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### Re: Long-Withheld 'UFO' Documents Revealed

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>Long-Withheld UFO Documents Revealed  
>By Patrick Huyghe  
>special to space.com  
>posted: 02:43 pm EST  
>13 January 2000

>The UFO controversy is full of strange stories, but this may be  
>the strangest yet.

>Few people are aware that a few years ago, Philip Klass, the  
>lone-gun UFO skeptic despised by believers as "the enemy",  
>managed to do something that the most devoted researchers had  
>attempted for years without success -- getting the super-secret  
>National Security Agency (NSA) to release portions of its  
>long-withheld UFO documents.

>The surprise move by Klass could have backfired, but instead has  
>turned into a remarkable coup.

>The heart of the matter

>For the past two decades, the Holy Grail of those who believe  
>the government is staging a massive cover-up of UFO evidence has  
>been the 156 UFO-related documents that the NSA has refused  
>since 1979 to release in any shape or form.

Hi,

This is all fascinating but can someone who has these documents explain the things about the originally censored release that intrigued me?

For example, why do the NSA refer to UFOs as 'surprise' material? Is this terminology now simply explained?

Why was even the title of the research paper into UFOs, referenced by the files, censored?

Have either of these questions been clarified by the new release?

Best wishes,  
Jenny Randles

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