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These scientists, together with selected CIA personnel, associate scientists and Blue Book personnel met on January 14, 1953. A speedy four days and eight meetings later, they reported their conclusions to the CIA.

These results, appended to the declassified Robertson Report as "Tab A", concluded the following: 1. that the UFOs were not hostile and did not indicate a need for revision of current scientific concepts; 2. that the emphasis on UFO sightings would be a threat to the orderly functioning of the protective organs of the body politic; 3. that national security agencies should strip the UFOs of their aura of mystery; 4. that national policies of intelligence, training and public education should be instituted to recognize promptly and react effectively to true indications of hostile intent or action.

In studying the declassified conclusions, one is struck