



UFO DOCUMENTS - Stanton Friedman, consulting scientist, nuclear physicist and ufologist holds up two unidentified flying object-related documents. In his left hand is a photo of a page from the controversial

president-elect briefing paper from 1952 that allegedly discusses the American government recovering an alien spacecraft that crashed in the New Mexico desert in 1947.

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UFO Expert Excited About Newly Released Documents

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Debate is raging in the Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) community around the world about a controversial set of leaked, top secret U.S. government documents which, if real, seem to indicate that a spacecraft and its alien crew which crashed in the New Mexico desert in 1947 was recovered and covered up by the Truman government.

The documents are allegedly briefing papers dated Nov. 18, 1952 for president-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower informing him of the existence of the craft, its occupants and a mysterious government group called Majestic-12 created by President Harry S. Truman in the year of the crash to study the remains.

The documents were leaked to UFO experts Jaime Shandera and William Moore in December of 1984 in the form of a roll of film. Mr. Moore has not identified who sent him the film but states he has a number of well-placed contacts within the American intelligence community.

For Stanton Friedman of Fredericton, nuclear physicist, world-recognized lecturer on UFO's and a friend and colleague of Mr. Moore and Mr. Shandera, the documents, if real, are finally concrete proof that there has been a Cosmic Watergate for the past 40 years.

"It is relatively easy to establish there is a cover up,"

classified UFO documents released by the American government when there have been repeated denials in the past that such documents exist.

"That's different from saying you know what they're covering up," he continued.

The 1947 crash is one of the best documented cases in UFO history. It came at the end of the Big Noise, a two week period in the United States beginning June 24, 1947 when UFO reports were logged in 40 states, in many cases by airline pilots and military personnel.

Then on the evening of July 2, 1947 what has come to be called the Roswell Incident began. According to Mr. Friedman on that evening a bright, disc-shaped object passed low over the city of Roswell, New Mexico travelling in a north-westerly direction and moments later, 75 miles from the city over a remote sheep ranch, the object exploded scattering debris and ejecting four humanoid bodies over a wide area.

The site was discovered by a local ranch manager named W. W. Mac Brazel but because there was no telephone in the area it took several days for the report to reach the nearby U.S. Army Airforce Roswell Field Base, explained Mr. Friedman.

The base was the home of the 509th Bomb Group of the Eighth Air Force, a highly sensitive installation where the only force of bombers in the world at that time that were trained to drop the atom bomb were deployed.