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### Re: RIPT & MJ-12

From: Neil Morris <[Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
Date: Thu, 24 Jun 1999 13:04:59 +0100  
Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jun 1999 09:13:51 -0400  
Subject: Re: RIPT & MJ-12

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>Subject: Re: RIPT & MJ-12

>Re: RIPT & MJ-12

Hi Rodger,  
Some excellent points to chew over here,

>>From: Neil Morris <[Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk](mailto:Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk)>  
>>Date: Tue, 22 Jun 1999 15:37:14 +0100  
>>Fwd Date: Tue, 22 Jun 1999 10:55:07 -0400  
>>Subject: Re: RIPT & MJ-12

>Previously, Neil had offered:

>>The paper is also clearly not a teletype message, as Kevin  
>>points out teletype machines used (and still do) continuous roll  
>>paper which is just torn away as the message is complete, this  
>>makes a large "letter heading" on the paper impossible if it  
>>were teletype output.

> <snip>

>>And the document seems to mention:

>>"4" "VICTIMS" "WRECK" "CONVAY" "CRASHES" "MIDDAY" "STORY ADV"  
>>and might I also offer "EVEN PUT THEORY WEATATN BALLOONS"

>Hi, Neil.

>Some things I thought I'd throw into the mix.

>First, when I was a kid, there was an old (or I suppose new, at  
>that time) teletype machine at the TV station where my father  
>worked. The type it put out was identical to that of an old  
>Remington typerwriter my parents still have. Therefore, I'm not  
>sure that based on type, alone, could someone determine whether  
>the memo in question originated from a teletype machine though  
>some teletypes used upper case only.

The conclusion about the message not being teletype output  
wasn't arrived at by the "style" of format of the typeface etc  
but by the fact that on what can be "just" seen at the very top  
of the paper. Just visible is what appears to be the impression



fig = Shift to using figure set of characters.

If you were a real "guru" using the chart above you could learn to "read" the punched paper tape that was also used with the teletype machines, the chart "bits" refer directly to the punched holes in the tape the sprocket hole(spkt) is shown how it appeared in the tape.

As a point of interest, though the US military used all modes of communications, phone, teletype, radio, both phone and teletype were not classed as "secure". It wasn't until around 1955 that the mechanical "crypto" units were thought secure enough to be fitted to the military teletype network and "secure" traffic could be sent in an automated fashion. Prior to this all "secure" traffic went via courier or encrypted radio telegraphy (morse key and handy dandy code book!). This is why I feel the "message" could be a "secure" signal, it could have been received as "secure R/T", jotted down in pencil in it's code groups and forwarded to the "crypto" unit where it would be decoded and typed up on sheet stationery by a unit clerk ready for presentation. But if the message is related to the events at Roswell would the enormity of the situation even allow this type of traffic to go via a manual "crypto unit" ?. What sort of security clearance did the people in those units have? as they would have to handle at some point the traffic in "clear" and, of course have to read and understand it to process it. So, could it be the other "secure" alternative, a "courier" delivered message typed on the senders "unit stationery". It is the most secure (least eyes) method, but it would also have the disadvantage of being the slowest too.

>And lastly, the news department had a habit of stamping the top  
>of a teletype after it came in, for whatever reason. I'm not  
>familiar with the habits of the military back in those days. Is  
>it possible that they, too, stamped teletypes upon receipt? If  
>so, it might explain the "header" at the top of the memo. Just a  
>thought...

This sort of ties in with your first point, both the "heading" and the "seal" could be "stamped", but their placement seems quite accurate and ordered, not the result of "stamping", I also feel the size of the "header" works against it being stamped. The "seal", what can be made out of it, also seems a lot more detailed than the samples of circular "stamped" seals I have seen on documents of this date, many were of just the std "received" or automated "received/date /time" type or simple dept/group identifiers and didn't include the amount of detail the "message" seal seems to have.

Neil.

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