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### Re: IHEDN Report

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>Subject: Re: IHEDN Report

>Dear Gildas,

>With the utmost respect for the group of French top army officials  
>that created the report, I don't think they understand much about  
>the internet or about selling hard copy for that matter. If they  
>want to sell the report the best thing for them to do is to produce  
>a copy of the report themselves and post it on the internet. Along  
>with a guideline of how to order the full text.

I hope that, once VSD will have sold most of its stock (I gathered that they printed 70,000 copies, and it is selling very well now in France in spite of utter mediatic silence), they will decide on some way to put it on the Internet. I suggest here that, if FUFOR translates it, they make an agreement with the author's group COMETA and the publisher VSD, tu put it on the Net.

As for the summary I intend to write, I know I don't need an authorization for that, but I agree to submit it for approval (actually I proposed that !) in order to give it more weight.

This being said, I want to warn that many people may be disapointed by the contents if they are hoping for sensational revelations. On the contrary, it is classical study, which does bring information on the organization of UFO studies in France. The big point is who signed it : "top brass" as you say !

Best regards  
Gildas Bourdais

Since they are not doing that the UFO community, and any other interested group for that matter, will for the most part rely on second hand accounts of the content of this report and on summaries made by persons not belonging to the group. Especially econd hand accounts could easily give a distorted image of the content of the text.

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They can sue whatever they like, but their demands will not hold up in court.

The reason that I am advising you about this is that I find it important that the main ingredients of the text come available to a large public.

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