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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (65C-) (P)

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ON 2/28/91

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SUBJECT: UNSUB(S);
 POSSIBLE DISCLOSURE OF
 CLASSIFIED INFORMATION REGARDING
 OPERATION MAJESTIC-12;
 ESP-X
 OO: DALLAS

(SECRET MATERIAL
ATTACHED)

This communication is classified "~~SECRET~~" in its
 entirety.

Enclosed for the Bureau is an envelope which contains
 a possible classified document.

On September 15, 1988, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, OFFICE
 OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS (OSI) Special Agent [REDACTED]
 contacted the Dallas FBI with the enclosed document.
 [REDACTED] received the document from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] claims that an individual at the school,
 whom he refused to name, gave it to him, claiming he received
 it in the mail.

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Dallas notes that within the last six weeks, there has been local publicity regarding "OPERATION MAJESTIC-12" with at least two appearances on a local radio talk show, discussing the MAJESTIC-12 OPERATION, the individuals involved, and the Government's attempt to keep it all secret. It is unknown if this is all part of a publicity campaign.

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ast | [REDACTED] from OSI, advises that "OPERATION BLUE BOOK," mentioned in the document on page 4 did exist.

Dallas realizes that the purported document is over 35 years old, but does not know if it has been properly declassified.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau is requested to discern if the document is still classified. Dallas will hold any investigation in abeyance until further direction from FBIHQ.

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SUBJECT: OPERATION MAJESTIC-12 PRELIMINARY BRIEFING
PRESIDENT-ELECT EISENHOWER.

DOCUMENT PREPARED 18 NOVEMBER, 1952.

BRIEFING OFFICER: ADM. ROSCOE H. HILLENKOETTER (MJ-1)

NOTE: This document has been prepared as a preliminary briefing only. It should be regarded as introductory to a full operations briefing intended to follow.

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Secy. James V. Forrestal
Gen. Nathan F. Twining
Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg
Dr. Detlev Bronk
Dr. Jerome Hunsaker
Mr. Sidney W. Souers
Mr. Gordon Gray
Mr. Donald Menzel
Gen. Robert M. Montague
Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner

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On 24 June, 1947, a civilian pilot flying over the Cascade Mountains in the State of Washington observed nine disc-shaped aircraft traveling in formation at a high rate of speed. Although this was not the first known sighting of such objects, it was the first to gain widespread attention in the public media. Hundreds of reports of sightings of similar objects followed. Many of these came from highly credible military and civilian sources. These reports resulted in independent efforts by several different elements of the military to ascertain the nature and purpose of these objects in the interests of national defense. A number of witnesses were interviewed and there were several unsuccessful attempts to utilize aircraft in efforts to pursue reported discs in flight. Public reaction bordered on near hysteria at times.

In spite of these efforts, little of substance was learned about the objects until a local rancher reported that one had crashed in a remote region of New Mexico located approximately seventy-five miles northwest of Roswell Army Air Base (now Walker Field).

On 07 July, 1947, a secret operation was begun to assure recovery of the wreckage of this object for scientific study. During the course of this operation, aerial reconnaissance discovered that four small human-like beings had apparently ejected from the craft at some point before it exploded. These had fallen to earth about two miles east of the wreckage site. All four were dead and badly decomposed due to action by predators and exposure to the elements during the approximately one week time period which had elapsed before their discovery. A special scientific team took charge of removing these bodies for study. (See Attachment "C".) The wreckage of the craft was also removed to several different locations. (See Attachment "D".) Civilian and military witnesses in the area were debriefed, and news reporters were given the effective cover story that the object had been a misguided weather research balloon.

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Since it is virtually certain that these craft do not originate in any country on earth, considerable speculation has centered around what their point of origin might be and how they get here. Mars remains a possibility, although some scientists, most notably Dr. Engel, consider it more likely that we are dealing with beings from another solar system entirely.

Numerous examples of what appear to be a form of writing were found in the wreckage. Efforts to decipher these have remained largely unsuccessful. (See Attachment "E".) Equally unsuccessful have been efforts to determine the method of propulsion or the nature or method of transmission of the power source involved. Research along these lines has been complicated by the complete absence of identifiable wings, propellers, jets, or other conventional methods of propulsion and guidance, as well as a total lack of metallic wiring, vacuum tubes, or similar recognizable electronic components. (See Attachment "F".) It is assumed that the propulsion unit was completely destroyed by the explosion which caused the crash.

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On 06 December, 1950, a second object, probably of similar origin, impacted the earth at high speed in the El Paso - Guerrero area of the Texas - Mexican border after following a long trajectory through the atmosphere. By the time a search team arrived, what remained of the object had been almost totally incinerated. Such material as could be recovered was transported to the A.B.C. facility at Sandia, New Mexico, for study.

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TO FBI DALLAS (BSC-NEW) ROUTINE

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UNSUB(S); POSSIBLE DISCLOSURE OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

REGARDING OPERATION MAJESTIC-12; ESPIONAGE-X; OO: DALLAS.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

REFERENCE DALLAS AIRTEL DATED OCTOBER 25, 1988.

REFERENCED AIRTEL REQUESTED THAT FBIHQ DETERMINE IF THE
DOCUMENT ENCLOSED BY REFERENCED AIRTEL WAS CLASSIFIED OR NOT.THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS, U. S. AIR FORCE,
ADVISED ON NOVEMBER 30, 1988, THAT THE DOCUMENT WAS FABRICATED.
COPIES OF THAT DOCUMENT HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO VARIOUS PARTS
OF THE UNITED STATES. THE DOCUMENT IS COMPLETELY BOGUS. [REDACTED] b7c

DALLAS IS TO CLOSE CAPTIONED INVESTIGATION.

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Date 10/31/91

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 (ATTN: INTD: CI-2 SC [REDACTED])
 FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (65-0)
 SUBJECT : MAJESTIC-12;
 ESP-X

This communication is classified "~~CONFIDENTIAL~~" in its entirety.

Re Secure telcalls between SSA [REDACTED] Salt Lake City, and SSA [REDACTED] FBIHQ, on 10/23/91, and 10/30/91.

Enclosed for FBIHQ is the below mentioned 9-page document dated 11/18/52.

Request of the Bureau:

Pursuant to instructions relayed from DAD H.B. BRANDON III via referenced secure telcall on 10/30/91, INTD, Section CI-2 should attempt to determine any DOD interest in the enclosed document.

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At 12:10 p.m. on 10/18/91, an individual identifying himself as [REDACTED] telephonically contacted the Salt Lake City Division and spoke with the duty Agent, SA [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] identified himself as an employee of [REDACTED] Utah, telephone number [REDACTED], extension [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that while walking through the lobby of his place of employment on the morning of 10/18/91, he found the enclosed document lying on the lobby floor. [REDACTED] stated that he read the document and due to the nature of the contents thereof, decided to contact the FBI. During the early afternoon of 10/18/91, [REDACTED] delivered the enclosed document to the receptionist in the Salt Lake City Field Office.

Salt Lake City indices are negative on [REDACTED].
[REDACTED] A review of public source records revealed the following information:

[REDACTED]

Based upon the contents of the document and the manner in which it was recovered, Salt Lake City initially dismissed the document and its classification markings as a hoax. In an effort to determine possible DOD interest in the unusual document, via referenced secure telcall on 10/25/91, SSA [REDACTED] was provided with a synopsis of the contents of the enclosed document, with a request for him to determine through his DOD contacts any DOD interest in "OPERATION MAJESTIC-12", U.S. AIR FORCE "PROJECT SIGN" or "PROJECT CRUDGE".

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Based upon DOD representations made to SSA [REDACTED] which, incredibly, tended to buttress a portion of the document, he discussed this matter with DAD BRANDON on 10/30/91. Based upon those DOD comments and DAD BRANDON's instructions, Salt Lake City is submitting the enclosed document to FBIHQ in order for the latter to further determine any DOD interest in the enclosed document which discusses the three above-mentioned code name operations.

(Editorial comment: The fact that this airtel is dated on Halloween day is purely coincidental; it could have been worse, and dated on the first of April.)

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BRIEFING DOCUMENT: OPERATION MAJESTIC 12

PREPARED FOR PRESIDENT ELECT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER: (EYES ONLY)

18 NOVEMBER, 1952

WARNING! This is a TOP SECRET - EYES ONLY document containing compartmentalized information essential to the national security of the United States. EYES ONLY ACCESS to the material herein is strictly limited to those possessing Majestic-12 clearance level. Reproduction in any form or the taking of written or mechanically transcribed notes is strictly forbidden.

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DOCUMENT PREPARED 18 NOVEMBER, 1952

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- *ATTACHMENT "A".....Special Classified Executive Order #092482. (TS/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "B".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #1, Part B. 30 NOV '47. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "C".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #1, Part B. 30 NOV '47. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "D".....Operation Majestic-12 Preliminary Analytical Report. 1 SEP '47. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "E".....Operation Majestic-12 Blue Team Report #5. 30 JUN '52. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "F".....Operation Majestic-12 Status Report #2. 31 JAN '48. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "G".....Operation Majestic-12 Contingency Plan MJ-1249-001/78. 31 JAN '49. (TS-MAJIC/EO)
- *ATTACHMENT "H".....Operation Majestic-12, Maps and Photographs Folio (Extractions). (TS-MAJIC/EO)

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**THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON**

September 24, 1947.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Dear Secretary Forrestal:

As per our recent conversation on this matter, you are hereby authorized to proceed with all due speed and caution upon your undertaking. Hereafter this matter shall be referred to only as Operation Majestic Twelve.

It continues to be my feeling that any future considerations relative to the ultimate disposition of this matter should rest solely with the Office of the President following appropriate discussions with yourself, Dr. Bush and the Director of Central Intelligence.

Harry Truman

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July 14, 1974

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MEMORANDUM FOR: CENTRAL TWINING

SUBJECT: JEC/MJ-12 Special Studies Project

The President has decided that the July 17 9:00 briefing should take place during the already scheduled White House meeting of July 16, rather than following it as previously intended. More precise arrangements will be explained to you upon arrival. Please alter your plans accordingly.

Your concurrence in the above change of arrangement is assumed.

ROBERT GUTLER
Special Assistant
to the President

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