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Joseph

I am a researcher here in Canada who researches the role of the President and the White House in the UFO mystery.

In a recent trip to the National Security Archives in Washington I came across a set of files connected to a proposed UFO segment planned for PBS "Frontline". I don't believe it ever came to pass.

Of the many stories they were investigating was the story of presidential knowledge of the subject. Of the couple presidential related stories, one mentioned your name. I hope you can clear up if it is accurate, and add the whole story.

The reference to you comes in a letter from Gus Russo to Mike Sullivan (Senior Producer Frontline) at PBS related to a possible briefing given to former President Jimmy Carter.

"Chickadee - Scott Jones, former aide to Sen. Claiborne Pell, extremely well connected, with numerous highly placed government sources, former ONI, runs the well funded Human Potentials Foundation (Laurance Rockefeller); claims to have information on presidential briefings, including three sources on Carter briefing. Told Stefula that Rev. Billy Graham "holds president's hands" during UFO briefings." From Russo to Sullivan (Re:preliminary UFO Report) 4/29/94

Is this accurate? Can you add anything?

In a related vein I would like to know if you have heard the story of Harvey Jack McGeorge and the story in was in a briefing given to President Carter?

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I hope you can help clear some of this up for me.

Grant Cameron

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Editor:

Finally a fresh breeze in among the rhetoric of the "same old stuff," rehashing of the news of yesteryear. I refer to Michael Lindemann's article in your Forum section (Vol. 6, No. 2): Many of us in the world of ufology were beginning to piece this together, especially with the close of the Gulf War. Please give us more up-to-date and futuristic information. We need to study and prepare!

*N. Zajac, Ph.D.
Seattle, WA*

Editor:

Regarding your article focusing on the confusion surrounding Project Aquarius (Vol. 6, No. 2): There is some published research which may lend credence to Howard Blum's information. In his 1987 book *Margins of Reality*, Princeton professor and top aerospace engineer Robert Jahn reports his research results into various psychic phenomena, including what he refers to as "remote viewing," the seeming counterpart to Blum's "scannate." For those interested, the book was published by Harvest/HBJ.

*Kevin L. Wright
Mayfield, NY*

Editor:

Re your article "The Strange Case of Aquarius D." I made a request to Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in late 1984, based on a lead from Bill Moore. The response referred to in his MJ-12 report proves that at least one such project existed.

It is my understanding that MJ-12 simply functions as the administrative authority over UFO/extraterrestrial activity. Aquarius operates as an overall communications and research project under their control. Of course this had to be funded covertly in the defense and intelligence community budgets. This kind of shell game seems perfectly consistent with the idea of keeping things hidden from the public and congressional oversight committees. The intelligence budget for fiscal 1991 is a record \$30 billion out of an

overall defense budget of \$300 billion.

As far as Howard Blum's book is concerned, I found the reference to remote viewing to be somewhat consistent with other information I am aware of. This is the only time I have ever heard that it was directly connected to the name "Aquarius." Considering the many other unverifiable things in this work, I must remain interested but skeptical.

*Brian Parks
Torrance, CA*

Editor:

Though the Roswell case has its detractors, I believe there is a ufological consensus that it reflects what J. Allen Hynek once graphically provided on a strangeness/reliability index as having maximal probity. However, that fact should give no comfort to ufologists who daily pine for the breakthrough case which changes history. We all have our candidate cases to vie with Roswell. One that comes to mind is the 1990 Soviet case, where the head of Soviet defense discussed the sighting by 100 trained observers of a disc, 100-200 meters in diameter. Though Foreign Broadcast Information Service translated and distributed the article to U.S. officials, only *MUFON UFO Journal* published it. Ufology needs to do more than preach to the converted.

*Robert H. Bletchman
Manchester, CT*

Editor:

I find a lot of humor in your magazine. In the years since the saucers over Washington, D.C.—which I found so exciting—I've had some good sightings myself. But reporting anything is a fool's waste of time. And maybe my search for *real* information is foolish, but once you see UFOs you want to KNOW.

That's why I find humor in the writers who try so hard to explain away sightings, as does John Keel. He assumes Americans don't know Oriental printing when they see it. And Ron Schaffner seems to think the Russian alphabet looks like

hieroglyphic-type lettering. How funny can you get?

*Marie Hicks
Rancho Cordova, CA*

Editor:

I take exception to your articles on Bill Cooper, along with John Lear and Robert Lazar. The same with Ed Walters (Vol. 5, Nos. 4 and 5; Vol. 6, No. 1). You seem to be leaning toward discrediting these three. A smear campaign fits the bill. I hope your magazine goes back into balance, or I will have to look elsewhere for the truth.

*Richard Reid
Denver, CO*

Ed note: I've said it before and I will say it again. The so-called "whistle-blowers" deserve scrutiny. The only way to get to the truth is to eliminate the b.s. first. The "balance" you want sounds like it may be an indiscriminate acceptance of paranoia and disinformation. You may have to go elsewhere, because you will NOT find that in UFO. To other readers—more extensive replies to some of our past editorial can be found in the Forum section.

Editor:

Why are scientists still looking for some clue to the so-called Unified Field in their search for the secret of gravity? They can look 'til doomsday. "There ain't no such thing!"

Gravity effects are produced by a highly penetrating radiation in the electromagnetic spectrum. The frequency range is located between the lower portion of the infrared spectrum and the radar band.

The secret of gravity has been known by government scientists since the '50s!

*Milan Rafayko
Lexington, KY*

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Chances Now for Tax Rebate . . . Official Word Coming On "UFO's" . . . If Ham Jordan Won't Answer a Call—

Odds now are better than 50-50 that President Carter's proposal for a \$50 tax rebate will be killed in Congress.

Before the year is out, the Government—perhaps the President—is expected to make what are described as "unsettling disclosures" about UFO's—unidentified flying objects. Such revelations, based on information from the CIA, would be a reversal of official policy that in the past has downgraded UFO incidents.

The serious nature of the acute dental problems that afflict Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev is underscored by this report reaching Western intelligence agents: Brezhnev walked out of a meeting in the Kremlin, yanked out his dentures and threw them on the floor.

Some White House advisers already are reconciling themselves not only to congressional action overturning Carter's decision to cut back water projects, but also to an override of any presidential veto of bills providing money for such projects.

Soviet diplomats are letting it be known that they consider the President's reported plan to name a political appointee as Ambassador to Moscow "naïve and stupid." According to these officials, the best U.S. ambassadors have been career men with a background in Russian affairs.

From one Governor after a meeting with Andrew Young, Ambassador to the U.N.: "As long as you talk Africa with him, he's with you. As far as the rest of the world is concerned, he couldn't care less."

Getting serious consideration by Republican leaders is the idea of a party

miniconvention next year as a forum for publicizing the party's candidates for Congress in 1978—and for assailing Carter's record.

No issue has drawn as much mail to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare as the Government's ban on saccharin. About 600 to 800 letters a day are pouring into the agency, nearly all in opposition to the ban.

Several key members of Congress report that, after the frustrations of trying unsuccessfully to reach top White House aide Hamilton Jordan by phone, they have called the President himself—and were put right through.

The way many diplomatic experts see it, the U.S. is likely to give Egypt's Anwar Sadat most of what he wants, including more arms, to maintain his role as the most influential Arab leader in the Middle East. Should he lose out, it is feared, extremists would take over and sabotage peace prospects.

A surprisingly harsh attack on Carter by AFL-CIO leader Lane Kirkland, in a speech to a union meeting on April 5, was a carefully calculated attempt to shake up the President. It reflects the feeling of union leaders that, though Carter listens to them, he ignores virtually all their requests.

Once bitter enemies, Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito and Albania's Enver Hoxha suddenly are developing friendly relations. Reason: Both fear Soviet plots inside their countries.

Despite avowals of openness, Carter aides are having second thoughts about discussing sensitive issues with committees of Congress. Complained one of them: "Secrets told even in closed

sessions circulate through Washington in hours."

Democratic leaders already are grooming Tom Bradley, a black who was re-elected Mayor of Los Angeles by a wide margin, to take the Senate seat of Republican S. I. Hayakawa in 1982.

The Administration's plan to make coal the nation's key fuel is causing concern among many businessmen who fear that it will vest "OPEC-like control" over the U.S. economy in the hands of a United Mine Workers union already plagued by internal dissension and inability to keep its members in line.

Canadian officials now admit that they miscalculated early this year in warning that the U.S. would get no Canadian natural gas next winter. Supplies are enough to permit the flow to continue for at least three or four years.

Among the sticky internal conflicts to be ironed out by Defense Secretary Harold Brown: sharp differences among the armed services on how much detail to make public on junkets arranged by the military for members of Congress. One branch now thinks that it tells too much, even revealing the brands of liquor stocked for trips.

Cuban officials are puzzled by Carter's interest in resuming ties with them. As one put it: "It wasn't an issue in his presidential campaign, so why is he moving so fast after the inauguration?"

One Russian official's explanation of the progress of human rights in the Soviet Union: "Under Stalin, dissident Andrei Sakharov would have been killed rather than allowed to stay alive and complain about injustice."