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Greetings to UFO Update Contributors,

The official history of Operation Paperclip (aka Project Paperclip), formerly known as Operation Overcast before it was compromised, has been obtained by Wendy Connors and Michael Hall. These files, containing approximately 2000+ documents, are now housed at the Project SIGN Research Center Archives and have not been circulated to the public before this time. These documents detail the exploitation of German scientist's and technicians to the United States at the end of WW II and how they were integrated into this nations scientific resources.

Although these documents do not contain information relating directly to unidentified flying objects, they are important to ufologists for several reasons. First, these documents show what each scientist was working on while at Wright Field (Wright-Patterson AFB) and the subsequent release of many of these scientists to assist various corporations in the U. S. in regards to aeronautics, etc. Secondly, the history gives a detailed look at the lack of manpower, equipment and funding for research following the transition from a wartime based economy to that of a peace time economy and the inherent difficulties sustained by the Air Force during this time. Third, these documents give an insight into the men and organization which would later take on the first official investigation of unidentified flying objects under Project SIGN. Project SIGN being the first official UFO investigation and followed by Projects Grudge and Blue Book in subsequent years. Lastly, these documents provide a look into many of the various projects being conducted by both the military and the U.S. corporations contracted in the fields of aeronautics.

At this time no documentation within these histories has lead to concrete factuality of the U.S. military being involved in advanced low aspect ratio aircraft of a lenticular or disc-shaped design beyond the capabilities of technology inherent for the times, nor in the factuality of the German Third Reich having such advanced aircraft as a conventional flying saucer as envisioned and understood by the majority in the field of ufology. However, these documents, as well as others recently obtained, do show that the limited funding available for research and development during the 1946-1949 time period were used primarily in jet engine technology and rocket technology.

As time permits many of the most important documents will be made available to researchers. Due to cost factors involved we ask that those researchers who are sent documents to please forward copies to other researchers in order to gain the widest distribution possible.

Thank you,

Wendy Connors and Michael Hall  
Project SIGN Research Center and  
Project Blue Book Research Center

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