

QUARTERLY REPORT
April - June 1989

It was a first of its kind--a major conference designed for professionals in the mental health field on the abduction phenomenon, sponsored by the nation's leading UFO organizations. The conference on "Treatment Research on Experienced Anomalous Trauma" was coordinated by Dr. Rima Laibow, a New York psychiatrist who has worked with a number of clients reporting abduction experiences. It was attended by approximately 40 psychiatrists, psychologists and UFO investigators. The history-making event was cosponsored by the Fund, the Mutual UFO Network and the Center for UFO Studies, and most of the conference costs were covered by one of the Fund's major supporters. A report on the conference is in progress.

Nuclear physicist Stanton Friedman continued his research into the "MJ-12" documents during this quarter, and a progress report on his findings was made available to contributors of \$50 or more to the project. Mr. Friedman said that to date, his research into the MJ-12 documents indicated "no information that would lead to doubt their legitimacy was obtained and some further aspects were identified." A final report is expected later this year.

The major case investigation undertaken this quarter was the analysis of an audiotape of a purported transmission from the space shuttle Discovery during its mission earlier this year. The transmission contained a puzzling statement: "Uh, Houston, this is Discovery. We still have that alien spacecraft under observance." The Fund paid \$1,150 for a professional analysis of the tape; the study concluded that there is insufficient evidence to prove the authenticity of the transmission. A final report on the investigation will be made available in the near future.

The Executive Committee of the Fund approved a proposal submitted by Nigel Watson to do a study of "mystery helicopters" in England. It is hoped his research will shed some light on the phenomenon, which has been reported extensively throughout the US in recent years.

The Fund conducted an active effort to raise money for research into the abduction phenomenon during this quarter. The appeal generated more than \$1,700 in revenue, which will be earmarked for scientific research into this most puzzling aspect of the UFO mystery.

During this period, the Fund also conducted an active media relations campaign. A survey of media representatives soliciting their views on the UFO subject was sent to the Fund's press list; the survey indicated a great lack of awareness of the substantial amount of evidence that UFOs warrant serious consideration.

In an effort to encourage quality journalism, the Committee approved a \$1,000 award in the memory of the late Donald Keyhoe for the best article or story published or broadcast on the UFO subject in 1989. The Committee also decided to distribute a news column on the UFO mystery to over 9,000 newspapers in the U.S.

Once again this year, the Executive Committee decided to make a cash award in the memory of Isabelle Davis, one of the Fund's organizers, to the recipient of the MUFON award for the most significant contribution to ufology during the previous year. The amount of the award this year was increased to \$500. The Committee made the decision before the nominees for the award were announced and the recipient selected by MUFON members. We are pleased to report the recipient was Dr. Bruce Maccabee, who is MUFON's State Director for Maryland and who also serves as Chairman of the Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT
2nd Quarter 1989

	<u>End of 2Q89</u>	<u>End of 1Q89</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		
Checking Account	\$ 2,011.69	\$ 7,092.52
Savings & Loan	6,608.50	1,524.45
Dreyfus Account	<u>327.68</u>	<u>6,986.55</u>
TOTAL	\$ 8,947.87	\$15,603.52
INCOME		
Donations	\$28,952.70	\$ 7,394.85
Sales	1,887.38	2,923.17
Interest	<u>443.02</u>	<u>157.52</u>
TOTAL	\$31,283.10	\$10,475.54
EXPENDITURES		
Grants/investigations	\$34,338.80	\$ 4,949.70
Mail services	3,885.99	2,800.25
Phone	162.07	401.48
Supplies	94.13	152.75
Other	<u>1,882.00</u>	<u>1,294.36</u>
TOTAL	\$40,362.99	\$ 9,598.54

As the Treasurer's Report indicates, this was a record-shattering quarter for the Fund, both in terms of income as well as expenditures. Largely because of the TREAT Conference, we raised nearly \$29,000 and spent over \$34,000 in grants and investigations, including \$21,000 for the conference, \$10,000 to support further research into the MJ-12 documents, \$2,000 to assist Budd Hopkins in his abduction research and more than \$1,100 to investigate the controversial "Discovery" audio transmission. This unprecedented level of support for scientific UFO research would not have been possible without the generous support of the Fund's major contributors, including Whitley Strieber, MUFON and CUFOS, as well as a prominent individual who prefers to remain anonymous.

We are pleased to note two new publications being offered for the first time by the Fund: Analysis of the Gulf Breeze Videotape by Dr. Maccabee and The Blue Book Unknowns by Don Berliner, both members of the Executive Committee. Dr. Maccabee's paper complements his earlier work, A History of the Gulf Breeze, Florida, Sightings, and represents a significant contribution to what is probably the most intensive UFO case investigation of the decade. Mr. Berliner's paper also is a valuable contribution to UFO history by presenting--for the first time--a catalog of the "unknowns" identified by the US Air Force with the names of the witnesses.

In an effort to provide more rapid response to requests for sales items, the Executive Committee has decided to turn fulfillment of sales over to a professional management firm, which has necessitated a slight increase in postage and handling costs. Remember that half of the price you pay for publications goes to support scientific research into the UFO phenomenon. Income from sales and contributions are our only sources of revenue, and it is only through your support that we will be able to resolve the UFO mystery.