isn't the question that there was a certain amount of -- the question for the people in the White House who oppose this -- I mean, there was courage demonstrated by many Democrats in even tackling this issue of entitlements. I mean, this is an enormous problem. You can't just forever pander to the elderly.

MR. STEPHANOPOLSKIS: Well, you know, I think it's always interesting that a lot of people say that it's courage whenever you're going after those who are middle class, those who are the most vulnerable in society, people earning 20 (thousand dollars) \$25,000 a year on a fixed income. There have to be changes in Medicare. This administration on this budget deal --

MR. DONALDSON: The premiums don't kick in until above \$50,000.
MR. STEPHANOPOLSKIS: That's the premiums. That's different from losing your health insurance between 65 and 67.

MR. DONALDSON: But that's a long-term phase-in. The most immediate threat, I guess, if you are someone who is elderly and doesn't want to pay any more, is the premium business.

MR. KRISTOL: I think the significance of this politically -- I'm not sure it will survive the conference committee or be signed by the president ultimately -- the significance of this politically is what it says about the meaning of the 1988 election. The conventional wisdom has been Clinton beat up the Republicans on Medicare, and the lesson they were supposed to learn was you couldn't touch it, it was the third rail of American politics.

It turns out that the lesson both parties learned is that you -- they -- look on Medicare very clumsily in '88, '86. They held Congress. A lot of Democrats figure they've got to take it on eventually, and there's now a pretty big bipartisan majority for doing something that a year ago looked politically undoable.

MR. DONALDSON: But that's it. Haven't we all paid lip service over the years to the fact that until we get entitlements under control, we'll never get the long-term budget situation under control. And yet anytime -- whether it was Dan Rostenkowski in the '80s, who tried to make a certain segment of elderly pay for their own particular catastrophic care or whether it's a now, anytime you say, yes, but we're going to have to do it, the AARP jumps up and says, don't touch it.

MR. STEPHANOPOLSKIS: But Dan, no, there's -- and you do need a balanced, bipartisan, long-term solution, but it is wrong and people have a right to take offense when you're making these kinds of cuts in Medicare, when you're giving huge tax cuts, up to \$77,000 --

MR. DONALDSON: Well, do you think the elderly should ever pay? If the income is such that they are not people that need help, do you think they should pay for their medical care, or is there a government entitlement which says, reach 65 or 67, when, the kids will pay for you.

STEPHANOPOULOUS: The genius of both Social Security and Medicare is that they were broad-based programs, that they were not welfare. They are universal insurance. Can the wealthy perhaps pay a little bit more in the context of an overall fix? Yes. Should you do it while you're giving tax cuts to the wealthy? Should you undermine the universal program while you're doing that? No.

MR. WILL: This passed, by the way, 70 to 30, with 21 Democrats voting for it.

MR. DONALDSON: Let me talk now about what the independent counsel is doing. And I'm not certain what he's doing -- you can tell me. Mr. Starr, according to the newspaper reports, and they've confirmed it to some extent, has now tried to interview some of the women allegedly who had romantic liaisons -- allegedly -- with Bill Clinton back when he was governor.

And the question is, what business is it of the independent counsel's? Is he doing something legitimate? You cover the Justice Department.

MS. DOUGLASS: Well, there's certainly a difference of opinion about whether this is legitimate or not. Starr's office put out a statement saying that, A, a lot of what "The Post" reported was wrong, that B, some of these -- that there are no notes that indicate that these questions actually were asked of the troopers, questions like, have you ever seen the president perform a sex act, for example.

On the other hand, there --

MR. DONALDSON: Well, that clearly has nothing to do -- I want to be very serious about it. That has nothing to do with the mandate that the court gave the independent counsel, to look into someone's sex life per se, does it?

MS. DOUGLASS: Well, that's exactly the argument against what it is that Starr appears to be doing according to these accounts from the troopers, asking if the president's ever had an illegitimate child, for example.

On the other hand, Starr's people say that they're pursuing legitimate prosecutorial techniques, looking for pillow talk, if you will, looking for people who might have been confided in. I guess one of the questions is why are they getting to that now?

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: But this isn't the only example of Starr run amok. You know, another story that came out this week is that they hauled in a man named Bob Hattoy (ph), an Interior Department official who happens to be gay, and asked him if it was his job to place homosexuals in the highest levels of the federal government. These guys are on a wild goose chase. Starr's gone on for three years, and he's losing credibility every week.

MR. KRISTOL: Whatever the truth about Starr, the independent counsel statute is an invitation to people to run amok.

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: Absolutely.

MR. KRISTOL: It should be -- it's always been a bad idea, it's never produced anything good, in my view. And I think Republicans have opposed it from the beginning, and a courageous Republican should stand up on the floor of the Senate or the House when they get back next week and propose that it be repealed.

MR. WILL: Yes. Lawrence Walsh has now published a 500-and-some page volume on his pursuit of the great white whale in Iran-contra. And if his case -- how many millions, \$40 million? -- if his case didn't demonstrate the danger of a lawyer with one client, this one will perhaps. I mean, since I'm against the independent counsel in general, I'm not going to reach the threshold question of --

MR. DONALDSON: Well, but that was a return to the threshold question. Joe DiGenova, a respected former prosecutor in this town, says that it is common practice, the so-called pillow talk, to try to find people like that and say, "Now did he ever say anything about a loan that Judge Hale made?" In other words, trying to find from this intimate conversation something that has to do with the mandate.

MR. KRISTOL: Well, it's common practice in dealing with mobsters to try to find their girlfriends, you know, and see what they've said. I don't really know that it's appropriate for the president of the United States. But again, you have an independent counsel with a totally open mandate and no constraints.

MS. DOUGLASS: And an unlimited budget.

MR. KRISTOL: Unlimited budget and no constraints on him.

MR. DONALDSON: Okay. Mike Tyson bit off a portion of Evander Holyfield's ear and therefore lost the fight. What's going on here, and what should happen to Mike Tyson now?

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WILL: Mike Tyson makes his living trying to inflict brain injuries on his opponents.

DONALDSON: That's what boxing is, George.

WILL: I understand, that's what boxing is. I'm just reaching -- just trying to lay the groundwork. The predicate is this is often not a business peopled by perfect gentlemen, and we have prior evidence that Tyson is indeed not in that category. Now, he got carried away. He says he was provoked by something Holyfield did in the second round.

MR. KRISTOL: I doubt it.

MR. WILL: But let's stipulate he shouldn't have done it.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, he shouldn't have, but what should happen to him? Bill?

MR. KRISTOL: Someone should bite off his ear.

MR. DONALDSON: An eye for an eye, an ear for an ear -- that's your view?

MR. KRISTOL: Yeah, that's the conservative view, right. It goes way back, Sam. It has a very distinguished pedigree.

MR. DONALDSON: George, everyone's making -- take a bite out of this. (Laughter.)

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: I'm not even going to get near that.

MR. DONALDSON: What do you think should happen to Tyson?

MR. STEPHANOPOULOUS: I really don't care, to tell you the truth, but if he doesn't get the \$30 million, maybe that's fitting.

MR. DONALDSON: Well, you're going to have the last word, Linda.

MS. DOUGLASS: All right, the last word is we have far too much tolerance for these bad-boy athletes, like somebody like Mike Tyson, who should not be getting \$30 million to get in the ring and bite somebody's ear off.

MR. DONALDSON: Okay. On that note, thank you very much. We'll resume it next Sunday, different topic. Up next, David Brinkley.

(Announcements.)

MR. DONALDSON: While the world is focusing on the political transfer in Hong Kong, David Brinkley has found some news from the Far East that may have a lot more significance, particularly for the motorists here in the United States and everywhere else. David.

MR. BRINKLEY: Sam, this week as Congress and the president argued about air pollution and the Clean Air Act, in came this news from the Orient, having nothing to do with Hong Kong or trade or dolls named Tickle Me Elmo. It's an automobile with two engines, one electric and one gasoline. When it is driven electrically for a time and the battery needs recharging, the gasoline engine automatically comes in and recharges it on the fly with no need to stop. The tiny number of electric cars being tested now all have to stop for two or three hours for a recharge.

The Japanese maker, Toyota, says since the gasoline engine runs only part-time, it gets 66 miles to the gallon. And as the president and Congress talk about air pollution, it says the engine cuts carbon-dioxide emissions by 50 percent and other emissions by 90 percent. It is said to meet the strict California laws. They require that exhaust-pipe emission be cut drastically and eventually all cars will have to meet these standards.

Toyota may be the first on the market with this, but Detroit's auto makers see what's coming and are all busy getting ready for it: smaller bills for gasoline and cleaner air. Progress. Sam.

MR. DONALDSON: David, thanks.

Next Sunday, our special guest will be Senator Fred Thompson. This will be his first live television interview since becoming chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, which is investigating the campaign fund-raising of both political parties.

And ABC News will have full coverage of the hand-over of Hong Kong to China, starting tonight with "World News Tonight Sunday." And tomorrow, Peter Jennings anchors a special edition of "Good Morning America." And then ABC News live coverage of the hand-over continuing at 11:00 A.M. Eastern time.

And that's all for us today. Cokie will be back next week. As always, thank you for joining us, and enjoy the rest of your weekend.

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Dear President Clinton:

The article below may be of interest to you, as you grapple=20 with how/when to deal with the beings living along side us.

Perhaps all the planes crashing are being shot down, because=20 the powers that be that run the "UFO Show" won't acquiesce to=20 the demand that the government acknowledge UFO reality. This=20 is just a theory... :-)

I would like to know your official position on this subject,=20 as I do not expect your real opinion, for "National Security"=20 reasons.

Take care,

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ROSWELL REVISITED: We Hear But Do Not Listen
by Claude DiDomenica / Warrior Brother

=3DIntroduction=3D

As many seek to prove or disprove the Roswell UFO "crash" (or crashes), I continue to wonder, "What does this all mean?" I hope more people would be concerned with motive, intent and a global or macro perspective on this enduring mystery... Below is my theory, that the Roswell "crash" was STAGED by these mysterious beings. Even if the theory is wrong or partially correct, the main point is we must start looking for meaning. It is apparent someone is trying to say something, and we continue to hear but not listen.

Before I get to the theory, some explanation of the terminology I use is in order. Additionally, some historical background is helpful. Please excuse me if you already have studied this. It is important to reiterate to fully understand why I think what I believe. When I use the term "UFO," it could be an interstellar spaceship, an interdimensional craft, some sort of time machine or even a manifestation of human consciousness. When I use the word "alien," I take a similar approach. In other words, the aliens could be extraterrestrials from another galaxy, interdimensional interlopers, time traversing humans from the future, or one possible future, or even some sort of spiritual manifestation. A colleague suggested that when it comes to these beings, it is like choice "E" on a multiple-choice test: "ALL of the above."

=3DCorso, and the "Crash Dummies"=3D

The event that sparked my final realization about what I believe Roswell, and the prior and subsequent alien involvement on Earth, was in reading "The Day After Roswell," by Retired Lt. Colonel US ARMY Philip Corso. In the book,

Corso maintains he was in charge of disseminating some of the artifacts from the crash retrieval of a UFO from or around Roswell, New Mexico in 1947. He was charged with the task of getting this advanced technology in the hands of defense contractors and universities, so they could reverse engineer and harvest miracles like the integrated circuit, fiber optics and more.=20

His involvement was in the early sixties, at the Pentagon, working under General Trudeau in the "Foreign Technology" section of Army Intelligence, a convenient cover for the real work at hand for Corso. The same week the book debuted:

- * We "crashed" our own UFO on Mars, at least from the perspective of a Martian.
- * The US Air Force came out with the laughable "crash dummies" lie.
- * Corso did his first book signing at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base!
- * AND it was the 50th anniversary of the Roswell incident!!!

Quite a week! Obviously, the UFO matter is still highly classified, and the disinformation specialists of the Air Force had to lie. However, I think it goes much deeper than that. Since the dummies were used 5 years after the Roswell "crash," the Air Force obviously does not want us to take them seriously, while at the same time officially maintaining the status quo of the cover-up. But, the cover-up seems to be unraveling, again perhaps, even by design.

So, we have the loony tunes Air Force pronouncement AND Corso blowing the whistle not only about Roswell, but about the double edged nature of the "Cold War" with the Soviets. (Corso, in my opinion, is far from a classic whistle blower, because he has tacit approval from the powers that be.) It appears to me some facet of the cover-up is floating a trial balloon here: Do you really think Corso would be allowed to do a book signing at an Air Force base if they wanted to silence or discredit him? Stay tuned folks.

... looks like a major change is occurring in the way the aliens
... handled. But beware! The same folks that lied to us for fifty
... perfectly capable of putting whatever spin they want on this. I am
... opinions that the aliens are demons, and they are hostile, etc. I do
... agree. We must be vigilant against a possible new "Evil Empire" the
... global military-industrial complex and intellegencia so loves to cook up for=
us.

=3DAncient Astronauts and Phantom Dirigibles=3D

I have thought for some time the one reality of the "aliens" is their impact. Whether or not they exist, their impact is REAL. Therefore, they are real. There is a MESSAGE from this. I think it is "unite or perish." Some would argue I am yet another victim of some form of brainwashing by evil aliens, making me think they are here to "help humankind", while at the same time secretly planning the ultimate demise of humanity. As far as I am concerned, I'll stick with my assumption that at a minimum, the aliens have a deep, vested interest in us. Perhaps we are their children, left here on Earth 50,000 years ago... Maybe we are a genetically re-engineered native species... They could even be OUR children, from the future... Or it just may be a spiritual connection... ..or we are in their "laboratory", for study, like guinea pigs.

Throughout our history, there appears to be a presence, along side us. We have all seen the strange cave paintings of beings in what look like space helmets... The Naszca lines in Peru, which can only be seen from the air... Elves, gnomes and pixies, which in many cases are similar to reports of aliens today... "Flying Chariots"... etc...

Things get real interesting in the late 1890's, when there was an "airship" flap that gripped North America. These sightings included contact with "people." If you look at the technology used by the aliens on a timeline, you will see they always seem to be one step ahead of what our minds (at the time) could be comfortable understanding. Airships in the 1890's, just prior to there actual use by humans... "Space ships" in the late 40's, prior to our own development of space travel. Now, they fly around in delta shaped mile-wide craft, etc. Could it also be that our perception of the aliens has been a step behind as well? During the Airship flap, the aliens were looked upon as people, like they were in the navy or something. Now, we are seeing humanoid types and others... Perhaps in a hundred years, they will appear only in spiritual form, once we go through the PRESENT PHASE. Yes, since the involvement with the aliens has been for so long, and they appear to change based on our level of development, I have concluded further change in our view of them and their technology is very likely.

=3DWeapons of Mass Destruction, the "Crash" and the Common Foe=3D

To understand what follows, I have made the assumption the Roswell "crash," as it is most commonly reported was a real event. I am more than satisfied that if the events of 1947 in New Mexico went to trial, the government would be convicted of a cover-up. Also, this is a theory, full of holes. As I said, the main point here is to get others to start thinking about the "big picture." I really think this is the only way we will ever get close to understanding.

It is now 1914. "The War to End All Wars", World War I, has brought humanity to a new low. Now, we deploy machine guns, chemical weapons, tanks, larger-than-ever artillery, stealthy submarines and more. To an observer sans human, it would seem we were in the beginning stages of what could potentially be what Star Trek referred to as the "self-destructive phase." It doesn't take the proverbial rocket scientist to realize we STILL are in this awful stage of our development or lack thereof. Hopefully, people of vision will take control of Mother Earth before it is too late...

At that time we did not have the technology to cause our own extinction, and our vested interest alien counterparts did not or could not, (for whatever reason) intervene. Perhaps some sort of "Prime Directive", ala Rodenberry. :) The Prime Directive was about to be violated or we triggered an exception clause.

Basically, these beings have the ability to either see ahead or through

ump ahead in time. They saw the Armageddon of thermonuclear war
 are. One of many possible futures, perhaps. Maybe they are the
 of this nuclear war. Actually, common sense would tell them, based
 horrors of the two World Wars that extinction was likely, now that we
 the "bomb." Keep in mind, the "Airship" flap of the late nineteenth
 century was generally benign in nature. Says a lot to me...

Now it is 1947. The United States and Soviets have atomic weapons, and are
 about to develop thermonuclear weapons, which make the Trinity bomb look
 like a firecracker. Seeing the eminent self-annihilation of humanity,
 something had to be done, and it could not be an overt landing and contact.
 In 1947, it would have ripped the planet apart, as our version of reality
 was not ready for open and unambiguous contact with an advanced
 civilization. I laugh every time I see the movie, "The Day The Earth Stood
 Still" with Gort guarding Clahtu's ship in the middle of DC. :)

So, the most incredible plan was concocted... Sheer genius! They made
 themselves a "threat", by surveilling us near our MOST secret air base,
 ROSWELL, New Mexico. Roswell was the home of the only nuclear strike force
 the Army-Air Force had at the time. The crash was staged so we would think
 we could create the technology to "fight" these beings, who are really
 flying around in their "Model T Ford," when in the garage, they have a '97
 Ferrari. :) Anyway, Corso validates part of this by his connection between
 the "Cold War" and the REAL agenda of the military: To prepare for and
 defend for an "alien invasion." I do understand it was Corso's job to be
 paranoid and prepare for worse case scenarios.

1947 was the beginning of the "invasion." This was the same year the Air
 Force branched off on its own, and the CIA was formed. Interesting... If we
 take the 1947 "invasion" and the subsequent DC flap of 1952, etc., it is
 easy to see they would have been perceived as a threat. If I were alive at
 the time, I would have thought we were being primed for an attack. But now,
 50 years later, I find this highly unlikely and hard to swallow. On this
 point, I feel Corso was WAY OFF. He still maintains they are a threat.=20

There are many unanswered questions: like who/what is behind the cattle
 mutilations, crop circles, etc.? But I really think Corso has given us vital
 clues as to the last 50 years, way behind-the-scenes collaboration between
 the US and Soviets, and the potential that this was caused by the aliens
 giving us a common enemy to defend against. I'll mention a very interesting
 clue... President Reagan's SDI (Strategic Defense Initiative) aka "Star
 Wars." This was the anti-ballistic missile "umbrella" that would shoot down
 missiles from space, and if that failed, blast the incoming warheads with
 lazer or particle beam weapons. This CLEARLY violated the Anti-Ballistic
 Missile Treaty with the Soviets... We never even heard the sound of a pin
 dropping out of the Kremlin!

Another interesting facet is the Internet was created as a DIRECT RESULT of
 having to re-engineer and harvest the "alien" technology. The precursor to
 the Net was ARPANET, for ARPA (Advanced Research Projects Agency) to
 communicate freely and securely with the researchers and defense industry
 subcontractors.

Punny thing is the Internet, created by the secret keepers, is the primary
 medium by which we are letting the cat out of the proverbial bag. :-) Poetic
 justice???? Or by design????=20

It appears the secret keepers are in the dark themselves.

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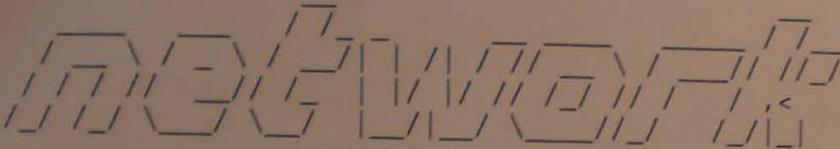
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SUBJ: DOD NEWS BRIEFING - CONDUCTED ON TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1997 AT 1:30 P.M. (EDT) BY MR. KENNETH H. BACON, ASD (PA) AT THE PENTAGON

MR. BACON: WELL, GOOD AFTERNOON. IT CERTAINLY IS A GREAT THRILL TO BE THE WARM-UP ACT TO THE ROSWELL UFO REPORT! [LAUGHTER] AND I WELCOME YOU ALL TO THE BRIEFING. LET ME MAKE A FEW ANNOUNCEMENTS AT THE BEGINNING, AND THEN I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS. I KNOW YOU ALL WANT TO GET ON TO UFOS, SO WE CAN DO THAT AS SOON AFTER I FINISH AS POSSIBLE.

FIRST, I'D LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS ON FORCE PROTECTION ON THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE KHOBAR TOWERS BOMBING. AND THAT'S AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE ROOM FOR ANYBODY WHO WANTS A COPY OF THAT. THE ANNIVERSARY, AS YOU KNOW, IS TOMORROW.

SECOND, I'D LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS NOMINATED GENERAL WILLIAM

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CROUCH OF THE ARMY TO TAKE OVER THE JOB OF VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY HERE IN WASHINGTON. GENERAL CROUCH, AS YOU KNOW, IS CURRENTLY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF U.S. ARMY EUROPE AND ALSO THE SEVENTH ARMY IN GERMANY.

AND WITH THAT, I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

Q: SPEAKING OF UFOS, WHAT'S THE PENTAGON'S TAKE ON THIS WHOLE THING? DO YOU ALL SUBSCRIBE TO THE AIR FORCE'S EXPLANATION THAT THESE WERE JUST A BUNCH OF DUMMIES DROPPED WITH PARACHUTES?

A: I THINK IT'S -- THE AIR FORCE HAS SPENT YEARS INVESTIGATING THIS, NOT JUST THIS INCIDENT BUT A NUMBER OF INCIDENTS, ALLEGED INCIDENTS INVOLVING UFOS, AND THEY HAVE FOUND OTHER EXPLANATIONS FOR ALMOST -- I BELIEVE FOR ALL OF THESE. AND THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM ANY SO-CALLED "SIGHTING" OF UFOS. THEY FOUND EITHER NATURAL PHENOMENA TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED OR AIRCRAFT LIGHTS IN THE AREA TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED. BUT THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF EXPLANATIONS THEY HAVE COME UP WITH OVER THE YEARS. AS YOU KNOW, AFTER YEARS OF INVESTIGATING REPORTS OF UFOS, THE AIR FORCE STOPPED MORE THAN A DECADE AGO,

AND THEY HAVE NOT BEEN INVESTIGATING THESE INCIDENTS AT ALL BECAUSE IT WAS A WASTE OF TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO KEEP INVESTIGATING

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REPORTS THAT NEVER TURNED OUT TO BE TRUE.

BUT THIS WILL BE EXPLAINED IN GREAT DETAIL VIS-A-VIS THE ROSWELL INCIDENT AS SOON AS I FINISH.

Q: DO YOU THINK THIS WILL PUT THIS WHOLE THING TO REST?

A: OF COURSE NOT. [LAUGHTER] PROBABLY, IN ANOTHER DECADE, WE'LL BE HERE HAVING -- ANOTHER COLONEL WILL BE HERE GIVING ANOTHER BRIEFING ON THE ROSWELL INCIDENT. [LAUGHTER]

Q: WHY DOES THIS COME OUT IN DRIBS AND DRABS? DOESN'T THAT SORT OF JUST FUEL CONSPIRACY? AND WHY WASN'T IT INCLUDED IN THE 1994 REPORT?

A: WELL, I THINK THE AIR FORCE WILL EXPLAIN ALL THAT. BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS, THIS HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED MANY TIMES, AND THIS IS AN EFFORT TO PULL TOGETHER THEIR LATEST THINKING ON IT. I THINK THEY'RE REISSUING AN OLDER REPORT, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. [OFF MIKE] ISN'T THAT CORRECT?

Q: ON THE SUBJECT OF KHOBAR TOWERS, YOU MENTIONED THE ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY. IT HAS BEEN A YEAR. WHAT'S BEEN THE DELAY IN THE RELEASE OF THE RECORD REPORT AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH HAS BEEN COMPLETED FOR OVER SIX MONTHS NOW?

A: WELL, THE RECORD REPORT WAS REDONE, AS YOU KNOW, AT THE

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REQUEST OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE AND THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE. AND THE SECOND REPORT, BY THE AIR FORCE IG, LIEUTENANT GENERAL SWOPE, WAS COMPLETED SHORTLY BEFORE THE QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW CAME OUT. SECRETARY COHEN MADE A DECISION AT THAT TIME THAT HE WAS GOING TO CONCENTRATE ON BRINGING THE QUADRENNIAL DEFENSE REVIEW TO CLOSURE AND PRESENTING IT ON THE HILL, PRESENTING IT TO THE PUBLIC. AND HE DID THAT. AND SEVERAL WEEKS AFTER THE QDR WAS RELEASED AND EXPLAINED ON THE HILL, HE BEGAN LOOKING NOT JUST AT THE SWOPE VERSION OF THE RECORD REPORT, BUT HE WENT RIGHT BACK TO THE BEGINNING AND STARTED WITH THE DOWNING REPORT. AND HE STARTED WITH NOT ONLY THE REPORT, BUT THE ATTACHMENTS, THE APPENDICES, AND THEN HE WENT THROUGH THE RECORD REPORT AND THE ATTACHMENTS AND THE APPENDICES, AND NOW HE IS ON TO THE SWOPE REPORT.

AND SO THIS HAS BEEN A MONUMENTAL UNDERTAKING. HE HAS WANTED TO BE VERY CAREFUL AND THOROUGH, AND HE HAS BEEN. AND HE'S NOT DONE YET. BUT MY ANTICIPATION IS THAT, IN SEVERAL WEEKS, HE WILL BE FINISHED WITH HIS REVIEW AND WILL BE ABLE TO DISCUSS WHAT HIS CONCLUSIONS ARE.

Q: KEN, WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S POSITION UPON THE HOUSE

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ACTION OF LAST WEEK THAT PASSED A BILL, WHICH SAID THAT 10,000 SOLDIERS COULD BE USED FOR BORDER PATROL? AND, SECONDLY, WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE TO MILITARY PEOPLE WHO SAY WE JUST DON'T HAVE THAT MANY TRAINED SOLDIERS TO SPARE, EVEN IF WE WANTED TO? AND LASTLY,

WHAT'S THE LEGAL STATUS OF THIS MARINE WHO IS ACCUSED OF SHOOTING A U.S. CITIZEN WHILE ON BORDER PATROL? AND YOU HAVE A CIVILIAN AUTHORITY INVESTIGATING AND CHARGING, AND ARE THE MARINES GOING TO HAVE A SEPARATE LITIGATION? WHAT'S THE STATE OF PLAY ON THAT?

A: I'M TEMPTED TO INVOKE THE WARREN CHRISTOPHER RULE THAT IN A MULTI-PART QUESTION, I GET TO ANSWER THE QUESTION I CHOOSE. [LAUGHTER] BUT I WON'T BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL SERIOUS QUESTIONS.

TODAY THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT HAS ABOUT 242 PEOPLE ON THE BORDER ASSISTING WITH OBSERVATION AND SURVEILLANCE OF BORDER ACTIVITIES. THIS IS PART OF THE SUPPORT OF COUNTER-DRUG EFFORTS, NOT MOUNTED BY THIS AGENCY, BUT MOUNTED BY GENERAL MCCAFFREY'S AGENCY.

WE PROVIDE TROOPS PURELY IN A SUPPORT CAPACITY, BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW, THE MILITARY IS PROSCRIBED FROM PARTICIPATING IN DOMESTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES UNDER AN 1878 LAW, THE POSSE COMITATUS LAW. SO WE PROVIDE SUPPORT IN TERMS OF EXTRA EYES AND

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EARS, SOME SURVEILLANCE, MAYBE SOME INTELLIGENCE FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT IT'S ALL IN A SUPPORT CAPACITY.

GENERAL MCCAFFREY HAS MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT HE WOULD PREFER TO HAVE ALL OF THE BORDER PATROL OPERATION DONE BY BORDER PATROL AGENTS AND NOT HAVE THE MILITARY INVOLVED AT ALL. AND THE MILITARY WOULD CERTAINLY SUPPORT A DECISION LIKE THAT, BUT IT WOULD REQUIRE APPOINTING MANY MORE BORDER PATROL AGENTS THAN WE HAVE TODAY. SO WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT IN AN AS-NEEDED BASIS. I DON'T THINK THAT WE NEED ANYWHERE NEAR AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 SOLDIERS TO ASSIST IN THE SUPPORT OF THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS RIGHT NOW. AND THERE HAS BEEN-- SO ANSWERING YOUR FIRST QUESTION, THAT'S IT.

I'M AFRAID I'VE FORGOTTEN MOST OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS, BUT -

Q: THE OTHER ONE WAS, WHAT'S THE STATE OF PLAY, LEGALLY, WHERE YOU HAVE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES IN TEXAS CHARGING A MARINE WITH SHOOTING A CITIZEN WHILE ON BORDER PATROL, AND THEN YOU HAVE THE MARINES, WHO PRESUMABLY HAVE THEIR OWN LEGAL ACTION. WILL THE DEPARTMENT LET THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES QUESTION THE MARINE OR WILL THEY INSIST ON A SEPARATE LEGAL ACTION BY THE CORPS?

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A: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THE MARINES HAVE COOPERATED FULLY WITH DOMESTIC LAW AND WITH CIVILIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE COURSE OF THIS INVESTIGATION, AND THEY CONTINUE TO COOPERATE FULLY. THEY HAVE MADE STATEMENTS, THEY HAVE PROVIDED ALL THE INFORMATION THEY'VE BEEN REQUESTED TO PROVIDE.

Q: WHILE YOU'RE ON THAT, DOES THAT INCLUDE LETTING THEM QUESTION THIS ACCUSED PERSON?

A: SORRY?

Q: THERE WAS A COMPLAINT THAT THE CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES WEREN'T ALLOWED TO QUESTION THE ACCUSED MARINE.

A: I KNOW THE ACCUSED MARINE HAS PROVIDED A STATEMENT OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CIVILIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Q: BUT I JUST WANT TO KNOW IF I CAN TAKE IT FROM YOUR STATEMENT THAT, IF REQUESTED, THE MARINES WILL LET HIM BE QUESTIONED BY CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES.

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A: IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE FOUR-MAN PATROL HAS COOPERATED FULLY WITH DOMESTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES. THEY REMAINED FOR FOUR DAYS IN THE AREA. AT THE END OF FOUR DAYS, THERE WAS NO MORE DEMAND OR REQUEST FOR THEM TO PROVIDE INFORMATION, AND THEY LEFT. THAT IS MY UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HAPPENED.

THE MARINES HAVE LAUNCHED THEIR OWN INVESTIGATION OF WHAT WENT ON. AND THE JOINT TASK FORCE SIX, WHICH RUNS THE BORDER SUPPORT OPERATION, HAS ALSO DONE AN INVESTIGATION, AND THAT INVESTIGATION, WHICH I'VE READ IN DRAFT FORM, BUT I HAVE NOT SEEN IN FINAL FORM, CONCLUDES THAT THEY WERE FOLLOWING PROPER PROCEDURES IN RESPONDING TO AN ATTACK AGAINST THEM. THEY RESPONDED THE WAY THEY'RE ALLOWED TO, IN SELF-DEFENSE.

NOW, THE MARINES ARE LOOKING INTO IT, AND THERE IS A CIVILIAN PROCEEDING GOING ON, AT THE SAME TIME. AS I SAID, THE MARINES HAVE COOPERATED WITH THAT.

Q: ANY RESULTS ON THE TODAY'S MEETING BETWEEN THE GREEK MINISTER OF DEFENSE APOSTOLOS TSOHATZOPOULOS AND THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WILLIAM COHEN HERE AT THE PENTAGON?

A: I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO TALK TO ANYBODY WHO WAS AT

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THE MEETING YET. THEY WERE PREPARED TO TALK ABOUT A WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES -- SECRETARY COHEN WAS -- STARTING WITH NATO ENLARGEMENT, WHICH OF COURSE IS AT THE TOP OF EVERYBODY'S LIST RIGHT NOW. THEY WERE ALSO GOING TO TALK ABOUT BOSNIA AND THE PROGRESS OF THE SFOR MISSION IN BOSNIA. THEY WERE GOING TO TALK ABOUT CYPRUS, AND THEY WERE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE CONFIDENCE-BUILDING MEASURES IN THE AEGEAN. THOSE WERE THE MAIN ISSUES OF CONVERSATION THEY WERE PLANNING TO COVER.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THE EXTENSIVE MEETING BETWEEN THE GREEK MINISTER OF DEFENSE APOSTOLOS TSOHATZOPOULOS AND THE UNDERSECRETARY JAN LODAL YESTERDAY AT THE GREEK EMBASSY?

A: I AM AFRAID I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT.

Q: AND LAST NIGHT, IT WAS REPORTED THAT YOUR AMBASSADOR IN ATHENS, THOMAS NILES, PROTESTED TO THE GREEK GOVERNMENT REGARDING THE WELL-KNOWN ISSUE OF THE UPGRADING THE F-4 GREEK FIGHTERS BY U.S. OR GERMANY. DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT?

A: I AM AFRAID I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON THAT. WE'LL TRY TO GET INFORMATION ON THAT.

Q: WELL, THE CINCS THAT ARE IN TOWN FOR THE CINC CONFERENCE, WILL THEY MEET AS A GROUP WITH THE PRESIDENT? OR

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WILL ANY CINCS INDIVIDUALLY MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT?

A: I DON'T BELIEVE THE CINCS ARE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT THIS TIME AROUND. AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL CINCS WILL BE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, EITHER.

Q: YOU MENTIONED THE STATEMENT OF COHEN TO THE TROOPS. COULD YOU JUST PARAPHRASE WHAT THAT STATEMENT IS, TO GIVE IT A LITTLE BIT ON CAMERA?

A: SECRETARY COHEN MADE BASICALLY TWO POINTS IN HIS

STATEMENT TO THE TROOPS. THE FIRST IS THAT THE FBI IS MAKING PROGRESS IN ITS INVESTIGATION, TO LOCATE THE TERRORISTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS DEADLY ACT A YEAR AGO, AND THAT THIS GOVERNMENT IS DETERMINED TO BRING THE TERRORISTS TO JUSTICE.

I THINK THE RECENT CAPTURE OF THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLINGS OUTSIDE THE CIA SHOWS THAT WE ARE DETERMINED AND DEDICATED TO BRINGING TERRORISTS LIKE THIS TO JUSTICE, AND WE WILL PURSUE THESE TERRORISTS WITH THE SAME VIGOR THAT WE PURSUED THAT FELLOW.

SECONDLY, HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF FORCE PROTECTION. HE REPORTED ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO THE GULF, IN WHICH HE HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW A NUMBER OF THE INSTALLATIONS OVER THERE, THE

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PRINCE SULTAN AIR BASE AT AL-KHARJ, FOR INSTANCE, THE PRE-POSITIONING SITE IN -- AT CAMP DOHA IN KUWAIT, THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT FACILITY THAT HOUSES THE FIFTH FLEET IN BAHRAIN. AND HE ALSO VISITED A SITE IN OMAN. HE REPORTED THAT HE FOUND THE FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES VERY IMPRESSIVE, BUT NOTED THAT THERE'S NO ABSOLUTE LEVEL OF FORCE PROTECTION, THAT IT REMAINS EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY ALL THE TIME, AND THAT FORCE PROTECTION IS CLEARLY THE BUSINESS OF EVERY PERSON IN THE MILITARY, EVERY DAY IN EVERY WAY. THAT WAS BASICALLY THE GIST OF HIS MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS.

Q: COULD YOU CHARACTERIZE THE PROGRESS THAT THE FBI IS MAKING IN THE CASE?

A: I CANNOT. THAT'S SOMETHING FOR THE FBI TO TALK ABOUT.

Q: TODAY THE INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER, THE BRITISH PAPER, REVEALED THAT MOST OF THE AMERICAN BOMBS AND AIR-TO-GROUND MISSILES ACQUIRED BY ISRAEL IN LEBANON LAST YEAR, WERE SOLD TO THE UNITED STATES' ARMED FORCES AND NOT TO ISRAEL. AND THEY KILLED 200 CIVILIANS AND 14 GUERRILLAS. AND THEY FOUND OUT THAT 1,700 BOMBS AND MISSILES WERE TRANSFERRED FROM U.S. MILITARY STOCKS, WITH NO PROHIBITION ON THEIR USE AGAINST CIVILIANS. WHAT DO YOU COMMENT ON THIS REPORT?

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A: I HAVEN'T SEEN THAT REPORT, AND I'D RATHER NOT COMMENT ON IT UNTIL I HAVE A --

Q: THEY ARE SAYING ALSO THAT SO ROUTINE HAS THE SYSTEM OF WEAPONS TRANSFER FROM U.S. INVENTORIES BECOME, THAT MASSIVE SHIPMENTS OF ORDINANCE TO ISRAEL ARE NOW UNDERTAKEN WITH NO PUBLICITY OR DEBATE IN AMERICA.

A: I WOULD SAY THAT ALL ASPECTS OF OUR POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL ARE DEBATED HEALTHFULLY EVERY YEAR. BUT I CAN'T COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON THAT REPORT, BECAUSE I HAVEN'T READ IT.

Q: ARE YOU DENYING THAT SHIPMENT OF ARMS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO ISRAEL FROM THE STOCKPILES HERE, WITHOUT ANY DEBATE?

A: I'M TELLING YOU THAT I'M NOT GOING TO COMMENT ON A REPORT THAT I HAVEN'T READ.

Q: WHEN SECRETARY COHEN MET IN SAUDI ARABIA WITH ABDULLAH AND SAUD, DID THAT RESULT IN THEM PROVIDING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE KHOBAR TOWERS?

A: THIS IS A -- IS A TASK THAT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IS

UNDERTAKING, THROUGH THE FBI. THEY'RE IN CHARGE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. DIRECTOR FREEH HAS BEEN OVER THERE SEVERAL TIMES. UNCLAS FINAL SECTION OF 03
THERE IS EXTENSIVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE SAUDIS ON THIS INVESTIGATION, AND IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT SECRETARY COHEN HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN A DETAILED WAY.

Q: HE HASN'T RAISED THAT -- [OFF MIKE]?

A: HE DID TALK TO THEM ABOUT THE INVESTIGATION, AND HE SAID PUBLICLY THAT HE -- HE URGED THE IMPORTANCE OF COOPERATION, FULL COOPERATION WITH THE SAUDIS -- FROM THE SAUDIS WITH THE UNITED STATES. HE REPEATED WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID; THAT WE EXPECT FULL AND COMPLETE COOPERATION FROM THEM. AND HE DID SPEAK ABOUT ONE PARTICULAR INCIDENT, WHICH WAS THE DEPORTATION OF AL-SAYEGH FROM CANADA TO THE UNITED STATES. BUT THE DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF THE INVESTIGATION ARE UNDER THE MANTLE OF THE FBI. YES?

Q: FOLLOWING UP ON MARK'S QUESTION, WITH THE CINCS IN TOWN, WILL DEFENSE SECRETARY COHEN CONDUCT INTERVIEWS REGARDING

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THE CHAIRMANSHIP, USE THE OPPORTUNITY?

A: I CAN'T GO INTO SPECIFICS, BUT CERTAINLY THAT'S ON HIS MIND AND IT'S ON THEIR MIND, AND THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOME OF THEM TO TALK.

Q: HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER ARMEY LAST NIGHT SAID THAT IF THE PRESIDENT IS NOT WILLING TO COMPROMISE ON THE QUESTION OF KELLY AND MCCLELLAN -- THE DEPOTS AT KELLY AND MCCLELLAN AIR FORCE BASES, THAT THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER ROUND OF BASE CLOSINGS. DOES THE PENTAGON SEE ROOM FOR COMPROMISE HERE, OR IS THE PRESIDENT GOING TO INSIST, AND PENTAGON GOING TO INSIST, THAT YOU RETAIN THE RIGHT TO PRIVATIZE THOSE DEPOTS?

A: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I CAN'T TALK FOR THE PRESIDENT ON THIS ISSUE. WE ARE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME, THE SECRETARY AND THE STAFF ARE SPENDING A LOT OF TIME THIS WEEK ON THAT ISSUE, WHICH IS BRAC, AND HOW TO GET BRAC THROUGH. THE SECRETARY WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE FACT THAT THERE WAS A 9-9 VOTE ON IT IN THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE STRONG SUPPORTERS FOR BRAC IN THE SENATE, IN PARTICULAR; THERE ARE SOME IN THE HOUSE AS WELL. AND WE ARE PREPARED TO WORK WITH CONGRESS AGGRESSIVELY AND ENERGETICALLY TO TRY TO GET A BRAC PACKAGE

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THROUGH. I CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT THE DETAILS OF ANY EVENTUAL COMPROMISE WILL BE. I THINK IT MAY BE TOO EARLY TO TALK ABOUT DETAILS AT THIS TIME. I THINK WE HAVE TO GET A CLEARER IDEA OF WHERE EVERYBODY STANDS, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO.

BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT BRAC IS TO STRESS THAT IF WE WANT TO GO AHEAD WITH THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM THAT THE PENTAGON, THAT THE CHIEFS, THAT THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE -- AS ILLUSTRATED BY THE QDR -- THINKS IS THE RIGHT MODERNIZATION PROGRAM FOR THE FUTURE, WE HAVE TO GENERATE SAVINGS SOMEWHERE, AND IT REALLY DOES COME DOWN TO A CHOICE BETWEEN PROTECTING FORCES OR PROTECTING OLD FACILITIES -- PROTECTING FACILITIES THAT ARE EXCESS IN MANY RESPECTS. AND I KNOW THIS IS A CONTROVERSIAL

AND EMOTIONAL AREA, BUT IT'S AN AREA IN WHICH WE MUST MAKE PROGRESS IF WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND CARRY OUT THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM WE THINK IS NECESSARY FOR THE NEXT CENTURY.

Q: ON THAT ISSUE, THERE'S BEEN SOME ANALYSES THAT INDICATE THAT IF THE CONGRESS DOESN'T LIFT THE 60-40 RULE, THAT THE PENTAGON WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PRIVATIZE KELLY AND MCCLELLAN -- EVEN IF THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROVES THAT TO BE THE BEST DEAL. HAVE YOU ALL HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THAT AND SEE WHETHER --

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A: WELL, WE ARE STILL HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL GET SOME RELIEF FROM THE 60-40 RULE. THE SECRETARY HAS SENT LETTERS TO CONGRESS ON THAT. WE'RE ASKING FOR 50-50, WHICH GIVES US SOME RELIEF. AND WE CAN MAKE COPIES OF THOSE LETTERS AVAILABLE TO YOU, IF YOU HAVEN'T GOTTEN THEM ALREADY. BUT I THINK WE MADE SOME AVAILABLE LAST WEEK, AND THERE WERE SOME NEW LETTERS EITHER LATE LAST WEEK OR EARLY THIS WEEK.

Q: YOU DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU COULD PRIVATIZE THOSE UNDER 60-40?

A: IT WOULD BE MORE COMPLICATED, OBVIOUSLY, AND THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS WE HAVE ASKED FOR RELIEF. WE HAVE ASKED FOR 50-50. ALL ASPECTS OF THIS ISSUE ARE CONTROVERSIAL, AS YOU KNOW. BUT WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE THE CASE THAT -- AS THE PRESIDENT MADE IN 1995, THAT THERE SHOULD BE A COMPETITIVE ASPECT IN TRYING TO RESOLVE THESE PROBLEMS. AND 50-50 WOULD GIVE US MORE ROOM TO ALLOW COMPETITION.

Q: HAS SECRETARY COHEN RECEIVED ANY TYPE OF BRIEFING ON THE ROSWELL REPORT? AND IF SO, WHAT WAS HIS REACTION?

A: I AM NOT AWARE THAT HE DID, SO I CAN'T REPORT ON HIS REACTION.

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Q: COULD YOU TAKE THAT QUESTION?

A: SURE.

Q: THANK YOU.

A: JUST A SEC' -- GEORGE?

Q: JUST A SHORT [INAUDIBLE]. YOU SAID THAT WE DON'T NEED 10,000 TROOPS THERE TO HELP IN DRUG PATROL. ASIDE FROM THAT, COULD YOU SPARE THAT MANY TRAINED TROOPS TO DO THAT JOB? THE COMMANDERS TELL ME THEY DON'T HAVE THAT MANY TO SPARE.

A: [PAUSE] THE TROOPS ARE STRETCHED NOW, AS YOU KNOW. THE OPERATIONAL TEMPO AND THE PERSONNEL TEMPO IS VERY HIGH.

TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, WE RESPOND TO THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM CONGRESS AND THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM THE PRESIDENT. WE ALWAYS RESPOND TO THE DIRECTION WE GET FROM THE PRESIDENT, THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. BUT RIGHT NOW THERE DOES NOT SEEM TO BE A NEED FOR AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 TROOPS. WE'RE COMFORTABLE WITH THE FORCE THAT WE HAVE PROVIDED TO THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS ALREADY. I DON'T SEE A HUGE DEMAND, ON THE PART OF GENERAL MCCAFFREY, OR ON THE PART OF THE PRESIDENT, TO SUPPLY LARGE NUMBERS OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS. I THINK THAT PEOPLE ARE SATISFIED WITH THE SUPPORT WE'RE PROVIDING ALREADY.

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AND I THINK THAT WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO THE NEXT POINT OF WHETHER WE COULD DO IT, BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE ARE GOING TO BE ASKED TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL 10,000 TROOPS TO THE BORDER PATROL OPERATIONS.

PRESS: THANK YOU.

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TRANSCRIPTS OF THE DOD NEWS BRIEFING ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON DEFENSELINK, THE DOD HOMEPAGE - [HTTP://WWW.DTIC.MIL/DEFENSELINK/OASD/PA](http://www.dtic.mil/defenselink/oasd/pa) IS LOOKING AT DISCONTINUING TRANSMITTAL OF THE TWICE WEEKLY PRESS BRIEFING IN MESSAGE FORMAT. WE BELIEVE MOST, IF NOT ALL, AGENICES ON OUR DISTRIBUTION LIST ARE ABLE TO OBTAIN THIS BRIEFING VIA DEFENSELINK. WE SOLICIT YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS PROPOSAL. PLEASE REPLY VIA MESSAGE TO: OASD/PA/DDI (ATTN: LT COL SCHULTZ) OR VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL TO: TSCHULTZ@PAGATE.PA.OSD.MIL. YOUR OPINION IS IMPORTANT. PLEASE LET US KNOW.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE FIRST LADY AT THE
LIGHTING OF THE CITY
CHRISTMAS TREE

Belfast City Hall Belfast, Northern Ireland

7:36 P.M. (L)

MRS. CLINTON: Thank you very much, Lord Mayor. And thank all of you.
(Applause.) Tonight is a night filled with hope and peace. And for those of us

gathered here throughout Northern Ireland and around the world, often it is
our

trees will be lit all over the world in the days to come. This Christmas let us remember the reason behind why we light Christmas trees. Let us remember the reason for this great holiday celebration. And let us remember that we seek peace most of all for our children. May this be one of many, many happy and peaceful Christmases in Northern Ireland this year and for many years to come.

(Applause.) And may God keep you and bless you and hold all of you in the palm of His hand. Thank you and God bless you.

(Applause.)

LORD MAYOR: Now, ladies and gentlemen, we have a duty to do tonight. And that is we're going to ask the President to turn the lights on. But you and I have something to do. We have to count down, 10 down to zero. So we want the count, 10, 9 -- slowly please, so that when the President gets ready I'll give you the okay and then we will have the countdown.

(The Christmas tree is lit.) THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. (Applause.) To the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, let me begin by saying to all of you, Hillary and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making us feel so very, very welcome in Belfast and Northern Ireland. (Applause.) We thank you, Lord Mayor, for your cooperation and your help in making this trip so successful, and we trust that, for all of you, we haven't inconvenienced you too much. But this has been a wonderful way for us to begin the Christmas holidays. (Applause.)

Let me also say I understood just what an honor it was to be able to turn on this Christmas tree when I realized the competition. (Laughter.) Now, to become President of the United States you have to undertake some considerable competition. But I have never confronted challengers with the name recognition, the understanding of the media and the ability in the martial arts of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers. (Applause.)

To all of you whose support enabled me to join you tonight and turn the Christmas tree on, I give you my heartfelt thanks. (Applause.) I know here in Belfast you've been lighting the Christmas tree for more than 20 years. But this year must be especially joyous to you, for you are entering your second

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of peace. (Applause.)

As I look down these beautiful streets, I think how wonderful it will be for people to do their holiday shopping without worry of searches or bombs; to visit loved ones on the other side of the border without the burden of checkpoints or roadblocks; to enjoy these magnificent Christmas lights without any fear of violence. Peace has brought real change to your lives.

Across the ocean, the American people are rejoicing with you. We are joined to you by strong ties of community and commerce and culture. Over the years men and women of both traditions have flourished in our country and helped America to flourish.

And today, of course, we are forging new and special bonds. Belfast's sister city in the United States, Nashville, Tennessee, was proud to send this Christmas tree to friends across the Atlantic. I want to thank the most prominent present resident of Nashville, Tennessee, Vice President Al Gore, the Mayor, Phil Bredesen, and the United States Air Force for getting this big tree all the way across the Atlantic to be here with you tonight. (Applause.)

In this 50th anniversary year of the end of World War II, many Americans still remember the warmth the people of Northern Ireland showed them when the army was stationed here under General Eisenhower. The people of Belfast named General Eisenhower an honorary burgess of the city. He viewed that honor, and I quote, "as a token of our common purpose to work together for a better world." That

mission endures today. We remain Americans and as people of Northern Ireland, partners for security, partners for prosperity and, most important, partners for peace. (Applause.)

Two years ago, at this very spot, tens of thousands of you took part in a day for peace, as a response to some of the worst violence Northern Ireland had known in recent years. The two morning papers, representing both traditions, sponsored a telephone poll for peace that generated almost 160,000 calls. In the United States, for my fellow Americans who are here, that would be the equivalent of 25

million calls.

The response left no doubt that all across Northern Ireland the desire for peace was becoming a demand. I am honored to announce today that those same two newspapers, the Newsletter and the Irish News, have established the President's Prize, an annual award to those at the grass-roots level who have contributed most to peace and reconciliation. The honorees will travel to the United States to exchange experiences on the issues we share, including community relations and conflict resolution. We have a lot to learn from one another. The President's Prize will underscore that Northern Ireland's two traditions have a common interest in peace.

As you know -- and as the First Lady said -- I have received thousands of letters from school children all over your remarkable land telling me what peace means to them. They poured in from villages and cities, from Catholic and Protestant communities, from mixed schools, primary schools, from schools for children with special needs. All the letters in their own way were truly wonderful for their honesty, their simple wisdom and their passion. Many of the children showed tremendous pride in their homeland, in its beauty and its true nature. I congratulate the winners. They were wonderful and I loved hearing their letters.

But let me tell you about another couple I received. Eleven-year-old Keith from Carrickfergus wrote: "Please tell everyone in America that we're not always fighting here, and that it's only a small number of people who make the trouble." Like many of the children, Keith did not identify himself as Protestant or Catholic, and did not distinguish between the sources of the violence.

So many children told me of loved ones they have lost, of lives disrupted and opportunities forsaken and families forced to move. Yet, they showed remarkable courage and strength and a commitment to overcome the past. As 14-year-old

Sharon of County Armagh wrote: "Both sides have been hurt. Both sides must forgive."

Despite the extraordinary hardships so many of these children have faced, their

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letters were full of hope and love and humor. To all of you who took the time to write me, you've brightened my holiday season with your words of faith and courage, and I thank you. To all of you who asked me to do what I could to help peace take root, I pledge you America's support. We will stand with you as you take risks for peace. (Applause.)

And to all of you who have not lost your sense of humor, I say thank you. I got a letter from 13-year-old Ryan from Belfast. Now, Ryan, if you're out in the crowd tonight, here's the answer to your question. No, as far as I know, an alien spacecraft did not crash in Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947. (Laughter.) And, Ryan, if the United States Air Force did recover alien bodies, they didn't tell me about it, either, and I want to know. (Applause.)

Ladies and gentlemen, this day that Hillary and I have had here in Belfast and in Derry and Londonderry County will long be with us -- (applause) -- as one of the most remarkable days of our lives. I leave you with these thoughts. May the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill flourish and grow in you. May you remember the words of the Lord Mayor: "This is Christmas. We celebrate the world in a new way because of the birth of Emmanuel; God with us." And when God was with us, he said no words more important than these: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall inherit the Earth." (Applause.)

Merry Christmas, and God bless you all. (Applause.)

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Chris,

I assume that Bill or Mike will want to handle the response to GAO. I can provide most of the answer, and will be happy to draft something if that is the preferred approach.

The NSC has no records concerning the 1947 incident at Roswell. And I doubt that anyone on the NSC staff has any "knowledge" of this UFO incident, but Joe Sestak could confirm that. To the extent there are any records, they would most likely be at the Archives. The number they should call to pursue the matter there is 301-713-7250.

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SUBJECT Xmas tree lighting draft [UNCLASSIFIED]
TO Benjamin, Daniel
Blinken, Antony J.
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Ho ho ho...

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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS AT CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING
CITY HALL, BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND
NOVEMBER 30, 1995

Acknowledgments: The Lord Mayor of Belfast, Eric Smyth

Ladies and gentlemen, I have been in politics all my life. I have run for election at the state level, the national level, and ultimately for America's highest office. I have faced some tough competition and been put through some difficult races. But never have I confronted challengers with the name recognition, the media savvy, and the martial arts ability of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers. To all of you whose support enabled me to join you tonight, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

Holiday joking aside -- it is wonderful to join you tonight and to celebrate the season together. I understand the

city of Belfast has sponsored a Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony for more than 20 years -- but this year, as you enter your second Christmas of peace, the occasion is especially joyous.

Across the ocean, the American people are rejoicing with you. The ties between Northern Ireland and the United States are rich and varied -- from the hundreds of thousands [millions?] of Americans of Northern Irish descent... to the warmth you showed the American Army stationed here in the Second World War.

Northern Ireland was the base from which our forces began the long hard march to Allied victory in Europe.

Today it is my privilege to rededicate a plaque laid fifty years ago, when General Dwight Eisenhower returned to Belfast to become an Honorary Burgess of the city.

General Eisenhower viewed the honor bestowed on him "as a token of our common purpose to work together for a better world." That mission endures today. We are partners in security, partners in prosperity, and, most important, partners in peace.

Two years ago, at this very spot, tens of thousands of you took part in a community day for peace, which had been prompted by some of the worst violence in recent years. Across Northern Ireland, thousands of others joined their voices to the growing chorus for peace.

The two morning newspapers, representing both traditions, sponsored a telephone poll for peace that generated almost 160,000 calls. The equivalent figure for the United States would have been 25 million people. That poll left no doubt that the desire for peace was becoming a demand for peace -- that it was deeply and equally felt throughout Northern Ireland, in Protestant and Catholic, urban and rural, working and middle class communities alike.

I am honored to announce today that those same two newspapers -- The News Letter and The Irish News -- have established the President's Prize, an annual award to those who have contributed most to peace and reconciliation at the grassroots level. The honorees will be able to travel to the United States to study issues [like??] that will be of relevance to them back home. I hope too that they will be able to share their experiences with their peers in America. We all have much to learn from one another.

The President's Prize will emphasize that, in spite of their political differences, the two traditions have a common interest in peace and reconciliation. It will symbolize the long and deep connectio

ns between Northern Ireland and the United States -- not least that fully one quarter of America's presidents had roots in this part of Ireland. Finally, I hope it will be a lasting reminder that by coming together tonight, we have taken another step toward the peace and reconciliation that can and should be our legacy to the children of Northern Ireland and the world this Christmas.

As many of you know, I have been privileged to receive thousands of letters from schoolchildren from all over Northern Ireland, telling me what peace means to them. The letters poured in from villages and cities, from Catholic communities and Protestant communities, from mixed schools, primary schools, and schools for children with special needs. All of the letters were wonderful -- for their honesty, their maturity, and their passion.

Many of the children showed tremendous pride in the beauty of their homeland. I received many offers to visit their homes and their schools, and I am sorry I could not take advantage of that generous hospitality. Keith

[REDACTED], an 11-year old from Carrickfergus, wrote: "Please tell everyone in America that we are not always fighting here and that it is only a small number of people who make trouble, and unfortunately they are the ones

that the rest of the world hears about." Like many of the children, Keith did not distinguish between sides.

I learned many stories of individual pain and loss. So many children had lost a relative, or a friend. Yet they showed remarkable courage and strength, and a commitment to move forward together. As 14 year-old Sharon

[REDACTED] of County Armagh wrote, "Both sides have been hurt, both sides must forgive.

Many of the children shared their wishes for the future. Thirteen year-old Grainne [REDACTED] dreamed of a fresh beginning for Northern Ireland. "I would like to be able to walk without fear in any street in our cities," she wrote.

"I would like to be able, if I wished, to apply for a job in our police force without being made to feel a traitor. I would like to see my country grow and become a nation people looked up to as friendly and hard working. I would like to be proud to say 'I come from Northern Ireland.'"

And many of the children expressed their willingness -- indeed, their sense of obligation -- to do their part to help the peace process succeed. As Richard [REDACTED] of Omagh explained, "We have been

b(6)

given a unique chance
to bury our bitterness, our hate and spite.... Time may not heal the pain and mistrust
we have suffered over 25
years of bloodshed, but it is our duty to work together to make certain the next generation
will not re-suffer our
pain."

[announce two winners here?]

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for your wonderful insights.

To all of you who asked me to do what I could to help the peace take root, I pledge
to you that America will
continue to stand with the peacemakers. We will work with you to create good jobs and
bright opportunities for
all of Northern Ireland's people. We will not let you down.

And to 13 year-old Ryan [REDACTED] ^{b(6)} of Belfast, if you're out there: No, an alien spacecraft
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Dohse, Fred J.

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Per Nancy Soderberg's suggestions, I have shortened the section on the President's prize, cut back the quotes from kids' letters, added more on the benefits of peace, and closed on a Christmas note with a quote from the Bible. This draft also reflects the comments Tony Lake made this morning.

I decided not to use the children's last names in the speech, for fear of giving them unwanted attention. Kathy Stephens agrees.

Thanks to all for your help -- Vinca.

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Now people can do their holiday shopping without worrying about searches or bombs. They can visit their loved ones on the other side of the border without the burden of checkpoints or roadblocks. They can enjoy the sparkling lights of the city without fearing the specter of violence. Peace has brought real change to people's lives.

Across the ocean, the American people are rejoicing along with you. Northern Ireland and the United States are joined by strong ties of community, commerce, and culture. Over the years, men and women of both traditions have flourished in America and helped America to flourish.

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These are the latest versions of both... only minor changes since we passed the drafts to the President on Wednesday.

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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS AT MACKIE'S PLANT
BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND
NOVEMBER 30, 1995

[Acknowledgments]

It is my pleasure and privilege to be among the people of Northern Ireland, who have given so much to America and the world. One in four of America's Presidents can trace his roots to Ireland's shores -- from Andrew Jackson, the son of immigrants from Carrickfergus, to John Fitzgerald Kennedy, whose forbears came from County Wexford. I may be the latest in this time-honored tradition -- but I am the first to make it back to Belfast. Thank you for a wonderful homecoming.

Around the world, the promise of peace is closer today than ever. The barriers and blocs of the Cold War are giving way to a global village, where communication and cooperation are the order of the day. Conflicts we long thought impossible to solve are moving along the road to resolution. And once bitter foes are clasping hands and changing history.

Ours is an era of miracles. And today in Northern Ireland, you are making one. Here in the land of the harp and fiddle, the fife and the lamdeg drum, two proud traditions are coming together in a glorious symphony of peace.

The cease-fire and the negotiations have sparked a powerful transformation. Mackie's plant, where we meet today, is a symbol of Northern Ireland's rebirth. It lies on what is known as the "peace line" -- the wall of steel and stone that separates Protestant from Catholic. But today, with Pat Dougan's leadership, it is bridging the divide. Mackie's has turned the page on a history of discrimination; fair employment and integration are the watchwords of the future. On the shop floor, men and women of both traditions are working together to achieve common goals -- to provide a good life for the families they love and to help build a prosperous Belfast.

Peace has evolved from a distant dream to a difference in every day life. Soldiers have left the streets of Belfast and many have gone home. People can go to the pub or the store without the burden of a search or the threat of a bomb. As barriers disappear along the North-South border, families and parishes divided for decades are becoming whole once more.

This year in Armagh [ar-MAH] on St. Patrick's Day, Protestant and Catholic children led the parade together for the first time since "the troubles" began. A bystander's words marked the wonder of the occasion: "Even the normal is beginning to seem normal."

The economic rewards of peace are evident as well. Unemployment has fallen to its lowest level in 14 years, while retail sales and investment are taking off. From the gleaming city center to the new shopfronts of West Belfast to the enterprise center in East Belfast, business is thriving and opportunities are expanding. With every day that the guns are still, business confidence grows stronger -- and so does the promise of prosperity.

For 25 years, Northern Ireland's beauty was obscured by a shroud of terror. Today, the spirit of peace and progress is raising that shroud at last. The castles and coasts... the Giant's Causeway... the lush green hills and the high white cliffs are a magical backdrop to your greatest asset: the warmth and wit of your people. Visitors are coming in record numbers [TK]. Today the air-route between Belfast and London is the second busiest in Europe.

I want to honor those whose courage and vision have brought us to this point. Prime Minister Major, Prime Minister Bruton, and before him Prime Minister Reynolds, laid the basis for an era of reconciliation. From the Downing Street Declaration to the Joint Framework Document, they altered the course of history with the simple stroke of a pen. Foreign Minister Spring, Sir Patrick Mayhew, David Trimble, and John Hume have also labored to realize the promise of peace. And Gerry Adams, along with loyalist representatives, helped to silence the guns on the streets.

But most of all, America salutes the people of Northern Ireland, who have shown the world that the will for peace is stronger than the weapons of war. Throughout Northern Ireland, civic and community leaders are working on the front lines of change. Even before the troubles began, the Corrymeela Community -- headquartered here in Belfast [TK]-- has been building bridges of understanding among people of different traditions. In various counties, mixed sporting events are encouraging competition on the playing field, not the battlefield. Women's support groups, literacy programs, and job training centers that serve both communities are helping people to pull together as they struggle to lift their lives. These and countless other initiatives bolster the foundations of peace.

Last year's cease-fire of the Irish Republican Army, joined by the Combined Loyalist Military Command, marked a turning point in Northern Ireland's history. Now is the time to sustain the moment

um and lock in the gains of
peace. Neither community wants to go back to the violent days of the past. Both th
e parties must do their part to
move the process forward.

The search for common ground demands the courage of an open mind. Only by getting
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o know one another can
differences be resolved. [I hope the parties in Northern Ireland can soon sit down
together.] Engaging in honest
dialogue is not an act of surrender, but of strength.

[There also must be progress away from the negotiating table. Violence has lessened
, but it has not disappeared. I
share the concern and anger expressed ten days ago by the leaders of the four main c
hurches, who condemned the
so-called punishment beatings and called for an end to such attacks. As the church
leaders said, this is a time
"when the utmost efforts on all sides are needed to build a peaceful and confident c
ommunity for the future."]

[And to all who are observing the cease-fire, I appeal to you to take the next step
-- addressing the issue of
decommissioning paramilitary weapons. For 25 years, the history of this province ha
s been written in the blood of
its children. You turned the page on that history. You must not allow it to turn b
ack.]

But true peace will require more than a treaty... more than an absence of violence.
People must hold real hope in
their hearts that tomorrow will be better than today. Those who have suffered the m
ost in the fighting must share
in the fruits of renewal. When all enjoy the benefits of peace and know they are di
stributed fairly, the frustration
that gives rise to violence will give way to faith in the future.

The United States will help secure the tangible benefits of peace. Ours is the firs
t administration ever to support
the International Fund for Ireland. We will continue to encourage trade and investm
ent -- so communities can lift
themselves from the canyon of despair. We will do all we can to end the cycle of un
employment -- so the children
of Northern Ireland have the chance to make the most of their God-given potential.

[I am pleased to announce that the Cabletel company of New York has reached
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t to install cable service
in Northern Ireland. This \$480 million investment will create hundreds of jobs -- a
nd reinforce the economic
underpinnings of peace.]

America is proud to support Northern Ireland, because you have given America so much

. Protestant and Catholic are entwined in our nation -- and together, they have added to our strength. In our battle for independence and the struggle to preserve our union, Irish-Americans from both traditions served side-by-side -- putting freedom over faction and patriotism over prejudice. And through the years, they helped build our nation -- its economy, its institutions, and its democracy.

America owes both traditions in Northern Ireland a debt we can never repay. But of all the gifts we can offer, the most precious and most enduring is the example of what is possible when people find unity in their diversity. We know from our own hard experience that the challenges of living with diversity are real. But we also know that at the end of the day, there is more that unites us than divides us.

We all cherish family, faith, community, and work. We all strive to live lives that are free, honest, and responsible.

We all want our children to grow up in a world where their talents are matched by opportunities. And I know that those values are just as strong in County Londonderry as in Londonderry, New Hampshire -- in Belfast, Northern Ireland as in Belfast, Maine.

I am proud to be of Ulster stock. I am proud to be of Scots stock. I am proud to be of Irish stock. I am proud to be an American. I see no conflict between these traditions. I share them, as do millions of Americans, and we rejoice in "things being various," as Louis MacNeice once wrote.

My nation believes that our greatness flows from the wealth of many cultures and the strength of shared ideals.

We are honored and bound to join our support to others around the world who seek to bridge their divides.

This is an important part of America's mission on the eve of the 21st century -- helping other nations move from conflict to cooperation... turn fear into security... replace hatred with hope. In a world that is ever more interdependent, our efforts have been good for millions of people around the globe, and good for America as well.

For the chain of peace grows stronger with every new link that is forged. For the first time in nearly half a

century, Americans can put their children to bed knowing that the nuclear weapons of the former Soviet Union are no longer pointing in our direction. In South Africa, the long night of apartheid has given way to a new day of freedom. In the Middle East, Arabs and Israelis are stepping beyond the bounds of convention and embracing a future of peace. In Haiti, a brutal dictatorship has been replaced by a fragile democracy -- with human rights its

purpose, not its disgrace. Here in Europe, the dream of a stable, undivided continent is finally within our reach.

[And the people of Bosnia have the first real hope for peace since the terrible fighting began four years ago.
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The lessons of peace and reconciliation are passed from hand to hand. President Aristide returned to Port-au-Prince inspired by the message of President Mandela: "The time for the healing of the wounds has come... The time to build is upon us." And the tragic loss of our friend Yitzhak Rabin has mobilized all who shared his dreams to finish the work he began.

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The United States is proud to support the peacemakers, here in Northern Ireland and elsewhere around the world.

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We want to help Northern Ireland secure its place in the rising tide of peace around the world. We want to help
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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
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Acknowledgments: The Lord Mayor of Belfast, Eric Smyth

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Despite the extraordinary hardships so many of these children have faced, their letters were full of hope and humor and love.

To all of you who took the time to share your thoughts with me, thank you for brightening my holiday season with your words of faith and courage.

To all of you who asked me to do what I could to help the peace take root, I pledge America's support. We will continue to stand with those who take risks for peace. We will work with you to give all of Northern Ireland's children the chance to make the most of their God-given potential.

And to 13 year-old Ryan of Belfast, if you're out there: No, an alien spacecraft did not crash in Roswell, New Mexico in 1947. And if the U.S. Air Force recovered alien bodies and didn't tell anyone about it, it's news to me.

Ladies and gentlemen, citizens of Belfast, friends of my country and the American people: May the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill flourish and grow in your land. May the prophecy of Isaiah be realized here:

"...ye shall go out with joy and be led forward with peace: The mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands."

And may the lights on the tree that we celebrate tonight reflect the kindling of hope and faith in our hearts for a peaceful Northern Ireland.

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FROM Showalter, Victoria A.
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TO Benjamin, Daniel
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Sorry Tony -- I realize looking at the disks that you didn't have my latest Belfast drafts. I am attaching them here; I have already put them on my disk. again, apologies. VS.

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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS AT MACKIE'S PLANT
BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND
NOVEMBER 30, 1995

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It is good to be among the people of Northern Ireland, who have given so much to America and the world. One in four of America's Presidents can trace his roots to Ireland's shores -- from Andrew Jackson, the son of immigrants from Carrickfergus, to John Fitzgerald Kennedy, whose forbears came from

County Wexford. I may be the latest in this time-honored tradition -- but I am the first to make it back to Belfast. Thank you for a wonderful homecoming.

Around the world, the promise of peace is closer today than ever. The barriers and blocs of the Cold War are giving way to a global village, where communication and cooperation are the order of

the day. Conflicts we long thought impossible to solve are moving along the road to resolution. Once bitter foes are clasping hands and changing history.

Ours can be an era of miracles. Today in Northern Ireland, you are making one. Here in the land of the harp and fiddle, the fife and the lambeg drum, two proud traditions are coming together in a symphony of peace.

The cease-fire and the negotiations have sparked a powerful transformation. Mackie's plant, where we meet today, is a symbol of Northern Ireland's rebirth. It lies on what is known as the "peace line" -- the wall of steel and stone that separates Protestant from Catholic. But today, with Pat Dougan's leadership, it is bridging the divide. Mackie's has turned the page on past discrimination; fair employment and integration are the watchwords of the future. On the shop floor, men and women of both traditions are working together to achieve common goals -- to provide a better life for the families they love and to help build a prosperous Belfast.

Peace has evolved from a distant dream to a difference in every day life. Soldiers have left the streets of Belfast and many have gone home. People can go to the pub or the store without the burden of a search or the threat of a bomb. As barriers disappear along the North-South border, families and parishes divided for decades are becoming whole once more.

This year in Armagh [ar-MAH] on St. Patrick's Day, Protestant and Catholic children led the parade together for the first time since "the troubles" began. A bystander's words marked the wonder of the occasion: "Even the normal is beginning to seem normal."

The economic rewards of peace are evident as well. Unemployment has fallen to its lowest level in 14 years, while retail sales and investment are taking off. From the gleaming city center to the new shopfronts of West Belfast to the enterprise center in East Belfast, business is thriving and opportunities are expanding. With every day that the guns are still, business confidence grows stronger -- and so does the promise of prosperity.

For 25 years, Northern Ireland's beauty was obscured by a shroud of terror. Today, the spirit of peace and progress is raising that shroud at last. The castles and coasts... the Giant's Causeway... the lush green hills and

the high white cliffs are a magical backdrop to your greatest asset: the warmth and wit of your people. Visitors are coming in record numbers. Today the air-route between Belfast and London is the second busiest in Europe.

I want to honor those whose courage and vision have brought us to this point. Prime Minister Major, Prime Minister Bruton, and before him Prime Minister Reynolds, laid the basis for an era of reconciliation. From the Downing Street Declaration to the Joint Framework Document, they altered the course of history with the simple stroke of a pen. Foreign Minister Spring, Sir Patrick Mayhew, David Trimble, and John Hume have also labored to realize the promise of peace. And Gerry Adams, along with loyalist leaders such as David Ervine and Gary McMichael, helped to silence the guns on the streets.

But most of all, America salutes the people of Northern Ireland, who have shown the world that here the will for peace is stronger than the weapons of war. Throughout Northern Ireland, civic and community leaders are working on the front lines of change. Even before the troubles began, the Corrymeel Community -- headquartered here in Belfast -- has been building bridges of understanding among people of different traditions. In various counties, mixed sporting events are encouraging competition on the playing field, not the battlefield. Women's support groups, literacy programs, and job training centers that serve both communities are helping people to pull together as they struggle to lift their lives. These and countless other initiatives bolster the foundations of peace.

Last year's cease-fire of the Irish Republican Army, joined by the Combined Loyalist Military Command, marked a turning point in Northern Ireland's history. Now is the time to sustain the momentum and lock in the gains of peace. Neither community wants to go back to the violent days of the past. Both the parties must do their part to move the process forward.

The search for common ground demands the courage of an open mind. Only by getting to know one another can differences be resolved. [I hope the parties in Northern Ireland can soon sit down together.] Engaging in honest dialogue is not an act of surrender, but of strength.

[There also must be progress away from the negotiating table. Violence has lessened

, but it has not disappeared. I share the concern and anger expressed ten days ago by the leaders of the four main churches, who condemned the so-called punishment beatings and called for an end to such attacks. As the church leaders said, this is a time "when the utmost efforts on all sides are needed to build a peaceful and confident community for the future."]

[And to all who are observing the cease-fire, I appeal to you to take the next step -- addressing the issue of decommissioning weapons. For 25 years, the history of this province has been written in the blood of its children. You turned the page on that history. You must not allow it to turn back.]

But true peace will require more than a treaty... more than an absence of violence. People must hold real hope in their hearts that tomorrow will be better than today. Those who have suffered the most in the fighting must share fairly in the fruits of renewal. The frustration that gave rise to violence must give way to faith in the future.

The United States will help secure the tangible benefits of peace. Ours is the first administration ever to support the International Fund for Ireland. We will continue to encourage trade and investment and to help end the cycle of unemployment.

[I am pleased to announce that the Cabletel company of New York has reached agreement to install cable service in Northern Ireland. This \$480 million project will create hundreds of jobs -- and reinforce the economic underpinnings of peace.]

America is proud to support Northern Ireland. You have given America so much: Irish Protestant and Irish Catholic together have added to our strength. From our battle for independence to the present day, the Irish have fought in our wars and built our nation. We owe you a great debt.

Of all the gifts we can offer in return, the most precious and most enduring is the example of what is possible when people find unity and strength in their diversity. We know from our own experience even today how hard that is to do. But we also know that at the end of the day, we are all equal in the eyes of God, with more uniting than dividing us.

We all cherish family, faith, community, and work. We all strive to live lives that are free, honest, and responsible.

We all want our children to grow up in a world where their talents are matched by opportunities. And I know that those values are just as strong in County Londonderry as in Londonderry, New Hampshire -- in Belfast, Northern Ireland as in Belfast, Maine.

I am proud to be of Ulster-Scots stock. I am proud to be of Irish stock. I share these roots with millions of Americans, and we rejoice in "things being various," as Louis MacNeice once wrote. It is one of the things that makes me proudest to be an American.

America's greatness flows from the wealth of many cultures and the strength of shared ideals. We are honored and bound to join our support to others around the world who seek to bridge their divides.

This is an important part of America's mission on the eve of the 21st century -- helping other nations move from conflict to cooperation... turn fear into security... replace hatred with hope. In a world that is ever more interdependent, our efforts have been good for millions of people around the globe, and good for America as well.

The chain of peace grows stronger with every new link that is forged. For the first time in nearly half a century, Americans can put their children to bed knowing that the nuclear weapons of the former Soviet Union are no longer pointing in our direction. In South Africa, the long night of apartheid has given way to a new day of freedom. In the Middle East, Arabs and Israelis are stepping beyond war to a future of peace. In Haiti, a brutal dictatorship has been replaced by a fragile democracy. Here in Europe, the dream of a stable, undivided, free continent is finally within our reach.

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For Immediate Release November 30, 1995

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AND THE FIRST LADY
AT THE LIGHTING OF THE CITY
CHRISTMAS TREE

Belfast City Hall
Belfast, Northern Ireland

7:36 P.M. (L)

MRS. CLINTON: Thank you very much, Lord Mayor. And thank all of you. (Applause.) Tonight is a night filled with hope and peace. And for those of us gathered here throughout Northern Ireland and around the world, often it is our children who offer us the clearest and purest reasons why peace and why this peace process is so important.

In a national competition, asking students to share their hopes for a peaceful Northern Ireland in letters to my husband, two students whom you see here tonight, Cathy Harte and Mark Lennox won the top prize. We will be privilege to have them in America at summer camp this coming summer. Tonight it is my privilege to read excerpts from their letters.

This is what Cathy said: "My name is Cathy Harte and I am a 12-year-old Catholic girl. I live in Belfast in Northern Ireland, and I love it here. It's green, it's beautiful, and, well, it's Ireland." (Applause.) "All my life, I have only known guns and bombs with people fighting. Now, it is different. There are no guns and bombs."

Cathy continues: "My dreams for the future, well, I have a lot of them. Hopefully, the peace will be permanent; that one day Catholics and Protestants will be able to walk hand-in-hand and will be able to live in the same areas." (Applause.) "Catholics, Protestants, black or white, it is the person inside that counts." (Applause.) "What I hope," said Cathy, "is that when I have my own children that there will still be peace and that Belfast will be a peaceful place from now on."
Thank you, Cathy. (Applause.)

Mark Lennox is the same age as our daughter, 15. And he

explains in his letter the simple hows of achieving peace. And this is what he says: "I am a 15-year-old schoolboy from Glengormley High School. I am very pleased about the chance of permanent peace in Northern Ireland and the chances of living in a secure atmosphere.

"If Northern Ireland is to have a future, then we must all learn to live with each other in a more tolerant way. Also, we must all work hard for peace and make a real effort. We will have to change our ideas and work for change. Change must mean changing our own understanding of each other. We must learn together and know more about our different traditions.

Some people want to destroy peace and the peace process in Northern Ireland." And Mark says, "We must not allow this to happen." (Applause.)

As the Lord Mayor said, in a moment the Christmas tree will be lit as Christmas trees will be lit all over the world in the days to come. This Christmas let us remember the reason behind why we light Christmas trees. Let us remember the reason for this great holiday celebration. And let us remember that we seek peace most of all for our children. May this be one of many, many happy and peaceful Christmases in Northern Ireland this year and for many years to come. (Applause.) And may God keep you and bless you and hold all of you in the palm of His hand. Thank you and God bless you.

(Applause.)

LORD MAYOR: Now, ladies and gentlemen, we have a duty to do tonight. And that is we're going to ask the President to turn the lights on. But you and I have something to do. We have to count down, 10 down to zero. So we want the count, 10, 9 -- slowly please, so that when the President gets ready I'll give you the okay and then we will have the countdown.

(The Christmas tree is lit.)

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. (Applause.) To the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, let me begin by saying to all of you, Hillary and I thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making us feel so very, very welcome in Belfast and Northern Ireland. (Applause.) We thank you, Lord Mayor, for your cooperation and your help in making this trip so successful, and we trust that, for all of you, we haven't inconvenienced you too much. But this has been a wonderful way for us to begin the Christmas holidays. (Applause.)

Let me also say I understood just what an honor it was to be able to turn on this Christmas tree when I realized the competition. (Laughter.) Now, to become President of the United States you have to undertake some considerable competition. But I have never confronted challengers with the name recognition, the understanding of the media and the ability in the martial arts of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers. (Applause.)

To all of you whose support enabled me to join you tonight and turn the Christmas tree on, I give you my heartfelt thanks. (Applause.) I know here in Belfast you've been lighting the Christmas tree for more than 20 years. But this year must be especially joyous to you, for you are entering your second Christmas of peace. (Applause.)

As I look down these beautiful streets, I think how

wonderful it will be for people to do their holiday shopping without worry of searches or bombs; to visit loved ones on the other side of the border without the burden of checkpoints or roadblocks; to enjoy these magnificent Christmas lights without any fear of violence. Peace has brought real change to your lives.

Across the ocean, the American people are rejoicing with you. We are joined to you by strong ties of community and commerce and culture. Over the years men and women of both traditions have flourished in our country and helped America to flourish.

And today, of course, we are forging new and special bonds. Belfast's sister city in the United States, Nashville, Tennessee, was proud to send this Christmas tree to friends across the Atlantic. I want to thank the most prominent present resident of Nashville, Tennessee, Vice President Al Gore, the Mayor, Phil Bredesen, and the United States Air Force for getting this big tree all the way across the Atlantic to be here with you tonight. (Applause.)

In this 50th anniversary year of the end of World War II, many Americans still remember the warmth the people of Northern Ireland showed them when the army was stationed here under General Eisenhower. The people of Belfast named General Eisenhower an honorary burgess of the city. He viewed that honor, and I quote, "as a token of our common purpose to work together for a better world." That mission endures today. We remain Americans and as people of Northern Ireland, partners for security, partners for prosperity and, most important, partners for peace. (Applause.)

Two years ago, at this very spot, tens of thousands of you took part in a day for peace, as a response to some of the worst violence Northern Ireland had known in recent years. The two morning papers, representing both traditions, sponsored a telephone poll for peace that generated almost 160,000 calls. In the United States, for my fellow Americans who are here, that would be the equivalent of 25 million calls.

The response left no doubt that all across Northern Ireland the desire for peace was becoming a demand. I am honored to announce today that those same two newspapers, the Newsletter and the Irish News, have established the President's Prize, an annual award to those at the grass-roots level who have contributed most to peace and reconciliation. The honorees will travel to the United States to exchange experiences on the issues we share, including community relations and conflict resolution. We have a lot to learn from one another. The President's Prize will underscore that Northern Ireland's two traditions have a common interest in peace.

As you know -- and as the First Lady said -- I have received thousands of letters from school children all over your remarkable land telling me what peace means to them. They poured in from villages and cities, from Catholic and Protestant communities, from mixed schools, primary schools, from schools for children with

special needs. All the letters in their own way were truly wonderful for their honesty, their simple wisdom and their passion. Many of the children showed tremendous pride in their homeland, in its beauty and its true nature. I congratulate the winners. They were wonderful and I loved hearing their letters.

But let me tell you about another couple I received. Eleven-year-old Keith from Carrickfergus wrote: "Please tell everyone in America that we're not always fighting here, and that it's only a small number of people who make the trouble." Like many of the children, Keith did not identify himself as Protestant or Catholic, and did not distinguish between the sources of the violence.

So many children told me of loved ones they have lost, of lives disrupted and opportunities forsaken and families forced to move. Yet, they showed remarkable courage and strength and a commitment to overcome the past. As 14-year-old Sharon of County Armagh wrote: "Both sides have been hurt. Both sides must forgive."

Despite the extraordinary hardships so many of these children have faced, their letters were full of hope and love and humor. To all of you who took the time to write me, you've brightened my holiday season with your words of faith and courage, and I thank you. To all of you who asked me to do what I could to help peace take root, I pledge you America's support. We will stand with you as you take risks for peace. (Applause.)

And to all of you who have not lost your sense of humor, I say thank you. I got a letter from 13-year-old Ryan from Belfast. Now, Ryan, if you're out in the crowd tonight, here's the answer to your question. No, as far as I know, an alien spacecraft did not crash in << Roswell >> , New Mexico, in << 1947 >> . (Laughter.) And, Ryan, if

the United States Air Force did recover alien bodies, they didn't tell me about it, either, and I want to know. (Applause.)

Ladies and gentlemen, this day that Hillary and I have had here in Belfast and in Derry and Londonderry County will long be with us -- (applause) -- as one of the most remarkable days of our lives. I leave you with these thoughts. May the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill flourish and grow in you. May you remember the words of the Lord Mayor: "This is Christmas. We celebrate the world in a new way because of the birth of Emmanuel; God with us." And when God was with us, he said no words more important than

these: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall inherit the Earth." (Applause.)

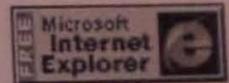
Merry Christmas, and God bless you all. (Applause.)

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Report to the Honorable
Steven H. Schiff, House of
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July 1995

GOVERNMENT RECORDS

Results of a Search for Records Concerning the 1947 Crash Near Roswell, New Mexico



National Security and
International Affairs Division

B-262046

July 28, 1995

The Honorable Steven H. Schiff
House of Representatives

Dear Mr. Schiff:

On July 8, 1947, the Roswell Army Air Field (RAAF) public information office in Roswell, New Mexico, reported the crash and recovery of a "flying disc." Army Air Forces personnel from the RAAF's 509th Bomb Group were credited with the recovery. The following day, the press reported that the Commanding General of the U.S. Eighth Air Force, Fort Worth, Texas, announced that RAAF personnel had recovered a crashed radar-tracking (weather) balloon, not a "flying disc."

After nearly 50 years, speculation continues on what crashed at Roswell. Some observers believe that the object was of extraterrestrial origin. In the July 1994 Report of Air Force Research Regarding the Roswell Incident, the Air Force did not dispute that something happened near Roswell, but reported that the most likely source of the wreckage was from a balloon-launched classified government project designed to determine the state of Soviet nuclear weapons research. The debate on what crashed at Roswell continues.

Concerned that the Department of Defense (DOD) may not have provided you with all available information on the crash, you asked us to determine the requirements for reporting air accidents similar to the crash near Roswell and identify any government records concerning the Roswell crash.

We conducted an extensive search for government records related to the crash near Roswell. We examined a wide range of classified and unclassified documents dating from July 1947 through the 1950s. These records came from numerous organizations in New Mexico and elsewhere throughout DOD as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and the National Security Council. The full scope and methodology of our work are detailed at the end of this report.

Results in Brief

In 1947, Army regulations required that air accident reports be maintained permanently. We identified four air accidents reported by the Army Air Forces in New Mexico during July 1947. All of the accidents involved military aircraft and occurred after July 8, 1947—the date the RAAF public information office first reported the crash and recovery of a “flying disc” near Roswell. The Navy reported no air accidents in New Mexico during July 1947. Air Force officials told us that according to record-keeping requirements in effect during July 1947, there was no requirement to prepare a report on the crash of a weather balloon.

In our search for records concerning the Roswell crash, we learned that some government records covering RAAF activities had been destroyed and others had not. For example, RAAF administrative records (from Mar. 1945 through Dec. 1949) and RAAF outgoing messages (from Oct. 1946 through Dec. 1949) were destroyed. The document disposition form does not indicate what organization or person destroyed the records and when or under what authority the records were destroyed.

Our search for government records concerning the Roswell crash yielded two records originating in 1947—a July 1947 history report by the combined 509th Bomb Group and RAAF and an FBI teletype message dated July 8, 1947. The 509th-RAAF report noted the recovery of a “flying disc” that was later determined by military officials to be a radar-tracking balloon. The FBI message stated that the military had reported that an object resembling a high-altitude weather balloon with a radar reflector had been recovered near Roswell.

The other government records we reviewed, including those previously withheld from the public because of security classification, and the Air Force’s analysis of unidentified flying object¹ sightings from 1946 to 1953 (Project Blue Book Special Report No. 14), did not mention the crash or the recovery of an airborne object near Roswell in July 1947. Similarly, executive branch agencies’ responses to our letters of inquiry produced no other government records on the Roswell crash.

Reporting Air Accidents

According to press accounts from July 1947, Army Air Forces personnel from RAAF were involved in the recovery of an airborne object near Roswell. Therefore, if an air accident report was prepared, it should have

¹According to Air Force regulation, an unidentified flying object is an airborne object that by performance, aerodynamic characteristics, or unusual features, does not conform to known aircraft or missiles, or does not correspond to Air Force definitions of familiar or known objects or unidentified aircraft.

been prepared in accordance with Army regulations. According to an Army records management official, in 1947 Army regulations required that air accident reports be maintained permanently. An Air Force official said there was no similar requirement to report a weather balloon crash.

According to an Air Force official who has worked in the records management field since the mid-1940s, air accident reports prepared in July 1947 under Army regulations should have been transferred to Air Force custody in September 1947, when the Air Force was established as a separate service.

The Air Force Safety Agency is responsible for maintaining reports of air accidents. We examined its microfilm records to determine whether any air accidents had been reported in New Mexico during July 1947. We identified four air accidents during this time period.² All of the accidents involved military fighter or cargo aircraft and occurred after July 8, 1947—the date the RAAF public information office first reported the crash and recovery of a “flying disc” near Roswell. According to the Army Air Forces’ Report of Major Accident, these four accidents occurred at or near the towns of Hobbs, Albuquerque, Carrizozo, and Alamogordo, New Mexico. Only one of the four accidents resulted in a fatality. The pilot died when the aircraft crashed during an attempted take-off.

Search for Records

In searching for government records on the Roswell crash, we were particularly interested in identifying and reviewing records of military units assigned to RAAF in 1947—to include the 509th Bomb Group, the 1st Air Transport Unit, the 427th Army Air Force Base Unit, and the 1395th Military Police Company (Aviation).

Document disposition forms obtained from the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, Missouri, indicate that in 1953, the Walker Air Force Base (formerly RAAF) records officer transferred to the Army’s Kansas City records depository the histories of units stationed at Walker Air Force Base. These histories included the 509th Bomb Group and RAAF for February 1947 through October 1947; the 1st Air Transport Unit for July 1946 through June 1947; and the 427th Army Air Force Base Unit for January 1946 to February 1947. We could not locate any documentation indicating that records of the 1395th Military Police Company (Aviation)

²These records do not include information regarding mishaps of air vehicles belonging to civilian or other government agencies. These records also do not include mishaps involving unmanned air vehicles such as remotely piloted aircraft, low-speed cruise missiles, and most balloons.

were ever retired to the National Personnel Records Center or its predecessor depositories.

The July 1947 history for the 509th Bomb Group and RAAF stated that the RAAF public information office "was kept quite busy . . . answering inquiries on the 'flying disc,' which was reported to be in [the] possession of the 509th Bomb Group. The object turned out to be a radar tracking balloon." By his signature, the RAAF's commanding officer certified that the report represented a complete and accurate account of RAAF activities in July 1947. (Excerpts from the report are contained in app. I.)

In addition to unit history reports, we also searched for other government records on the Roswell crash. In this regard, the Chief Archivist for the National Personnel Records Center provided us with documentation indicating that (1) RAAF records such as finance and accounting, supplies, buildings and grounds, and other general administrative matters from March 1945 through December 1949 and (2) RAAF outgoing messages from October 1946 through December 1949 were destroyed. According to this official, the document disposition form did not properly indicate the authority under which the disposal action was taken. The Center's Chief Archivist stated that from his personal experience, many of the Air Force organizational records covering this time period were destroyed without entering a citation for the governing disposition authority. Our review of records control forms showing the destruction of other records—including outgoing RAAF messages for 1950—supports the Chief Archivist's viewpoint.

During our review of records at FBI headquarters, we found a July 8, 1947, teletype message from the FBI office in Dallas, Texas, to FBI headquarters and the FBI office in Cincinnati, Ohio. An FBI spokesperson confirmed the authenticity of the message.

According to the message, an Eighth Air Force headquarters official had telephonically informed the FBI's Dallas office of the recovery near Roswell of a hexagonal-shaped disc suspended from a large balloon by cable. The message further stated that the disc and balloon were being sent to Wright Field (now Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio) for examination. According to the Eighth Air Force official, the recovered object resembled a high-altitude weather balloon with a radar reflector. The message stated that no further investigation by the FBI was being conducted. (A copy of the teletype message appears in app. II.)

To follow up on the July 8th message, we reviewed microfilm abstracts of the FBI Dallas and Cincinnati office activities for July 1947. An abstract prepared by the FBI Dallas office on July 12, 1947, summarized the particulars of the July 8th message. There was no mention in the Cincinnati office abstracts of the crash or recovery of an airborne object near Roswell.

Because the FBI message reported that debris from the Roswell crash was being transported to Wright Field for examination, we attempted to determine whether military regulations existed for handling such debris. We were unable to locate any applicable regulation. As a final step, we reviewed Air Materiel Command (Wright Field) records from 1947 to 1950 for evidence of command personnel involvement in this matter. We found no records mentioning the Roswell crash or the examination by Air Materiel Command personnel of any debris recovered from the crash.

Queries to Federal Agencies Regarding Records on the Crash

We sent letters to several federal agencies asking for any government records they might have concerning the Roswell crash. In this regard, we contacted DOD, the National Security Council, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, the CIA, the FBI, and the Department of Energy.

The National Security Council, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Department of Energy responded that they had no government records relating to the Roswell crash. (Copies of their responses appear in app. III, IV, and V.) The FBI, DOD, and the CIA provided the following information.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

The FBI informed us that all FBI data regarding the crash near Roswell had been processed under Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests previously received by the Bureau. We reviewed the FBI's FOIA material and identified the July 8, 1947, FBI teletype message discussing the recovery near Roswell of a high-altitude weather balloon with a radar reflector. (A copy of the FBI's response appears in app. VI.)

Department of Defense

DOD informed us that the U.S. Air Force report of July 1994, entitled Report of Air Force Research Regarding the Roswell Incident, represents the extent of DOD records or information concerning the Roswell crash. The Air Force report concluded that there was no dispute that something

happened near Roswell in July 1947 and that all available official materials indicated the most likely source of the wreckage recovered was one of the project MOGUL balloon trains. At the time of the Roswell crash, project MOGUL was a highly classified U.S. effort to determine the state of Soviet nuclear weapons research using balloons that carried radar reflectors and acoustic sensors. (A copy of DOD's response appears in app. VII.)

Central Intelligence Agency

In March 1995, the CIA's Executive Director responded to our letter of inquiry by stating that earlier searches by the CIA for records on unidentified flying objects produced no information pertaining to the Roswell crash. The Executive Director added, however, that it was unclear whether the CIA had ever conducted a search for records specifically relating to Roswell. In the absence of such assurance, the Executive Director instructed CIA personnel to conduct a comprehensive records search for information relating to Roswell. On May 30, 1995, the CIA's Executive Director informed us that a search against the term "Roswell, New Mexico," in all CIA databases produced no CIA documents related to the crash. (A copy of CIA's response appears in app. VIII.)

Agency Comments

A draft of this report was provided to DOD for comment. DOD offered no comments or suggested changes to the report. The Chief Archivist, National Personnel Records Center offered several comments clarifying matters dealing with records management. These comments have been incorporated into the final report where appropriate.

The CIA, the Department of Energy, the FBI, the National Security Council, and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy also received excerpts from the report discussing the activities of their respective agencies. They had no substantive comments and made no suggested changes to the report.

Scope and Methodology

To determine the requirements for reporting air accidents in 1947, we interviewed military service records management officials, reviewed military record-keeping regulations in effect during this time period, and examined Army Air Forces and Navy air accident reports.

We also sought to identify any government records related to the Roswell crash. In this regard, we visited and reviewed records at the locations listed in table 1.

Table 1: Locations Visited and Records Reviewed

Locations visited	Records reviewed
National Archives, Washington, D.C.	Air Force papers on unidentified flying objects Army Counterintelligence Corps historical files, 1947-49
National Archives II, College Park, Md.	Project Blue Book Special Report No. 14 National Security Council meeting minutes, 1947-48
National Archives, National Record Center, Suitland, Md.	Army Inspector General reports, 1947-58 Army staff intelligence correspondence, 1947-56 Headquarters Army Air Force message traffic, 1947-54 Army Air Force and Air Materiel Command (Wright Field) research and development files, 1947-50
National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Mo.	Morning reports for RAAF units, July 1947 Eighth Air Force messages, 1947-50 Eighth Air Force correspondence, 1947-51 Eighth Air Force weekly activity summaries, July 1947 Service records of key personnel assigned to RAAF, 1947 Project Sign ^a investigative reports, 1948 Army Adjutant General correspondence, 1947-49 Missile test firing reports at White Sands, N. Mex., 1947-54
Department of the Air Force, Washington, D.C.	Current and past records management regulations Report of Air Force Research Regarding the Roswell Incident, July 1994
Department of the Army, Washington, D.C.	Current and past records management regulations
Department of the Navy, Washington, D.C.	Air accident reports, July 1947
Air Force Safety Agency, Kirtland Air Force Base, N. Mex.	Air accident reports, July 1947
Air Force History Support Office, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, D.C.	509th Bomb Group and RAAF monthly histories, July and August 1947
National Security Agency, Fort Meade, Md.	FOIA records, Citizens Against UFO Secrecy
Military History Institute, Army War College, Carlisle, Pa.	Army Counterintelligence Corps reports, 1947
Army Central Security Facility, Fort Meade, Md.	Army Counterintelligence Corps reports, 1947
Central Intelligence Agency, Langley, Va.	Scientific Advisory Panel on Unidentified Flying Objects (Robertson Panel) report FOIA records, Ground Saucer Watch, Inc.
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.	FOIA records on unidentified flying objects
National Atomic Museum, Kirtland Air Force Base, N. Mex.	509th Bomb Group historical information, 1947 RAAF base newspaper Atomic Blast, July and August 1947

^aProject Sign was the predecessor to Project Blue Book.

Our search of government records was complicated by the fact that some records we wanted to review were missing and there was not always an explanation. Further, the records management regulations for the retention and disposition of records were unclear or changing during the period we reviewed.

We also queried the National Security Council, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, the Department of Energy, the FBI, DOD, and the CIA to determine what government records they have on the Roswell crash. We did not independently verify the information provided to us in their written responses.

In addition to physically examining government records, we contacted the following federal activities to determine whether they had any information about the Roswell crash:

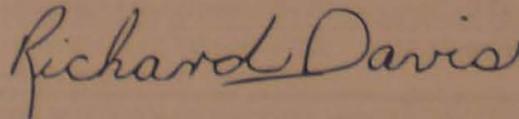
- Air Force Historical Research Agency, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama;
- Air Force Aeronautical Systems Center, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio;
- Army Center for Military History, Washington, D.C.; and
- 509th Bomb Wing, Office of the Historian, Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri.

We conducted our review from March 1994 to June 1995 in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards.

Unless you publicly announce its contents earlier, we plan no further distribution of this report until 30 days after its issue date. At that time, we will make copies available to other interested parties upon request.

If you or your staff have any questions about this report, please call me on (202) 512-3504. A major contributor to this report is Gary K. Weeter, Assistant Director.

Sincerely yours,



Richard Davis
Director, National Security
Analysis

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Abbreviations

CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
DOD	Department of Defense
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
RAAF	Roswell Army Air Field

Combined History for July 1947

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The other three briefings were those which were given to the VIP and a simulated briefing to a large group of Air Scouts representing all of the troops in New Mexico which was given on 10 July 1947.

Several small projects were completed during the month including signs on all the office doors, a building directory, and a world situation map which is maintained on a day-to-day basis.

The Historical Section of S-2 has been seriously handicapped by the removal of the regular stenographer with the reduction in force.

Due to the fact that the quality of the department reports has in general been so inadequate, lectures are being prepared to be given early in August to properly train the liaison representatives of each department.

The Office of Public Information was kept quite busy during the month answering inquiries on the "flying disc", which was reported to be in possession of the 509th Bomb Group. The object turned out to be a radar tracking balloon.

The main project of the month was making all arrangements for a successful Air Force Day. Lt. Colonel Oliver LaFarg, Air Reserve Corps, at Santa Fe, made arrangements for Colonel Blanchard to visit the Governor of New Mexico and ask him to declare Air Force Day in New Mexico on 1 August.

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FBI Teletype Message Dated July 8, 1947

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EIGHTH AIR FORCE, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT AN OBJECT PURPORTING TO BE A FLYING DISC WAS RECOVERED NEAR ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, THIS DATE. THE DISC IS HEXAGONAL IN SHAPE AND WAS SUSPENDED FROM A BALLOON BY CABLE, WHICH BALLOON WAS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY FEET IN DIAMETER. [REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE OBJECT FOUND RESEMBLES A HIGH ALTITUDE WEATHER BALLOON WITH A RADAR REFLECTOR, BUT THAT TELEPHONIC CONVERSATION BETWEEN THEIR OFFICE AND WRIGHT FIELD HAD NOT BORNE OUT THIS BELIEF. DISC AND BALLOON BEING TRANSPORTED TO WRIGHT FIELD BY SPECIAL PLANE FOR EXAMINATION INFORMATION PROVIDED THIS OFFICE BECAUSE OF NATIONAL INTEREST IN CASE AND FACT THAT NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, ASSOCIATED PRESS, AND OTHERS ATTEMPTING TO BREAK STORY OF LOCATION OF DISC TODAY. [REDACTED] ADVISED WOULD REQUEST WRIGHT FIELD TO ADVISE CINCINNATI OFFICE RESULTS OF EXAMINATION. NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

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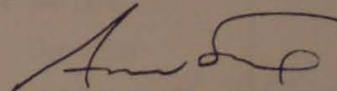
April 28, 1995

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. JOSEPH E. KELLEY
Director-in-Charge, International
Affairs Issues
General Accounting Office

SUBJECT: Request for NSC Records

I am responding to your April 12, 1995, request for information or NSC records related to the crash of an airborne object near Roswell, New Mexico in July 1947. The NSC has no records or information related to the incident at Roswell.

For information about any government records that may document the crash at Roswell, we suggest you contact the National Archives, Textual Reference Division, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740. Their telephone number is (301) 713-7230.



Andrew D. Sens
Executive Secretary

Comments From the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

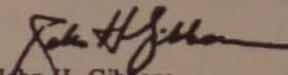
April 26, 1995

Dear Mr. Hunt:

In response to your recent inquiry of April 12, 1995. The Office of Science and Technology Policy reviewed its records regarding the Roswell Incident. OSTP has no direct knowledge of what occurred at Roswell and no records, except for the information I received from the Air Force.

I look forward to receiving the GAO report.

Sincerely,


John H. Gibbons
Director

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Mr. William Hunt
Director, Federal Management Issues
United States Government Accounting Office
Washington, DC 20548

Comments From the Department of Energy



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

June 8, 1995

Richard Davis
Director, National Security
Analysis
General Accounting Office
Washington, D.C. 20538

Dear Mr. Davis:

This is in response to your request for records related to the crash of an airborne object near Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947. We conducted an in-depth search for documents related to the crash and have found no such documents.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Barry Uhlig of my staff on 202-586-1910.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Vivona
Chief Financial Officer

Comments From the Federal Bureau of Investigation



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D. C. 20535

April 24, 1995

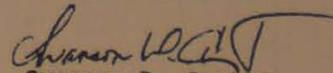
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Director
Attn: Gary K. Weeter
National Security Analysis
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Davis:

This is in response to a letter dated April 7, 1995, from Norman J. Rabkin, Director, Administration of Justice Issues, General Accounting Office, to John E. Collingwood, Inspector in Charge, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs, FBI, regarding government records concerning the crash of an airborne object near Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947 (Code 701034).

A search of FBI indices for information relating to the crash of an airborne object near Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947, determined that all FBI data concerning the incident has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and is available for review in our FOIA Reading Room. A copy of the document forwarded to me by Gary Weeter is among the documents in the Reading Room. If your staff wishes to review the material, please call Margaret Tremblay, a member of my staff, at least 48 hours in advance of the desired appointment. She can be reached on 324-5292.

Sincerely yours,


Swanson D. Carter
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Congressional Affairs

Comments From the Department of Defense



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Dear Mr. Davis:

The Department of the Air Force July 1994 report is the DoD response to questions posed in your April 12 letter related to GAO Code 701034.

If you have any questions, please contact my action officer, Pattie Cirino, at 703-604-9631. If she is not available, please contact Ms. Merlene L. Scales at 703-604-9626.

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Comments From the Central Intelligence Agency

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30 May 1995

Mr. Richard Davis
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Dear Mr. Davis,

In a letter dated 30 March 1995, this Agency advised you that it would conduct a comprehensive record search to aid in the completion of your investigation of the crash of an airborne object near Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947. In accordance with your request, we have searched all of our data bases against the terms "Project Mogul" and "Roswell, New Mexico."

The search did not yield any documents related to either of these terms. Therefore, this Agency has no information, beyond those records already reviewed by Mr. Gary Weeter of your staff, relevant to your investigation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nora Slatkin".

Nora Slatkin
Executive Director