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Dear Jack,

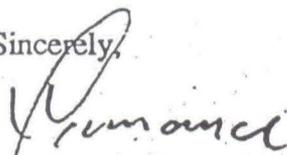
As you may recall, when we first began discussing the extraterrestrial intelligence phenomenon, I mentioned that it was Mel Laird who suggested that you should be the logical point of contact and coordination with the federal government. We have continued to seek Mel's advice and counsel on this issue. I thought you might be interested in the attached letter from Mel which reaffirms his support for our approach of constructively seeking release of information.

If there are any developments in the initiative you suggested of a survey of information among federal agencies regarding the Roswell, New Mexico incident, we would be pleased to hear about them. Also, if you think another visit would be useful, I would be delighted to come down.

Incidentally, we have had some interesting preliminary talks with those who might be interested in bringing about a United Nations Conference on extraterrestrial intelligence. Of course, the conference would have no possibility of success unless the United States were represented by someone of stature and knowledge like you who could participate fully and freely. We shall keep you informed as the idea develops.

With warm regard, I am

Sincerely,



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Dear Laurance:

It was good to get your letter of April 25th. I do think you are proceeding properly by going through the President's Science Advisor, Dr. Jack Gibbons. The whole question of declassification of any government projects which might have been associated with unidentified flying objects seems to be on the right track. I think your letter to the President is worded quite properly.

I am sure that should classification be lifted, some individuals will be disappointed as certain of these phenomena will be pretty well explained. Any review will certainly disappoint some individuals who have built up some rather extreme antidotal and uncollaborated accounts which the removal of classification might discredit to a large extent. Removal of undue classification will remove the speculation of some of these reports. I am sure Dr. Gibbons will cooperate fully on this matter.

With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,



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