

during an already scheduled meeting rather than after it as originally planned. The style, the format, the approach, the type, everything else about the memo looked genuine. Certainly, most people wouldn't address a four-star general with the notion that "your concurrence in the above arrangements is assumed," but apparently that was standard practice for Cutler. And Lay would have known this from having such close association with him at this time for well over a year. One can envision a conversation in which Ike says "with regard to that matter that we discussed earlier, there's been a slight change in plans. Please notify Twining that the briefing will take place during the already scheduled meeting rather than afterwards." This doesn't reveal anything classified, it gives no clue, but it does tell Lay what he needs to know. If he dashed off a very brief memo, it would have gone in the bag to Twining (at the Pentagon) who could make appropriate arrangements.

The question of the type on the Cutler Twining memo is also an interesting one. Dr. Bruce MacCabee and Robert Swiatek of the Fund for UFO Research, spent some time going through the relatively small amount of declassified National Security Council material from the Eisenhower era that is available at the National Archives in Washington. They were able to determine that there were three different typewriters in use there and probably more than that. But even from that small sample of material there were two different larger pica type styles, as well as an elite type typewriter. The question of the type style was brought to a head by Philip J. Klass who has become quite a public figure on the basis of his debunking of UFO material, typically in formats where there is no opposition, and taking full advantage of his position as a former senior avionics editor for Aviation Week and Space Technology. Klass has for more than two decades been attacking anything pro-UFO. His approach is a kind of damn-the-torpedoes, full-speed-ahead, don't-bother-me-with-the-facts-my-mind-is-made-up. He has published four books about UFOs. He has written a number of articles, especially for the Skeptical Inquirer, and he is a head of the UFO sub-committee of the Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims Of the Paranormal (CSICOP). He claims there are no UFO sightings that cannot be explained! It is interesting that in his four books he never once mentions Project Blue Book Special Report 14 the largest study ever done for the United States Air Force. I presume this is because the public doesn't know about it and is not aware that it contains powerful evidence that some UFOs are alien spacecraft (i.e. 21.5% of 3201 sightings were UNKNOWNS).

Klass has been attacking, as will be discussed in some detail later, the MJ-12 items right from the start. CSICOP put out almost immediately after the documents' publication, an inaccurate press release calling it a clumsy counterfeit, etc. In any event, at the beginning of 1989 Klass finally realized that the Cutler Twining memo was done in large pica type and wrote me:

"I challenge you to produce known to be authentic White