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Re: Financing For Hearings In Congress,(idea)

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 03 May 1997 11:52:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Financing For Hearings In Congress,(idea)

>From: EdKomarek@aol.com
>Date: Fri, 2 May 1997 15:24:11 -0400 (EDT)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>cc: skywatch@phoenix.net, iufo@world.std.com
>Subject: Re, Re Financing For Hearings In Congress,(idea)

>>Date: Thu, 1 May 1997 00:50:52 -0500 (CDT)
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Financing For Hearings In Congress,(idea)

>>>A POTENTIAL INTRODUCTORY LETTER
>>>Toward gaining corporate financing for hearings in Congress
>>>By Ed Komarek

[snip]

>>I happen to personally know the CEO of a Fortune 500 company
>>-- involved in aeronautics -- and I can assure you that your
>>letter, as worded, will not get past the proverbial first base.
>>In the unlikely event that it does, however, it will do us more
>>harm than good.

>>"Oh, ufologists," I can hear him saying now. "Aren't they the
>>people who can't even spell, let alone back up their claims?
>>And I'm supposed to put my good corporate name (and that of my
>>stockholders) behind their efforts to petition congress? Maybe
>>when pigs fly -- unless you try to tell me that flying pigs are
>>reverse-engineered UFOs."

[snip]

> Come on Dennis give me a break. That was simply a draft letter
>posted to a list. I edit and publish my own newspaper, Citizens Oversight,
>with a run of 30,000 copies that is just as good or better than any other
>newspaper in this area. I of course use spell check which I don't happen to
>have with this aol email. I just don't have the time right now to edit and
>spell check stuff. I would rather use the time in a more advantageous manner.
>Just hold you nose and read!

Ed,

Your letter, as you so glibly put it, is not "simply
a draft letter to a list"! Your headers show you posted
to at least two other lists. Of the three, two, that I
know of, are archived on a publicly accessed web-site.
There are probably many thousands of people reading your

'drafts'. Citing "time" really does not make it. What's wrong with composing your posts in a program that does spell check and then copying and pasting 'em into your AOL software?

>As for the rest of your post, well what can I say? A few errors in a >draft letter are relatively easy to correct. Your post speaks volumes about >you, MUFON and the quality of your leadership in that organization.

Tsk, tsk, Ed. Dennis made some valid points that don't warrant a pissy, personal-attack. He's right. You need to think a little harder about the overall image of ufology. Don't post 'draft' letters in very public forums. If you really want to help, use email to solicit opinions and suggestions - hell, there are a dozen or so damn good writers on this List who would be most happy to pool talent, privately, in order to make points for ufology.

Errol

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