

Klass's detailed report on the counterfeit MJ-12 papers will appear in the Winter 1987 edition of CSICOP's publication, The Skeptical Inquirer.

STF: No evidence whatsoever that the memos are counterfeit.

STF: Fabrication of counterfeit U.S. government documents is illegal, Klass noted, and he believes that those who concocted the MJ-12 documents to dupe the public and fool the news media should be brought to justice. STF: How about those like Klass and Kurtz who concoct explanations to dupe the media and public?

Klass invited Moore and his associates to join his own efforts toward that goal and expressed the hope that they will now be more responsive than in the past to his requests for information in their possession which might aid in pinpointing the person(s) responsible for fabricating the hoax documents. STF: Klass has refused to provide copies of his letter to the FBI and other materials. He also didn't provide copies of the documents for media review. Why?

Moore recently indicated that he has additional documents beyond the MJ-12 papers, which he may soon release. Klass said he "hopes Moore and his associates will make a more rigorous study of their authenticity to avoid a repetition of their earlier mistakes and further duping of the public."

STF: Here again it is CSICOP which needs to provide rigor rather than blatant misrepresentation. Kurtz expressed the hope that news media which gave such widespread publicity to the MJ-12 papers when they were released in late May will promptly inform their readers/viewers/listeners that the papers are a hoax. STF: The real hoax is this blatant and massive misrepresentation of the facts about all aspects of the MJ-12 Documents and the events near Roswell in 1947.

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STF: The above News Release certainly qualifies as a textbook example of propaganda with selective choice of data, positive and negative name calling & misrepresentation. Notice the complete failure to deal with the contents of the briefing, total lack of mention of: the title of the book "The Roswell Incident"; that there have been six papers (all still in print) published since; that Moore and Friedman found and interviewed 92 persons and very supportive documents, articles, etc while Klass talked to none; that there were very important interlocking relationships among the MJ-12; that very surprising evidence was turned up about the super sceptic Dr. Donald Menzel (one of MJ-12) clearly indicating his suitability for MJ-12 despite his subsequent 3 anti-UFO books; that the date of the Truman-Forrestal memo was the only date when they and Bush met together in the last half of 1947, that Ike did indeed receive a briefing from an MJ-12 member (Twining) on Nov. 18, 1952 (the date of the briefing document); that the Ike Library did NOT do an exhaustive search for Cutler memos and did not review the 250,000 pages of NSC material they have from the Ike years; that the Moore-Friedman research had clearly established that there was a crash, retrieval, cover-up of alien bodies and saucer at Roswell; that 5 people saw the symbols mentioned in the briefing; that civilians were debriefed; that a fake balloon story was concocted; that all the right people were in the right places at the right time; that other evidence clearly implicates Bush's involvement, etc etc.

Anybody who accepts Klass' completely inadequate research as the final word probably believes in the tooth fairy, the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus.

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