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January 10, 1969

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Dear Luther:

Thank you for the memo and the  
speech by Professor <sup>John M.</sup> Logsdon.

I'll bring it to the President's attention.

Sincerely,

W. Thomas Johnson  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Luther <sup>†</sup>Holcomb  
Office of the Vice Chairman  
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20506

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December 4, 1968

*Linda*  
Dear Miss Butera:

Your letter of October 16, 1968, has been referred to me for reply. Your questions on two topics, President Kennedy's assassination and UFO's, have been referred to other Government agencies. I will address myself to your questions about Vietnam.

I appreciate your concern about the vital issues confronting all of us in Vietnam, and to judge from your rather formidable list of questions, you have been giving it a lot of thought. As you say in your introductory paragraphs, you have a right to know the answers.

Let me quickly run over your questions, and then suggest you read some of the enclosed statements of the Secretary of State and the President which deal with why we are fighting in Vietnam.

First, we are in Vietnam to demonstrate that aggression does not pay, to honor commitments we have made, to provide a shield for the Vietnamese and other free Asian peoples to develop their own institutions without outside interference, and to stop Communist power before it engulfs other areas of Asia and endangers our security.

Second, we do not consider ourselves an "international police force." We claim no universal right of intervention. However, where our vital interests are at stake, there is a responsibility to take the steps necessary to safeguard national security.

Third, the best answer to your question about whether the Vietnamese want to be saved, or whether they wouldn't be better off under a Communist regime, is in the actions of the great majority of the South Vietnamese themselves. They have suffered higher casualties, have fought longer, and have endured far greater hardships as a result of their resistance to a Communist takeover than we have. The implacable South Vietnamese resistance of Communist aggression is one of the central facts of the Vietnamese situation. It is also a salient difference between the Cuban and Vietnamese situations. The Cubans generally welcomed Castro. The

South Vietnamese, however, know what Ho Chi Minh and the North Vietnamese Communists will do to their country. The great majority of the people of the South want no part of it. They have voted that conviction in free elections and have fought that conviction throughout this long and brutal war.

Fourth, what will we do with the country if we achieve our limited objectives of defeating aggression? The President has promised to provide massive economic assistance to restore the damage caused by the war and help the Vietnamese develop their economy. (We have a hopeful precedent in Korea, which has made massive strides since 1953.) He has even offered to assist North Vietnam if that country will stop its aggression and join with other Southeast Asian nations in peaceful, cooperative development of the region.

Finally, I can assure you categorically that the President is not guided in any way by economic considerations in his effort to resist aggression in Southeast Asia. If he thought that spending money would avert a depression, I am sure he would infinitely prefer spending it on solving the problems of our cities, of our poor, or of the poor nations of the world. The war in Vietnam makes no sense in purely economic terms, since the losses in men and expenditures of money far exceed any conceivable economic advantages which might result. However, the war will have made sense in terms of our security if the security of Asia is reestablished and the people of that region are allowed to determine their future in peace.

I hope you will read the material I am sending along. I think it will help you understand why we are in Vietnam.

Sincerely yours,

Marshall Wright

Miss Linda Satosa  
1771 Interlake Drive  
Wanagh, New York 11793

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October 30, 1968

The Honorable Joseph Califano  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Califano:

It was very good to see you last week and I wish to thank you for your interest in our space program and the frank advice you gave me.

In line with your good arrangements I chatted briefly with Jim Webb over the telephone while in Washington and we are planning to get together for a longer discussion very soon.

Should anything new and vital develop, I will be in touch with you. Many thanks and best wishes in the meanwhile.

Cordially,

John G. Meitner, Manager  
Aerospace Systems Program

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

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August 20, 1968

*James O.*  
Dear Senator ~~Eastland~~:

I have completed a review of the proposed legislation, S. 3451, regarding the recognition of Vincent J. Burnelli for contributions to aeronautical science and technology.

Mr. Burnelli's career spanned nearly a half-century in which aviation progressed from the sticks and baling wire era to the supersonic transport. His contributions to the field during this period ranged from principal designer of the Lawson Airliner, the first U.S. aircraft specifically designed for passenger service, to various types of retractable landing gear and early use of wing slats for better low speed performance. He has held, singly or jointly, over 50 patents in the field.

His chief preoccupation, however, and the development with which his name was most often associated was the lifting fuselage or airfoil fuselage design. More than one-half of Mr. Burnelli's patents were related to this development, and most of his life was spent in building, testing and attempting to sell this design concept for a variety of uses.

He succeeded in constructing a series of aircraft based upon his airfoil fuselage design, beginning with the RB-2 in 1924 followed by the CB-16 in 1928, the Uppercue-Burnelli (UB) series in the 1930's, the XCG-16 glider during World War II, and the CBY-3 built in Canada during the late 1940's. Although these aircraft were constructed and flown and in several cases sold commercially, wide acceptance of the design was never achieved. To the best of my knowledge, no aircraft are being constructed today which utilize Mr. Burnelli's design. This failure to gain general acceptance apparently was not due to substantial design flaws, although there were numerous minor problems typical of new designs, but rather seem to have been related to the unconventional approach taken by Mr. Burnelli. The record is not clear, but there also appears to have been a number of unfortunate circumstances which adversely affected the further development of this design concept at

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August 6, 1968

Dear Mr. Easley:

In response to your letter of August 1st to the President, he does not expect to be in Washington on August 17th whereby consideration might be given to your request to talk with him.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

James R. Jones  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Robert S. Easley  
Assistant Editor  
UFO Magazine  
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Defiance, Ohio 43512

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**ROBERT S. EASLEY**  
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1 August 1968

Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson  
President: United States of America  
White House  
Washington  
D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am sure you are somewhat aware of the mystery and intrigue surrounding the phenomena of Unidentified Flying Objects here in the U.S. as well as all over the world. This phenomena has been a continuing one since Biblical times and will no doubt continue on into the future for generations to come.

Last Monday, 29 July 1968, six prominent Scientists met with the House Science Committee to discuss the possibility of a scientific study done in the field of UFOs. I think you will agree with me that a scientific study is urgently needed to once and for all identify the UFOs.

I will be in Washington on the nite of 17 August 1968 and would consider it an honor, privilege and great opportunity to meet with you to discuss UFOs; if you can possibly arrange it in your schedule as I know you are an extremely busy man. I would even appreciate just five minutes of your valuable time.

I sincerely hope that a meeting - if even very brief - can be arranged sometime during the night of 17 August. As an American citizen I would also like to meet the Leader of our great Nation.

Thank you for the time given to this letter.

Cordially yours,

*Robert S. Easley*

Robert S. Easley: Ass't Editor;  
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20546

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July 25, 1968

IN REPLY REFER TO: C:N47582 F

Mr. Alfred C. Strohlein  
3559 Jewell Street  
San Diego, California 92109

Dear Mr. Strohlein:


Your letter of June 25, 1968 to the President of the United States regarding the space-adapted goggles supplied by Dr. John Colvin has been referred to me for reply.

We appreciate your interest and concern in bringing Dr. Colvin's efforts to our attention. Dr. Colvin has shown a special interest in our space program which, as you know, has resulted in a direct exchange of correspondence between Dr. Colvin and Astronaut Schirra.

Since the Manned Spacecraft Center at Houston is still evaluating the work of Dr. Colvin, which has been donated on a personal basis, the extent to which his contributions will be utilized is not yet known.

We look forward to continuing this fine relationship with Dr. Colvin, and I want to personally thank you for your interest in the space program.

Sincerely yours,

  
George E. Mueller  
Associate Administrator  
for Manned Space Flight

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July 1, 1968

Dear Mr. Thorne:

We have your letter of June 26 concerning an interview with the President for your proposed book on the space program. I am sorry to advise you that the President is unable to grant such requests. The number of them has been consistently large, but his announcement of March 31 somehow spawned many more. He has reluctantly decided that other obligations of his office must have prior claims on his time, so that he must stand on his public statements rather than grant interviews.

Sincerely,

George Christian  
Press Secretary  
to the President

Mr. Bliss Kirby Thorne<sup>x\*</sup>  
One Mall Coach Circle  
Wilton, Connecticut 06897

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON  
June 22, 1968

*Bill  
Kirby  
Thorne*

FOR MILDRED STEGALL

FROM: George Christian *gc*

Will you have a name check  
done on Bill Kirby Thorne,  
please?

Thank you.

*6/26/68  
There is no derogatory  
information in the FBI  
files.  
m. Stegall*

Bliss Kirby Thorne  
One Mail Coach Circle  
Wilton, Connecticut 06897

June 20, 1968

Mr. George Christian  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Christian:

A recent interview with James Webb completed two years of research on a book I am writing under contract to Coward-McCann about the space program. Its purpose is to show that we must continue the program after Project Apollo to exploit, for public benefit, our new technological gains in meteorology, communications, earth resources and other fields.

It is essential for me to have President Johnson's views about this. Can a very brief appointment be arranged? The book will be published after NASA's 1968-69 budget has been approved and so will have nothing to do with that.

I will be very grateful to hear from you. Thanks a great deal.

Sincerely,

B. K. Thorne

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Mr. John M. <sup>X</sup>Logsdon  
 Assistant Professor of  
 Political Science  
 The Catholic University  
 of America  
 Washington, D.C. 20017

Dear Professor Logsdon:

Many thanks for your letter of May 31, 1968, concerning your book on Government's lunar landing program.

As you know, most of the documents on this subject are still restricted. I quite understand your interest in obtaining more detailed material in this area, and I am asking Dr. Edward Welsh, Executive Director of the National Aeronautics and Space Council, to contact you about this problem.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. ISI  
 Special Assistant to the President

cc: Dr. Edward Welsh

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The Catholic University of America  
Washington 17, D. C.  
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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS

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Please give me by 6/16  
a response so you  
you will know  
that.

Dear Mr. Califano:

For the past year, I have been preparing a book reconstructing and analyzing the events leading to the 1961 decision to set a manned lunar landing before 1970 as a national goal. Then Vice-President Johnson, as Chairman of the National Aeronautics and Space Council, played a central role in formulating the recommendations upon which the decision was made. This research will also serve as the basis for my doctoral dissertation in political science at New York University. I am currently discussing with Prentice-Hall, Little-Brown, and M.I.T. Press the publication of the book.

I understand that you are currently involved in assembling the historical record of the Johnson Administration. I am writing you on the chance that you are also interested in compiling the history of the President's time as Vice-President, and thus might be interested in the progress of my work. I also hope that you might be able to help me in the following three ways:

1. I would like to obtain access to the Space Council files on the decision-making process. I have been in touch with Dr. Welsh of the Space Council throughout my research, and he has read and commented upon early drafts of my historical chapters. I have not made this request to him, since it is only the President who could release these documents for historical research;

2. I would also like to obtain access to the Bureau of the Budget files on the decision. I have been in contact with Mr. Young and Mr. Crabill of the BOB, and they also believe that it will require a White House decision to grant me such access.

3. I would like to obtain an interview with the President to discuss with him his recollections of the events involved in the acceleration of the space program in early 1961 -- specifically, the selection of James Webb to head NASA, the White House discussions that led to the decision to challenge Russian supremacy in manned space flight, and the Space Council consultations that resulted in a recommendation for a manned lunar mission. I have already interviewed almost everyone else involved in these events, but Mr. Johnson's memories of them would be an extremely valuable asset in my research, since he was in the middle of space decision-making at that time.

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JOE CALIFANO, JR.

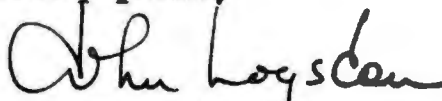
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I realize that many of the documents I would like to see are classified; I do have an active Secret clearance in connection with my summer work at NASA in their historical office. I am willing to abide by whatever conditions are necessary to safeguard classified and privileged information in this material.

Because the President did play such a key role in the lunar landing decision, I am sure that he will be interested in seeing as complete and accurate an account as possible prepared. I believe that I will prepare such an account -- you might want to check with Dr. Welsh regarding his opinion of what I have done to date. For this reason, I hope you are able to help me with any or all of the above requests. You can contact me at 589-0125 or at 711 Hudson Avenue, Takoma Park, Md. 20012.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John M. Logsdon".

John M. Logsdon  
Assistant Professor of  
Political Science

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

To: The Secretary of Defense

Date: May 3, 1968

ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:
  - President's signature.
  - Undersigned's signature.
- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
  - Furnish information copy.
- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
  - Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- For your information.
- For comment.

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If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

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To: The President +  
From: Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC, Ret., Director of National Investigations +  
Date: 4/30/68 Committee on Aerial Phenomena, 1536 Connecticut Ave, N.W.,  
Subject: Washington, D.C.

Submit evidence of deficiencies in University of Colorado UFO investigation, financed by Air Force with taxpayers' money; urge creation of Commission--offer assistance.

By direction of the President:

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Whitney Shoemaker  
Assistant to the President

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NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20036

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USMC (RET.) DIRECTOR

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30 April 1968

The Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

We believe it our duty to submit to you the enclosed evidence of grave deficiencies in the University of Colorado UFO investigation, financed by the Air Force with \$523,000 of taxpayers' money, which was publicly and officially announced as a totally objective scientific study.

Our knowledge is based on 17 months of close cooperation, at the Colorado Project's request. During this time we briefed and frequently conferred with Dr. E.U. Condon, project head, Mr. Robert J. Low, project coordinator, and the project scientists. Our investigating subcommittees, located throughout the country, aided in the training and operations of Project field teams. From our thousands of UFO reports, we released hundreds of cases at the project's request, many of them verified reports by scientists, veteran pilots, aerospace engineers, tower and radar operators and other competent observers. To help the project weed out hoaxes and unfounded claims of meetings with extraterrestrial beings, we privately briefed its members. Project scientists frequently visited and examined information at NICAP, which is the world's largest UFO fact-finding organization, with over 300 scientific, military and technical advisers.

In the Air Force-Colorado University contract (copy enclosed), Dr. Condon was named as the first principal investigator. Despite this, Dr. Condon has not made a single field investigation. He has not interviewed any of the pilots, scientists, aerospace engineers or other competent witnesses in the hundreds of cases supplied to the project. This was personally confirmed to me and to NICAP Assistant Director Gordon Lore by Coordinator Low and several times by Dr. David Saunders, project scientist in charge of the computer section.

In a number of press interviews with Dr. Condon (copies enclosed), it appeared that he was strongly biased and was rejecting evidence of UFO reality. Some of the quoted statements included: "My attitude right now is that there's nothing to it... but I'm not supposed to reach a conclusion for another year." Elmira N.Y. Star Gazette, January 26, 1967. "This is like being chief of a fire department that only answers false alarms... The whole business is crazy." Sydney, Australia, Sun-Herald, November 26, 1967. "...There would be no sense in our checking into routine reports." Rocky Mountain News, October 8, 1966. "It is highly improbable that they

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(UFOs) exist." Denver Post, October 8, 1966.

In September, 1967, NICAP ceased transmitting UFO reports to the Project after we learned there was a split, with Dr. Condon and Mr. Low evidently preparing for a negative conclusion, and the majority of the scientists, including Dr. David Saunders and Dr. Norman Levine, strongly opposed. In a visit to NICAP headquarters, Mr. Low admitted the project split. In the presence of Assistant Director Lore and myself, he also confirmed that Dr. Condon had made no field investigations or questioned witnesses and added, "If he were to write a report today, the conclusion would be negative."

On November 14, I sent a list of questions to Dr. Condon and Mr. Low, stating we would resume transmissions if the answers were satisfactory. The questions (copies enclosed) asked if Dr. Condon intended to make any investigations, if he had examined any of the hundreds of NICAP submitted reports, and if the project was actually objective and impartial, as stated by university officials, the Air Force and Dr. Condon himself.

Both Dr. Condon and Coordinator Low refused to answer the questions.

Shortly after this, I was privately given a copy of proposals made by Mr. Low to University Vice President Thurston Manning and other university faculty members, discussing whether to accept the Air Force offer and if so how to handle the investigation.

In this proposal memorandum by Mr. Low (copy enclosed), he summed up some of the faculty members' views as follows:

"In order to undertake such a project one has to approach it objectively. That is, one has to admit the possibility that such things as UFOs exist. It is not respectable to give serious consideration to such a possibility. Believers, in other words, remain outcasts.... Our study would be conducted almost exclusively by nonbelievers, who, although they couldn't possibly prove a negative result, could and probably would add an impressive body of evidence that there is no reality to the observations. The trick would be, I think, to describe the project so that, to the public, it would appear a totally objective study but, to the scientific community, would present the image of a group of nonbelievers trying their best to be objective but having an almost zero expectation of finding a saucer. One way to do this would be to stress investigation, not of the physical phenomena, but rather of the people who do the observing.... If the emphasis were put here... I think the scientific community would quickly get the message."

In the Air Force contract, signed by Vice President Manning and Dr. Condon, an entirely different set of Colorado University proposals was incorporated, including this statement:

"The work will be conducted under conditions of strictest objectivity by investigators who, as carefully as can be determined, have no predilections or preconceived positions on the UFO question. This is essential if the public, the Congress, the Executive and the scientific community are to have confidence in the study..."

At the request of Dr. David Saunders, we permitted our subcommittees to continue field-team cooperation, though we transmitted no further reports. Dr. Saunders explained that a majority group of project scientists still hoped to persuade Dr. Condon to take a different approach and examine all the serious evidence.

Some time later, a copy of the Low proposals was given to Dr. James E. McDonald, a University of Arizona atmospheric physicist who has carried out an extensive single-handed UFO investigation under a university grant.

Early in February, 1968, Dr. Condon and Mr. Low learned of this. Dr. Condon summarily discharged Drs. Saunders and Levine, who were chiefly involved in giving McDonald the document. In a press release, Dr. Condon stated the cause was "incompetence." The project administrative secretary, Mrs. Mary Louise Armstrong, resigned in disapproval of the firings and the handling of the project. Dr. Condon wrote McDonald and the President of the University of Arizona and demanded return of what he called "stolen" papers, but McDonald refused.

Shortly afterward, information about the firings, NICAP'S role, and the Low proposals was given to author John Fuller for an article in LOOK Magazine (copy enclosed). The article includes a box statement by me as to our long cooperation and the reasons for our final break with the Project.

We sincerely regret the failure of the project, to which so many people looked for a fully impartial UFO evaluation, if not final answers. We fear that public loss of confidence may make the project's report, being prepared by Mr. Low, of little value.

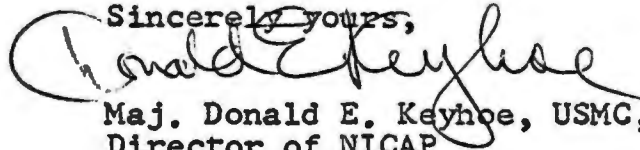
The most serious effect, we believe, is that Congress, the press and public may refuse belief in any further investigation arranged by the Defense Department, although we know of no evidence that the Air Force was aware of the negative proposals.

We respectfully suggest, Mr. President, that the void resulting from the Colorado fiasco be filled as soon as possible by the creation of a commission of carefully selected scientists, selected by you but completely independent of any military or civilian agency of the Government. From reactions to the Colorado situation, stated to us by NICAP advisers and outside scientists, we feel sure that scientists of high stature are available, with neither negative nor positive conclusions but convinced that the UFO situation is a problem serious enough to require total investigation.

We suggest that all major decisions of such a commission be by majority vote, that the chosen men be recognized authorities on astronomy, aerospace operations and planning, electronics, and other fields related to UFO investigations.

More detailed suggestions will be forwarded to you as soon as we study the opinions of our Board of Governors, advisers and outside scientists. Meantime, NICAP offers any such created commission its full cooperation, including our massive evidence, and the assistance of our field investigators.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donald E. Keyhoe". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, USMC, Ret.  
Director of NICAP

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James U.

March 19, 1968

Dear Mr. Van Valkenburg:

I appreciated very much your letter of March 14th and was happy to learn of your resolution supporting an exposition of flight in the United States.

I share your concern and trust that we will one day have an exposition that exceeds anything else in the world. You are no doubt aware that a flight exposition was held last year in Las Vegas. Although I have not heard whether or not the same will be done in 1968, I would trust that such is in the offing.

Warm regards to you.

Sincerely,

JAMES U. CROSS  
Colonel, U. S. Air Force  
Armed Forces Aide to the President

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Mr. George Van Valkenburg  
Director, Region Nine  
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MEMORANDUM to the Honorable H. Barefoot Sanders, Jr.  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Subject: Referral of March 3, 1968, letter from  
Congressman William F. Ryan to the President

As you may know, Congressman Ryan released his letter to the President to the press with the attached press release. In these circumstances, and in view of the fact that in the main his letter simply repeats allegations which he has made and to which we have replied numerous times in the past, we do not feel that it would be appropriate to make a further reply.

  
Robert F. Allnutt  
Assistant Administrator  
for Legislative Affairs

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House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515  
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1040 St. Nicholas Avenue  
New York, N. Y. 10032  
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FOR RELEASE TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1968  
CONTACT: SUSAN SAYER 225-6616

In a letter to the President dated March 3, Congressman Ryan quoted press reports that the President on March 1 spoke to NASA personnel in Houston of "little men with poison pens who will seek to scrub your great efforts." The Congressman stated, "I cannot believe that you intended to suggest that constructive criticism of any national program is undesirable."

In regard to the President's admonition that the lunar landing goal be met "on time," Congressman Ryan said further, "I cannot believe that you intended to ignore the difficulties and realities which face the space agency in this task or the necessary safeguards which are far more important to our national prestige and faith in the program than any landing deadline."

The Congressman pointed out that "The administration, in grappling with the financial problems created by a massive land war in Asia, severe urban crises, and an urgent need to re-evaluate national priorities, did its share in reducing the budget of the space agency before it ever reached the Congress."

The Congressman listed four major points "in the debate about the future of the space program." These included the implications of NERVA, duplication between NASA and Department of Defense programs, the objectives and value of manned vs. unmanned exploration, management problems and cost-inflation in the space program. On the last point he said, "NASA may point with proper pride to many achievements, but no government manager has the right to perpetuate unsatisfactory conditions and waste of public funds."

In regard to a manned Mars mission, Congressman Ryan listed "several speculations as to why such a mission has not been explicitly presented for approval... the cost would be phenomenal--far beyond anything yet contemplated by the American public...Other questions might be raised about the technical capability to perform such a mission...There would remain questions, as well, as to whether anything that astronauts on the moon may accomplish will come anywhere near in scientific value to what instruments have already learned at a very small fraction of the cost."

(Full text of the letter is attached.)

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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

March 3, 1968

Dear Mr. President:

Press reports of your statement on Friday, March 1, at the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston, Texas, have quoted you telling NASA personnel that "little men with poison pens will seek to scrub your great efforts." These press reports were not complete, and I cannot believe that you intended to suggest that constructive criticism of any national program is undesirable. As far as the space program is concerned, serious questions have been raised concerning future objectives, the ultimate success of the program, and the urgent matter of national priorities. These are serious issues worthy of national debate.

The Press also quoted your admonition that the lunar landing deadline be met "on time." I cannot believe that you intended to ignore the difficulties and realities which face the space agency in this task or the necessary safeguards which are far more important to our national prestige and faith in the program than any landing deadline.

The administration, in grappling with the financial problems created by a massive land war in Asia, severe urban crises, and an urgent need to re-evaluate national priorities, did its share in reducing the budget of the space agency before it ever reached the Congress. Many people agree with this action. Some feel that it should go further. There are others who question not the continuation of the space program, but its specific goals and methods and optimum levels of funding in regard to both space program financing and the financing of other vital technical and scientific programs in America.

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Sincerely,

William F. Ryan  
Member of Congress

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March 4, 1968

Dear Bill:

Thank you for your letter of March 3 to the President in which you outlined in detail four points to be considered with respect to the future of the space program.

We do appreciate receiving your views and the various points you make will have careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Barefoot Sanders  
Legislative Counsel  
to the President

Honorable William F. X Ryan  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

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**THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE**

**REFERRAL**

To: **Mr. Robert Allnutt**  
**Assistant Administrator for**  
**Legislative Affairs**

Date: **March 4, 1968**

**NASA**

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To: **The President**  
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 Date: **March 3, 1968**  
 Subject: **Future of the space program.**

*By messenger*

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**to the President**

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20TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C.**

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

March 3, 1968

Dear Mr. President:

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Press reports of your statement on Friday, March 1, at the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston, Texas, have quoted you telling NASA personnel that "little men with poison pens will seek to scrub your great efforts." These press reports were not complete, and I cannot believe that you intended to suggest that constructive criticism of any national program is undesirable. As far as the space program is concerned, serious questions have been raised concerning future objectives, the ultimate success of the program, and the urgent matter of national priorities. These are serious issues worthy of national debate.

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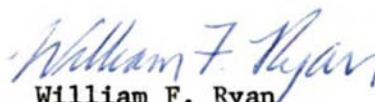
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Member of Congress

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February 28, 1968

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

Your invitation to the President to attend the world premiere in Washington of "2001: A Space Odyssey," on April 2 is very much appreciated.

I'm sorry that previous commitments will not allow him to attend. We do know of the movie and are aware of its educational advantages. All who have participated in the making of this film are surely to be commended.

Every good wish,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant  
to the President

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Mr. Robert H. O'Brien  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
X Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Inc.  
1350 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10019

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February 21, 1968

HENRY B.

Dear Congressman Gonzalez:

Mr. Watson asked me to reply to your letter of February 8, 1968, concerning the loan of certain film projection equipment from the Department of Defense to be used at the HemisFair.

I have been advised that the Department of Defense, while not participating in the U. S. Pavilion or in any specific exhibit in HemisFair, has appointed an overall coordinator to work with the HemisFair sponsors on matters of mutual interest.

The Department of Defense and the Service representatives have met and discussed with Mr. Lon Taylor, the theme development coordinator of the HemisFair staff, possible assistance in the "Man and the Universe" exhibit. At preliminary and subsequent meetings, the last on December 14, 1967, Defense reiterated the desire to assist and offered the inventory of current DOD exhibits for use in the event. However, it was decided by Mr. Taylor that nothing available in the inventory could be used satisfactorily for HemisFair.

At these meetings, Mr. Taylor was advised that authorization could not be given for the complete fabrication of portions of the HemisFair theme presentation, which could in no way be used in a future military exhibit. Mr. Taylor was also advised that a check had been accomplished concerning the availability of the projection equipment requested, and that such equipment and in the quantities desired was not available.

The limited equipment which might be available also could not be loaned for an extended period of time because of operational requirements. To provide this equipment for use of HemisFair would necessitate additional and unbudgeted procurement of the requested items for which there is no military requirement.

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Dear Frosty:

I thought you would like to see how we  
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works without paying you for the copyright!

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

*J. Jones*

James R. Jones  
Deputy Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Frosty <sup>Troy</sup>  
c/o Senate Press Gallery  
U. S. Capitol Building  
Washington, D. C.

Enclosure *Mr. Webb's letter*

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20546

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

FEB 16 1968

Mr. James R. Jones  
Deputy Special Assistant  
to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jones:

Thank you so much for sending me a copy of the interesting story on the space program by Frosty Troy in the Tulsa Tribune.

We have reproduced it in our daily clipping supplement, "Current News," so it can be shared by others in NASA.

It was thoughtful of you to think of us.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. Webb". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J".

James E. Webb  
Administrator

Nothing else sent to  
Central files as of 3/2/68  
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February 1, 1968

Dear Julian: *Wes*

Thanks for sending me the copies of young McCloskey's letter and the newspaper account. Looks as if we scored some points in Hobbs.

All the best,

Sincerely,

Whitney Shoemaker  
Assistant to the President

Mr. Julian <sup>X</sup>Scheer  
Assistant Administrator for  
Public Affairs  
National Aeronautics and Space  
Administration  
Washington, D. C. 20546

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December 15, 1967

Dear Mr. Easley:

President Johnson received your letter and asked me to thank you for your kindness in sending him the clippings from the Hobbs Daily News-Sun, *New Mexico*

The President was grateful for the opportunity to read the moving letter from Lieutenant Hayes to Mrs. McPherson. Such thoughtfulness -- and such understanding of our purpose in resisting aggression -- give substance to man's struggle for peace, freedom and security. That fine letter will be kept at hand, and appreciatively recognized.

The President, too, was delighted to learn of young Glen McCloskey's rocket launchings. You may be sure that his accomplishments will receive further attention.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Whitney Shoemaker  
Assistant to the President

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Mr. W.W. Easley  
Director, Special Services  
Municipal Schools  
Post Office Box 1040  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

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cc: NASA: By referral  
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December 15, 1967

FOR: Charles Maguire

FROM: Whitney Shoemaker

This from a letter which  
you passed on and I ackd.  
You might find uses for it.

Mr. W.W. Easley, Hobbs, N.M.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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To: Administrator  
National Aeronautics and  
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(Attention: Mr. Julian Scheer)

Date: December 15, 1967

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Per conversation. Copy of our acknowledgment attached.

Description:

Letter:  Telegram: Other: Enclosures

To: The President

From: W.W. Easley, Municipal Schools, PO Box 1040, Hobbs, N.M.

Date: 11/21/67

Subject: 12-yr. old launches rockets to reported altitudes up  
to 9,000 feet.

By direction of the President:

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Whitney Shoemaker  
Assistant to the President

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Stripping Desk:

Enclose copy of Nov. 9 newspaper article, photos re youth's rocket launching, plus U.S. Space Program story.

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" STAFFED BY FRIENDLY PEOPLE WHO TEACH THE PERSON IN THE PUPIL "

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P. O. BOX 1040

Hobbs, New Mexico, 88400

November 21, 1967

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The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

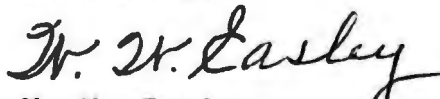
We respectfully call your attention to the November 9th and 10th editions of the Hobbs Daily News-Sun.

First, the simultaneous firing of Saturn 5 and the successful launch of our local "rocket expert" - 12 year old, Glen McClosky.

Secondly, the letter on November 10 to Mrs. McPherson is a message that should be "heard 'round the world".

We feel that this young lieutenant should be commended for his thoughtfulness in taking time to write the letter and managing editor, Raymond Waters, for printing it. We feel sure, that a little encouragement to young McClosky would do no harm.

Sincerely,



W. W. Easley  
Director, Special Services

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Enclosures

January 20, 1968

Mr. David C. Acheson<sup>+</sup>  
Vice President and General Counsel  
\* Communications Satellite Corporation  
1900 L Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Dave:

Many thanks for your note of January 12.  
I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending  
me a copy of your letter to Win Knowlton  
and if we need any additional information,  
I will be in touch with you.

Sincerely,

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Joseph A. Califano, Jr.  
Special Assistant to the President

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December 18, 1967

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Attached correspondence concerning a poem and Christmas gift sent to the President by Mr. Chen Hsiao-wei of Hong Kong

If no objection is perceived, please make suitable acknowledgment in behalf of the President.

The Department's transmittal slips of March 25, 1965, February 14, 1966, May 18, 1966 and August 30, 1967 refer to other correspondence from Mr. Chen.

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January 16, 1968

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Mrs. Juanita D. Roberts, Secty to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

**ATTENTION: The President of the United States**

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

We sincerely believe the President and Mrs. Johnson will be interested in this follow-up to the case of Steve Michalak of Canada, who was burned when he touched a UFO in May, 1967.

Mark-Age and some of our associates around the world in the health and scientific fields are researching this problem; and we hope to come up with some reports of vital concern to governments and scientists in the very near future.

Our prayers for the President, his family and his entire staff continue.

Love in action,

*Mark Age*

Mark Age/ Charles B. Gentzel,  
Director

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## STEVE MICHALAK'S UFO ENCOUNTER EXPLAINED THROUGH MARK-AGE

Since touching an interplanetary spacecraft on May 20, 1967, Steve Michalak of Winnipeg, Canada twice has suffered recurrences of the burns and other symptoms resulting from the initial exposure. The first recurrence was September 15th, when he required hospitalization for less than a day. The second was in mid-January, 1968.

On both occasions, Mark-Age in Miami was asked for assistance. Yolanda, Mark-Age interplanetary and interdimensional communications channel, succeeded each time in establishing mental telepathic contact with, and evoking healing aid by, the occupants of these spacecraft in our atmosphere.

On January 14th, Tukari, commander in chief of the fleets of physical spacecraft in the western hemisphere, gave Yolanda the first explanations and suggestions concerning Michalak's experience. This was in reply to her urgent call for such assistance. Tukari's communication follows.

An hour earlier, Ron Wickers, Mark-Age representative in Winnipeg who has figured prominently in varied media coverage of Michalak's story, telephoned headquarters in Miami to request help during the second recurrence of Steve's ailment.

Steve Michalak's story had received international attention via radio, television, newspaper and magazine coverage. Included in this exposure was the tape-recorded interview Steve gave Ron Wickers for Mark-Age, which was the basis for a syndicated

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radio program and a feature article reaching many in the U.S. and Canada.

Additional information about and contacts from Tukari and numerous others are to be found in the enlarged version of the Mark-Age publication, "Visitors From Other Planets", now ready for release in a book and a syndicated series. The following communication is included in these presentations.

TUKARI'S MENTAL COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH YOLANDA

Tukari, answering Yolanda in reply to her emergency request for aid for Steve Michalak, gave the following information.

"He came in contact with one of the scout ships, remotely controlled, for Operation Ehow Man project. It was not the intention for him to be burned. It was not purposely exposed for his sighting. We were in the process of distilling some minerals in that area for future works in healing and contact work on the physical apparatus of mankind. Valuable minerals in that area for future works in healing and contact work on the physical apparatus of mankind. Valuable minerals of your land must be used in healing and helping mankind in a physical way.

"It is true we can use many kinds of laser-type beams, ultrahigh frequency sound and light, but these primarily affect the higher bodies of man, the invisible parts of his being. When in contact with the physical apparatus, elements of the physical man must be used. You are properties, in the physical, of the physical elements of your own planet. We cannot use our elements on you but must use your own. This is part of the law of the universe, fundamentally, anyway.

"Tell Steve Michalak that he is in the right area for finding ore of value. Uranium, also, is not far from the spot, although that is not what we were after at that time.

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The other substance is of more value to us in our experiments in making crystals from which we can manufacture clothing and jewels with healing qualities and resistance to heat and ultramagnetic waves of the sun, when it comes time for the transmutation of the planet Earth.

"In other words, when the period of transfer is closer to higher, fourth dimensional frequency, many on your Earth will not be able to sustain themselves in the present physical vibratory level. They will have to have assistance, either in the form of covering, through special clothing, or through the assistance of jewels, with healing properties, made of crystallized substances from these metals. Steve may be able to tune in and work with this later.

"Now he must get assistance, himself, to counteract the radiation exposure. First of all, he should burn or bury all clothing and metal objects which he had when in contact with the ship, and within a radius of four kilometers then. These retain the vibrational force emitted from the ship at the time of departure; which was an emergency plan, and not our usual exhaust.

"If he insists, he can bury or secure them in a metal container which should be buried at least six feet deep. As long as he is in physical reinforcement — locked in the radius of the vibration from the equipment — he will be seething from continual exposure.

"This does not affect others, who were not in close contact with the ship. Know and understand this: once an individual has been exposed to the force field, physically, he is charged. This may or may not affect his liver and other functions. But as long as he has other objects continually emitting similar vibratory rates en rapport with

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the one he carries with him, the one with which he is charged, it accelerates the effect.

"Later we will explain what he heard on the ship. For the time being, let it be sufficient to know that we were experimenting with vocal commands to the equipment via long distance relay from the monitor ship. Every sound at that time reacted on certain experimental equipment concerning our project of Operation Landing Light, to become effective after June 21, 1967. His interference with the experiment triggered off a mechanism that closed down the project there and caused the sudden departure.

"From this you are right to assume that there is much to be gained in the understanding of vocal or sound remote-control appliances. These already are used frequently in your own computer activities on Earth, but not nearly as much as they could be; and perhaps will be in time, as we get to exchange further equipment and knowledge with you later on in the program.

"You are right to be cautious. We must be, at all costs, for human life. We cannot land without adequate preparations of land, people, animal life, and the vegetable kingdoms that sustain your higher forms of living now.

"You should value our caution and our interest in your highest welfare for now. And we respect you for your intunements with us and whatever cooperation you can give in this soon-to-be effected landing plan. Love in action, Tukari. Over and out."

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November 29, 1967

Dear Mr. Gentsel:

Thank you for sending another tape recording which you thought would be of interest to the President and Mrs. Johnson. They appreciate your continued courtesies and look forward, also, to the receipt of the book you mentioned.

With their best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts  
Personal Secretary  
to the President

Mr. Charles B. Gentsel\*  
Director  
Mark-Age Metacenter, Inc.  
327 Northeast 20th Terrace  
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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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To: Executive Secretary  
National Aeronautics and Space Council

Date: November 28, 1967

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To: The President  
 From: Harold T. Luskia, President, Anna Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics,  
 Date: 11/27/67 \* 1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N. Y. 10019  
 Subject: Re Forum and discussion "The Worth of the Space Program"; enclose remarks and additional related address by Henry Bowen, Pres, Rand Corp; also encl editorial -- all in re value of our space endeavor; requests comments.

By direction of the President:

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Assistant to the President

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1290 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, NEW YORK, N. Y. 10019

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 27, 1967

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Mr. President:

The citizens of this nation have recently had cause to raise questions about the value of our space endeavor. Additionally, there has been much debate about our future space efforts. Clear responses to the questions are needed. Viable plans for the future are required.

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics took steps to add to the dialogue in those areas at the AIAA's Annual Meeting, at which was presented a Forum discussion on the subject, "The Worth of the Space Program." The Forum speakers were men of eminence in the areas of science, technology, management, economics, education, and world order. Their discussions have had wide coverage on educational TV, and will also be distributed widely in published form. A copy of the remarks made at this Forum is attached for your review.

An additional related address was made at the luncheon following the Forum by Mr. Henry S. Rowen, President of the Rand Corporation. A copy of Mr. Rowen's remarks are also attached.

The Forum discussion led naturally to the subject of planning the future of the space program. In that connection there is enclosed a copy of an editorial from our publication, "Astronautics & Aeronautics," entitled "Planning Ahead in Space." The editorial proposes the establishment of a permanent Commission to be charged with the responsibility for developing national space goals and plans.

I have written to you in the belief that communication between the AIAA and responsible persons such as yourself is mutually beneficial. I hope that the material transmitted to you with this letter will be helpful to you, and I hope you will communicate to me your views on these matters. We will receive your comments with real interest.

Sincerely yours,

*Harold T. Luskin*

Harold T. Luskin  
President - AIAA

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**November 14, 1967**

**Dear Miss Cooper:**

**Thank you for your recent letter concerning whether or not the government should spend more money on space exploration than in Vietnam.**

**Inasmuch as this subject does not fall within the purview of my responsibilities, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to the Defense Department, and trust they will satisfy your requirements.**

**Good luck to you.**

**Sincerely,**

**Miss La Ann Cooper  
114 Noble Drive, S. E.  
Huntsville,  
Alabama**

**JAMES U. CROSS  
Colonel, U. S. Air Force  
Armed Forces Aide to the President**

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**Dear Congressman:**

**Thank you for your letter of November 10 to the President regarding the successful Saturn V launching.**

**Your suggestions for a policy statement with respect to the future of the space program will receive careful attention.**

**Sincerely,**

~~Barefoot Sanders~~  
**Legislative Counsel  
to the President**

**Honorable William F. Ryan  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.**

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October 12, 1967

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Dear Mrs. McLaughlin:

President Johnson was grateful for your message giving him your reaction to his address to the National Legislative Conference.

He asked me to tell you how much he appreciated your support and to reaffirm what he said in San Antonio: we shall continue to press forward, to do the job that must be done in the cause of peace, freedom and security.

You may want to read the entire text of the President's remarks on our purposes in Viet-Nam. A copy is enclosed.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Whitney Sheemaker  
Assistant to the President

\*  
Mrs. George L. McLaughlin  
9201 Greenwood Avenue, North  
Seattle, Washington 98103

Enclosure: San Antonio Speech of 9/29/67

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October 11, 1967

Dear Mr. Kessler:

I have received the souvenir copies of the Space Treaty which you recently published and had postmarked on the "First Day of Issue" of the twin space stamps. I will be happy to present them to the President on your behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

W. Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Seymour M. Kessler  
16 Sleepy Lane  
Hicksville, Long Island  
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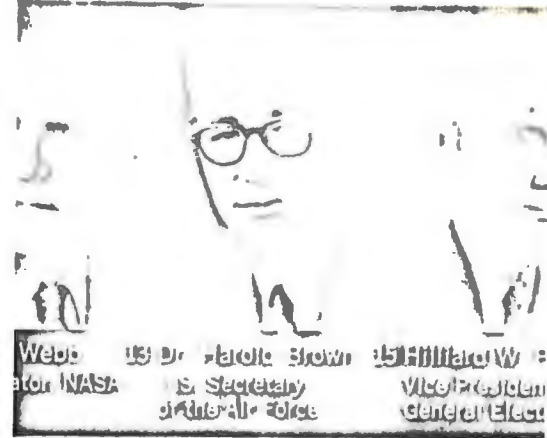
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"... the national space program is an integral part of our national well-being, not only for today, but for the future as well..." This statement by Representative Olin E. Teague, in the attached General Electric FORUM, is one of the prevailing themes of the issue, "Exploring the Unknown: To the Moon and Beyond."

You may find of particular interest, the special section (pg. 20) in which seven international space leaders explore how cooperative space ventures can contribute to greater world understanding and progress.

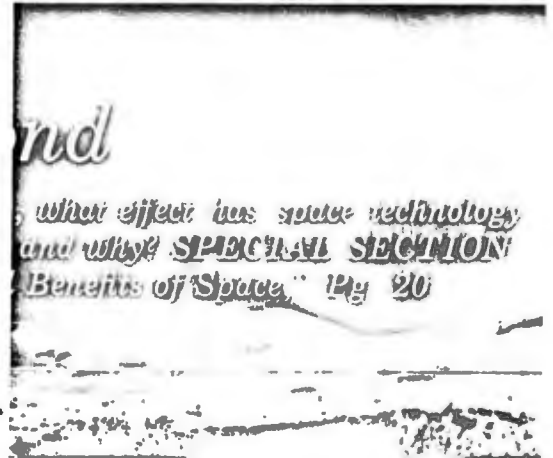
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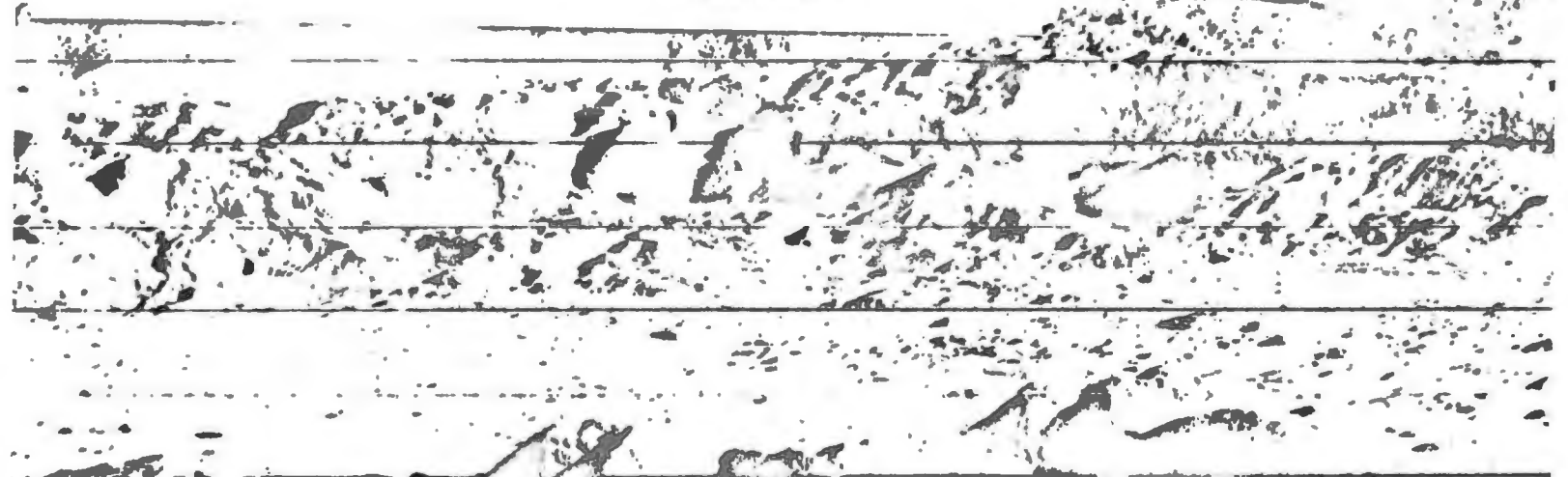
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The Honorable Sam Yorty  
Mayor of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mayor Yorty:

Mr. Webb is out of town on a well deserved vacation. In his absence, I have read with interest your letter of August 22 regarding Los Angeles Week in Paris. I think it is most appropriate for Los Angeles to feature a space symposium. Accordingly, we will support Dr. Pickering as Chairman, should he decide to accept your thoughtful invitation.

Good luck to you and your "people to people" program.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Seaman, Jr.  
Deputy Administrator  
Robert C. Seaman, Jr.  
Deputy Administrator

cc: Mr. Webb  
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**August 17, 1967**

**Dear Dr. Wessler:**

**The President has asked me to thank you for your letter about the coronary care facility in Washington University. He was delighted to learn of your success in deriving direct benefits from space technology in the saving of lives of fliers. At his suggestion, I am calling your letter to the attention of officials in HEW in the hope that your experience may be applied elsewhere.**

**Sincerely yours,**

**Douglass Cater  
Special Assistant  
to the President**

**Dr. Stanford Wessler  
Washington University  
School of Medicine  
St. Louis, Missouri 63110**

**Copy to:  
Dr. Philip R. Lee (HEW)  
Mr. James E. Webb (NASA)**

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August 2, 1967

Dear Professor Logsdon:

George Christian has asked me to check into the questions raised in your letter of July 29.

The President's schedule is so filled that we cannot recommend that he see you. Further inquiry on possible aid reveals that you made a number of requests, and that you already have an appointment with Dr. Welch. I think this will prove the most effective channel for your efforts.

I trust you understand that other obligations limit the President's participation in historical projects.

Sincerely yours,

Robert H. Fleming  
Associate Press Secretary  
to the President

Mr. John M. <sup>\*</sup>Logsdon  
Assistant Professor of  
International Relations  
The <sup>\*</sup>Catholic University of America  
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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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Sincerely yours,

BOB:

Please answer. There is no way we can do what he wants right now.

George

The Catholic University of America  
Washington, D. C. 20017

July 29, 1967

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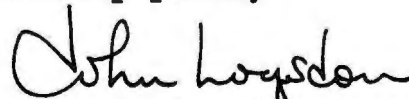
Dear Mr. Christian:

I have recently begun research on the events leading to the May, 1961 decision by President Kennedy to set as a national goal the landing of an American on the moon before 1970. I hope to prepare a book on this decision for publication in late 1968 or early 1969; I also intend to use this research as the basis for my doctoral dissertation at New York University. Then Vice-President Lyndon Johnson provided the political leadership for the consultations leading to this decision in his capacity as the Chairman of the National Aeronautics and Space Council. It is thus vital to the historical accuracy and analytical soundness of my research on the lunar landing decision to have as much access as is possible to the documents and persons involved in the Space Council deliberations of April and May, 1961, including, hopefully, President Johnson himself.

I would thus like to request, as an ideal situation, the opportunity to interview President Johnson regarding his part in the decision; if such an interview is not possible, I would be most appreciative of some form of support from the President in this effort so that others who participated in the decision, who might feel constrained in talking freely about their advisory role without some indication of such support, will be willing to assist me in my research effort.

I hope you will be able to give this request the favorable attention vital to the success of my research.

Sincerely yours,



John M. Logsdon  
Assistant Professor of  
International Relations

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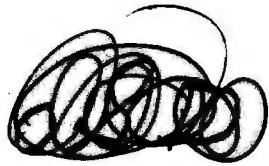
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THE PRESIDENT

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YOU COULD STOP THIS VIOLENCE IF YOU WOULD REVEAL TO THE PEOPLE  
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July 10, 1967

Dear Mr. Schreiberstein:

President Johnson was delighted to receive your congratulations on the birth of his grandson. He has asked me to thank you for being so thoughtful.

Both he and Mrs. Johnson are grateful that Luci and Patrick Lyndon are doing so well. And, of course, they are proud beyond measure.

It was also good of you to give the President the benefit of your comments and observations, and he appreciates your good wishes.

Sincerely,

Whitney Shoemaker  
Assistant to the President

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Mr. Norman Schreiberstein  
Director  
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1236 Greeby Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19111

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To: Department of Defense

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To: The President

From: Wayne S. Aho, Northwest Council, <sup>A</sup>World Wide Watch, Mt. Rainier Headquarters, P.O. Box 867, Eatonville, Washington 98328

Date: July 4, 1967

Subject: Requests message for 6th Annual Northwest Convention of World Wide Watch to be held July 22-23 at Seattle Center.

By direction of the President:

Eliska Hasek  
Assistant

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June 30, 1967

Dear Mr. Lusk:

Thank you for your letter of June 28 and the enclosed proposal for Cooperation for Safety in Space.

I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy and your views will receive every consideration.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.  
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Harold T. Lusk  
President  
American Institute of Aeronautics  
and Astronautics  
1290 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10019

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June 8, 1967

Dear Mr. Rowen; *G... S.*

In response to your letter of May 25 requesting that President Johnson open your Aero-Space Science Workshop with a telephone call, I regret that he will be unable to make such a call. However, the President is very much interested in this project. I refer you to the following quotation from the President's letter of transmittal, May 11, 1967, to Congress with NASA's semi-annual report:

"The <sup>X</sup>Beverly Hills Unified School District, in cooperation with the <sup>X</sup>University of California, Los Angeles, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, is to be commended for undertaking this project. Both students and teachers will gain a great deal in this multi-disciplinary approach to space science.

"The achievements in space reflect not only our progress in space flight, but also new steps taken toward the real objective of all our efforts in space -- the application of new knowledge of bettering the lives of all people. Already, we see dramatic examples of success in the satellites which have improved our weather forecasts and navigation, and which are extending radio and television communication to the farthest-most regions of the earth.

"We are determined that space be kept free from the weapons of war. Just recently the Senate ratified the Treaty on Outer Space. This historic action dramatizes our continuing efforts to cooperate with other nations in conducting experiments,

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June 1, 1967

Dear Mr. Renson:

The President asked me to thank you for the three engravings, framed so interestingly, which you wanted him to have. He is most appreciative of your thoughtfulness in providing these mementos of the Gemini space missions.

With the President's cordial good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts  
Personal Secretary  
to the President

\*  
Mr. William Renson  
132 Nassau Street  
New York, New York 10038

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Honorable Sam Yorty  
Mayor of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Mayor Yorty:

The President has asked us to respond to your letter to him asking that NASA co-operate with the planned symposium, "Los Angeles Goes to Paris." You will be pleased to learn that Miss Thomas had what we believe was a very productive meeting at NASA last week. She talked, among others, to the people who mounted NASA's exhibits currently at the Paris Air Show and at Expo '67 in Montreal and was briefed on how overseas exhibits projects are handled in this Agency. It is my understanding that Miss Thomas plans to resume these conversations on her return from Paris and Montreal.

The "Los Angeles Goes to Paris" symposium is an intriguing project and you can be sure that any requests for co-operation from Miss Thomas or Mr. Brunson will be given every consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Signed ]

Julian Scheer  
Assistant Administrator  
for Public Affairs

bcc: Honorable Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.  
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 From: Mayor Sam Yerty of Los Angeles, California  
 Date: May 17, 1967  
 Subject: Requests the assistance of the Administrator and his experts to establish a Space Symposium that is planned for April, 1968

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Shirley Thomas  
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By direction of the President:

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SAM YORTY  
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May 17, 1967

The Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington 25, D. C.

CA  
My dear Mr. President:

Would you do me the favor of asking Administrator James E. Webb and his experts at NASA to cooperate with a Space Symposium we are planning in connection with our "Los Angeles Goes to Paris Week" in April, 1968?

We want to stress the peaceful uses of space in connection with this people-to-people program, and the cooperation of Dr. Webb and his team is essential to the success of our project.

Our mutual friend, Bob Brunson, is chairman of the Space Committee arranging the Symposium and possibly an exhibit of some space hardware. Directly in charge of the project is Miss Shirley Thomas, author of the series of books, "Men in Space", an expert in the field, and a friend of many of the top level NASA team.

I am sure Administrator Webb would be happy to cooperate if he had an indication of support from you.

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
MAYOR

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

May 5, 1967

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Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of May 2 regarding Mr. Robert M. Clark's letter of April 27 to the President.

After consideration at the White House, Mr. Clark's letter was referred to the National Aeronautics and Space Council for attention.

We appreciate your letting us know of your interest in Mr. Clark's suggestions.

Sincerely,

*Mike*

Mike Manatos  
Administrative Assistant  
to the President

Honorable Everett McKinsley Dirksen<sup>X</sup>  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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To: The Secretary of State

Date: April 29, 1967

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REMARKS:

Also referred to NASA.

Description:

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: The President  
 From: Mr. Carly Power, 2303 Franklin Ave., Nederland, Texas  
 Date: PM 4/26/67  
 Subject: Brother in Viet-Nam; protests any technological aid to Russia; especially in space effort.

By direction of the President:

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March 8, 1967

Dear Professor Konecni:

Your letter to Mr. Watson dated March third has arrived while he is out of the City.

We are taking the liberty of furnishing this information to the Chief of Protocol and will advise Mr. Watson upon his return.

I will pass the paper which you enclose on to Mr. Cater.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

James R. Jones  
Assistant to the  
President

X  
Dr. Eugene B. Konecni  
X College of Business Administration  
The University of Texas  
Austin, Texas 78712

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March 2, 1967

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Dear Mr. Hood:

Just a note to thank you for your letter and the enclosed letter to Chairman Fulbright, *J.W.* concerning the position that the Space Club took regarding the Treaty on Outer Space.

We always appreciate having this information.

Sincerely,

James R. Jones

Mr. Robert H. Hood, Jr.  
President  
National Space Club  
1625 Eye Street, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20006  
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\*Foreign Relations Committee

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National Aeronautics & Space Council

Mr. James R. Jones  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jones:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter that the National Space Club sent to Senator J. W. Fulbright.

I thought you might be interested in the position that the Space Club took regarding the Treaty on Outer Space.

Sincerely yours,

NATIONAL SPACE CLUB

Robert H. Hood, Jr.  
President

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Enclosure



## NATIONAL SPACE CLUB

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National Aeronautics & Space Council

The Honorable J. W. Fulbright  
Chairman, Senate Foreign Relations Committee  
New Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Officers and Governors of the National Space Club have authorized me to convey to you our organizations' support of the proposed Treaty on Outer Space, currently under consideration by your committee.

As the President has stated in his message to Congress on February 7, 1967,

"The future leaves no option. Responsible men must push forward in the exploration of space, near and far. Their voyages must be made in peace for purposes of peace on earth. This Treaty is a step--a first step, but a long step--toward assuring the peace essential for the longer journey".

We share those views, and believe that it is in the best interests of the United States that the Senate ratify the Treaty on Outer Space during the current session of Congress.

Sincerely yours,

NATIONAL SPACE CLUB

Robert H. Hood, Jr.  
President

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

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To: **Chairman  
National Aeronautics and Space Council**

Date: **February 2, 1967**

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**REMARKS:**

**Description:**

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: **The President**  
 From: **Edwin W. Sanner, P. O. Box 86, Worthington, Ohio 43085**  
 Date: **1/29/67**  
 Subject: **Refers to death of 3 astronauts and recommends space budget cutback.**

By direction of the President:

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**Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President**

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Edwin W. Sanner

Consultant

Industrial & Community Development - Public Relations

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WORTHINGTON, Ohio  
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*Comments re. all Kennedy's  
D. S. Federal Comments  
Hon. President of United States  
Comm. Kennedy  
Hon. L. B. Johnston  
White House  
Washington, D. C.*

Dear Mr. President:

After what happened at Cape Kennedy and killed 3 top trained (about 200,000 per man) Astronauts. This can give you what you need most of all, cut their budget at Cape Kennedy in  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  its allotted amount. Terminate or cancel some of the expensive Myfs' contracts and use that money here in the U. S. A. one year's worth while profits.

Who wants to go to the moon - let the other side have it and then give to the State on a pro-rata basis as to their worth to you. You must be re-elected - even if the Kennedys are against you - also Gov. Rhodes, of Ohio.  
(more)

You have the fight in you and what I have mentioned will win many votes and support for your re-election. As the Navy would say to you "It's a job well done."

If you want to check me out it will be easy, contact the Hon. Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Mr. John (or Jack) Bush.

My best to you + yours and to your support.

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Sincerely,

Edwin W. Sawyer

I like the Middle Atlantic or New England regions - not Ohio  
P.S. Jack Bush can tell you - I have a room  
at an Columbus 5328 N. High St. - and because  
I'm 58 I can't get the work in industry so  
I'm selling, to live, new + used cars in spare time.  
tel. no. at Rooming house is 888-0301 (under name of)  
Mr. Hazel R. Laird

Mailing Address  
Box 86  
Worthington, Ohio

Brief Resume  
of  
Edwin W. SANNER



DATE Nov. 8, 1965  
NAME Edwin W. Sanner SEX Male  
ADDRESS 5328 N. High St., Columbus, Ohio 43214 PHONE 614-555-0301  
MARITAL STATUS Married AGE 57 No. CHILDREN One (MARRIED)  
CHURCH AFFILIATION Episcopal

EDUCATION - Public School of Johnstown, Pa., Johnstown (Pa.) High and Allentown (Pa.) Prep School; Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pa.; Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pa.

PRESENT POSITION - Consultant, Industrial & Community Development, Planning, & Public Relations, Manager of Titusville Industrial Fund, Inc. (Non-Profit) & Titusville Area Chamber of Commerce.

PREVIOUS JOB RECORD - Administrative Assistant (Adm. Spec. III), Water Pollution Control Board; Industrial Representative, Department of Industrial and Economic Development, State of Ohio; Business Consultant - self employed; Industrial Specialist, U. S. Government, GS-12, 14 states - Department of Defense; Outside Vendor Contract, Purchasing Department, North American Aviation, Inc.; Field Representative, Lincoln Division of Ford Motor Co., Detroit, Michigan; Business Analyst and Price Specialist, Office of Price Stabilization, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio; District Manager, DeSoto Division of Chrysler Corporation, Detroit, Michigan; USAAF-ATSC, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, Liaison Officer and Contract Negotiator; Department of Justice, Commonwealth of Penna., Special ~~Attorney~~ Attorney Property and Supply; Attorney-at-Law, General Practice of Law, Commonwealth of Penna. 1929 to 1943 (on inactive list as of present date); Member of American Chamber of Commerce Executives; Member of Penna. Chamber of Commerce Executives; Member of American Industrial Development Council (AIDC).

CIVIC AFFILIATIONS (Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, Service Groups, etc.) Masonic Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, Aladdin Shrine, Worthington Shrine Club, SAE Social Fraternity, Shrine Crippled-Children Program, Great Lakes States Industrial Development Council, Penna. State Chamber Executive Club, American Chamber of Commerce Executive Club, The AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (AIDC).

SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS, SKILLS - Admitted to practice Law in Penna. in 1929; Government rated as a Contract Negotiator, GS-11; Industrial Specialist, GS-12; Equipment Specialist, GS-12; Sales Promotion work in Motor Industry; Business Consultant; Industrial Development Representative; Consultant; Public Relations; ~~Ad-13-Administrative~~ & MANAGEMENT.

HOBBIES - Early American Antiques (Furniture), Golf, Motors, Automobiles.

*Edwin W. Sanner*



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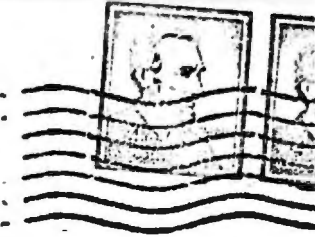
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*Air Mail*

To The Honorable President  
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Hon. L. B. Johnson  
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January 31, 1967

Mr. David Wexler  
\* New York Life Insurance Co.  
2211 Church Avenue  
Brooklyn, N. Y. 11226

Dear Mr. Wexler:

Thank you for your note of January 27 concerning the blackout. I have taken the liberty of sending it to Lee C. White, Chairman of the Federal Power Commission, who is conducting the survey. I have asked Chairman White to get in touch with you directly.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.  
Special Assistant to the President

Copy to: Chairman Lee C. White

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Date: January 31, 1967

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To: The President

From: see back of form

Date: see back of form

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**GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

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**January 27, 1967**

**Mr. Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington 15, D.C.**

**Dear Mr. Popple:**

Thank you for your kind letter of the 19th and the President's best wishes.

Would it be an imposition to request you to read the little book in question: Lloyd Mallan, Russia's Space Hoax, 1966, Davis Publications, Inc. 505 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, and to give me your personal opinion as to its credibility? I can't hold the truth from my students much longer and know that there is more at stake than some scientific arguments.

Sincerely yours,

*Albert Scholz*

Albert Scholz

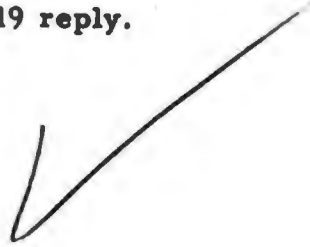
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East Carolina College  
Greenville, N.C. 27834

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Please send Dr. Welsh a Xerox of both Scholz 1/14 letter and the PMP 1/19 reply.

thanks

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**THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE**

**REFERRAL**

To: **Secretary of Defense**

Date: **January 25, 1967**

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  - Undersigned's signature.
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**REMARKS:**

**Description:**

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: **Lee C. White (former Special Counsel to the President)**  
 From: **Dale F. Washia, Elk Creek, Mo.**  
 Date: **January, 1967**  
 Subject: **Believes he saw an unidentified flying object on night of Jan 17.**

By direction of the President:

**Harry C. McPherson, Jr.**  
Special Counsel to the President

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**LEE C. WHITE**  
**CHAIRMAN**

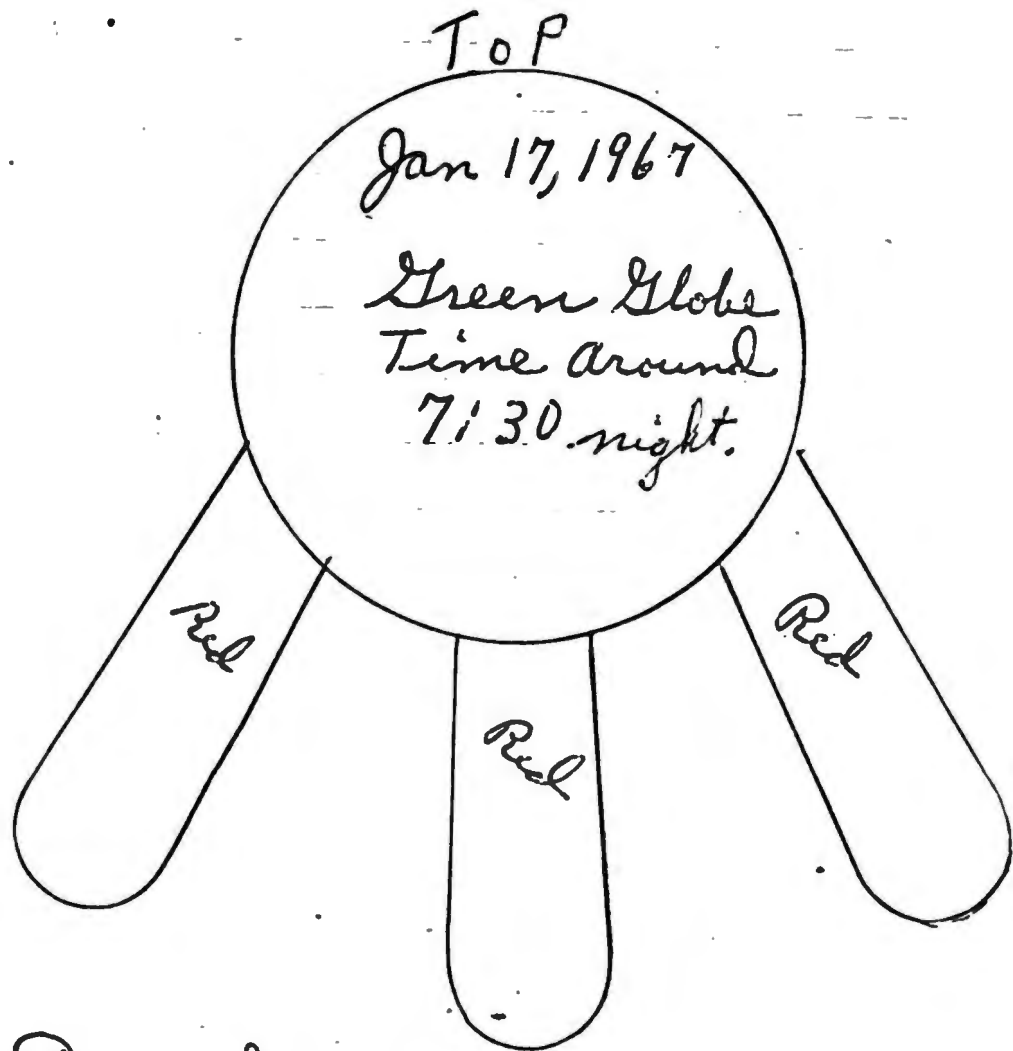
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**Ruth**

You better get this in the  
right hands so that when  
he finds this thing-a-majig,  
the right people can be  
notified.

**Lorene**

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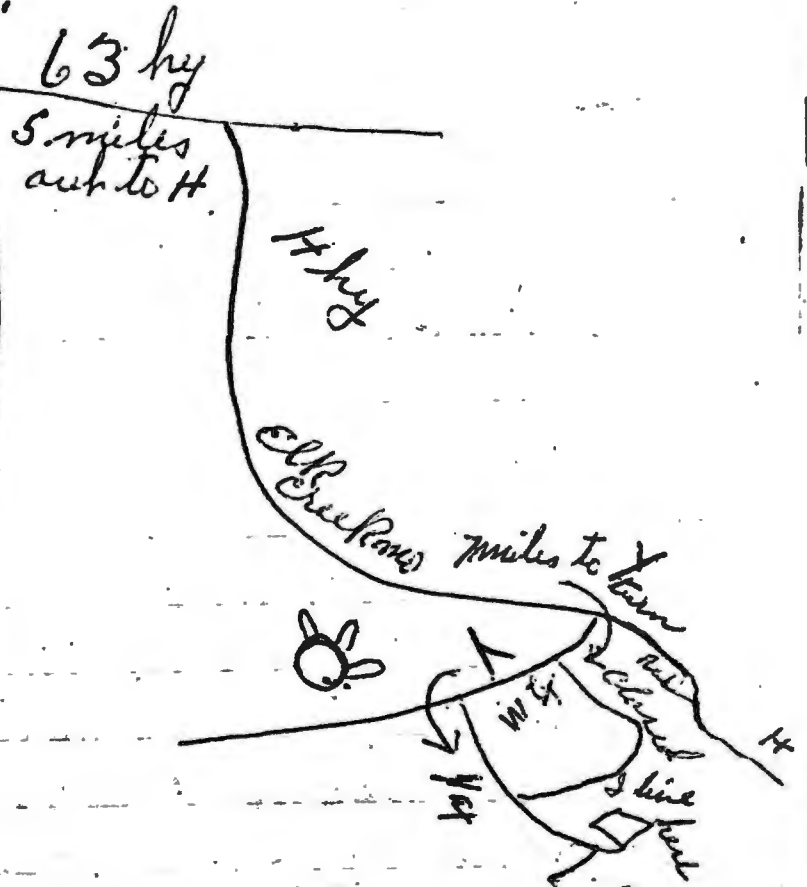
Dear Sir

On Jan 17, around 7:30 I went out side. I seen this thing about 3/4 mile off from me. I got my field glasses & took a good look at it. It look like it was getting ready to land. It was colback & I came back in to get a jacket & when I went out it was gone. I still think it landed over here in the hills about a mile from our house. In timber & hills. And I got a good idea where it landed. over

I don't know anymore about  
 this thing. But I am going  
 to slip around + see if I can  
 find out where it landed. I won't  
 be seen if I do find it. I can  
 get around in this timber without  
 being seen. If I find where it landed  
 I'll let you know. I live at  
 Elk Creek, Mo It is in Texas County Mo  
 I'll draw a map where I lived  
 + where I seen it. getting ready to land  
 Yours Truly  
 Mr. Dale F Washie

Cabool, Mo.

P.S. I didn't know  
 who to send this to  
 But I knew it would  
 be in good hands  
 to send it to you. I  
 Grand you can turn  
 it over to the right party



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

Dear Dr. Allen:

The Department of State has been asked to reply to your letter of January 4 addressed to the President. We are grateful for your interest in the Outer Space Treaty.

No country participating in the negotiations suggested inclusion of a provision in the Treaty calling for respect for sentient beings or other forms of life which may be discovered in the exploration of outer space. Obviously any indication of the existence of advanced life in outer space would arouse extreme interest. However, in the absence of any factual information indicating the character of prospects and problems which may reasonably be anticipated, it would not be possible to reach international agreement on a meaningful legal obligation of the sort you suggest.

Your thoughtfulness in writing is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Herbert Reis  
Assistant Legal Adviser

Dr. James E. Allen, Jr.,  
Program Director,  
Afro Arts Cultural Centre,  
139 West 125th Street,  
New York, New York.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

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January 14, 1967

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter from Dr. James E. Allen  
to the President dated January 4

Enclosed is the Department's response to Dr. Allen's letter to the President. Dr. Allen urged the addition to the Outer Space Treaty of a provision calling for respect for sentient beings found in outer space.

No action by the White House is necessary.

*Benjamin H. Road*  
Benjamin H. Road  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Department's response.
2. Dr. Allen's letter.

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To: Secretary of State

Date: January 9, 1967

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REMARKS:

Description:

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: The President ✓

From: Dr. James E. Allen, Jr., Program Director, Afro Arts Cultural Center, N.Y.;  
/New York

Date: January 4, 1967

Subject: Urges that a policy of equal treatment to all creatures who may be discovered in space be written into the U.N. space treaty

By direction of the President 10 01

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Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.  
Deputy Special Counsel  
to the President

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January 4, 1967

Lyndon B. Johnson  
President  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Afro Arts Cultural Centre recently wrote the Secretary General of the U.N., H.E. U Thant stating a grave concern of this Cultural Organization which the following messages should fully explain.

At The behest of the President of the United States, nations of the world will be urged to ratify the proposed treaty giving equality to all in the conquest of space. England, Russia and the United States are asked to serve as depositories for all treaties ratified by the respective nations.

There can be no honest objection to this bold idea. However a word of caution is necessary because of the past history of many nations of the world. The pattern of cooperations assumes certain propotions which give rise to doubt and skepticism as to the relationship among people who may be found on these unknown planets. Whether they will be regarded as sub-human, or superior in our classification of humanity must be of paramount importance.

The approach we use must be on the basis of absolute equality. There must be no inferior or superior people. The history of mankind is prplete with our methodolgy used in the conquest of nations. Colonial exploitation has been the hall mark of nations in their quest for power and prestige. India, Africa, the American Indians, slavery, religious persecution, national

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rivalry are clear examples of the holier than thou attitude which characterized the more powerful nations in their relationship with lesser fortunate nations.

This policy of superiority must not be carried to outer space. All treaties must include the statement of equality for all. The people of space must not be regarded as victims of conquest but as co-equals in the commonwealth of inter-spatial worlds.

Upon this principal, we can create an inter-spatial world of peace and international brotherhood. Void of it, we can only expect the mad rat-race for positions of prestige and power.

The United Nations should include this policy in urging the ratification of the inter-spatial plan and write into its provisions, a platform of mutual respect for all others who may be found in the outer regions of space.

Dr. James E. Allen  
Program Director

December 30, 1966

**N.K. U Thant  
Secretary General  
United Nations  
New York City**

**Dear Sir:**

**Afre Arts Cultural Centre has worked for a great many years in co-operation with the Public Schools of the City of New York with regards for bringing about greater understanding and appreciation of the United Nations in the growing minds of the children of this City. During this period this Cultural Organisation has sought to bring about Peaceful, Friendly, Cultural and Good-will Relations between Peoples and Governments of the United Nations.**

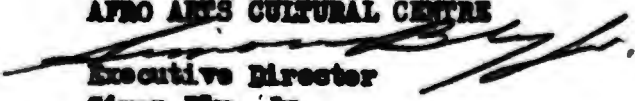
**History has indicated and now solemnly lectures that we are all responsible for the sanctity, security, well-being and progress of our home - the Earth. This Cultural Organisation was founded because of these grave concerns for indeed our philosophy is "The World Belongs To Children".**

**Afre Arts Cultural Centre wishes to express a positive concern and interest of support of your recent Historic Measure of mans quest for knowledge in the vastness of space and celestial bodies as approved by the General Assembly. We must however in behalf of the Cultural Community Of The Arts and Cultures express and define a grave measure of concern which upon examination we feel could be resolved by the august body of the United Nations.**

It is imperative that man venturing forth from a known environment the earth to seek knowledge and understanding through journeys in the timeless seas of space in order to acquire factual background of celestial bodies and planets must beforehand be prepared to accept the potential possibility of existing and or of living matter.....be it "Non-Being", "Sub-Being", "Par-Being", or "Super-Being". Man cannot nor should not ever in finality conclude without ever including the concern of prior rights of others in Articles or Treaties relating to the vastness and timeless regions of Celestial Worlds over which no Being can exercise pre-determined control or authority. Thus it is suggested Your Excellency that a Preamble to the Articles of Treaty for Exploration of Space or Amendments to the Articles be effected to give clear-credence that man of this Earth wishes his fellow Being of the Universe a mutually cherished and wholesome existence in Co-reliance of Dignity and Respect for all Celestial Bodies and Planets.

This Cultural Organization is taking the liberty of sending copies of this letter to Member Nations of the United Nations  
Thank you:

AFRO ARTS CULTURAL CENTRE

  
Executive Director  
Simon Nly, Jr.

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December 22, 1966

**Dear Mr. Eichelberger:**

**The President has asked me to thank you for your telegram of December 10. As you know, the National Council on Marine Resources, under the Chairmanship of the Vice President, is responsible for studying all aspects of the problem you mentioned.**

**I believe you discussed this question with Dr. Wenk of the Council on December 14. We hope that you will continue to be in close touch with Dr. Wenk and others who work on these questions.**

**Sincerely yours,**

**(signed) W. W. Rostow.**

**W. W. Rostow**

**Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger, Chairman  
Commission to Study the Organization of Peace  
UNA-USA  
345 East 46th Street  
New York, New York**

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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December 20, 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Suggested reply to Mr. Clark M.  
Eichelberger, Chairman, Commission to  
Study the Organization of Peace

As requested by Mr. Bromley Smith on December 10, enclosed is a suggested reply to a telegram to the President from Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger, Chairman of the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace. In his telegram, Mr. Eichelberger proposed action similar to the Outer Space Treaty to prevent arming of the seabed.

*Benjamin H. Read*  
Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Suggested reply.
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Sincerely,

Mr. Clark M. Eichelberger, Chairman,  
Commission to Study the Organization  
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UNA-USA,  
345 East 46th Street,  
New York, New York.

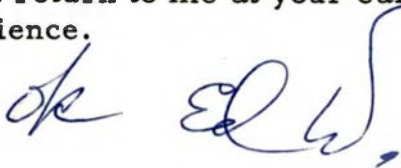
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NOTE FOR DR. WENK

Ed --

Here is the draft reply for Eichel-  
berger. Will you please check it  
over and return to me at your earliest  
convenience.



Memo to Mr. Ben Read

From Bromley Smith

For recommended reply.

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

AGREEMENT ON UNITED NATIONS TREATY ON OUTER SPACE WHICH YOU ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY IS OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE IN THAT IT NOT ONLY REAFFIRMS PRINCIPLES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT OUTER SPACE AND CELESTIAL BODIES ARE NOT SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION BY ANY STATE, IT PREVENTS A FANTASTIC MILITARY RACE IN OUTER SPACE. IT IS OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE THAT THIS SAME TREATMENT BE APPLIED TO THE SEA. THE SEABED

BEYOND THE CONTINENTAL SHELF MUST NOT BE SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION BY ANY STATE. THE DANGER OF A MILITARY RACE TO ARM THE SEABED MUST BE PREVENTED. I HOPE YOU WILL MOVE BY UNILATERAL DECLARATION AND BY ACTION IN THE UNITED NATIONS TO TAKE THESE STEPS WHICH WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES ANNOUNCED IN YOUR ADDRESS OF JULY 13.

CLARK M EICHELBERGER CHAIRMAN COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ORGANIZATION OF PEACE.

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11/19/66

TO: Mr. Paul Roppie  
The White House

15, 1966

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Attached is a copy of the letter I referred to at breakfast. The question asked was why the United States doesn't spend the money for welfare programs instead of space programs.

to thank you for your letter



E. C. Welsh

speeches and hence I am not going to give you a copy of a rather long letter to answer questions like the one you had it helpful.

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bit differently. This great wealthy nation has spent altogether on all space programs, about 31 cents per person per year which has gone out in wages, salaries, employment and improve our production right here in our country in medical devices, new metals and

other materials, improved national security, etc. Also, these space competences are beginning to be used to help solve urban problems like traffic congestion, air pollution, etc.

It has been estimated that the lives and property saved by advanced warnings of dangerous storms throughout the world have been more than enough to justify the whole space effort. These warnings came from our weather satellites. We know that the improved education as well as the increased national income have helped many people. Certainly our welfare programs are bigger, not smaller, because of the increased productivity stemming from our space programs, and, as I pointed out before, the unemployment is less.

I hope this brief comment is useful to you.

Sincerely,

E. C. Welsh

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Darlington, Pennsylvania

Enclosure

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Bill Moyers / Books - Booklets

November 2, 1966

Dear Mr. Dahlstrom:

In Mr. Moyers' absence from the city, I would like to thank you on his behalf for the booklets you so thoughtfully sent.

I can assure you Mr. Moyers will appreciate having your thoughts and suggestions.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Hayes Redmon  
Assistant to  
Bill Moyers

Mr. Donald E. <sup>x</sup>Dahlstrom  
12536 Preston Way  
Los Angeles, California

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Dear Bill Moyers

I feel as though I know you Bill. This feeling comes from an article about you in the Guide Post some time ago. As a result of this feeling I am sending these booklets to you in the hope that you will sense a great truth in them. Also I hope others in the government can be exposed to them.

In reference to the Flying Saucers mentioned I think we should attempt their development. With the help of the woman involved in receiving these messages and other

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people like Daniel W. Fry  
I believe this is quite  
possible even though  
it sounds far fetched at  
the moment. at least  
its worth the effort of  
an honest investigation

One thing about a  
project like this, I think  
it must be done on a  
very high level of  
consciousness to succeed.  
No thought of profit or  
military power could be  
entertained. Brotherly love  
would be the key to success.  
I'd be glad to help if my  
trade as a tool & die maker  
would be of any use.

Another point I'd like to

bring up. <sup>②</sup> Could we have  
a short & simple daily  
morning prayer for peace  
in Viet Nam?

Mr Johnson is our  
commander and Chief  
and I hope if he sees  
the strength and power  
in prayer as I do that he  
will send a directive  
suggesting a few prayers  
and indicating a wish  
that the commanders  
in Viet Nam follow this  
up to the best of their  
ability. The participants  
would be all the service  
men in Viet Nam that wish  
to participate. I believe  
it will give the men much

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needed additional strength.

I for one ask in a prayer for Peace on earth and good will toward men, when ever the world situation crosses my mind.

If this letter is intercepted by a person with such mail duties I hope you will allow Bill Rogers to pass judgement on it.

If you are wondering about me I'm 36, a Korean Vet. married, have a home in Los Angeles and work for Douglas Aircraft

God bless you in your efforts

Sincerely  
Donald E. Dahlstrom

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**GENERAL**

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October 13, 1966

FOR DR. EDWARD C. WELSH  
N. A. S. C.

Ed,

The attached note was forwarded to the President  
by Congressman ~~Craley~~ <sup>W. Meiman</sup> to whom we have sent an  
acknowledgment.

Could you reply directly to these two young ladies  
on behalf of the President, and send us a copy of your  
letter for our files?

Thanks.

*Paul*

Paul M. Popple

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bcc: Jean Lewis  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 16, 1966

Dear Dr. Janeway:

The President has asked me to answer your letter of September 27, 1966, in which you raised the question of the admission of Red China to the United Nations, House Resolution 690, and the internationalization of our space program. I shall address these questions in turn. Before doing so, however, I should like to mention that Prime Minister Smallwood of Nova Scotia recently expressed particular appreciation to the President for your help with their Children's Hospital in St. John's. The President is proud of the work you have done there.

Regarding the admission of Mainland China to the UN, we have carefully reexamined our policy in recent months. We do not believe that it is in the US interest to pursue a new policy at this time. It would be particularly difficult for the United States to advocate a different approach in the face of Peking's present attitude toward and support of North Vietnamese aggression and recently renewed and intensified advocacy of "peoples' wars" on a global scale. It would seem especially important to avoid a seeming endorsement of Peking's militant policies at a time when a fundamental policy "debate" is evidently very much at issue in its own councils.

Regarding House Resolution 690, there is no disagreement in the Executive Branch with the objectives of the resolution. Right now, the question is whether we should press for a permanent United Nations force or try for the following more limited steps: financing of UN peacekeeping efforts, effective earmarking of specially-trained and equipped units, strengthening of the executive capacity of the Secretary General to deal with peacekeeping crises, and aiding countries that are unable to assume the full burden of training and equipping earmarked units.

There is a consensus among knowledgeable people in the U.S. Government that the latter approach has the better chance of producing progress at this time. If we attempt to set up a permanent United Nations force now, the Soviet Union would surely insist that it be under the full control of the Security Council, where a single veto could prevent effective action. Our frank judgment is that there is no real chance of broad support at this General Assembly for the imaginative and dramatic initiative H. R. 690 represents.

We plan to concentrate, in the immediate future, on winning support for reliable and equitable financing methods for UN peacekeeping and the strengthening of the executive capacity of the Secretary General. Ambassador Goldberg will be exploring these vital issues with the Congressional sponsors of H. R. 690.

Regarding internationalization of our space program, we do have foreign participation in space research and exploration. We have contributed boosters to launch six satellites conceived, engineered, and funded by co-operating foreign countries. We are making arrangements to launch eight more. Foreign scientists have proposed some twenty experiments which we are carrying out on our satellites. Foreigners also participate in ground-based observation and other activities. Scientists of over sixty countries are participating in one or another of these co-operative enterprises.

At our initiative, the United Nations established a Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. The UN sponsors the Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Site in India. The General Assembly adopted a declaration of legal principles for outer space in December 1963. It declared that celestial bodies are not subject to national appropriation and the international law and the UN Charter apply in outer space. We are presently working on a treaty to govern human activity on the moon and other celestial bodies.

The President realizes, as you do, that much remains to be done. It is his heartfelt desire to strengthen the United Nations -- for the great role it can and must play for the future of mankind.

Sincerely,



W. W. Rostow

Charles A. Janeway, M.D.  
Children's Hospital Medical Center  
300 Longwood Avenue  
Boston, Massachusetts 02115

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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October 13, 1966

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FOR MR. W. MARVIN WATSON

B. U.

The attached letter from Dr. Condon to Juanita Roberts was bucked to me on October 6. Since I had no knowledge about the Air Force grant for the UFO study, I asked Defense to give me a memo. Defense responded with a copy of its press release dated the following day. Thus, we can now only express our "regret" that it was not possible for the President to make this announcement at a press conference. (It would not have been advisable to release this from the White House, in any case.)

Now the question remains: Do we want to send Condon the inscribed photo he requests for use in his campaign<sup>for</sup> election to the Board of Regents?

*Paul*  
Paul M. Popple ← Rtn to

Attachments

November 4, 1966

SEND PHOTO \_\_\_\_\_  
DO NOT SEND \_\_\_\_\_ ✓

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FOR MRS. ROBERTS

Juanita,

The attached file is self-explanatory.

I see nothing to be done now except send the whole works to Central Files and forget it.

*Paul*  
Paul Popple

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WASHINGTON



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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12 OCT 1966

**MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President  
The White House**

Pursuant to your memorandum of 6 October and the telephone conversation between Sergeant Stroup of this office with a member of your office, attached is a copy of the DoD News Release (7 October) concerning Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO's).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "John M. Steadman", is positioned above the typed name.

**John M. Steadman  
The Special Assistant**

**Attachment**

OCT 13 A.M.

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

REFERRAL

To: Secretary of Defense

Date: October 6, 1966

ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:
  - President's signature.
  - Undersigned's signature.
- (\*)  Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
- Furnish information copy.
- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- For your information.
- For comment.

NOTE

*Prompt action is essential.*

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

(\*) Memorandum requested re final paragraph only.

Description:

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: Mrs. Juanita D. Roberts, Personal Secretary to the President  
 From: E. U. Condon, Condon for Regent Hq., 761 Cascade Ave., Boulder, Colorado 80302  
 Date: September 20, 1966  
 Subject: AF grant to U. of Colorado to conduct study of UFO's.

By direction of the President:

Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President

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# CONDON FOR REGENT HEADQUARTERS

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BOULDER, COLORADO 80302  
TELEPHONE 443-7448

Please address campaign  
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**GEORGE C. WILLIAMS**  
Finance Chairman  
in care of  
First National Bank in Boulder  
Boulder, Colorado 80302

September 20, 1966.

Juanita D. Roberts,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Miss Roberts:

I deeply appreciate the President's thoughtfulness in sending me the photo taken at the White House on August 1 on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the signing of the Atomic Energy Act.

As you see from this letterhead and the enclosure, I am campaigning like mad for election to the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado. As the Chief well knows it would be extremely valuable to me to have a print of the same picture that was autographed by him. Would it be too much of an imposition to ask to have another print made, and then, some day, when he has nothing more important to do for a few seconds, for you to slip it in front of him when he was a pen in hand and have him write something like, "With best wishes to Dr. Condon, from Lyndon" or whatever else he chose to write in similar vein? I ought to get it, of course, well before November 8.

If you have a chance to tell him, he will also be interested to know that in a few weeks the Air Force will announce making a grant to the University of Colorado for us to conduct the study about UFOs (flying saucers) that grew out of criticism of the Air Force on this by the House Committee on Armed Services last spring. I am to be in charge and will do my best to put together a serious and responsible team to deal with it.

Thanking you,

Sincerely, *Ell Condon*

*Would he be willing to announce this at a White House press conference?*

**VOTE for CONDON for REGENT**

# CO:DO: for REGENT

Edward U. Condon should be elected to the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado because of his outstanding achievements in teaching, research and public affairs:

1. Condon believes that the University of Colorado is becoming one of the great universities of America and is now a major asset to Colorado's educational, cultural and economic growth.

2. Condon is in the forefront of the effort to win for Colorado the new \$375 million National Accelerator Laboratory of the Atomic Energy Commission, serving as Chairman of the University's Proton Accelerator Committee, Co-chairman of the Governor's Scientific Advisory Commission, and as Member of the Colorado Scientific Development Commission, established in May 1966 by the special session of the Colorado General Assembly.

3. Condon is constantly seeking ways to advance the University of Colorado, by promoting working relations with the National Bureau of Standards, by working for its world-famous Summer Institute for Theoretical Physics, and for its new graduate program in chemical physics, of which he is Chairman.

4. Condon's experience in public affairs includes service as Scientific Advisor to the Special Senate Committee on Atomic Energy which drafted legislation establishing the Atomic Energy Commission, as Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Color Television to the U. S. Senate, and as a Member of the President's Evaluation Commission for the Naval Atomic Bomb Tests at Bikini in 1946.

5. Condon was appointed Director of the National Bureau of Standards in 1945 by President Truman, and in 1950 established its Boulder Laboratories, a milestone in Colorado's scientific development. In 1951 he became Director of Research and Development for Corning Glass Works and continues as an active member of that company's consulting staff.

6. Condon's work in World War II included leadership of research in microwave radar for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and membership on the Government S-1 Committee which established the atomic bomb project, and work on that project.

7. Condon's scientific research has been honored by his election to the National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, the Societ  Francaise de Physique (Paris), the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences (Stockholm), and the award of honorary degrees by four universities, including the University of Delhi, India.

8. Condon's professional stature has been recognized by election to high office: President of the American Physical Society (1946), President of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (1953), President of the American Association of Physics Teachers (1964).

9. Condon has taught at Columbia University, Princeton University, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, Stanford University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Washington University, before joining the CU faculty in 1963.

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# NEWS RELEASE

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## AIR FORCE SELECTS UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO TO INVESTIGATE UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORTS

The University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, has been selected by the Air Force to conduct independent investigations into unidentified flying object (UFO) reports.

A research agreement, valued at approximately \$300,000, is being negotiated with the university by the Air Force Office of Scientific Research to analyze phenomena associated with UFO sightings and to make recommendations on the Air Force's methods of investigating and evaluating UFO reports -- a program known as Project Blue Book. A report is expected to be made to the Air Force in early 1968.

Dr. Edward U. Condon will direct the scientific phases of the work, while Robert J. Low will serve as project coordinator. Principal investigators working with Dr. Condon will be Dr. Franklin E. Roach and Dr. Stuart W. Cook.

Dr. Condon, former director of the National Bureau of Standards (NBS), is a professor of physics at Colorado and a fellow of the Joint Laboratory for Astrophysics which is co-sponsored by the university and NBS. Mr. Low is an assistant dean of the university's graduate school. Dr. Cook is chairman of the university's psychology department, and Dr. Roach is an astrophysicist with the Environmental Science Services Administration (ESSA).

Colorado is expected to select several other universities to take part in the research. These and other consultants will bring the number of scientists involved to over 100.

The National Academy of Sciences has indicated its willingness to assist by appointing a panel--at the time the Colorado report becomes available to the Air Force--to review the investigating team's work. This panel will not be part of the investigating team, but will provide a further independent check on the scientific validity of the method of investigation.

In announcing the selection, Air Force Secretary Harold Brown said, "We are more than pleased to be able to place this grant with respected individuals in a university of such high standing in the scientific community. Additionally, the location of the university should prove invaluable to the investigators, since the National Center for Atmospheric Research and the research headquarters of the Environmental Science Services Administration are located at Boulder. These organizations conduct research on the properties of man's natural environment, specializing in the physical characteristics of the atmosphere and the near-space medium."

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Air Force Project Blue Book files, as well as any other UFO information in the possession of the Air Force, will be made available to the team. Additionally, all Air Force installations within the U.S. will assist the team if requested. The investigators will, however, conduct their research independently of and without direction from the Air Force.

The decision to enter into a research agreement for this work was based on a recommendation of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board which completed a review of the resources, methods and findings of Project Blue Book earlier this year. While complimenting the Air Force on the organization of Project Blue Book, the Board recommended that the program be expanded to include investigation of selected sightings by independent scientists.

Within the Department of Defense, the Air Force has the responsibility of investigating UFO reports. The Air Force has been investigating such reports since 1948 under its role of air defense of the United States, and the university's research does not alter Project Blue Book responsibilities of receiving, investigating and evaluating UFO reports.

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(DOD Release No. 388-66, May 9, 1966, refers.)

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To the Voters of Colorado:

I respectfully ask for your vote in the General Election of November 8, so that I may serve you from 1967-73 as a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado. To vote you must be registered by October 19. Every voter will want to be informed about issues and candidates and to make a choice for every office, otherwise good government can not be obtained by the democratic process.

The Board of Regents is the governing body of the University, consisting of six members, of whom two are chosen at each general election. Of the four candidates for two positions, I hope that Richard Bernick, incumbent, will be elected, as well as myself.

Since the career outline on the other side was printed I have been chosen as President of the Colorado Scientific Development Commission (Par. 2) and will be working harder than ever to win for Colorado the AEC's National Accelerator Laboratory. Also "Measures for Progress, a History of the National Bureau of Standards," has been published which gives a full account of my service as its first post-war director. It says, "Reorganizing the Bureau in the postwar period, he cleared its attics of 50 years of accumulated lumber and began the modernization and systematizing of present bureau operations."

Here is what President Truman wrote in accepting my resignation in 1951: "You have served in a most critical position with continued and loyal attention to your duties as director, and by reason of your standing among scientists and the supervision you have given to the bureau's activities, you have made of it a more important agency than it has ever been before."

"A Greater University for a Greater Colorado." A modern great university affects the welfare of the people in all phases of their educational, cultural and economic life. As the principal source of our future teachers, lawyers, doctors, engineers, scientists and business men, the quality of the University will largely determine the quality of the society we are to have in Colorado. This total relationship of the University and the rest of our educational system to the entire development of Colorado within the United States of America interests me deeply. I will work hard to make our University serve us in ways that are as outstanding as our beloved mountains.

I ask for your vote, and I invite you to tell me how we can make a Greater University for a Greater Colorado. I will do my best to help make this come to pass.

Sincerely,



E. U. Condon

# VOTE *for* CONDON *for* REGENT

# CONDON *for* REGENT

Edward U. Condon should be elected to the Board of Regents of the University of Colorado because of his outstanding achievements in teaching, research and public affairs:

1. Condon believes that the University of Colorado is becoming one of the great universities of America and is now a major asset to Colorado's educational, cultural and economic growth.

2. Condon is in the forefront of the effort to win for Colorado the new \$375 million National Accelerator Laboratory of the Atomic Energy Commission, serving as Chairman of the University's Proton Accelerator Committee, Co-chairman of the Governor's Scientific Advisory Commission, and as Member of the Colorado Scientific Development Commission, established in May 1966 by the special session of the Colorado General Assembly.

3. Condon is constantly seeking ways to advance the University of Colorado, by promoting working relations with the National Bureau of Standards, by working for its world-famous Summer Institute for Theoretical Physics, and for its new graduate program in chemical physics, of which he is Chairman.

4. Condon's experience in public affairs includes service as Scientific Advisor to the Special Senate Committee on Atomic Energy which drafted legislation establishing the Atomic Energy Commission, as Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Color Television to the U. S. Senate, and as a Member of the President's Evaluation Commission for the Naval Atomic Bomb Tests at Bikini in 1946.

5. Condon was appointed Director of the National Bureau of Standards in 1945 by President Truman, and in 1950 established its Boulder Laboratories, a milestone in Colorado's scientific development. In 1951 he became Director of Research and Development for Corning Glass Works and continues as an active member of that company's consulting staff.

6. Condon's work in World War II included leadership of research in microwave radar for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and membership on the Government S-1 Committee which established the atomic bomb project, and work on that project.

7. Condon's scientific research has been honored by his election to the National Academy of Sciences, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Philosophical Society, the Société Française de Physique (Paris), the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences (Stockholm), and the award of honorary degrees by four universities, including the University of Delhi, India.

8. Condon's professional stature has been recognized by election to high office: President of the American Physical Society (1946), President of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (1953), President of the American Association of Physics Teachers (1964).

9. Condon has taught at Columbia University, Princeton University, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, Stanford University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Washington University, before joining the CU faculty in 1963.

**Democrat for Regent of the University of Colorado**

## CONDON



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National Aeronautics and Space  
Administration

Date: October 8, 1966

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Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: **The President**  
 From: **M. I. Mantell, Chairman, Dept of Civil Engineering, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida 33124**  
 Date: **10/5/66**  
 Subject: **Re proposed quarantine station for moon travelers as reported in the press -- feels other scientific discoveries such as exploring oceans or solving urban ills have equal or greater benefits without accompanying risks of moon travel.**

By direction of the President:

Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President

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October 5, 1966

President Lyndon B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

H  
Mr. Joseph V. Piland, Head  
Quarantine Project  
Space Center  
Houston, Texas

Dear Sirs:

I have just read the October 2nd UPI article in the Miami Herald relative to the proposed quarantine station for moon travelers. The implications derived from this article are that there are grave risks and social and moral issues which appear to need far more public attention and discussion.

The fact that a large amount of public funds is being spent upon a special quarantine station indicates that there is a concern and real probability that harmful organisms may be brought back from the moon. The quoted statement in the article: "You really don't know what you're dealing with until they (lunar astronauts) come back. We don't know yet just what we would do." certainly indicates that the possibility also exists that harmful organisms could be brought back which could destroy all human life on this planet before they could be contained. Even if the organisms could be controlled in the quarantine station, there appears to be no clear-cut and certain ways of keeping organisms which may be in or on the spaceship from escaping between re-entry into the atmosphere and placement in quarantine.

October 5, 1966

The major issue involved can be stated in a question: Does any small group of individuals alone have the moral right to place the existence of the entire human race in jeopardy, when there is no absolute necessity for the risk? One might point out that there is an infinite number of scientific discoveries for man to seek--many of these such as exploring the oceans or solving our urban ills appear to have equal or greater benefits (to that of man's lunar visit) without the accompanying risk. But regardless of the benefit-risk ratios involved, the human race is entitled to know the full facts and to have the opportunity to voice their willingness to volunteer to entertain the risks, just as each astronaut has had the opportunity to volunteer or not. Even if general approval were to be received, it very likely may not be at as high a risk level as is presently planned (approaches immediately come to mind which have far less risk than is implied in the UPI article--although considerably more technology and delay would be involved).

As a concerned citizen, I feel a personal obligation to raise these issues more fully in the national and international media. Before doing so, however, I think it is proper to first determine if there are vital additional facts which I am overlooking or if the UPI article is misleading in its implications.

I would appreciate receiving your reactions to the above comments.

Sincerely yours,

*M. I. Mantell*  
M. I. Mantell, Chairman  
Department of Civil  
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Dear Senator:

I appreciate the information you have furnished concerning your letter to the President, inviting him to address the American Astronautical Society in February or March, 1967.

It is too early to make a determination as to the President's schedule for that time; however, you may be sure that this information will be kept in a pending file for consideration closer to your date.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

*Marvin*

W. Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President

Honorable John<sup>X</sup> Sparkman  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Commander Carpenter:

The President asked me to thank you for sending him a tape recording of the "Prelude" to your conversation with him following the Sea Lab II experiment. He is most appreciative of your thoughtfulness in wanting to share this particular experience with him.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Juanita D. Roberts  
Personal Secretary  
to the President

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To: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Date: August 11, 1966

Attn: Mr. Richard Callahan

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Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: The President

From: James C. Butterfield, Pres., James C. Butterfield, Inc., 297 West /  
 Date: 8/8/66 (Michigan Ave., Jackson, Michigan 49201)

Subject: Requests Presidential letter to display at NASA's Midwest Space Fair in September.

By direction of the President:

James Moyers  
Assistant to the President

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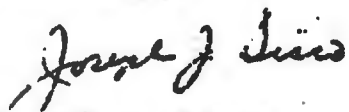
Mr. Charles W.<sup>x</sup> Davis  
One North LaSalle Street  
Chicago 2, Illinois

Dear Mr. Davis:

President Johnson has asked me to reply to your letter of May 16 on his proposed celestial-bodies treaty and to thank you for your interest. As you know, the President said on May 7 that he was asking Ambassador Goldberg to seek early discussions on this proposal in the appropriate UN body. On May 9, Ambassador Goldberg requested a session of the UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space to negotiate the treaty. We hope to move ahead as fast as feasible.

Thank you for your suggestions.

Sincerely,

  
Joseph J. Sisco

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALT W. ROSTOW  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Letter of May 16 from Mr. Charles W. Davis  
to the President re Celestial-Bodies Treaty

As requested by Mr. Popple's referral slip of May 18  
a copy of the Department's reply to Mr. Charles W. Davis is  
enclosed.

*Benjamin H. Read*  
Benjamin H. Read  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures:

1. Letter to Mr. Davis
2. Letter to the President from  
Mr. Davis

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To: The Honorable  
The Secretary of State

Date: May 18, 1966

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Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: The President  
 From: Charles W. Davis, 1 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602  
 Date: May 16, 1966  
 Subject: Administration of International treaty for exploration of Outer Space by UN specialized agency.

By direction of the President:



Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President

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CHARLES W. DAVIS  
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May 16, 1966

Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson  
The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. President:

With your concern for peace in Vietnam, and your domestic program for the Great Society, it is amazing that you have found time to consider, approve and promote specific recommendations for an international treaty to cover man's exploration of outer space. It would certainly be a great step forward if the administration of a treaty containing your proposals might be entrusted to a specialized agency of the United Nations.

While I should not like to complicate the chances for acceptance of your proposals, it is, I believe, important that everything possible be done to increase reliance upon the U.N.

Your address to those attending the Dinner of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee was a stirring salute to the Democratic Congress and a challenge for continuing support from them and from everyone present.

Sincerely yours,

*Charles W. Davis*

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May 16, 1966

Dear Mr. Thompson:

In response to your request I am enclosing a copy of a transcript of the pertinent part of the press conference with reference to a proposed treaty on the moon and celestial bodies.

Sincerely,

Bill Moyers  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Mr. Charles A. Thompson  
Editor-in-Chief<sup>x</sup>  
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*Press Release*

Press Secretary  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

This Journal is interested in printing the President's statement of 7 May proposing a treaty on the peaceful exploration of the moon and other heavenly bodies.

If available, we would appreciate an official copy of the statement, together with any other material which might have been released in connection with it.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Charles A. Thompson  
Editor-in-Chief

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To: Secretary of State

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Description:

Letter:  Telegram:  Other:

To: **The President**  
 From: **Lucy Carner, Chrmn, Policy Cmte, Women's Intl League for Peace and Freedom, 2006 Walnut St, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103**  
 Date: **5/11/66**  
 Subject: **Org endorses proposal for intl treaty to ensure man's exploration of the Moon and other celestial bodies shall be for peaceful purposes; urge bolder initiative toward achievement of complete and general disarmament.**

By direction of the President:

**Paul M. Popple**  
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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Your far-sighted proposal for an international treaty to ensure that man's exploration of the Moon and other celestial bodies shall be for peaceful purposes only is heartily endorsed by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

The League's endorsement of this measure dates back to our long concern for disarmament and our specific petition to the United Nations in 1947 for internationalizing the great waterways of the world and the uninhabited polar regions which were at that time the farthest reaches of man's explorations.

We dare hope that the safeguarding of the distant parts of our universe from the contaminating influence of military adventure may lead the nations in turn to the abolition of the military forces now creating havoc and destruction all over our world. May the United States assume bolder initiative than it has displayed so far toward the achievement of complete and general disarmament.

Respectfully,

Lucy Carner, Chairman  
Policy Committee

cc: The Honorable J. William Fulbright  
Chairman, Senate Foreign Relations Committee

His Excellency Arthur J. Goldberg  
U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations

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**April 13, 1966**

**Dear Mrs. Olerenshaw:**

**Thank you for your good letter of April 9. Your book sounds as if it were an interesting one on a most exciting subject.**

**We certainly appreciate your attention to the President and to the national space program to which he has devoted so much thought and energy.**

**I hope you will understand how much I regret having to discourage you in your request to have the President write an introduction for your book. He receives so many suggestions of this nature that it is impossible for him to comply. It was thoughtful of you to ask, however.**

**Sincerely,**

**Juanita D. Roberts  
Personal Secretary  
to the President**

**Mrs. Helena Olerenshaw  
Apartment 109  
2558 Eglinton Avenue W.  
Toronto 15, Ontario, Canada**

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Letter:  Telegram; Other:

To: Joseph A. Califano, Jr.

From: Mr. Billie Alonzo, Golden, Missouri

Date: April 9, 1966

Subject: Invasion by extra-terrestrial beings

By direction of the President:

Joseph A. Califano, Jr.  
Special Assistant to the President

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**REMARKS:**

**Description:**

Letter:  Telegram; Other:

To: **Joseph A. Califano, Jr.**

From: **Mr. Billie Alonzo, Golden, Missouri**

Date: **April 9, 1966**

Subject: **Invasion by extra-terrestrial beings**

By direction of the President:

**Joseph A. Califano, Jr.**  
**Special Assistant to the President**

(White House Suspense Copy)

Mr. Billie Alonzo  
Golden, Mo. 65658  
April 9, 1966

Joseph A. Califano Jr.

White House  
Washington DC

Dear Sir;

We are under invasion by extra-terrestrial beings. As I watched a fireball hovering at the top of a ridge a mile from my home, I marveled at the absence of fear, at my almost commonplace acceptance of that phenomenon. Such is the attitude of the American people; except that they are more apathetic than me.

Our leaders have a responsibility to an America greedily grazing like sheep in the shadow of the abattoir, indifferent to the sights and sounds presaging their fate. The question is, are the leaders bell-wether goats leading the flock to slaughter or are we to sound the alarm and steer at least a sizeable portion to safety?

I have been reading about some of the goats: H. Allen Hynek's discrediting of detailed descriptions by reputable observers with a wave of his hand, declaring the Michigan UFOs to be "swamp gas"; David Moody and Hector Quintanilla's echoing "amen"; the work of D.H. Menzel and L.G. Boyd in discrediting bona fide observations... Goats! Deliberately misusing their reputations as men of science to lull a people who want to be told "all is well" so that they can complacently graze on.

But after the recent articles in "Look" and "Life", and some other publications, the people are dimly aware that something is going on — only, no one has stepped forward to tell them what to do about it.

The space ship that swooped upon the harbor at Perth, Australia ("Life", April 1) may have deposited an atomic mine which can be detonated at will. The flying objects hovering over our swamps and lakes may have cached all sorts of deadly instruments and agents of war beneath the slime and mud. One large space ship with a

payload of 100 tons of some mind-distorting chemical of such potency as LSD (one ounce could affect 300,000 people) could send the whole population on a "trip" into madness for several months if that chemical were distributed and released in controlled amounts in our sources of drinking water. (I believe that we are already under some sort of chemical attack; that is why crime and obscenity are increasing so much and why we are so apathetic concerning alarming happenings.)

This is to suggest that the government officially acknowledge the presence of extra-terrestrial flying objects and candidly assess the menace of invaders who have not deigned to establish diplomatic relations or to communicate in any way with us.

I expect that they intend to issue an ultimatum with the threat of destroying our cities unless we comply; when they do officially reveal their presence. Perhaps they will negotiate with the government secretly, threatening destruction if the people are informed. In that case I would pray and ask God for a stay of execution; then inform the people anyhow — they have the right to decide whether to resist or capitulate.

These invaders are probably of the Nazi type, and it would be better to die fighting than to be tortured and exterminated eventually in pogroms.

They may pretend to ally with any or all of the major powers. Their true affinity will probably prove to be for the Chinese Reds. Pacification is out of the question.

Personally I don't think America has a ghost of a chance unless we truly repent of all the wickedness we have done and can prevail upon God to save us.

The government could at least reorganize Project Blue Book, removing the old goats; and could have our harbors and swamps searched and scanned by electronic metal-detecting gear to remove any mines or Trojan horses.

Perhaps you fear a panic. It is almost impossible to

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arouse the people from their lethargy and apathy. Besides; does the captain refrain from informing the passengers and crew when the ship is sinking?

Do not lightly discard these words. I am placing a copy in hands unlikely to. And whether or not my words find acceptance here on earth, they are on record with God; this administration will be held accountable. What will His findings be? Pray, not goats; not slaughter house goats in the employ of the butchers of the abattoir!

Billie Alongo

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**CONGRESSIONAL**

April 7, 1966

Dear Congressman:

Thank you for your letter of March 30, 1966, and for the copy of recent correspondence with a constituent concerning the relative budgetary priorities of the manned and unmanned space programs.

This is an area of continuing interest to me, and I am glad to have the views of your constituent.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Donald F. Hornig

Donald F. Hornig  
Director

Honorable Weston E. <sup>X</sup>Vivian  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1966

Dr. Donald Hornig  
Director of Science  
and Technology  
Room 200  
Executive Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Hornig:

I enclose a copy of a letter which I have received from a constituent who expresses her objections to the increasing expenditures on manned flights to the detriment of basic research and unmanned flights.

I believe her views are shared by many individuals on the Science Committee.

Sincerely,



Weston E. Vivian  
Member of Congress

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President of the United States of America,  
White House,  
Washington, D.C.

Mr. President;

In regards to those possible "flying Saucers," which have been spotted in the United States and Canada, we, the undersigned, students of Bathurst Heights Secondary School, Toronto, Canada, are offering our services to you and your country, should there be inhabitants aboard the spaceships when and if they land.

We sincerely commit ourselves to act as hosts to these gentlemen from far abroad. We volunteer to greet them friendly and if they get out of line we can handle the situation. Please consider our offer as this is not a prank but a serious letter awaiting your reply.

Thank You:

Reply in Order.

Nat Kimmel  
12 Fraser wood Ave. #4  
Toronto 19,  
Canada

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WALTER HARNISCHFEGER  
4400 WEST NATIONAL AVENUE  
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53246

Juanita D. Roberts

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March 25, 1966

Dear Ms. Roberts:

I have your letter of March 23, with reference  
to the book "Strike From Space."

I hope this matter receives some constructive  
action.

Sincerely,

  
W. Harnischfeger

Ms. Juanita D. Roberts  
Personal Secretary to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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REFERRAL

To: **Executive Secretary  
National Aeronautics and Space Council**

Date: **March 11, 1966**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

- Draft reply for:
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  - Undersigned's signature.
- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
  - Furnish information copy.
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**REMARKS:**

**Description:**

Letter:  Telegram; Other:  
To: **The President**  
From: **PFC David P. Tatum, RA 19823809 B Btry, 4th MSL BN 44th ARTY, APO**  
Date: **3/7/66** <sup>X</sup> **San Francisco, Calif 96271**  
Subject: **Requesting information in re US program to reach the moon; refers to prev correspondence sev. yrs ago and receipt of booklets in re fm Govt agency.**

By direction of the President:

**Paul M. Popple**  
Assistant to the President

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Dear Mr. President,

A short letter from a very unimportant soldier. A couple of years ago I wrote the late President Kennedy a letter questioning him about our space efforts and our race for the moon. I received a very nice pretyped letter from the man in charge of reading the president's mail. My letter was forwarded to NASA headquarters. I received several several booklets and pamphlets from them. At the time these things satisfied me because I didn't know much about the space program. Several years later I find myself by some odd chance in the missile field in the Army. It is of any matter I work with an air defense missile, the Nike-Hercules, My MOS is 22 F 10. I just recently graduated from school and am slowly learning to do my job. And in learning my job, I've learned a little about other missiles.

The question that has been troubling me and maybe many other americans, is our need to reach the moon before the Russians such that it should overshadow areas like, poverty, the racial problem in the U.S., unemployment, crime, the war in Viet Nam?

I've been told by many people, who think they know what they are talking about, that with the control of

the moon goes control of the world. From what I can understand from the newspapers and magazines, we already have, with our, ICBM missiles, atomic submarines, long range high altitude bombers, jet fighters, and nuclear weapons, we can destroy the world many times over with out going to the moon to do it.



Please don't misunderstand me sir, I'm not against trying to reach the moon. I just don't understand why it has to be at such an accelerated pace.

I'll venture to say that we have more satellites orbiting the earth's surface than countries that we are on friendly terms with.

Sir, if my letter is not answered by you in person, all I ask is that it is forwarded to someone who can give me an honest answer and knows what he or she is talking about.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for taking time out to read my letter and any attention given to it will be deeply appreciated.

Respectfully yours,  
David P. Jatum

P. F. C. David P. Jatum  
RA19823809 B Btry  
4<sup>th</sup> MSB BN 44 ARTY  
APO San Francisco, Calif. 96271



March 2, 1966

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Dear Senator:

May I acknowledge on behalf of the President your letter of February 25 transmitting communications from your constituents who protest the move of a portion of the X Manned Orbital Laboratory program from Cape Kennedy.

Please be assured that the views of your constituents will be given careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike Manatos  
Administrative Assistant  
to the President

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Honorable Spessard L. Holland  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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TROHAN, Walter

Dear Mr. Andersen:

Thank you for your letter, sending me two articles from the Orlando Sentinel of February 17.

You were thoughtful to give us the benefit of your viewpoint in this regard.

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry  
Assistant

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Mr. Martin Andersen  
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Dear Elmer:

I appreciated receiving your recent letter.

I thought the live television coverage during the recovery of Gemini 7 and 6 gave the viewers a real feeling of participation and a total picture of an orbital space flight.

I appreciate your "thanks" but I am afraid my part was minute.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

BILL

Bill Moyers  
Special Assistant  
to the President

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Mr. Elmer W. Lower  
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ELMER W. LOWER  
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January 25, 1966

Mr. Bill D. Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Bill:

I am writing this letter on the principle of "better late than never."  
It has been a long time in the writing.

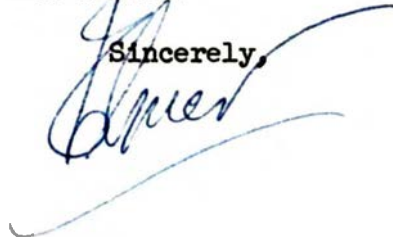
Bob Fleming has told me that, had it not been for your good offices, we would not have had live Television pictures transmitted from the U.S.S. Wasp during the recovery of the Gemini 7 and Gemini 6 Astronauts.

I want to thank you for this and to tip my hat to the fine contribution you made to Television. The live recovery coverage was the only new feature we offered to our viewers. I have heard many people say that it was the biggest Television thrill of the year.

Had I known of your efforts at the time, we would have listed you in the closing credits.

Again, many thanks, and all best wishes.

Sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Clements:

This is to acknowledge, on behalf of the President, your kind telegram of January 5th.

It is still too early to know what the demands will be in September. While, as I told you earlier, the prospects of the President's coming to Lubbeck for the opening of the Off-Campus Texas Technological College Dormitory are not encouraging, you are welcome to renew the matter again nearer the time if you wish.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti  
Special Assistant to the President

Mr. Selon Clements, Jr.  
1124 Lubbeck National Bank  
Building  
Lubbeck, Texas

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## REFERRAL

To: National Aeronautics and  
Space Administration

Date: January 4, 1966

## ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:  
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## REMARKS:

## Description:

Letter;  Telegram; Other:  
To: **Bill Moyers**  
From: **Thomas R. Lee**  
Date: **December 31, 1965**  
Subject: **Possible use of Gemini 6 or 7 for exhibition purposes.**

By direction of the President:

**Bill Moyers**  
**Special Assistant**  
**to the President**

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THOMAS R. LEE  
General Supervisor  
Public Relations

31st December, 1965

Telephone 849-4741

Mr. Bill D. Moyers,  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Moyers,

Could you advise me please if the United States would permit one of its "used" space capsules such as Gemini 6 or 7 to go out of the country for exhibition purposes? By out of the country I mean, of course, Canada, and I am thinking in terms of its temporary display in one of our offices in the heart of Montreal.

If such "foreign" use had U.S. approval, could you provide the authority to whom I should write to discuss the possibility and feasibility of a capsule being made available for the reason I have suggested above.

With every good wish for the New Year,

Yours sincerely,



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December 22, 1965

Dear Mr. Gross:

In behalf of the President I am acknowledging your letter in which you give a progress report with respect to your Hydro-Space Fiesta Program.

I know that Mr. Johnson will be pleased to know of the activity shaping up in behalf of the Fiesta and I shall see that your letter is brought to his attention at the earliest opportunity.

With his best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Arthur C. Perry,  
Assistant

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Mr. William S. Gross, Vice Chairman  
X Hydro-Space Fiesta  
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Honorable Walter M. Moeller  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Moeller:

Thank you for your telegram to Mr. Webb concerning the Gemini 6 launch. In his absence, he has asked that I reply to you.

We share your concern over launches on Sunday and we have not deliberately scheduled Sunday launches in our space program. Only extenuating circumstances lead to the possibility of Sunday launches. For instance, if a planetary window--and these launch windows are highly constrained and sometimes come only every 34 months--is such that only a Sunday launch is feasible, then we feel we must take advantage of the opportunity. Weather changes or mechanical problems also often affect launches and it is conceivable that this could move a launch date from a weekday to a Sunday. In the Gemini program, we must be concerned with not only weather conditions at the launch site, but worldwide weather for recovery operations.

In beginning the long countdowns and checkouts on launches as complex as Gemini, it is difficult to predict precisely when the combination of weather, crews, recovery forces, spacecraft and launch vehicle will be ready.

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When we made the decision to attempt a Gemini 7 and Gemini 6 rendezvous mission, we felt we had a reasonable chance to get the Gemini 6 ready for launch in nine days. We had minimal pad damage and work was begun immediately for a launch on Monday, December 13--a target date only. Work has proceeded well and it appeared that there was an outside chance that only eight days will be needed, thus setting a Sunday, December 12 launch date. The day we thought we could gain would enhance the probability of success because the duration of the Gemini 7 mission is still an unknown and the flight plan calls for rendezvous as soon as possible so we can effect two different recovery operations. We must proceed in a cautious and orderly way to do everything possible to check out the hardware, watch the weather and to insure crew safety. If all these factors are accomplished early enough for a Sunday launch, we could not then stop for 24 hours with any guarantee that the same factors will remain constant.

For these reasons, we are proceeding on a schedule that gives us a reasonable chance to complete the work and get the launch off on Monday. If, however, we gain 24 hours, we would not be wise to delay.

Sincerely yours,

Original Signed By  
T. P. Murphy

Thomas P. Murphy  
Deputy Assistant Administrator  
for Legislative Affairs

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December 7, 1965

Dear Congressman:

May I acknowledge your telegram of December 6 to the President protesting the proposed Sunday launching of Gemini 6.

Your telegram is receiving consideration, and we appreciate being informed of your views.

Sincerely,

Henry M. Wilson, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
to the President

x  
Honorable Walter H. Moeller  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

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(To Remain With Correspondence)

TO Honorable James E. Webb  
Administrator  
NASA

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OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Date December 7, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

**Rep. Walter H. Moeller**

**ACTION:**

- Comment
- Draft reply for undersigned's signature
- Direct reply, with information copy to undersigned
- ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Further reply, with information copy to undersigned
- For background briefing on which to base  
reply from this office
- For appropriate handling
- For your information
- See below

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By direction of the President:

~~Lawrence P. O'Brien~~  
~~Special Assistant~~  
~~to the President~~

**Henry H. Wilson, Jr.**  
**Administrative Assistant to the President**

The White House  
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

THUS FAR WE HAVE HAD FEW VALID CRITICISMS OF OUR SPACE PROGRAM  
AND I CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR ROLE IN IT HOWEVER THE PROPOSED  
SUNDAY LAUNCH OF GEMINI SIX ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY WILL BRING  
VIOLENT REACTIONS UNLESS HUMAN LIFE IS AT STAKE IT SHOULD BE  
UNNECESSARY TO USE THE TRADITIONAL WORSHIP DAY FOR SUCH AN  
EFFORT AMERICA NEEDS ALL THE SPIRITUAL AND MORAL RESOURCES

IT CAN MUSTER IN THESE CRISIS DAYS I VIGOROUSLY PROTEST ANY  
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To: Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Date: November 5, 1965

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REMARKS:

Description:

Letter;  Telegram;  Other:

To: **The President**

From: **Ray Boisvert, 1535 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, D. C. 20036**

Date: **November 3, 1965**

Subject: **Failure of space program to exploit public relations value of U. S. citizens of foreign extraction**

By direction of the President:

**Paul M. Popple**  
Assistant to the President

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to: Paul M. Popple

Lyndon B. Johnson  
White House  
1600 Penna. Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Raymond S. Boisvert  
1535 New Hampshire Ave. N.W.  
Washington, D.C., 20036

Nov. 3, 1965

subject; U.S. lack to use psychologic  
upper hand hand had.

Dear Sir;

This Nation of Ours has an immense human variety of untapped resources, and attempted to bare this briefly in the last letter suggesting the duo flights of: "Spirit of St. Louis II" and; "The Flight of The Lone Eagle", using the A-11, to Paris - to keep ties.

My family name, the spelled and pronounced in French, is not at all French — it originated in Canada. Yet, the U.S. has millions of people who are either native born Americans as me or you, or any one else — and naturalized American citizens. The number is high of Americans having varieties of foreign names — and, very especially refer to native born Americans. The United States has over looked, and now temporarily lacks, to put this upper hand to psychologic uses favourable to the U.S. on a worthy form of news worthy publicity thru out the world. This might be unintentional discrimination by various agencies of the U.S. — such as N.A.S.A.

Nationality and/or race, example; when John Glenn, Astronaut, made goodwill tours and eventually, visiting some areas of Africa, answered questions as to why the U.S. has no American negroes as Astronauts. I'm NOT negro, but didn't like Glenn's answer. This is a human error, probably. It's NOT all, either. This is all too brief.

Ours space program is predominantly English named individuals, or persons who have varied their names to the English. Besides the Glenn answer to questions on race, it seems unusual that the same might be true for Nationalities descendence of native born Americans with strictly foreign names. This should of had been considered before choice of Astronauts, NOT after — to have on hand all of the necessary personnel of U.S. birth with foreign names, who could be of serviceable decent publicity to the U.S. in the eyes of the variously different Nationalities of the world. N.A.S.A. is one example of the lack of psychologic uses to reach the people's of other Nations thru each Nations press and news media's on a publicity basis by & with foreign named native born Americans. I could list more. Think!

The only first true attempt has been with Mr. Srounowski, the new Ambassador to Poland for the U.S. At budkins, why do we always have to be late comers psychologically, what a hell of a mess! The question; now, how the hell do we overcome this problem? It is suggested in my first letter, see above 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph. Besides the human factor's, look for the humane, also — favourable to the U.S.

Thank you.

Very Sincerely Yours,  
Raymond S. Boisvert

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October 26, 1965

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Dear Dr. Berkner:

I have just finished reading your essay on what President Johnson's space policies mean for America.

I found it very interesting, and want you to know how much I appreciate the interest and effort you put into writing it.

Sincerely,

Bill Moyers  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner<sup>x</sup>  
President  
Graduate Research Center  
of the Southwest  
Dallas, Texas

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Dear Dr. Berkner:

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I found it very interesting, and want you to know how much I appreciate the interest and effort you put into writing it.

Sincerely,

Bill D. Moyers

Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, President  
Graduate Research Center of the Southwest  
Dallas, Texas

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October 18, 1965

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Dear Tom:

I have been asked to reply to your letter to the President inviting him to be the principal speaker for the Fourth Annual Space Fiesta at Texas A & M University, to be held February 6th-13th, 1966.

The President is very grateful for this cordial invitation but he honestly feels he cannot promise to do this. While he, of course, has no firm schedule for next February now, he does have pending commitments for that period. These, plus the official matters he will have and the fact that the early months of a year are always busy ones for him because of the beginning of the new Session of Congress, make the President believe it would not be feasible for him to undertake an appearance at the Space Fiesta at Texas A & M.

With assurances of the President's warm thanks for your letter, nevertheless, and his best wishes,

Sincerely,

Jack Valenti  
Special Assistant to the President

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Mr. Tom Tyree, Chairman  
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x Texas A & M University  
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Dear Dr. Rudder:

I have been asked to write you about your letter to the President endorsing the invitation to him from Tom Tyree to be the principal speaker at the Space Fiesta at Texas A & M University next February.

Attached for your information is a copy of the letter I have sent Mr. Tyree today which explains that the President is very grateful for the invitation but feels he cannot promise to undertake the engagement.

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The President wants you to know he is nonetheless appreciative of your interest and thoughtfulness in writing him in this instance and that he sends you his cordial best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Jack*

Jack Valenti

Special Assistant to the President

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Dr. Earl Rudder

President

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College Station, Texas 77843

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To: Administrator, National Aeronautics  
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Date: Oct. 4, 1965

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  - Undersigned's signature.
- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.
- Direct reply.
- Furnish information copy.
- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- Furnish copy of reply, if any.
- For your information.
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REMARKS:

Description:

Letter;  Telegram; Other:

To: The President

From: Capt. Edward J. Dwight, Jr., USAF, Box 2596, Area C, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Date: Sept. 30, 1965

Subject: Reveals intention to leave active military service because he feels the Negro is being discriminated against in the space program.

By direction of the President:

Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President

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Mr. W. Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

John McClellan has told me several times how helpful you were in bringing the President's attention to the International Congress on Air Technology, which we are holding in November.

The purpose of this letter is to express my personal appreciation and to assure you that we believe the developments promise a Congress of which we can be justly proud.

Yours very truly,

*W. M. Shepherd*  
W. M. Shepherd

Chairman of the Board  
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H. F. BRAY

September 30th, 1965

H. F. <sup>X</sup>Bray  
1324 W. Knox St.,  
Tucson, Ariz

Mr. Bill Don Moyers,  
Press Secretary,  
The White House,  
1600 Penn. Ave, N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Moyers:

Lest you think I am a nut, I hasten to explain that we all are a little nutty depending on what norm we use.

Now, I would like to know why I have read nothing about N.A.S.A. considering ELECTRO-MAGNETIC force to rendezvous two space ships, or to help land a module on the moon?

We know that large corporations can produce electro-magnets extremely strong and directional.

Now, since objects move more easily in space, we could equip each ship with an efficient electro-magnet, having a rheostat and power cells which will supply enough current for just a few minutes. We could then feed more or less power which in turn would supply more or less magnetic lines of force. If we wish to make one ship a south pole by sending the current in a certain direction, we could cause the other ship a north pole. Or if the ships came too fast the pilot could reduce the current or cause both magnets to become south or north poles thus repelling each other. We might even float under such perfect conditions. Of course to land a module on the moon a large electro-magnet would have to be lobbed and soft landed on the moon and controlled by telemetry.

We know "The strength of the magnetic field is inversely proportional to the square of the distance from the source. And there is a point of saturation of magnet lines of force. but one of our great industries can do it."

We could just revolve the electro-magnets from north to south or vice versa, increasing or decreasing the force.

This being done with care the ships would ease together. We could control the speed by reversing the polarity or current, to lift off we would simply create two south or north poles repelling each other.

The squirt guns are fine until one reaches a point of nearness when

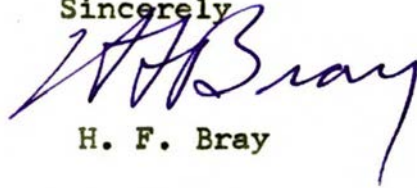
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magnetic force takes over. This is only high school stuff I thought-  
=====\_\_\_\_\_ and when I awakened and found them still  
using the squirt guns. I thought gosh what is wrong with N.A.S.A.

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Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "H. F. Bray". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "H" and "B".

H. F. Bray

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September 22, 1965

Mr. William J. Powell, Jr.  
523 Cary Street  
Orange, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Powell:

Thank you for your kind letter addressed to the President dated April 2, 1964 and received in the White House September 4, 1965.

You and your fellow members of the Orange Rocket Society and other amateur rocket organizations to which you belong are to be congratulated for your substantial achievements, which would be impressive even if carried out by an organization with much greater resources than your own.

In regard to your question on the National Security Council, we are sending you herewith a short statement on the Council which is the only available material publicly distributed.

We suggest that your Public Library will have copies of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended, under which the NSC was established. Also, your Senator or Congressman can get for you a copy of the hearings of the Subcommittee on National Security Staffing and Operations. A study of the basic issues of the administration of national security was submitted by the Subcommittee to the Senate Committee on Government Operations, released on January 29, 1963. You should also consult the earlier report of the Senate Committee, dated 1961, which contains extensive administrative material and is entitled "Organizing for National Security."

Sincerely yours,

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Charles E. Johnson

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20546

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OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

September 20, 1965

Mr. Henry B. Moy  
117 School Avenue  
Naperville, Illinois

Dear Mr. Moy:

Your letter to the President of September 3, 1965, was referred to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for reply. Mr. Franch's recent letter to the President was also referred to us for reply which I prepared under the date of September 13, 1965.

We have advised Mr. Franch how to get proper consideration of his spacecraft, and perhaps you might be able to be of some assistance to him in this regard.

I do not believe that it would be quite appropriate for us to furnish you a carbon copy of our last letter to Mr. Franch, but we would be glad to do so with his concurrence.

Thank you very much for your interest in the space program.

Sincerely yours,

Original signed by  
L.W. Vogel  
Executive Officer

L. W. Vogel  
Executive Officer

cc: Mr. Jack Valenti,  
Special Assistant to the President

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## REFERRAL

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BFLTo: **Administrator, National Aeronautics  
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## REMARKS:

**Letter referred to in the attached was sent  
 you by White House Route Slip marked "for  
 appropriate handling" on September 2, 1965,  
 and signed by Paul M. Popple.**

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## Description:

 Letter:  Telegram; Other:

To: **The President**  
 From: **Henry B. Moy, 117 School Avenue, Naperville, Illinois**  
 Date: **September 3, 1965**  
 Subject: **Ltr to the President from Mr. Guido L. Franch about space ship he  
 wants to show the President (Mr. Moy asks if he may know what we  
 said to Mr. Franch)**

By direction of the President:

**Jack Valenti**  
**Special Assistant to the President**

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Mr. Lyndon B. Johnson,  
The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am a left over soldier from World War One.

You have received a letter from Mr. Guido L. Franch during, I think it was during July 1965, in which he 'Offered to show you a Space Ship which and a few associates have' which if true would be of great value to the Security and Protection of the United States.

He has offered to show this ship to you on your Ranch in Texas.

I have not seen this ship but I have witnessed his Fuel Burn on several occasions.

I would appreciate if The President would grant Mr. Franch this request to to show you his Space Ship on your Ranch in Texas, sometime during the Month of September as he requested. And give his Ship the necessary protection.

I would appreciate a carbon copy of The President's reply to Mr. Guido L Franch's. letter.

Yours truly,  
*Henry B. Moy*  
Henry B. Moy  
117 School Avenue  
Naperville, Illinois

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# Finally

**A**WARD OF THE billion-dollar-plus *Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL)* program to Douglas Aircraft Co. means that the U.S. has at last embarked on a long-overdue manned military space program.

Announcement of the contract was made, naturally enough, at the White House. But the significance of the presidential setting goes beyond the mere political fact that one does not allow just anyone to pass out sums of such magnitude. The import is that the need for the program is understood and approved at the very highest level of the Administration.

This is a major asset in the future of *MOL*. Mr. Johnson is not one to let any project in which he has had a hand suffer from neglect. In addition, the President throughout his political career consistently has shown an understanding of the importance of space. As senator, vice president and president, he has played a primary role in creation of the political environment which has made it possible for the nation's scientists and engineers to keep the U.S. in a position of space leadership.

To date, this has been almost solely a civilian effort. We have been in the vulnerable position of setting out to explore and establish valuable channels of science and commerce without providing the means to protect them if necessary. In addition, we have left our establishments on the shores of the sea of space exposed to any new methods of attack which may develop there.

Nor is it only in the manned space field that we have neglected the vital importance of space to the military. A military communications satellite network should have been a reality long ago. Use of navigation satellites and weather satellites should now be commonplace in the military establishment. Only in the field of reconnaissance has there been a substantial operational program.

The very success of the *SAMOS* series of reconnaissance satellites was in fact one of the justifications for approval of *MOL*. A manned reconnaissance spacecraft offers the same order-of-magnitude improvement over *SAMOS* that a manned recon aircraft has over a photographic drone. The *SAMOS* photographs are startlingly good but a man has the advantage of being able to operate by exception—to pick out that which is moving, changing or significant.

At the very time *MOL* was receiving its official blessing, *Gemini* Astronauts Gordon Cooper and Charles Conrad were engaged in proving out the feasibility of just such reconnaissance. They successfully spotted and photographed two *Minuteman* launches from Vandenberg AFB, Calif., ground displays in the Southwest and rocket-sled exhaust from Holloman AFB, N.M.

The U.S. has come a long way in space since the dark days of *Sputnik 1* and the Gagarin flight when it was little more than a spectator at an

all-Russian show. The U.S. is now foremost in lunar exploration and planetary exploration. The duration of manned flight, while one yardstick, is not altogether a measure of how well the two countries compare in their manned space programs. The Soviets still have larger boosters and larger spacecraft, which make many accomplishments possible for them which still are beyond the reach of the U.S. program. The gap, however, is much smaller.

It is appropriate that as *Gemini 5* whirled toward its significant accomplishment, *MOL* received its go-ahead. Our space spectrum now is much more complete.

**I**T IS EQUALLY APPROPRIATE that the *MOL* award should go to Douglas Aircraft. The company, in a preparatory move that was admittedly a gamble, had invested heavily of its own funds in the fine Huntington Beach Space Center. It has experience and a good record from its NASA projects. The Douglas background in study of *MOL* and related NASA efforts is unsurpassed.

And as for the goal of going around the world in the spacious cabin of a Douglas product, it is not exactly an unattainable one. The company for years has been building machines that do exactly that. They are called airplanes.

Indeed, news of the *MOL* contract cannot have been received at the Santa Monica headquarters without a certain twinge of regret. For it means that for the first time since the founding of the company, we are looking ahead to two new generations of commercial aircraft which will not have an entry carrying the Douglas name. Most assuredly, the awards for the C-5A aircraft and the Supersonic Transport are going elsewhere. In that sense, the *MOL* announcement is the end of a long trail for Douglas Aircraft.

But, in another, it is an open door to the future. Secretary-McNamara himself has pointed out that the Department of Defense regards the *MOL* project as open-end, expecting it to lead to operational programs in a number of fields if the concepts to be tested prove out. There are many manned spaceflight areas other than visual reconnaissance where there are demonstrable military requirements and applications. Electronic reconnaissance is one. Satellite inspection and, if necessary, destruction, is another.

Although justly critical of Mr. McNamara for the long delay while reorienting the military space effort to *MOL*, the Air Force and industry in fact owe him a debt of gratitude for that re-orientation which swung military manned spaceflight away from the closed-end research approach of *Dyna-Soar* to the open-end operational promise of *MOL*. It will prove to be one of the major decisions of his term in office.

William J. Coughlin

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September 17, 1965

Dear Mr. Gehrig:

In reply to the request in your letter of August 31st, I am enclosing the answers to the questions you posed in your letter which I understand will be made part of the record.

Sincerely,

(signed) Donald F. Hornig

Donald F. Hornig  
Director

Attachment

Mr. James J. Gehrig  
Staff Director  
Committee on Aeronautical  
and Space Sciences  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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cc: Jean Lewis, Mr. O'Brien's office

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Answers by Dr. Donald F. Hornig, Director, Office of Science and Technology, to Questions Asked in Letter of August 31, 1965, from Mr. James J. Gehrig, Staff Director, Senate Committee on Aeronautical and Space Sciences

1. On page 16 of your statement you explain that our space effort has not been funded at the expense of other nationally important science and technical activities because they too have expanded in the last few years. However, the Federal funds for R&D are now leveling off (\$15.5 billion for FY 1966 as compared with \$15.4 billion expended in FY 1965).

In such a situation, how will new programs (pollution abatement, transportation, etc.) be funded without contraction of some of the older programs?

What criteria will be used when choices are made as to level of effort among various technology programs?

Answer

1. In my opinion the recent, so-called "levelling-off" in Federal funds for R&D does not evidence any necessarily permanent trend. This apparent decrease in the rate of growth of such investments appears to be the result of a more or less accidental combination of circumstances rather than a reflection of any underlying forces or policies contrived to cut the rate of growth in Federally supported R&D. In particular, the missile build-up which began in the late 1950's has reached maturity and the space program, starting from scratch, has reached a steady state.

As in the past, new programs will be funded if it is decided that their potential contributions to national security or general welfare, and the probabilities of success in the proposed R&D, warrant the expenditures being recommended.

There are no hard and fast rules for making choices for levels of effort to be allocated to various technology programs. Among the elements which must be weighed in such decisions are: the value of the anticipated benefits, tangible and intangible, in relation to the costs; the relative availability of needed professional skills; the relative

maturity of the scientific foundations for technological progress in the various areas; the relative importance for scientific, military or other purposes of missions dependent for their eventual execution on the availability of particular underlying technologies; the relative magnitude of the investments and of the schedule times needed, as well as the relative probabilities of achieving practically useful technologies, for alternative mission classes.

2. What is the merit, if any, in forecasting Federal R&D expenditures (or individual program budgets such as NASA's) as a percentage of Gross National Product?

Answer

2. The principal merit of expressing Federal R&D expenditures for various objectives as a percentage of the Gross National Product is to permit year to year comparisons not statistically confused by changes in the price levels for goods and services, or by overall growth in the national economy which tends to produce corresponding increases in Federal participation or assistance. I do not believe that Federal R&D expenditures for specific program areas can be, or necessarily should be, forecast on the basis of assumptions as to shares of the GNP which they have utilized in prior years.

3. Concerning advice from the scientific community, what mechanisms exist within and outside of the Government to compare the public benefits from various programs?

Answer

3. In general, while the nature of the public benefits expected from successful solution of significant scientific or technological problems can be fairly clearly foreseen, it is much more difficult to forecast the probabilities of achieving success in various programs with given levels of effort for specified times. However, I am unaware of any useful techniques within the scientific community, or elsewhere, for measuring the relative value to the public of benefits from the solutions of problems in widely different fields. Judgments about such relative values are basically matters of public policy and must therefore be founded, it seems to me, in the relevant needs and desires of the people at large.

Thus, it turns out the main usefulness of R&D program advice from the scientific community is in providing better judgments as to the availability of technical skills for accomplishing various types of programs, and in getting better estimates of the levels of efforts, and of the time periods needed to produce significant progress in such programs. The President's Science Advisory Committee, and the large number of expert consultants from the scientific community which support its activities through specialized panels concerned with most of the scientific and technical areas of concern to the Federal Government, is the principal mechanism for providing such advice to the President and to me. In turn, my office advises the Bureau of the Budget as well as the various executive departments and agencies significantly concerned with R&D programs.

The Federal Council for Science and Technology, together with its various committees, provides a means within the government for soliciting advice from the Federal agencies and for coordinating agency activities in all R&D fields. Basically, the Council provides a convenient and effective mechanism for reaching a consensus of informed judgments as to the relative emphasis to be placed on various scientific and technical fields, and the major specific programs within them.

4. Do you see the MOL program as providing the country an advancing capability in earth orbital operations thus enabling NASA to concentrate its resources on other areas of space exploration?

Answer

4. The MOL program is concerned with specific technical objectives of interest to the Department of Defense. Although the exploration of these objectives will doubtless lead to new developments in the technology of earth orbital operations, I do not envision that NASA's needs for future programs in this field will thereby be importantly affected either as to technical depth or breadth.

5. Space science is linked to expensive launch vehicles and support equipment much as high energy physics depends on huge accelerators.

How can basic research be protected from becoming a captive of these elaborate tools?

Answer

5. The approval of new major Federally supported facilities for basic research in physics is a carefully conducted and coordinated process. In my opinion, this process is sufficiently rigorous to assure beyond a reasonable doubt that facilities are not built as ends in themselves, but only in response to needs for improvement in our capability to perform experiments which would otherwise be uneconomic or simply impossible to undertake.

Similarly, I have no reason to believe that the procedures within the managerial structure for our space program are any less demanding or rigorous. I know of no instances in which new launch vehicles or other expensive equipments have been programmed on bases other than needs for specific programs or to provide capabilities without which the execution of important classes of missions would be impossible. Nor can I see how existing program coordination procedures can allow occurrences of this kind in the future.

6. The Federal Council for Science and Technology has stated on page 10 of its Interim Report on Activities During Calendar Year 1963 (published Feb. 1965) its commitment to long range planning for the entire Federal R&D program.

What progress has been made and what techniques are being employed?

Has NASA submitted data to the Federal Council for Science and Technology for this study?

Answer

6. With respect to long-range planning, a government-wide effort to collect comparable funding and manpower projections by agency was made. While the information was useful to a number of individual agencies, the data were not additive for the entire government. NASA submitted data for this study, but subsequent events led to a determination by NASA that the data should not be used. Current forecasts of program developments by NASA have superseded the earlier effort.

Further efforts in the field of long-range planning by the Federal Council will be based in substantial part upon the experience of the first experimental study and upon recent studies of the process of long-range planning by the Committee on Science and Public Policy of the National Academy of Sciences and by the President's Science Advisory Committee.

7. One criterion of choice between fields of science would be to support most strongly those which are likely to solve an urgent human need, such as the biomedical sciences.

To what extent is NASA's support of such a field applicable to everyday problems of alleviating illness and extending life?

Does NASA biomedical research divert talent which could make a greater contribution to human welfare in some other program?

Answer

7. NASA's biomedical research is conducted in direct support of its manned space flight programs. Inevitably, one of the results of such work will be a better understanding of the human organism and of its capabilities to withstand and to adjust to various stresses with which we have thus far had little experience. Also, there is no doubt that such increased understanding will help provide a more complete scientific basis for improving our general health and increasing the span of human life.

I believe that NASA's biomedical program through the contributions it is making to the technology of manned space flight, is a high priority national effort. I am not aware of any other important program in the biomedical field which is suffering for lack of manpower or other resources because of the work being carried on in support of NASA's needs.

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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
AERONAUTICAL AND SPACE SCIENCES

JAMES J. GEHRIG, STAFF DIRECTOR

August 31, 1965

Dr. Donald F. Hornig, Director  
Office of Science and Technology  
Executive Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Hornig:

In accordance with the agreement reached at your appearance before the Committee on August 24, 1965, we are submitting several questions for written answers to be made a part of the record.

1. On page 16 of your statement you explain that our space effort has not been funded at the expense of other nationally important science and technical activities because they too have expanded in the last few years. However, the Federal funds for R&D are now leveling off (\$15.5 billion for FY 1966 as compared with \$15.4 billion expended in FY 1965).

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Dr. Donald F. Hornig  
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We would appreciate receiving the answers to these questions at an early date.

Sincerely,



James J. Gehrig  
Staff Director

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September 16, 1965

Dear Mr. Sieracki:

Your letter to the President of August 28 has been referred to me since it was I who was instrumental in putting you in touch with Mr. Scheer of NASA as a result of your previous letter.

I am sorry that you were displeased with the advice that Mr. Scheer gave to you. I read his letter to you and, although I would emphasize again that work you do to increase your knowledge about rocketry is indeed important to this country's future, I must also say that Mr. Scheer's advice is wise, and, let me assure you, is given with a sincere desire to be helpful to you.

I encourage you to contact the organizations that Mr. Scheer suggested to you. Should you find that it is indeed impossible to test your rocket, I hope you will understand that you have already gained most of the knowledge and experience that you could hope to accrue from your project, through the work that you have already accomplished. Perhaps, too, you will discover through these contacts a new project that will interest you as much as the one that you have completed.

Do not be discouraged; be justifiably pleased that you have been able to design and build a rocket, a significant accomplishment in itself.

Sincerely,

(signed) Donald F. Hornig

Donald F. Hornig  
Special Assistant for  
Science and Technology

Mr. Kenneth Sieracki  
94 Carlton Avenue  
Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts

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94 Carlton Ave.  
Chicopee Falls, Mass.  
August 28, 1965

Lyndon B. Johnson  
L.B.J. Ranch  
Texas

Dear Mr. President:

I don't know if you remember me but on July 19 I sent you a letter asking you for help in getting my rocket tested. A copy of the letter is enclosed.

You read my letter and had Mr. Donald A. Kormig reply back. Mr. Kormig replied and in his letter he said:

Quote

"The President has asked me to reply to your letter of July 19 and to be sure that you are given every assistance that this government is able to offer."

"I'm sorry that you have had difficulty in getting help to perform the experiments you have planned. The work that you and other young people like you are doing all over the country is necessary for the future well being

of the nation. It is important that you maintain your interest in your work and that you know that your government is interested also."

Well the government can't be interested because Mr. Hornig gave the letter to Mr. Julian Scheer who is in charge of Public Affairs for N. A. S. A.

Mr. Scheer says he can't help me. Mr. Scheer has not only said he can't help me but has asked me to stop the project. He said I should make models and not work on my rocket. He ranked my project down to the ground.

Why, Mr. President, does everyone reject me? Mr. Scheer didn't even ask to see the hundreds of calculations, diagrams, draftings, and hundreds of pages of written reports on the project. He rejected me without even asking to see my work.

Mr. President I spent years on this project. Do you realize I lost 4 girlfriends since I started this project. I could have gone to parties and football games with them. Instead my project was more important to me so I stayed home and spent hours at a time

working on my project. My project was more important to me than anything else. Mr. Sheer has said that I probably only want to see the rocket soar out of sight and is not a ~~scientific~~ scientific venture.

I spent years and missed so many good times because my project was more important to me than anything else.

No one cares about my project. Everyone has rejected me. No one cares about the years of time and the sacrifices I made for this project. I took \$200 out of my college fund in order to construct my project. I slaved all summer at a job I got so I could put the \$200 back.

My mother and father saved for years to save up enough money so I could go to college. I had to earn the \$200 back so I wouldn't hurt their feelings. I wanted them to know I loved them for what they were doing for me. I couldn't take the money because they saved so long. They were saving since I was two years old and they still don't have enough.

They're the only ones that care about my project. Everyone else doesn't even ask to see my project. What do they care? They all

have big offices, make a lot of money, and probably have a secretary. All they have to do is sit behind their desk. What do they care about me? They've never even heard of me.

I wrote so many letters and have been rejected so many times. I counted all the letters I wrote and they total 49. In return I received 49 rejections or no replies. I don't know if you know this but this is the 2<sup>th</sup> letter I've written to you.

You've already tried to help me once. Could you please help me again but this time see that I get a chance to prove myself. All I need is a chance. The Air Force or Navy can help me test this rocket. All I need is a chance and a half hour to test my project.

Please, Mr. President, help me. Could you please somehow help me? No one else, except you, has ever tried to help me. Don't forget that Dr. Wernher von Braun, Dr.

Robert H. Goddard, and Wiley Lee were all once amateurs and look at what they have done for this wonderful country of ours.

Please don't reject me. Please Mr. President if I can't test this project by December I'm

not going to ever expect to test it and never expect to enter it in the school's science fair. It would mean so much to my Mom and Dad if I could enter it in the fair. I love them so much. It would be wonderful if I could win and make them proud of me.

All I need is a chance to static test my project and perform my experiments so I'll know if I have to make any design changes.

Please, Mr. President, give me that chance to prove my project is not a toy but a scientific venture. It would mean so much to me. Please, Mr. President, somehow help me.

Hopefully yours,  
Kenneth Sieracki

Kenneth Sieracki  
94 Carlton Ave.  
Chicopee Falls, Mass.  
area code (413) 442-0093

August 11, 1965

Dear Mr. Sieracki:

The President has asked me to reply to your letter of July 19 and to be sure that you are given every assistance that this government is able to offer.

I am sorry that you have had difficulty in getting help to perform the experiments you have planned. The work that you and other young people like you are doing all over the country is necessary for the future well being of the nation. It is very important that you maintain your interest in your work and that you know that your government is interested also.

On behalf of your request, my office has been in touch with Mr. Julian Scheer, who is in charge of Public Affairs for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and at his suggestion I am forwarding your letter to him so that he can contact you directly with all the information at his disposal. Mr. Scheer has a special interest in furthering the interest of young people in rocketry and is, in addition, the most knowledgeable person that you could have to advise you about what assistance you can obtain.

Sincerely,

~~(Signed)~~ Donald F. HornigDonald F. Hornig  
Special Assistant for  
Science and Technology

Mr. Kenneth Sieracki  
94 Carlton Avenue  
Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts  
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94 Carlton Ave.  
Chicopee Falls, Mass.  
July 17, 1965

Lyndon B. Johnson

Dear Mr. President:

If you read this letter, which I doubt you will, please answer it. No one else has ever answered any of my letters.

I have written to you many a time but I guess no one pays any attention to ~~my~~ my letters. So please, to whomever censors the president's mail, please let this one through. I have written 5 letters before this one and this is the last letter I'm going to write.

I'm a student at Chicopee High School and need your help awfully bad so please help me. You're my last hope.

Three and one-half years ago I began a project to design and build an amateur rocket which could reach an altitude of 26 miles. For  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years I made calculations and designed this 2 stage rocket. I recieved help from my science teacher and algebra teacher. I spent so much time in designing this rocket

and I guess that all this work was for nothing.

This rocket is by far the most powerful amateur rocket ever designed and built.

The reason I'm writing to you is because I can't find a place to test this rocket. I've written over 35 letters to companies who have facilities to test this rocket but they refuse to even answer my letters. Not even to mention asking to see my reports, diagrams, and ~~for~~ hundreds of calculations. It seems that no one cares about my work and the years I've put into it.

I've even written to N.A.S.A., the Secretary of Defense, and many other people and organizations.

N.A.S.A. does not support amateur rocketry so they refuse to help me get it fired. N.A.S.A. has helped me in one way and that is in technical advise. Mr. Norman Chaffee and Mr. John Franklin of the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston have checked my work and have said that the work is excellent. This is fine but they have no say so when it comes to test firing this rocket. They absolutely cannot help me get it test fired.

I've spent years and so much money on this project and no one will help me. Can you do something to help me get this rocket test fired? It could be test fired at any military base. I'll be ready to test this rocket by August 4, 1965.

Please Mr. President, I'm begging you to help me. Don't turn me down like everyone else has. Will you at least tell me if I can test this rocket or not?

I'm going to send this letter to your ranch because the other letters were sent to the White House and you didn't answer them.

If I don't get an answer to this letter by Sept. 1 I'm going to give up hope and never expect to get my project tested.

Please say you'll help me. I can only pray you will. Please make the dreams of these past 3 1/2 years come true and let me test my project. It means so much to me, I don't think I could stand another rejection.

You're my last hope.

Kenneth Piracki

94 Carlton Ave.

Chicopee Falls, Mass. area code (413) LY 2-0093

Hopefully yours,  
Kenneth Piracki

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE  
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September 13, 1965

Dear Miss Parsell:

President Johnson has asked me to thank you for your thoughtful letter about the possibility of inviting other nations to join us in a world-wide project of exploration of the sea and outer space. It is an interesting idea and will receive careful attention.

It was good of you to write.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Popple  
Assistant to the President

Miss Helen R. Parsell  
3564 Lonsderry Drive  
Santa Clara, California

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## ROUTE SLIP

(To remain with correspondence)

Date: September 7, 1965

TO: Dr. Donald F. Hoig, Director, Office of Science & Technology

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  - (3) For your information. ....
  - (4) For comment. ....

Furnish this office with a copy of your reply. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No **XX**

Return the original correspondence to this office. Yes **XX** No \_\_\_\_\_

### REMARKS:

Letr to the Pres. d dtd Aug. 30, 1965 from Sister Marie Gerard, R.S.H.M., Science Dept., Marymount School, 1026-1028 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. req. msg. for Space Symposium on Oct. 2, 1965.

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By direction of the President:

Frederick L. Holborn  
Special Assistant in the  
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TO RUWPAM/THE HONORABLE SAM YORTY MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES CALIF  
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UNCLAS SAFLL 77769 SEPTEMBER 1965  
THE PRESIDENT HAS ASKED ME TO REPLY TO YOUR  
RECENT AND FAVORABLE MESSAGE IN SUPPORT OF THE  
MANNED ORBITAL LABORATORY (MOL) PROGRAM. HE  
IS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR SUPPORT. PLEASE  
ACCEPT MY PERSONAL THANKS ALSO. EUGENE M.  
ZUCKERT, SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE.  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

JUL 2 1965

Dear Mayor Yorty:

The President has asked that I reply to your recent inquiry concerning the Air Force space booster thrust capability and the Manned Orbiting Laboratory (MOL).

The recent launch of the TITAN IIIC space booster was a dramatic milestone in one of the Air Force's most successful development programs. We look forward to the continued use of TITAN IIIC as a reliable workhorse in the Nation's space program.

We share your view in desiring a program go-ahead for the Manned Orbiting Laboratory. The availability of a booster is of course only one consideration among the many prerequisites for program approval. The Air Force has exerted considerable effort over the past months in establishing a broad basis for decision on the MOL. A program has been defined which the Air Force believes will provide a major step forward in United States military space capability. This program is undergoing detailed review within the Defense Department at the present time, and a decision is expected in the near future.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated and we hope this information will be helpful.

Sincerely,

Signed  
Eugene M. Zuckert

Honorable S. Yorty  
Mayor of the City of Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California

White House

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20546

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

June 23, 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE HOBART TAYLOR, JR., ASSOCIATE  
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT, THE WHITE HOUSE

The attached telegram to the President, dated June 18, from the Mayor of Los Angeles concerning a Manned Orbital Laboratory is being returned to your office since it appears that it should have been directed to the Department of the Air Force.

*C. S. Bardeen Jr.*  
for G. J. George  
Executive Secretary

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE

OFFICE OF THE  
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

ROUTE SLIP  
(To remain with correspondence)

Date: June 24, 1965

TO: Secretary of Defense

Attn: Secretary of the Air Force

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  - (2) For suitable acknowledgement or other appropriate handling ..... X
  - (3) For your information .....
  - (4) For comment .....

Furnish this office with a copy of your reply. Yes  No .....

Return the original correspondence to this office. Yes ..... No .....

REMARKS:

Telegram to the President, 6/18/65, from Mayor of Los Angeles, Sam Yorty, req. immediate approval of go ahead on Manned Orbital Laboratory. X

GPO 16-76420-1

By direction of the President:

Hobart Taylor, Jr. H.T.  
Associate Counsel  
to the President

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## ROUTE SLIP

(Copy for Retention by Department or Agency)

Date: ..... **June 21, 1965** .....

TO: ..... **Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration** .....

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  - (2) For suitable acknowledgement or other appropriate handling ..... .....
  - (3) For your information ..... .....
  - (4) For comment ..... .....

Furnish this office with a copy of your reply. Yes **X** No .....

Return the original correspondence to this office. Yes ..... No .....

### REMARKS:

**Telegram to the President 6/18/65, from Mayor of Los Angeles, Sam Yorty, req. immediate approval of go ahead on Manned Orbital Laboratory.**

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By direction of the President:

**Hobart Taylor, Jr.  
Associate Counsel  
to the President**

The White House  
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

DEAR MISTER PRESIDENT I WITNESSED OUR AIR FORCE TAKING THE LEAD  
THRUST CAPABILITY. IT WAS A MAGNIFICENT ACHIEVEMENT. A MOST  
FITTING AWARD WOULD BE IMMEDIATE APPROVAL OF GO AHEAD ON MANNED  
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MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES S YORTY.

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THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE  
**ROUTE SLIP**

(To Remain With Correspondence)

TO Administrator  
National Aeronautics and  
Space Administration

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OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Date September 2, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

- ACTION:**
- Comment \_\_\_\_\_
  - Draft reply \_\_\_\_\_
  - For direct reply \_\_\_\_\_
  - For your information \_\_\_\_\_
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  - See below \_\_\_\_\_

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Ltr to the P. 8/25/65, fm G. L. Franch, 2N516 Indiana Ave, Elmhurst, Ill --  
re his discoveries on travel in outer space and fields of propulsion  
and energy; has "space ship" now in South America, etc.;  
encl news clipping re; has contacted Sen Dirksen and Dir Webb.

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By direction of the President:

Paul M. Poppie  
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to the President

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The Office of the President  
Mr. L.B. Johnson  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Aug. 25, 1965

Dear Mr. President,

The spirit of a true American is undying, as such, I seek your able assistance.

I have written letters in the past four years to several top government officials; most recently to such people as, Mr. L. Vogel, Brig. Gen. Keyler, Mr. J.E. Webb and the Honorable Sen. E.M. Dirksen, in referance to many new discoveries on travel in Outer Space and the fields of Propulsion and Energy.

An associate of mine, Dominic Schwartz, went to NASA in Houston, Texas, a few years back, where he was interviewed for two weeks by such people as Dr. Duettis and Dr. Phyjay.

Myself and two other associates demonstrated to Air Force officials in Chicago, by request of the Washington D.C. office in 1963.

26 9/17/65  
On Aug. 17, 1965, I sent you a clipping demonstrating my problem in regard to the Space Ship. Enclosed you will find a copy of that article along with another in referance to me.

Unfortunatley, out of the hundred or so associates of mine, none will venture their prestige or good name by writing to you for your help or assistance.

I discussed this problem with Sen. Dirksen and he, though very interested, feeling he could do nothing directly, discussed this with Mr. James Webb of NASA. Upon Mr. Webbs suggestion, we wrote him a lengthy letter in July explaining some of the principles and asking his prompt reply. When we heard nothing from him after three weeks, we again wrote him on Aug. 14, 1965, to this date, we have not had so much as a "Courtesy Reply", to show that he has even received our letters!!!

I did not ask for any money, but just the chance to prove that what I claim is fact and not folly. I asked only for his personal invitation to visit with him or have them meet with me locally.

I am a father, along with many, many others who have a son or sons in Viet Nam. I feel this could very definitely be a determining factor saving the losses of many young men's lives.

As you can see from these clippings, the newspaper tries to make a joke of a very serious situation and of the man who must shrug off these things inable to try to bring them out into the open.

As one seriously minded American to another, who are both interested in the well-fare of we the American people and the World, I hope we can bring this to a speedy conclusion.

Very respectfully,

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CC to James E. Webb  
Sen E.M. Dirksen

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August 18, 1965

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Dear Mr. Moseley:

President Johnson has asked me to thank you for your very nice letter and the copy of "Saucer News" which you enclosed. Your warm expressions of support are very much appreciated.

I am most happy to enclose for you a card bearing the President's signature.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Popple *PW*  
Assistant to the President

*x\**  
Mr. James W. Moseley  
Editor, Saucer News  
Post Office Box 163  
Fort Lee, New Jersey

Enclosure - fac card

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August 18, 1965

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Dear Mrs. Conger:

The President has asked that I reply to your recent letter regarding unidentified flying objects (UFOs), and that I express his gratitude for your support.

I understand that a study of the recent UFO reports from Kansas indicates that these observations were a misinterpretation of natural or conventional objects such as satellites, aircraft, meteors, and astronomical bodies.

The Air Force does not withhold or censor any information on unidentified flying objects. The results of all Air Force investigations have always been made available to bona fide news representatives and scientific researchers. In view of your interest, a copy of a recent report on this subject is attached.

I am told too that in 18 years of investigating over 9,000 reports of UFOs, the evidence has proved almost conclusively that reported aerial phenomena have been objects either created and sent aloft by man, generated by atmospheric conditions, or caused by celestial bodies or the residue of meteoric activity.

Thank you for your interest in writing.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Popple *Pop*  
Assistant to the President

*X*  
Mrs. Mary Conger  
Route 2  
Iola, Kansas 66749

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cc: Defense (Sgt. Clifford Stroup) *sent*

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Robert W. Scott, National Chairman

Charles H. Mahoney  
National Vice-Chairman

Mrs. Mary Conger  
National Vice-Chairman

1106 Connecticut Avenue N.W., Washington, D. C. 20036, Telephone 737-1802



*PM Jolo, Kansas*

The Honorable Lyndon Johnson  
President of the United States  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

This week there have been many observations of unidentified flying objects in this region, by responsible persons, all giving similar descriptions. In view of the tremendous significance of this phenomena, it is long past time that the Air Force regulations of secrecy be lifted -- and this whole subject be given proper scientific investigation.

The performance of your administration continues to be brilliant. I am very proud that I had the opportunity to work for your election.

Respectfully Yours,

*Mary Conger*

Mrs. Mary Conger  
Farm Wife and Author

For a purposeful partnership of people and their government in helping to provide for



To make farm and non-farm rural America a full participant in creating the Great Society

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

(To Remain With Correspondence)

TO The Secretary of Defense

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Date August 9, 1965

FROM THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT

**ACTION:**

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Draft reply for signature of the undersigned

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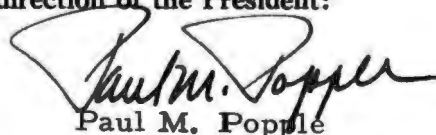
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Ltr to Pres, undtd, fm Mrs. Mary Conger, Route 2, Iola, Kansas 66749. Asks that Air Force lift secrecy on flying objects in Iola region.

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Paul M. Popple  
~~Douglas Cator~~  
Special Assistant  
to the President

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20230  
August 17, 1965

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Dear Marvin:

In her nationally syndicated column, Capital Letter, Ruth Montgomery tells of our work to enhance man's knowledge of his environment through the consolidation of Commerce resources and facilities in meteorology, geodesy, and oceanography.

I think it will interest you to note the part the Department of Commerce is playing in the Nation's conquest of space.

Sincerely,

James G. Morton  
Special Assistant to the  
Secretary of Commerce

Enclosure

Honorable W. Marvin Watson  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Congressman: *J. Edward Roush*

The President has requested that I reply to your letter to him concerning the joint resolution authorizing a government-industry conference on the geographical distribution of federal research and development funds.

The question of distribution of federal R&D funds has received extensive consideration during the past year by several committees of the Congress. In addition to the Subcommittee on Science, Research and Development of the House Committee on Science and Astronautics, the matter has been examined by the House Select Committee on Government Research and the Subcommittee on Employment and Manpower of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee. A copy of my statement presented to the latter subcommittee on June 2, 1965, is enclosed.

In the course of these hearings and examinations, a considerable amount of data has been accumulated on the distribution of federal R&D funds to industry. Many witnesses from government agencies, industry, and the universities have given their views.

There seems to be general agreement with the objective that you seek in H. J. Res. 530, to achieve more widespread geographical distribution of federal research and development funds to industry insofar as consistent with the effective and efficient accomplishment of the programs of federal agencies. Clearly, in considering potential contractors of equal capabilities, attention should be given to the utilization of unused technical capability in research-poor sections of the country and to contract policies that will promote broad and inclusive subcontracting.

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Dear Senator:

May I acknowledge your letter of August 3 to the President recommending a comprehensive and closely coordinated program for the exploration, understanding, development, and use of the atmosphere and the ocean.

Please be assured that careful consideration will be given to your recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence F. O'Brien  
Special Assistant  
to the President

Honorable Edmund S. Muskie  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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(To remain with correspondence)

Date: July 21, 1965

TO: Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense

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Furnish this office with a copy of your reply. Yes No

Return the original correspondence to this office. Yes No

REMARKS:

Letter to the President (enclosing Memorial) from Tom Adams, Secretary of State, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida, 7-14-65, requesting the continuation of the policy of employing private enterprise to provide goods and services for the space and defense programs.

By direction of the President:

Hobart Taylor, Jr. Associate Counsel to the President

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