

8 August 2002

Mr. Grant Cameron  
649 Silverstone Avenue  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
CANADA R3T2V8

Reference: F-2002-01243

Dear Mr. Cameron:

This acknowledges receipt of your 7 July 2002 letter requesting records under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Specifically, your request is for:

**All files contained in the case file blacked out in the document you provided (identified as MORI 15371).**

For identification purposes we have assigned your request the number referenced above. Please refer to this number in future correspondence.

Please note, the document you provided to us was reviewed and released pursuant to an earlier request. Since the file of the requester who originally asked for the document has been destroyed in accordance with an approved National Archives and Records Administration records destruction policy, the component most likely to have the document will need to conduct a search to locate a copy in full text form.

For your information, the FOIA authorizes federal agencies to collect fees for records services. You will note on the enclosed fee schedule that we charge search fees, including computer time where indices are computerized, and copying costs for releasable documents. In accordance with Section (a) of the schedule, search fees are assessable even if no records are found or, if found, we determine that they are not releasable. This means you will be charged even if our search results are negative or if we determine that no information is releasable under the FOIA.

Based upon the information provided in your letter, we have determined that your request falls into the "all other" fee category, which means that you will be required to pay charges which recover the cost of searching for and reproducing responsive records (if any) beyond the first 100 pages of reproduction and the first two hours of search time, which will be furnished without charge. Copying costs will be assessed at the rate of ten cents per page.

We note your willingness to pay fees up to a maximum of \$20. Before we can begin processing your request, we must receive your commitment to pay fees incurred under the conditions stated above. The search fees for each item in a request are usually about \$150.

We will hold your request in abeyance for 60 days from the date of this letter pending receipt of your commitment to pay fees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn I. Dyer', written in a cursive style.

Kathryn I. Dyer  
Information and Privacy Coordinator

Enclosure

**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY****32 CFR Parts 1900, 1901, 1907, 1908, and 1909****Freedom of Information Act; Privacy Act; and Executive Order 12958; Implementation Agency: Central Intelligence Agency.****ACTION: Interim rule.****§1900.02 Definitions**

For purposes of this part, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

(a) Agency or CIA means the United States Central Intelligence Agency acting through the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator;

(b) Days means calendar days when the Agency is operating and specifically excludes Saturdays, Sundays, and legal public holidays. Three (3) days may be added to any time limit imposed on a requester by this part if responding by U.S. domestic mail; ten (10) days may be added if responding by international mail;

(c) Control means ownership or the authority of the CIA pursuant to federal statute or privilege to regulate official or public access to records,

(d) Coordinator means the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator who serves as the Agency manager of the information review and release program instituted under the Freedom of Information Act;

(e) Direct costs means those expenditures which an agency actually incurs in the processing of a FOIA request; it does not include overhead factors such as space, it does include:

(1) Pages means paper copies of standard office size or the dollar-value equivalent in other media;

(2) Reproduction means generation of a copy of a requested record in a form appropriate for release;

(3) Review means all time expended in examining a record to determine whether any portion must be withheld pursuant to law and in effecting any required deletions, but excludes personnel hours expended in resolving general legal or policy issues; it also means personnel hours of professional time;

(4) Search means all time expended in looking for and retrieving material that may be responsive to a request utilizing available paper and electronic indices and finding aids; it also means personnel hours of professional time or the dollar-value equivalent in computer searches;

(f) Expression of interest means a written communication submitted by a member of the public requesting information on or

concerning the FOIA program and/or the availability of documents from the CIA;

(g) Federal agency means any executive department, military department, or other establishment or entity included in the definition of agency in 5 U.S.C 552(f);

(h) Fees means those direct costs which may be assessed a requester considering the categories established by the FOIA; requesters should submit information to assist the Agency in determining the proper fee category and the Agency may draw reasonable inferences from the identity and activities of the requester in making such determinations; the fee categories include:

(1) Commercial means a request in which the disclosure sought is primarily in the commercial interest of the requester and which furthers such commercial, trade, income, or profit interests;

(2) Non-commercial educational or scientific institution means a request from an accredited United States educational institution at any academic level or institution engaged in research concerning the social, biological, or physical sciences or an instructor or researcher or member of such institutions; it also means that the information will be used in a specific scholarly or analytical work, will contribute to the advancement of public knowledge, and will be disseminated to the general public;

(3) Representative of the news media means a request from an individual actively gathering news for an entity that is organized and operated to publish and broadcast news to the American public and pursuant to their news dissemination function and not their commercial interests; the term news means information which concerns current events, would be of current interest to the general public, would enhance the public understanding of the operations or activities of the U.S. Government, and is in fact disseminated to a significant element of the public at minimal cost; freelance journalists are included in this definition if they can demonstrate a solid basis for expecting publication through such an organization, even though not actually employed by it; a publication contract or prior publication record is relevant to such status;

(4) All other means a request from an individual not within paragraph (h)(1), (2), or (3) of this section;

(i) Freedom of Information Act or "FOIA" means the statutes as codified at 5 U.S.C 552;

(j) Interested party means any official in the executive, military, congressional, or judicial branches of government, United States or foreign, or U.S. Government contractor who, in the sole discretion of the CIA, has a subject matter or physical interest in the documents or information at issue;

(k) Originator means the U.S. Government official who originated the document at issue

or successor in office, or such official who has been delegated release or declassification authority pursuant to law;

(l) Potential requester means a person, organization, or other entity who submits an expression of interest;

(m) Reasonably described records means a description of a document (record) by unique identification number or descriptive terms which permit an Agency employee to locate documents with reasonable effort given existing indices and finding aids;

(n) Records or agency records means all documents, irrespective of physical or electronic form, made or received by the CIA in pursuance of federal law or in connection with the transaction of public business and appropriate for preservation by the CIA as evidence of the organization, functions, policies, decisions, procedures, operations, or other activities of the CIA or because of the informational value of the data contained therein; it does not include:

(1) Books, newspapers, magazines, journals, magnetic or printed transcripts of electronic broadcasts, or similar public sector materials acquired generally and/or maintained for library or reference purposes; to the extent that such materials are incorporated into any form of analysis or otherwise distributed or published by the Agency, they are fully subject to the disclosure provisions of the FOIA;

(2) Index, filing, or museum documents made or acquired and preserved solely for reference, indexing, filing, or exhibition purposes; and

(3) Routing and transmittal sheets and notes and filing or destruction notes which do not also include information, comment, or statements of substance;

(o) Responsive records means those documents (i.e., records) which the Agency has determined to be within the scope of a FOIA request.

**§1900.13 Fees for Record Services**

(a) In general. Search, review, and reproduction fees will be charged in accordance with the provisions below relating to schedule, limitations, and category of requester. Applicable fees will be due even if our search locates no responsive records or if some or all of the responsive records must be denied under one or more of the exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

(b) Fee waiver requests. Records will be furnished without charge or at a reduced rate whenever the Agency determines:

(1) That, as a matter of administrative discretion, the interest of the United States Government would be served, or

(2) That it is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the operations or activities of the United States Government and

is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester; the Agency shall consider the following factors when making this determination:

- (i) Whether the subject of the request concerns the operations or activities of the United States Government; and, if so,
- (ii) Whether the disclosure of the requested documents is likely to contribute to an understanding of United States Government operations or activities; and, if so,
- (iii) Whether the disclosure of the requested documents will contribute to public understanding of United States Government operations or activities; and, if so,
- (iv) Whether the disclosure of the requested documents is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of United States Government operations and activities; and
- (v) Whether the requester has a commercial interest that would be furthered by the requested disclosure; and, if so,
- (vi) Whether the disclosure is primarily in the commercial interest of the requester.

(c) *Fee waiver appeals.* Denials of requests for fee waivers or reductions may be appealed to the Chair of the Agency Release Panel via the Coordinator. A requester is encouraged to provide any explanation or argument as to how his or her request satisfies the statutory requirement set forth above.

(d) *Time for fee waiver requests and appeals.* It is suggested that such requests and appeals be made and resolved prior to the initiation of processing and the incurring of costs. However, fee waiver requests will be accepted at any time prior to the release of documents or the completion of a case, and fee waiver appeals within forty-five (45) days of our initial decision subject to the following condition: If processing has been initiated, then the requester must agree to be responsible for costs in the event of an adverse administrative or judicial decision.

(e) *Agreement to pay fees.* In order to protect requesters from large and/or unanticipated charges, the Agency will request specific commitment when it estimates that fees will exceed \$100.00. The Agency will hold in abeyance for forty-five (45) days requests requiring such agreement and will thereafter deem the request closed. This action, of course, would not prevent an individual from refiling his or her FOIA request with a fee commitment at a subsequent date.

(f) *Deposits.* The Agency may require an advance deposit of up to 100 percent of the estimated fees when fees may exceed \$250.00 and the requester has no history of payment, or when, for fees of any amount, there is evidence

that the requester may not pay the fees which would be accrued by processing the request. The Agency will hold in abeyance for forty-five (45) days those requests where deposits have been requested.

(g) *Schedule of fees - 1) In general.* The schedule of fees for services performed in responding to requests for records is established as follows:

**Personnel Search and Review**

|                             |              |        |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------|
| Clerical/Technical          | Quarter hour | \$5.00 |
| Professional /Supervisory   | Quarter hour | 10.00  |
| Manager/Senior Professional | Quarter hour | 18.00  |

**Computer Search and Production**

|                              |            |       |
|------------------------------|------------|-------|
| Search (on-line)             | Flat rate  | 10.00 |
| Search (off-line)            | Flat rate  | 30.00 |
| Other activity               | Per minute | 10.00 |
| Tapes (mainframe cassette)   | Each       | 9.00  |
| Tapes (mainframe cartridge)  | Each       | 9.00  |
| Tapes (mainframe reel)       | Each       | 20.00 |
| Tapes (PC 9mm)               | Each       | 25.00 |
| Diskette (3.5")              | Each       | 4.00  |
| CD (bulk recorded)           | Each       | 10.00 |
| CD (recordable)              | Each       | 20.00 |
| Telecommunications           | Per minute | .50   |
| Paper (mainframe printer)    | Per page   | .10   |
| Paper (PC b/w laser printer) | Per Page   | .10   |
| Paper PC color printer       | Per page   | 1.00  |

**Paper Production**

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|-------------------------------|---------------|------|
| Photocopy (standard or legal) | Per page      | .10  |
| Microfiche                    | Per frame     | .20  |
| Pre-printed (if available)    | Per 100 pages | 5.00 |
| Published (if available)      | Per item      | NTIS |

(2) *Application of schedule.* Personnel search time includes time expended in either manual paper records searches, indices searches, review of computer search results for relevance, personal computer system searches, and various reproduction services. In any event where the actual cost to the Agency of a particular item is less than the above schedule (e.g., a large production or run of a document resulted in a cost of less than \$5.00 per hundred pages), then the actual lesser cost will be charged. Items published and available at the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) are also available from CIA pursuant

to this part at the NTIS price as authorized by statute.

(3) *Other services.* For all other types of output, production, or reproduction (e.g., photographs, maps, or published reports), actual cost or amounts authorized by statute. Determinations of actual cost shall include the commercial cost of the media, the personnel time expended in making the item to be released, and an allocated cost of the equipment used in making the item, or, if the production is effected by a commercial service, then that charge shall be deemed the actual cost for purposes of this part.

(h) *Limitations on collection of fees.* --

(1) *In general.* No fees will be charged if the cost of collecting the fee is equal to or greater than the fee itself. That cost includes the administrative costs to the Agency of billing, receiving, recording, and processing the fee for deposit to the Treasury Department and, as of the date of these regulations, is deemed to be \$10.00.

(2) *Requests for personal information.*

No fees will be charged for requesters seeking records about themselves under the FOIA; such requests are processed in accordance with both the FOIA and the Privacy Act in order to ensure the maximum disclosure without charge.

(i) *Fee categories.* There are four categories of FOIA requesters for fee purposes: "Commercial use" requesters, "educational and non-commercial scientific institution" requesters, "representatives of the news media" requesters, and "all other" requesters. The categories are defined in §1900.02, and applicable fees, which are the same in two of the categories, will be assessed as follows:

(1) "Commercial use" requesters: Charges which recover the full direct costs of searching for, reviewing, and duplicating responsive records (if any);

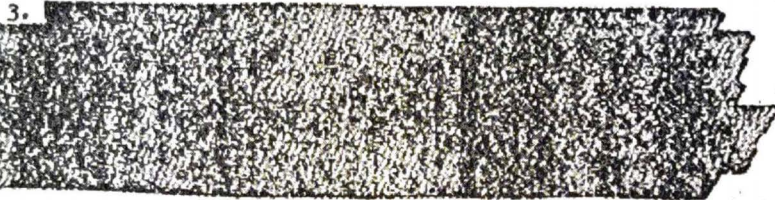
(2) "Educational and non-commercial scientific institution" requesters as well as "representatives of the news media" requesters: Only charges for reproduction beyond the first 100 pages;

(3) "All other" requesters: Charges which recover the full direct cost of searching for and reproducing responsive records (if any) beyond the first 100 pages of reproduction and the first two (2) hours of search time, which will be furnished without charge.

(j) *Associated requests.* A requester or associated requesters may not file a series of multiple requests, which are merely discrete subdivisions of the information actually sought for the purpose of avoiding or reducing applicable fees. In such instances, the Agency may aggregate the requests and charge the applicable fees.

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2. We appreciate that there have been many cooks in the kitchen on this dish and that, as a result, the extraordinarily noncommittal and evasive answer we were instructed to give Davidson was perhaps the only one possible if we were to avoid crossing up previous statements of our own, and other involved agencies, to this man. But the answer was hardly fair to Davidson, and one not likely to be fully accepted by him.

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4. We are sure more will be heard from Davidson.


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| Abstract: | 1/9/58  |

Chief, Chicago Office

10 May 1977

Chief, Contact Division (Support)

Case [REDACTED]

1. Attached is a memorandum from OSI relating to their attempts to recover the analysis of the tape. Also attached is a memorandum to the DCI and a suggested letter for him to send to Mr. Davidson. We have learned that this suggested form was acceptable and is being mailed.

2. Will you please advise Air Force of the action taken and ask them to follow through. It might be well to have a copy of the letter which they send to Davidson for our files.

3. Comment was made about the [REDACTED]

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| <b>Title:</b>            | LEON DAVIDSON LETTER TO THE DCI (WITH ATTACHMENT LETTER TO LEON DAVIDSON FROM |
| <b>Abstract:</b>         |   |
| <b>Pages:</b>            | 0002  |
| <b>Pub Date:</b>         | 5/8/1957  |
| <b>Release Date:</b>     | 11/17/1978  |
| <b>Keywords:</b>         | UFO DAVIDSON LEON RADIO CODE RECORDING ATIC                                   |
| <b>Case Number:</b>      | F-1975-03653  |
| <b>Copyright:</b>        | 0   |
| <b>Release Decision:</b> | RIPPUB  |
| <b>Classification:</b>   | U   |

Mr. Leon Davidson  
64 Prospect Street  
White Plains, New York

Dear Mr. Davidson,

Reference is made to your 21 April 1957 letter addressed to Mr. Dulles. A survey of the intelligence community has resulted in the determination that the tape in question was analyzed by another agency of the government. It is believed that you will receive another communication shortly from the Air Force which will answer your query as to the nature of the recording.

Yours truly,

J. Arnold Shaw  
Assistant to the Director

JUN 14 2002

Mr. Grant Cameron  
649 Silverstone Avenue  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
CANADA R3T 2V8

Reference: F-2000-01114

Dear Mr. Cameron:

This is in response to your letter dated 6 November 2000 in which you appealed the 2 August 2000 determination of this Agency in response to your 9 May 2000 Freedom of Information Act request. Your request was **for copies of documents referenced in the footnotes # 52-62 of "CIA's Role in the Study of UFOs, 1947-90" by Gerald K. Haines**. Specifically, you appealed the adequacy of our search. Further, you stated that documents specified in footnotes # 53, 54, 55, 58, 59, 60, 61 and 62 were not provided to you.

Your appeal has been presented to the appropriate members of the Agency Release Panel, the Information Review Officers for the Directorate of Operations and the Director of Central Intelligence area. Pursuant to the authority delegated under paragraph 1900.43 of Chapter XIX, Title 32 of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), they have reviewed the records, the determinations made with respect to these records and the propriety of the application of the Freedom of Information Act exemptions asserted with respect to the records. As a result, seven documents were located and sanitized for release; one sanitized previously released document, a cable with date stamp of 31 July 1958, is also being provided to you; and one document, responsive to footnote # 53, must be denied in its entirety. Denials have been made on the basis of Freedom of Information Act Exemptions (b)(1) and (b)(3). These eight documents are in addition to the four documents already provided to you. Further, in regard to your appeal and in accordance with CIA regulations appearing at 32 C.F.R. paragraph 1900.41(c)(2), the Agency Release Panel has affirmed this determination.

In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, you have the right to seek judicial review of this determination in a United States district court.

Chief, Contact Division  
for Scientific (Mountain)

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11 March 1955

Chief, Chicago Office

Case [redacted] -- Radio Code Recording

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Ref.: Your Memo Dated 4 Mar 55, Same Subject

[redacted] 1. Transmitted herewith for retention is the tape recording requested in referenced memo. *Radio Code*

[redacted] 2. In our initial phone [redacted], we learned that the Misses Mildred and Marie Maier, both worked so that any appointment would have to take place after working hours. "Make it 5:30", they said, "so we'll have plenty of time to talk." This should have alerted us, but it didn't.

[redacted] 3. We honestly thought we had accidentally stumbled on to a stage setting for "Arsenic and Old Lace" when we walked in their quarters on the 3rd floor of 3812 North Ashland Avenue, Chicago. The only thing lacking was the elderberry wine. Instead, we were asked if we would like coffee. We hastily replied, "no" (remembering the effect of the wine in the play) and went on with the interview.

[redacted] 4. The sisters were thrilled that the government has made the call and was finally showing some interest "after all this time." But before we got around to the wire recording, we had to look at their scrap book (the girls were once on the stage), dozens of photographs and their most precious jewel -- the recent photography of the flying saucers. By this time we were old friends, and we tried to get the conversation around to the tape recording. But we still refused the coffee.

[redacted] 5. It seems that the sisters' photography of the flying saucers in June and August 1954 (and reported in the Journal of the Space Flight) attracted the attention of the villain in our story, the No. 1 Flying Saucer Man in Chicago, John Otto. He was very interested in the photos (as were all of the newspapers, radio and TV stations). The attention made the girls happy indeed. On the night of 28 Nov 54, Otto asked the sisters to be sure to wire-record the WGN Jim Mills program since it was possible that they might pick up a response from flying saucers. They recorded what you now have on the tape. (The tape was copied from the wire from which they will not part.) They gave the wire (or a copy of it) to Otto after he promised not to use it commercially. But Otto, the scoundrel, proceeded to violate this trust and has

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used it on radio and TV and even charged a small group \$1.50 a head to hear it. This annoyed the sisters more than somewhat. At the present time they are waiting for their lawyer to return from Miami so they can bring suit against Otto. Again, we refused the coffee.

6. Among the various followers of saucer aviation, the sisters have recently heard from a group of five local ham radio operators who have also been able to record these wired coded messages from outer space. They have promised to send the sisters Maier copies of it. They would be delighted to furnish the government with copies of the copy to which we agreed and thanked them.

7. In all seriousness, we don't think the sisters themselves are trying to fake anything. We are giving you the background in case it fits in somewhere. They asked us to be certain to advise them if the government can solve the mystery. Will you advise us, should there be an answer?

GEORGE O. FORREST

DEWalker:sg

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WALKER FROM SUPPORT (CONNELL)

*Radio code*

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THE DCI X DCI HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM LEON DAVIDSON X  
LEON DAVIDSON WHITE PLAINS NEW YORK REQUESTING INFORMATION ON THE  
RECORDING YOU RECEIVED FROM MILDRED MAIER X MILDRED MAIER (SEE CASE  
[redacted] DAVIDSON REFERS TO SOME CORRESPONDENCE HE HAD WITH  
YOU AND THEN GOES ON TO ASK FOR AGENCY COOPERATION IN LEARNING WHAT  
THE CODE MESSAGE REVEALED. HE INDICATES THAT HE HAS RECENTLY TEST-  
IFIED BEFORE THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON GOVT INFORMATION AND SAYS THAT  
HIS TESTIMONY WILL DISPLAY HIS INTEREST IN THIS SUBJECT.

WE ARE GETTING COPIES OF THIS TESTIMONY, MEANWHILE CAN YOU ADVISE  
US AS TO HOW YOU GOT IN CORRESPONDENCE AND HOW HE LEARNED THAT THE  
DCI WAS THE PROPER PERSON TO ADDRESS HIS REQUEST TO. ANY BACKGROUND  
INFO YOU HAVE ON HIM WILL BE WELCOME.

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SKAKICH FROM SUPPORT (CONNELL)

CASE [redacted]

FOLLOWING HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH COLONEL BAIRD, ATIC X COLONEL  
BAIRD, ATIC BY [redacted] BAIRD INFORMED  
[redacted] TIC HAS FILE ON DAVIDSON X DAVIDSON, HE IS CONSIDERED A  
PHONEY EVEN IN HIS OWN CIRCLES. *sem* [redacted]

PLEASE TELL DAVIDSON THAT A THOROUGH CHECK HAS BEEN MADE; BECAUSE  
THE SIGNAL WAS OF KNOWN US ORIGIN THE TAPE AND THE NOTES MADE AT THE  
TIME HAVE BEEN DESTROYED BECAUSE OF NEED FOR CONSERVATION OF FILE  
SPACE. THIS IS A TRUE STATEMENT AND ONE WHICH WILL BE BACKED UP  
SHOULD THE QUESTION EVER ARISE AGAIN, WE WILL CLOSE THIS CASE UPON  
RECEIPT OF YOUR STATEMENT THAT YOU HAVE KISSED HIM OFF. SUGGEST  
YOU DO NOT X NOT GIVE HIM LOCAL METHOD OF REACHING YOU OR REFER TO  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE. GOOD LUCK.

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1. DR. DAVIDSON X DR. DAVIDSON NOTIFIED THAT RECORDS ON UNIMPORTANT MATTERS ARE USUALLY DESTROYED AFTER ONE YEAR. SINCE SIGNAL OF KNOWN ORIGIN AND HE RECEIVED AN ANSWER, THERE IS NO X NO MORE POSSIBILITY FOR ANY ADDITIONAL ACTION.

2. TO THIS DAVIDSON MADE A VERY NASTY REMARK. HE ASKED ME IF WE HAVE STARTED USING THE SAME METHODS AS JIMY HOFFA X JIMY HOFFA OF TEAMSTERS UNION, REFERRING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF SOME RECENT MIAMI CONVENTION RECORDS.

3. DAVIDSON REQUESTED I GIVE HIM THIS IN WRITING, WHICH I REFUSED CATEGORICALLY, SINCE THIS CASE IS CLOSED. HE THEN MENTIONED THAT HE WILL WRITE A LETTER TO ME AT ATIC REQUESTING CLARIFICATION, OR AT LEAST A WRITTEN STATEMENT. PLEASE NOTIFY COLONEL BAIRD X BAIRD AND ADVISE THAT I HAVE TOLD DAVIDSON THAT HIS LETTER WILL PROBABLY NEVER BE X NEVER BE ANSWERED. MY IMPRESSION NOW AS BEFORE IS THAT DAVIDSON IS NOT X NOT GOING TO DROP THIS QUESTION.

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Chief, Contact Division

9 January 1958

FOR : Support Branch

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Chief, Chicago Office

Case [redacted] (Closed) and Dr. Leon Davidson

REF : [redacted] and Connell, Lohmann, LaMountain Telecom of 8 Jan 58

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Call*

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3. Referenced telephone conversation disclosed that there is nothing in the record to show that Davidson knew he was dealing with the Agency in his contacts with [redacted] that in fact, an effort had been made to conceal [redacted] from him. We are reasonably sure that when Davidson talked to us in the Court of Appeals Building conference room, he knew very well with whom he was dealing, and in the Davidson-LaMountain telephone conversation, Davidson specifically mentioned "your agency" by which he presumably meant CIA.

4. We are sure more will be heard from Davidson.

R.P.B. LOHMANN

F/LaMountain:rs

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*Leon*

THANKS FOR THE MEMO AND COPY OF DAVIDSON'S X DAVIDSON'S ARTICLE. DAVIDSON DID SEND A COPY TO THE PENTAGON ASKING FOR COMMENTS. THEY FORWARDED TO US WITHOUT COMMENT AND WE SENT IT ON TO [redacted]

[redacted] SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE DCI X DCI FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS WITH A COMMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT NOTHING COULD BE DONE TO AMELIORATE THE SITUATION BY RECONTACTING HIM. THIS WAS AGREED UPON BY ALL. LAMOUNTAIN (CHICAGO) ALSO RECEIVED A COPY OF THE ARTICLE FROM DAVIDSON.

AT THIS POINT IT IS NOT X NOT FELT WORTHWHILE TO BRIEF THE CONGRESSIONAL LIAISON OFFICER ON THIS BUSINESS BUT WE HAVE THE MATERIAL AVAILABLE IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY.

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TO ATAC WPAFD OHIO

INFO CSAF (MAJ. ORVAL NICKELSON) WASHDC FOR AFCIN-IA1

FROM CIA WASHDC

TO WATSON FOR VITUNAC FROM ASHCRAFT BY [redacted]

ATTENTION: COL BAIRD

LIMITED DISSEM

CITE [redacted]

*Case* [redacted]

*Davidson*

FOLLOWING IS QUOTE FROM SKAKICH IN CONNECTION WITH HIS "TERMINATION" (?) INTERVIEW WITH DAVIDSON, THE FLYING SAUCER CRACKPOT.

[redacted]

1. *Learn* DR. DAVIDSON NOTIFIED THAT RECORDS ON UNIMPORTANT MATTERS ARE USUALLY DESTROYED AFTER ONE YEAR. SINCE SIGNAL OF KNOWN ORIGIN AND HE RECEIVED AN ANSWER, THERE IS NO MORE POSSIBILITY FOR ANY ADDITIONAL ACTION.

2. TO THIS DAVIDSON MADE A VERY NASTY REMARK. HE ASKED ME IF WE HAVE STARTED USING THE SAME METHODS AS JIMMY HOFFA OF TEAMSTERS UNION, REFERRING TO THE DESTRUCTION OF SOME RECENT MIAMI CONVENTION RECORDS.

3. DAVIDSON REQUESTED I GIVE HIM THIS IN WRITING, WHICH I REFUSED CATEGORICALLY, SINCE THIS CASE IS CLOSED. HE THEN MENTIONED THAT HE WILL WRITE A LETTER TO ME AT ATAC REQUESTING CLARIFICATION, OR AT LEAST A WRITTEN STATEMENT. PLEASE NOTIFY COLONEL BAIRD AND ADVISE THAT I HAVE TOLD DAVIDSON THAT HIS LETTER WILL PROBABLY NEVER BE ANSWERED. MY IMPRESSION NOW AS BEFORE IS THAT DAVIDSON IS NOT GOING TO DROP THIS QUESTION.

APPARENTLY THE END IS NOT YET.

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WA CITE [Redacted]

SUPPORT [Redacted] FROM [Redacted]

RE DR. LEON DAVIDSON X DR. LEON DAVIDSON. WE ARE SENDING YOU BY  
BUCKSLIP A COPY OF DAVIDSON'S LATEST PUBLICATION ON SPACE SAUCERS  
ENTITLED: "THE AIR FORCE AND THE SAUCERS, PART THREE: THE CENTRAL  
INTELLIGENCE AGENCY BECOMES INVOLVED WITH SAUCERS." PLEASE NOTE  
PAGE 13 X 13 "VISIT TO THE CIA X CIA OFFICE IN CHICAGO." IN THIS  
SECTION DAVIDSON DID NOT WITHHOLD [Redacted] NAME BECAUSE [Redacted]  
ASKED HIM TO, BUT BECAUSE HE DIDN'T REMEMBER IT WELL ENOUGH TO RISK  
MISSPELLING. SEE THE ADDRESS CLIPPED FROM THE OUTER ENVELOPE.  
THE "SOUND-PROOFED CONFERENCE ROOM" WAS A CONVENIENT CONFERENCE ROOM  
ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE COURT HOUSE USED BY ANY COURT PEOPLE WHO  
WISH TO GO IN THERE. [Redacted] DID, IN FACT, PROMISE TO GET THE  
CODE TRANSLATION AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE TRANSMITTER FOR  
DAVIDSON IF POSSIBLE, AND IN ANY EVENT TO GIVE HIM SOME RESPONSE  
WITHIN A WEEK OR SO. [Redacted] DID NOT X NOT ASK DAVIDSON TO KEEP  
SECRET THE CHICAGO CIA X CIA LOCATION, BUT ADVISED DAVIDSON NOT TO  
USE CIA X CIA LETTERHEAD IN HIS FORTHCOMING ARTICLE (BEING FORWARDED  
UNDER BUCKSLIP) WITHOUT FIRST CLEARING WITH CIA X CIA AUTHORITIES  
IN WASHINGTON. THE MATTER OF CIA'S CHICAGO LOCATION NEVER CAME UP  
AND THIS IS SHEER DRAMA AIMED AT MAGAZINE STORY APPEAL. IN OUR  
TELEPHONE CONVERSATION ON 8 JANUARY 1958 X 8 JANUARY 1958 DAVIDSON

~~ADVISED THAT HIS NEXT ARTICLE (PRESUMABLY THE ONE WE ARE FORWARDING  
YOU) WAS IN THE HANDS OF PENTAGON & WHITE HOUSE REVIEW PEOPLE.  
POSSIBLY, THEN, THIS ARTICLE IS NOT YET ON THE PRESS. IN ANY EVENT,  
AGAIN WE URGE THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT DAVIDSON~~

[Redacted] HAS BEEN DEALING WITH CIA X CIA, HE BE PUT IN TOUCH  
WITH [Redacted] FOR FURTHER (INTERMINABLE) BUSINESS, AND  
WE BE RELIEVED OF THIS CHORE.

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SUPPORT [REDACTED]

RE CASE [REDACTED]

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REFER UA 16990 X 16995. UNDER DATE 6 X 6 MARCH [REDACTED]

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 BASE. SUBSEQUENTLY, [REDACTED] LEARNED THAT DAVIDSON MADE ENQUIRIES THERE.  
 APPARANTLY THEY STALLED HIM. [REDACTED]

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SUPPORT [REDACTED]

RE CASE [REDACTED]

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 APPARANTLY THEY STALLED HIM. [REDACTED]

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CASE [REDACTED] (CLOSED).

RE DR LEON DAVIDSON X LEON DAVIDSON, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

DR LEON DAVIDSON IS ON OUR BACKS AGAIN. HE WANTS A VERBATIM TRANSLATION OF THE "SPACE" MESSAGE AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE TRANSMITTER FROM WHICH IT CAME. YOUR ATTENTION IS CALLED TO LETTER TO DAVIDSON FROM WALLACE W ELWOOD X WALLACE W ELWOOD, CAPTAIN, USAF X USAF, ATIC X ATIC, DATED 5 X 5 AUGUST 1957 X 1957, IN WHICH ELWOOD TELLS DAVIDSON THE MESSAGE WAS IN IDENTIFIABLE MORSE CODE AND FROM A KNOWN US X US LICENSED RADIO STATION. THIS WAS INTENDED TO SATISFY DAVIDSON THAT HE DID NOT X NOT IN FACT HAVE A SPACE MESSAGE. HE IS NOT X NOT SATISFIED AND EXPLAINS THAT THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SOUNDS ON THE TAPE RECORDING OF THE MESSAGE ARE NOT X NOT MORSE-TYPE. CAN YOU OBTAIN FROM ATIC THE MESSAGE TRANSLATION, AND THE TRANSMITTER, SHORTLY? WE'D LIKE TO DISMISS THIS MAN ONCE AND FOR ALL. IF YOU CANNOT OBTAIN THIS INFORMATION, DAVIDSON IS GOING TO PRESSURE US FOR PERMISSION TO USE CHICAGO OFFICE LETTERHEAD AND OTHER US X US GOVERNMENT LETTERHEAD HE HAS RECEIVED IN THIS MATTER IN AN ARTICLE FOR SOME SPACE MAGAZINE. WE ARE SENDING BY ZUCKSLIP THIS DATE A PUBLICATION OF DAVIDSON'S CRITICIZING THE AIR FORCE FOR CONCEALMENT OF INFORMATION ON FLYING SAUCERS. INCIDENTALLY, DAVIDSON IS NO X NO FOOL AND IT APPEARS THAT ATIC IS TREATING HIM AS ONE IF THEY THINK HE CAN BE SATISFIED WITH A SOP SUCH AS CAPTAIN ELWOOD'S.

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SUPPORT [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]

RE WA-26258 X 26258 AND CASE [REDACTED] (CLOSED).

WE NEGLECTED TO MENTION IN CHGO-9223 X 9228 THAT OUR CONTACT WITH LEON DAVIDSON X LEON DAVIDSON WAS PERSON-TO-PERSON. HE WAS IN CHICAGO FOR A SCIENTIFIC MEETING. DAVIDSON EXPLAINED THAT HE IS DOING AN ARTICLE FOR A SPACE MAGAZINE. HE WANTS THE TRANSLATION OF THE MESSAGE AND THE EMITTING STATION PROVING THE SPACE MESSAGE TO BE A HOAX, OR HE WANTS PERMISSION TO PICTURE GOVERNMENT LETTERHEADS, OURS AND ATIC'S X ATIC'S, IN HIS ARTICLE SHOWING GOVERNMENT AVOIDANCE OF HIS INQUIRIES. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NO X NO SATISFACTORY ANSWER TO HIS REQUEST OF US AND ATIC X ATIC IN NEARLY A YEAR. [REDACTED] TOLD DAVIDSON HE WOULD COMMUNICATE WITH HIM SHORTLY SUPPLYING THE INFORMATION HE REQUESTED IF POSSIBLE, OR EXPLAINING THAT NOTHING FURTHER COULD BE DONE. RE DAVIDSON'S WISH TO USE GOVERNMENT LETTERHEAD IN EVENT HE CANNOT GET MESSAGE TRANSLATION, [REDACTED] ADVISED THIS WOULD BE IMPRUDENT AND SUGGESTED HE NOT X NOT DO IT WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE AGENCIES CONCERNED. DAVIDSON AGREED THIS WAS BEST. DAVIDSON WAS CALM AND PLEASANT BUT VERY DETERMINED. IN VIEW OF YOUR WA-26258 X 26258 WE WISH TO BOU OUT OF THIS THING, BUT URGE THAT HEADQUARTERS, [REDACTED] AND ATIC X ATIC CONCERN THEMSELVES WITH THIS MAN AND TRY TO SATISFY HIM. PLEASE DO NOT X NOT LET US DOWN ON OUR AGREEMENT TO

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SUPPORT [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]

11 PM '57

RE WA-26258 X 26258 AND CASE [REDACTED] (CLOSED).

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FROM SUPPORT

APR 25 2 57 PM '57

THE DCI X DCI HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM LEON DAVIDSON X  
LEON DAVIDSON WHITE PLAINS NEW YORK REQUESTING INFORMATION ON THE  
RECORDING YOU RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DAVIDSON REFERS TO SOME CORRESPONDENCE HE HAD WITH  
YOU AND THEN GOES ON TO ASK FOR AGENCY COOPERATION IN LEARNING WHAT  
THE CODE MESSAGE REVEALED. HE INDICATES THAT HE HAS RECENTLY TEST-  
IFIED BEFORE THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON GOVT INFORMATION AND SAYS THAT  
HIS TESTIMONY WILL DISPLAY HIS INTEREST IN THIS SUBJECT.

WE ARE GETTING COPIES OF THIS TESTIMONY. MEANWHILE CAN YOU ADVISE  
US AS TO HOW YOU GOT IN CORRESPONDENCE AND HOW HE LEARNED THAT THE  
DCI WAS THE PROPER PERSON TO ADDRESS HIS REQUEST TO. ANY BACKGROUND  
INFO YOU HAVE ON HIM WILL BE WELCOME.

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| Abstract: | 4/25/57  |

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[REDACTED] FROM SUPPORT [REDACTED]

CASE [REDACTED] (CLOSED)

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AS WE INFORMED YOUR OFFICE THERE IS NO TRANSLATION AVAILABLE NOR IS THERE ANY RECORD AVAILABLE EXCEPT FOR WHAT YOU <sup>don</sup> KNOW. DAVIDSON X DAVIDSON HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY [REDACTED] ATIC X ATIC AND THIS SAME MESSAGE WAS GIVEN HIM AGAIN. HE ASKED FOR IT IN WRITING WHICH [REDACTED] REFUSED TO DO. DAVIDSON THEN SAID HE WOULD WRITE TO ATIC X ATIC. WE ARE ALL RESIGNED TO MORE LETTERS BUT WE DO NOT THINK YOU SHOULD INJECT YOUR NAME INTO THE MATTER. HE HAS ALREADY RECEIVED A COUPLE OF LETTERS FROM ATIC, TWO FROM THE DCI'S X DCI'S OFFICE AND TWO VISITS FROM [REDACTED]

SUGGEST YOU SIMPLY IGNORE THE LETTER UNLESS IT WAS REGISTERED. IF THIS WAS THE CASE PLEASE ADVISE. OTHERWISE DON'T DO ANYTHING MORE ABOUT IT.

THIS COORDINATED WITH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

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MAY 10 1957

Mr. Leon Davison  
64 Prospect Street  
White Plains, New York

Dear Mr. Davison:

On behalf of Mr. Dulles, may I acknowledge and reply to your letter of April 21.

We have found that the tape you mentioned was analyzed by another agency of the Government and understand that you will hear directly from that agency in the near future as to the nature of the recording.

Sincerely,

Sgd J. Arnold Shaw

J. Arnold Shaw  
Assistant to the Director

O/DCI/JAShaw/rc/9 May 57

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| Abstract: | 5/10/57   |



Chief, Contact Division, OO

25 February 1955

Chief, Support Staff, O/SI

Unusual Wire Recording

*Use*

1. According to [redacted] possesses a wire recording of an unidentified electrical transmission of unknown origin. The collector's attention is invited to [redacted] which is attached hereto for details relating to this incident.

2. It is requested that the Office of Operations attempt to obtain this recording for an investigation by this Office.

3. Recording should be sent to Support Staff/SI for transmittal to Physics and Electronics Division/SI.

*[Signature]*  
 J. H. [redacted]  
 Deputy Chief

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| Abstract: | 2/25/55                |

17 March 1955

Chief, Contact Division, OO

Radio Code Recording - Case [redacted]

1. In compliance with your request of 25 February 1955 (no DIS number) we have obtained a tape copy of the wire recording which [redacted] of a message from [redacted] outer space. They took the original wire recording; too tightly to relinquish it, even to the government; however, they were overjoyed that we showed an interest.

2. They have recently [redacted] Chicago [redacted] radio operators who also claim to have recorded such messages so if you find this one interesting, we will be glad to track down the others. Our Chicago representative would appreciate knowing that your conclusions are.

[redacted]  
Enclosure: as stated above

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From: Richard Trethewey (trethewey@delphi.com)

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Dark Prince reprints several **FBI** documents, but Eliot's description of their meaning was largely misleading, and often in error. Few of the "revelations" he made bore up under scrutiny.

I'll ask the group's indulgence as I give myself a commercial plug while I explain my point of view here. When Eliot's book came out, I was very curious about Walt's real relationship with the **FBI**. Like most **Disney** fans, my first reaction to the accusation that Walt was a secret agent for the **FBI** was to giggle profusely. So, to satisfy my curiosity I filed a Freedom of Information Act request with the **FBI** to obtain my own copy of Walt's file. I discovered some very interesting things in that file, but little that bore any relationship to the kinds of things that Eliot wrote about. So, I organized the 400+ pages into chronological order and used over 200 of the most legible documents to form the basis of my book "Walt **Disney**: The **FBI** Files." The book also contains quite a bit of my own analysis of Walt's relationship with the **FBI**, and I spend a lot of time rebutting Eliot's allegations. To do that, I read every biography of Walt I could find, as well as a handful of books on the history of the animation industry. I wrote the book in about 3 or 4 months. Even in that short period I was able to shake "Dark Prince" apart in several areas. Karl Cohen, President of ASIFA-SF, included a review of my book in his article in this month's "Animato!" magazine where he examines "Dark Prince". If anyone has any questions about "Dark Prince" or my book "Walt **Disney**: The **FBI** Files," I'll be happy to respond here or via EMail. Thanks for everyone's patience.

Richard L. Trethewey  
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6 April 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contact Division, CO

ATTENTION : Scientific Branch

THROUGH : Chief, Support Staff, SI

FROM : Chief, Physics and Electronics Division, RI

SUBJECT : Radio Recording

1. Reference your memorandum of 17 March 1955, in regard to Case [REDACTED] the tape recording enclosed therewith has been analyzed and positively identified as a known signal of U.S. origin.

2. Your prompt cooperation in securing the recording is appreciated.

TODOS M. OSBORN

cc: Chief, ES/SI

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SUPPORT [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]

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 AN ARTICLE FOR A SPACE MAGAZINE. HE WANTS THE TRANSLATION OF THE  
 MESSAGE AND THE EMITTING STATION PROVING THE SPACE MESSAGE TO BE A  
 HOAX, OR HE WANTS PERMISSION TO PICTURE GOVERNMENT LETTERHEADS,  
 OURS AND ATIC'S X ATIC'S, IN HIS ARTICLE SHOWING GOVERNMENT AVOIDANCE  
 OF HIS INQUIRIES. HE EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NO X NO  
 SATISFACTORY ANSWER TO HIS REQUEST OF US AND ATIC X ATIC IN NEARLY A  
 YEAR. [REDACTED] TOLD DAVIDSON HE WOULD COMMUNICATE WITH HIM SHORTLY  
 SUPPLYING THE INFORMATION HE REQUESTED IF POSSIBLE, OR EXPLAINING  
 THAT NOTHING FURTHER COULD BE DONE. RE DAVIDSON'S WISH TO USE  
 GOVERNMENT LETTERHEAD IN EVENT HE CANNOT GET MESSAGE TRANSLATION,  
 [REDACTED] ADVISED THIS WOULD BE IMPRUDENT AND SUGGESTED HE NOT X NOT  
 DO IT WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION OF THE AGENCIES CONCERNED.  
 DAVIDSON AGREED THIS WAS BEST. DAVIDSON WAS CALM AND PLEASANT BUT  
 VERY DETERMINED. IN VIEW OF YOUR WA-26258 X 26258 WE WISH TO BOW  
 OUT OF THIS THING, BUT URGE THAT HEADQUARTERS, [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] AND ATIC X ATIC CONCERN THEMSELVES WITH THIS MAN AND TRY TO  
 SATISFY HIM. PLEASE DO NOT X NOT LET US DOWN ON OUR AGREEMENT TO  
 COMMUNICATE WITH HIM. WE ARE COMMITTED.

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SUPPORT [REDACTED] FROM [REDACTED]

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 AGAIN WE URGE THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT DAVIDSON [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] HAS BEEN DEALING WITH CIA X CIA, HE BE PUT IN TOUCH  
 WITH [REDACTED] FOR FURTHER (INTERMINABLE) BUSINESS, AND  
 WE BE RELIEVED OF THIS CHORE.

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