about your dept, there is a basic one page file for each UFO report that you would recieve.now about regulations that direct persons to send UFO reports to your dept and can I obtain a copy of these documents that exist that dictate guidlines a sort of official document that informs police and military about why these reports are important to the MOD DS8 and why this particular dept has ben chosen for this assignment of evaluating of the UFO sighting reports that are sent through official channels and is there any joint cooperation between your government and other NATO allies with regards to this UFO phenomena and channeling of important data on specific UFO sighting cases that warrant other NATO Allies being informed about progress in investigating a particular case like the Rendlesam Forrest incidents that were highly documented and by official channels and by higher ranking personnal were involved which is indeed very unusual does your office ever conduct any field investigations on UFO sighting reports looking into background of a particular sighting that has physical traces with photographic evidence of a UFO and photos of the landing sight showing actual physical traces left behind by the UFO and does your dept have a manual for refferance of different catagorys of these UFOs like the MUFON field investigators manual which is a guide explaining some of the differances between IFOs Identified Flying Objects Unidentified Flying Objects and basis rules to help determine catagory of the UFO sighting what is your department step by step procedures for investigating these UFO sighting reports where not secret I am very interested in obtaining some more detailed information on how a military base might be instructed in investigating a UFO sighting within their own military base property or do they just send in a brief sighting report how much details would be important to sufficiently investigate the UFO sighting to determine the defense implications of that particular report and has the MI5 or MI9 intelligence services ever been utilized to obtain more additional UFO reports this I understand is a possibility for additionnal UFO reports do you know of the British government and weither its intelligence aparatus is doing any monitoring of the UFO phenomena for possible intelligence information of some benifit to British military security am aware that our National Security Agency and the Central Intelligence Agency are doing some secret monitoring of the UFO phenomena for national security reasons which are considered valid enough I wish to thank you for your kind and gracious assistance that you will provide in your reply SINCERLY

[redacted]

Signed [redacted]

from [redacted]

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
AIR FORCE OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS
CHIEF OF INFORMATION RELEASE
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MARCH 8th 1985

I am presently involved in some background research investigateing on a book titled Clear Intent by Barry Greenwood and Larry Fawcett on page 224 of their book a report is discussed which originated from Kirckland AFB N.M. dated 2-9 Sept 80 OSI complaint form for official use only 8 Aug 3 80 alledged sightings of Unidentified Aerial Lights in restricted test range the file # is 8017D93-0/29 I wish to ask if you can release the complete file under the Freedome of Information Act 5 USC552 and can I please recieve a copy of this file the following incidents are on file at the British Minestry Of Defense their address is Main Building Whitehall London SW1A-2HB the present head of the UFO report recieving dept DS8 is Andrew Mathewson however not knowing how their government would respond to an inquiry from a citizen of a foreign country about documents that the British Government might regard as sensitive enough as far as being of a high security nature a reply possibly would not be given here concerning a official report probably regarded as confidential meaning not for distribution to persons with out a security clearance I should point out that the report is on page 218 of the book Clear Intent and on(page 22 and 23 of the book Sky Crash A Cosmic Conspiracy by Brenda Butler Dot Street and Jenny Randles) the report has ben photoduplicated in its entirety in both books what I am interested in verifying here is the existence of the report and possibly additional documents in the form of an open file this is the filed report written as follows DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS 81st Combat Support Group RAF Bentwaters filed by Deputy Base Commander Lt, Col,USAF CHARLES I HALT dated January 13th 1981 subject Unexplained Lights 1. Early in the mourning of 27 Dec 80 (approximately 0300) two USAF security police patroleman saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot. The individuals reported seeing a strange bright object in the forrest. The object was described as being metalic in appearance and triangular in shape approximately two to three meters across the base and approximately two meters high. It illuminated the entire forrest with a white light. The object itself had a pulsing red light on top and a bank(s) of blue lights underneath. The object was hovering or on legs. As the patrolmen approached the object it maneuvered through the trees and disapeared. At this time the animals on a nearby farm went into a frenzy. The object was briefly sighted an hour later near the back gate. 2. The next day, three depressions one and a half inches deep and seven inches in diameter were found where the object had been sighted been sighted on th ground. The following night (29 Dec 80) the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05-.07) readings on the side of the tree tword the depression.3. Later in the night a red sun like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five seperate white objects and then disapeared. Immediately thereafter,three star like objects were noticed in the sky, two objects to the north and one to the south, all of which were about ten degrees off the horizon. The objects moved rapidly in sharp angular movements and displayed red, green and blue lights. The objects to the north appeared to be ecliptical through an 8 by 12 power lense.They then turned to full circles. The object to the south was visable for two or three hours and beamed a stream of light from time to time. Numerous individuals including the undersigned, witnessed the activities in paragraphs 2 and 3
Signed CHARLES I HALT,Lt,Col, USAF Deputy Base Commander

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the following personall were assigned at the joint RAF base of Bentwaters/Woodbridge during the Rendlesham forrest incidents of Dec 27th and 30th 1980
Lt, Col,Charles I Halt now Colonel Colonel Jack Cochran left in 1984 around spring
Colonel now Brig,Gen, Ted Conrad left in left in 1981
Colonel Sam Morgan left in 1981
Colonel now Brigadier General Gordon Williams left in Jan 81
Major Malcolm Zickler left in jan 81
Captain Kathleen McCollom left in Jan 84
Colonel Soya left in jan 81
Sergeant Adrian Bustinza Jan 81
Airman 1st Class John Burrougs left in Jan 81
Airman 1st Class Steve Wilkins left possibly in Jan 81
Airman 1st Class Art Wallace Left in Jan 81 not his real name and he is no longer in the USAF now a civillian also on record by authors of Sky Crash A Cosmic Coverup
Airman 1st Class James Archer left in Jan 81 witnessed UFO on Dec 27th 80 not his real name is on record of the authors of the book Sky Crask A Cosmic Conspiiracy by Brenda Butler Dot Street and Jenny Randles
Airman 1st Class Steve Roberts Security police patroleman witnessed the first sighting of Dec 27th 80 not his real name is known by the authors of Sky Crash A Cosmic Coverup
Squadron Leader Donald Moreland British RAF base Commander during the UFO events
Brigadier General Richard M Pascoe 25th Air Division left in spring of 84
the following reports of the Rendlesham forrest incidents was was recieved from a person who was stationed at Bentwaters RAFB during the second UFO event of 30 Dec 80 this person has asked the authors of Clear Intent not to use his real name so for the record he will be refered to as Art Wallace this is his view of the events typed exactly as printed on pages (214,215,216,217) of the Book Clear Intent Art Wallace was attched to the Bentwaters Air Force Base as a Security Policeman. He had ben assigned to the base for only a short period of time when at 1:00 A.M. on the night either on or near to 30 Dec 80 Airman Wallace was on duty at the Bentwaters flight line,a jeep pulled up.Two men a sergeant and a lieutenant,told Wallace to get in because they were going over to the motor pool.On the way over.Airman Wallace and the sergeant were told to get gas powered "light-alls"(trailer mounted lights used to illuminate large areas).The lights were attched to the jeep,and the Bentwaters main gate whe e they met other vehicles.The convoy moved out tword the Rendlesham forrest a few miles away Airman Wallace heard radio chatter mentioning names of people he knew plus OSI most likely a referance to the Air Force Office of Investigations.Airman Wallace saw security police as well as members of the British Military stationed all along the way.They pulled onto a dirt rod and drove about a mile into the Rendlesham Forrest,stopping at Airman Wallace referred to s a staging point.The men were ordered to check their weapons in since they would not be taking them along Airman Wallace went into the woods with four other men led by a captain who had met them at the Bentwaters motor pool.As they approached a clearing in the woods,they noiced a brightness in the distance and the sound of helicopters overhead.Wallace noticed an airman crying at tbhe edge of the clearing with a medic attending him.This puzzled Airman Wallace as he couldnt imahine what might have been going on.The first thing the men noticed when they had a clear view view was the large movie cameras had been placed surrounding a field in the clearing.Many plainclothes personel were milling about watching something . The something was an object taking the appearance of a transparent aspirin tablet ,hovering about one foot off the ground.Airman Wallace estimated that the object was fiftey feet in diameter and had a bright,pulsating,yellow mist inside it.It did not move from its position.

Airman Wallace and some of the men approached the object to within ten feet.Two cown in the ield d come over to the object according to Airman Wallace,appeared to be just staring at he object,oblivious to the security men in the area.A radio call was heard over a field radi unit.A helicopter pilot said,here it comes.In the distance a red light appeared first behind a pine tree,then in fron of it.The light quickly sped over to the asprin shaped object and hovered at a position about twenty feet above it.After maintaining this position for a minut ,the red light broke up.No explosion occured in the conventional sense.The light merly broke up into a shower of particles.Suddenly,in the place of the red light and and the aspirin sha ed object another vehicle appeared.Airman Wallace said it was a domed disc,bright white in olor,with an intricately detailed surface much like the models used in movies like"star wars and"close encounters". It had two appendages on the lower flang of the disc which seem to be the beginning of delta wingsbut not quite.Shadows were cast on the surface of the disc by so e of the raised relief detail.Airman Wallace and the men with him walked around the object a d noticed some interesting effects.Their own shadows were cast onto the object,probably by the bright "light alls" in the field.Not only did their shadows bend upwards at the head bu but as they walked and stoped,the shadows would appear to advance one pace more then stop.St nned and disbelieving of this effect,Airman Wallace and the others walked and stoped several times,each time noyicing the effect repeat itself.Additionally,the third time that they trie this a light came over the head of a shadow and moved from one head to another

Under hypnosis Wallace found his memory extending beyond tno point where one 'TV video light' danced on the side of the UFO.He now saw aliens Wallace describes them clearly.There were three and their height was about three or three and a half feet.Their heads were large and o of proportion to their bodies.Their eyes were like inverted cats eyes, and the ear,nose and mouth were all just slits.Two wore all over silver suits'like an overall'-the other,who seeme to be the leader,wore a similar suit but blakish.He also had what looked like a long stick b his side.It was apparently clinging to the suit,but their did not appear to be any belt or fastening.The three aliens floated from the underside of the craft and onto the ground.Still in a floating motion the one in black moved twords gordon williams,who Wallace insist was close to the craft.He heard no words exchanged,but saw what might have been sign language. Whilist this was happening there seemed to be a disturbance over the far side of the craft. It was out of view and so Wallace could not see what was occurring,but he could tell from the reaction of the men that something.And the aliens appeared to react too.Their eyes were normally very small but at this point they responded by enlarging them They swelled up into big circles and then returned to normal.After a few moments the contact with Williams proce eded.Wallace was aware that the aliens had damaged their craft and that assistance was being offered in its repair But he was simply mesmerized watching the conversation.Then one of the other two aliens began to float over in the direction of the group of men of which Wallace was one.Oh my god he's coming over to us Wallace recalls shouting.And then even the hypnosis could produce nothing beyond blackness,untill the reawakening in the barracks

The debriefing occured that day following the night UFO encounter Wallace was picked up on ase by a black car with dark glass.He could not see where he was going,he felt as if he were lrugged because they made him get in and he did not want to.He felt very strange.The two men ore dark suits and looked oriental.Neither spoke when he demanded to know where they were aking him.But he felt a voice in his head say,'Dont be affraid. 'After getting out of the car t an unknown location in the dark,Wallace was led down several flights of steel stairs.He was ow in a large room which housed the UFO,identical to the one he had seen in the forrest the lay before.But he was hastily led away from here into another room where several other men he ecognized from the encounterwere present.Everywhere aroud him was spotless and clean,like a ospital.An officer then spoke verbally and told him not to worry as all would be explained. ut he then feels he lost consciousness again as his next memory is of waking up and being iven breakfast.After the food he was taken to a room where there were rows of chairs and a mall platform with a big screen on it.Seven men including himself,were sat there.All had been ut in the forrest that night.An officer,whom Wallace did not recognise,then onto the platform nd explained that they were about to see some film and be informed as to why they were there

The fil was a collection of movie clips apparently taken from aircraft.They showed UFOs in pursuit of military planes and spanned many years,beginning with Second World War footage. One scene was of a craft in a huge hangar somewhere.After the show the lights came on and nothing was said.Wallace felt very calm and relaxed and again as if he were drugged.But throug a glow shining at the back of the screen he saw a small figure.It was only in sillouette,maske by the material,but it was evidently an alien!The alien proceeded to explain who it was,where came from and why it was on earth.This it did straight into Art Wallace's mind no words were spoken.Wallace could not recall the name or origin of the alien,ever under hypnosis.But he could remember the reason supposedly offered for its visit.The aliens were here to educate mankind.But only certain people had been selected to recieve this knowledge.The seven men in t room were some who had ben chosen.Others had been chosen before and there were a number of aliens doing similar things elsewhere.They had been on earth for a very long time,watching ove and guiding the human race.Great changes were due soon.Some had happened already.Others were y to come and Wallace and the others intended for intended for the purpose,would have a big part to play in these.More information would be given when these changescame closer.But they should have no no fear,because the aliens were going to watch over their their proteges
now this version has a high degree of strangeness in the explanation of why the aliens had alledgedly made contact with Wallace I believe this view shiuld be taken with a grain of salt or several grains of salt I believe it highly possible for some contact in the futre between humans and some alien intelligent life forms but the way that might occure is another area for discussion the Wallace version is not acceptable in my view of reality I dont think such a meeting could possibly take place under those circumstances perhaps in some distant time we ma meet alien intelligent life forms but we need more time to develope our world space explorati programs perhaps more world cooperation in space will lead to more advances in space explorati but until then we can be satasfied for the present that there are possible intelligent life fo s out there we only have to get there and I believe with our shuttle program we are in the rig direction this space program gets several countries involved in vareous projects that benefits everyone involved this is a very good step in achieving long term space research goals that wi eventually lead to some possible futre contact with alien life forms either below or at our level or much higher in intelligence than the human occupants of the water planet earth as far as the UFO phenomena is concerned there many interesting theories as to why alien life forms as some of the close encounter cases that are well researched seem to point to some inte rest in our planetary biology and the varied life forms that inhabit our planet including but not exclusively humans I think that if a scientist does research on a lower form of inteligent life his standard rule might be not to alter the conditions of that given species in the proc ess of doing his biological research so that true scientific studies can be conducted on that particular biological life form this does not seem to be the case in the UFO contact cases the aliens are only partly succesfull in their endeaver to alledgedly conduct their human study the more documented case historys indicate the persons alledgedly abducted are able to remembe their abduction with the assistance of specialized hypnosis regression thus their presence has become known to persons in addition to the alledged person abducted by the aliens this con flicts with our own ideas of and experience of what happens when superior intelligence contact lower forms of life the results are usually very unfortunate the lower form of life usually looses his identity his culture something like when the preditor prey scenario when the predit is virtually eliminated with his natural enemy gone his balance of population overproduces the unplanned introduction of pest control methods can lead to a unbalance in nature so the natura means that exist do work as with humans if we made an uncontrolled contact with a vastly super ior intelligent life forn many thousands of years in advance of our selves the consequences might destroy our civilization and culture and result in the destroying of any human national that we have today so planned contact with humans is possible but limited contact at best is the best approach at the present

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D/US of S(AF)DGT/6210

19 June 1985

Dear Peter,

You wrote to Michael Heseltine on 1 May 1985 about the sighting of an unidentified flying object near RAF Woodbridge in December 1980. Michael has asked me to reply as UFO questions fall within my responsibilities.

I do understand your concern and I am grateful to you for having taken the trouble to write. I do not believe, however, that there are any grounds for changing our view, formed at the time, that the events to which you refer were of no defence significance.

You may recall the House of Lords debate on UFOs in 1979 (Hansard, 19 January 1979). I attach an extract of what I said on that occasion. Whilst I respect the views of those who differ from me on this matter I am bound to say that nothing I have seen since then has led me to change the views I myself expressed.

Yours,

David.

Lord Trefgarne

Admiral of the Fleet the Rt Hon Lord Hill-Norton GCB

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Reference.....

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through Sec(AS)2 [redacted]

1. US of S(AF) will recall recent correspondence on this matter with Lord Hill-Norton and Rt Hon Merlyn Rees MP. In both cases he took the line that we have nothing to add to what had already been said on the Woodbridge incident. Indeed, this was the line taken in previous correspondence with David Alton (See M3). The enclosed draft reply to Mr Alton once more follows this approach.

2. Mr Alton specifically requested a copy of the MOD official reply to [redacted] last letter. This is enclosed, together with an earlier letter to which it refers. There is no objection to passing this correspondence to Mr Alton.

3. You may wish to note that Mr Alton has apparently passed on both letters sent by Lord Trefgarne on 19 March 85, even though one of these was intended to be for his information only.

12 June 1985

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Sec(AS)2
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D/US of S(AF)/DGT 5173

June 1985

Thank you for your letter of 16 May to Michael Heseltine enclosing one from [redacted]. You asked to see a copy of the Department's reply to [redacted] letter of 25 February 1985 and this is enclosed, together with earlier correspondence to which it refers.

As I pointed out in my letter of 19 March, the MOD concerns itself only with the defence implications of reported UFO sightings. In this context, the report submitted by Col Halt in January 1981 was examined by those in the Department responsible for such matters and, as I have made clear in the past, it was considered to have no defence significance. We have since seen nothing to alter this view and there is nothing I can usefully add to the comments made in Sec(AS)'s letter or [redacted].

Lord Trefgarne

David Alton Esq MP

Job No 2-24

HOUSE OF COMMONS
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16th May 1985

Dear Michael,

I enclose a letter I have received from [redacted] following on from enquiries I first raised with your Department in March.

I read [redacted] letter with great interest and it seems to me that the points he raises are quite reasonable and merit a reply. I should be most grateful if you could let me have your comments and if you could let me see a copy of the reply to [redacted] own letter to your Department dated 25th February 1985.

Yours sincerely,

David Alton.

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14th May, 1985

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Dear Mr. Alton,

[redacted] has kept me informed about her correspondence with you on the unusual incidents which were reported to the Ministry of Defence by USAF authorities at RAF Woodbridge in January 1981. I have also seen Lord Trefgarne's letters to you of 19th March.

[redacted] decided to write further to you about this puzzling and disquieting case, and she referred to me her enclosed letter of 31st March, which is addressed to you, in the hope that I might be able to add useful comments. Much to my regret I have had to spend much time out of London on other business in recent weeks and it is only now that I am able, very belatedly, to send on [redacted] letter to you.

My own background, in brief, is that I served in the Ministry of Defence from 1949 to 1977, leaving in the grade of Under Secretary of State. From 1969 to late in 1972 I headed a Division in the central staffs of the MOD which had responsibilities for supporting RAF operations. This brought me into touch with a proportion of the many reports which the Department receives about unidentified traces in British airspace.

I believe that [redacted] is right to remain very dissatisfied with the official line which the MOD has adopted on the Rendlesham Forest incidents of December 1980. I have myself said so on a number of public occasions, and I have pursued the matter in correspondence with the MOD - wholly without success.

At the risk of burdening you with an excessive amount of paper, I attach the most recent of my letters to the Ministry of Defence. You will see that this is dated 25th February 1985. I have so far received no answer, despite reminders. On a previous occasion it took the Department three and a half months to send me a wholly perfunctory reply.

[redacted] claims much collateral evidence for her own views; on this I am not competent to comment. My own position is, quite simply, that an extraordinary report was made to the Ministry of Defence by the Deputy Base Commander at RAF Woodbridge early in 1981; that the very existence of this report was denied by the MOD until persistent researchers in the US secured its release under the American Freedom of Information Act in 1983; and that the MOD's responses to questions since that time have been thoroughly unsatisfactory.

I cannot accept Lord Trefgarne's view that there is no Defence interest in this case. Unless Lt.Col. Halt was out of his mind, there is clear evidence in his report that British airspace and territory were intruded upon by an unidentified vehicle on two occasions in late December 1980 and that no authority was able to prevent this. If, on the other hand, Halt's report cannot be believed, there is equally clear evidence of a serious misjudgement of events by USAF personnel at an important base in British territory. Either way, the

case can hardly be without Defence significance.

The dates in question are now rather remote, but I doubt that this should be taken to excuse the very perfunctory manner in which Lord Trefgarne has dealt with your letter. I hope that you may feel able to pursue the matter further, either in correspondence or in a PQ. The essence of the questions to be pressed seems to me to lie in my preceding paragraph. Seen in these terms, [redacted] article in the GUARDIAN (which Lord Trefgarne rather surprisingly falls back upon) is wholly irrelevant. If the USAF really are capable of hallucinations induced by a lighthouse which must surely be very familiar to them, then I shudder for that powerful finger which lies upon so many triggers...

My own letter to the MOD (enclosed) raises other more detailed questions. But I do not suggest that you should necessarily concern yourself with them, anyway at this stage. It would be nice if the MOD would answer letters, of course ! But the essence of the Defence interest which I suggest a responsible Member of Parliament might reasonably raise lies in the argument I have tried to present above.

If I can be of any assistance in discussion with you, I am at your disposal.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

[redacted]

31 March 1985

Dear Mr Alton,

Thank you for your enclosures (undated) which reached me on 30th inst.

May I comment on the reply of Lord Trefgarne to yourself.

His letter is virtually a word-for-word repeat of the standard MoD line (it must save money to keep churning them out of the word processor!) However, he does add a couple of points not previously noted. These are the specific references to not covering up "any incident or mishap" and not "in any way to obscure the truth". That said, and it presumably being true, I would have thought that it was of interest to know from the MoD why they only have the memo from Col Halt (and note he is refered to in Trefgarne's letter as Colonel Halt, his rank now, although on the memo he is Lt.Col.).

Bear in mind that this incident (whatever it was) occurred on BRITISH soil (not base land) and just outside the perimeter fence of an RAF owned base. Consequently British citizens have a right to expect to have been kept informed of matters, especially as then British commander (Squadron Leader Donald Moreland) was specifically on base for that purpose.

YET - according to the MoD stance - we are lead to believe the following data was at no time made available...VIZ

i) The tape recording made by Halt, the base security chief and several other senior officers, which describes in detail the taking of soil samples, tree samples, photographs, radiation readings, infra-red readings etc AT THE SITE ON BRITISH SOIL. Subsequently (as the tape records) a "UFO" reappeared. This tape is in our hands and Moreland personally told me in January 1984 (several months before we got it from the US commander in America) that he was aware of its existence.

How come the MoD have no copy? How come the activities recorded on it took place on British soil without MoD knowledge? How come Moreland never advised the MoD of this vital evidence?

ii) The photographs and samples recorded on the tape (which is officially accepted as genuine by the US) are, again, crucial evidence. Under a recent Freedom of Information (US) request they have been admitted and are likely to be made available in the USA very shortly. Again, I think we are entitled to ask why the MoD appear not only to be unaware of these but have no copies or copies of the analysis results which must accompany them. Again Moreland was aware that these samples and photographs were taken.

If, as the MoD contend, the events do not bear any relationship to a secret test or experiment (and if they do they have lied both to you, as an MP, and to me) then that is an admission that they involve an Unidentified Object (which is all I contend the UFO to be). Indeed in the letter to me of 13 April 1983 DS 8 do say that the lights are unidentified and have "no explanation".

It seems to me that there are questions here concerning the inter-relation between the US Air Force on British soil and our country IF, as contended, several senior officers from a USAF base can be involved in protracted work outside the base and on British land without such facts being known by the MoD or the results of their work being made available.

It is an interesting question as to who legally owns the samples of allegedly

irradiated soil and tree bark taken from BRITISH land (owned by the Forestry Commissi in fact)! I doubt very much that the USAF have carte blanche approval to do what the like on our shores. And if they do I for one am very concerned about it!

Finally, you will note that the official response makes no reference to the lighthouse normal background radiation theories propounded by Ian Ridpath in the Guardian (on th strength of almost no evidence). Yet the Trefgarne letter to you does try to convince you this is the answer,

Neither the MoD nor the USAF will accept the lighthouse theory officially because the are as well aware as I am that it is easily refutable by the facts. Ian Ridpath actually stated on television (in a debate with myself)(5 March 1985) that he regarded his investigation as more objective. His investigation, as he admitted, has consisted of interviewing not a single one of the 17 eye-witnesses from the USAF now traced as being present during the events. Instead it consisted of speaking to one forestry worker who found some holes in the ground one month after the sightings and has presumed they might have been connected! I have spoken to that worker also, on the site itself, and he is less than convinced of his theory himself.

None of this takes into account the various BRITISH CIVILIAN eye-witnesses who saw the events, some in positions where it is literally impossible to see the lighthouse, others looking in the opposite direction from it, and one who had the decidely curious experience of the "lighthouse" flying right over the top of his house!

I am trying to force no explanation onto anybody. But frankly the lighthouse idea is utterly ridiculous and the MoD must know that.

Besides which - what does it do to the USAF/RAF/MoD inter-relationship if all these senior officers (base commander, deputy commander, chief security officer, on-duty night command officer and control tower chief amongst them!) do not know what a lighthouse looks like, which has stood five miles from one of our bases for decades and still stands today?

It seems to me this proffers defence implications should these men (or men like them) ever be put into a situation where they have to defend this land!

In connection with which comes the question of the radiation. Ridpath insists this was ordinary background stuff. The forest was not irradiated, The "peak" readings in the alleged ground traces (samples taken) are quoted as seven-tenths on the point five scale. And I am reliably informed these are significant.

But again - assuming they are not - are we to take it that none of these senior USAF officers have received any training on radiation monitoring? If so - are YOU satisfied to leave them in charge of cruise missiles and nuclear weapons on our shores?

I know that I am not happy, and I am convinced that such factors pose even more serious defence implications than if a genuine bona-fide UFO was involved. The MoD have steadfastly refused to make any comment on these matters. Perhaps you, Mr Alton, can get them to do so?

I pass this letter to Ralph Noyes for forwarding to you, with a letter I trust he will write you. Ralph, as former head of the DS 8 section handling UFO enquiries, knows the situation better than I . , supports our call for more information on this affair, and will I hope open your eyes to the truth about what is being obscured here.

Please do not be put off. There are important civil liberties issues at stake.

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11 June 1985

Dear Mr. Rees,

Thank you for your letter of 14 May which enclosed a further letter from [redacted]

I am afraid I have little to add to what I said in my letter of 20 February 1985 in reply to your original enquiry on this matter. We remain satisfied that the events reported by Colonel Halt on 13 January 1981 are of no defence significance. The report was, like all other UFO reports, examined at the time by those in the Department responsible for the air defence of the UK and we have since seen nothing to alter our views.

Turning to [redacted] request for copies of all UFO reports we have received since 1980, I am afraid that the Department could not justify the effort involved in acceding to this request. However, [redacted] will already know that we are prepared to release reports of specific incidents to interested parties and, if he has any particular reports in mind, [redacted] can obtain copies of these from Sec(AS)2 in my Department, whose address is room 8249 Ministry of Defence, Main Building, Whitehall SW1A 2HB.

Yours sincerely,

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Lord Trefgarne

Rt Hon Merlyn Rees MP

D/D Air Def/3/6/3-909

From: GE3

To: Sec (AS) 2a

Subject: UFO SIGHTING 27 DEC 80

1. We discussed and 9 agreed to forward copies of relevant correspondence

2. Regrettably the tasking letter from MOD referred to an incident on 29 Dec 80. Therefore the replies from Neatishead and Easton Lodge are probably worthless. Unit radar recordings are not held for 4 years consequently we are back where we started!

31/5.

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Please reply to the Officer Commanding
Your reference

MOD (Ops(GE)2b(RAF))

Our reference NEAT/12/1/AIR

Date 5 Feb 81

UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS

Reference:

A. D/DD Ops (GE)/10/8 Dated 26 Jan 81. – E26.

1. At Reference A you asked us to provide a statement of radar observations, or lack of them, regarding a reported sighting of airborne phenoma on the evening of 29 Dec 80.

2. I regret that, in accordance with local procedures, our radar camera recorder was switched off on cessation of normal flying activities at 1527Z on 29 Dec 80. An examination of executive logs revealed no entry in respect of unusual radar returns or other unusual occurrences.

S D SHARPE
Sqn Ldr
for OC

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Ops (GE) 2b (RAF)

26 Feb 81

UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS - RAF BENTWATERS

References:

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A. Telecon Sqn Ldr Coumbe/Sqn Ldr Badcock 23 Feb 81.
B. D/DD Ops (GE)/10/8 dated 26 Jan 81.

1. At Reference A we confirmed that the film of the reported sighting in Reference B was at fault. We have now developed the film on the days prior to and after the reported phenomena - regrettably both films were also faulty.

2. On the night of the reported sighting our controller on duty was requested to view the radar; nothing was observed. The facts are recorded in our log book of that night

[redacted]

D J COUMBE
Sqn Ldr
for OC

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RAF Neatishead
Eastern Radar
RAF Watton

D/DD Ops(GE)/10/8

26 January 1981

UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS

1. The Deputy Base Commander of RAF Bentwaters has reported sightings of airborne phenomena on the evening of 29 Dec 80 in the Rendlesham forest area near Woodbridge. We would appreciate a statement of radar observations, or lack of them, in the area and at the time concerned.

I D HANCOCK
Squadron Leader
Ops(GE)2b(RAF)

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Your reference

Our reference
D/Sec(AS)12/3

Date
15 May 1985

[redacted]

Thank you for your letter of 25 February 1985, addressed to Brian Webster who, as I believe you now know, has left this division (now Sec(AS)). I am sorry that I have not been able to reply before now. Thank you also for sight of the extracts from your proposed book.

In his letter of 20 March 1984, Brian Webster explained the MOD's position regarding Colonel Halt's reports on events near RAF Woodbridge in 1980, and I have little to add to the views Brian expressed. I know from your letter that you are well aware of the limited extent of the MOD's interest in the subject. Nonetheless, there are, perhaps, one or two points which I should make. Firstly, whilst I cannot, of course, comment on the proportion of UFO sightings which are not reported, I can assure you that those which are reported to local police forces and to the Civil Aviation Authority should all be passed on to this division of the MOD. We treat all these reports seriously in case they show anything of defence interest. However, we have never found any reason to believe that, in the defence context, such reports warrant more detailed research. Equally, since our interest extends only as far as defence of the UK, there has never been any formal liaison with other Governments.

Turning to your specific questions about the Woodbridge incident, I can assure you that no unidentified object was seen on any radar recordings during the period in question, and that the MOD has no knowledge of the tape-recording or cine film you mention. As we have said in the past, the report sent by Colonel Halt was examined by those in the Department responsible for the air defence of the UK and since then there has been nothing to alter the view that there was no defence significance to the incident.

Yours sincerely

[redacted]

Ministry Of Defence
Whitehall London SWIA 2HB

November 12.1984

Dear Sir:

I am an american investigator of the u.f.o. phenomena. The involvement of my wife and myself with the phenomena is well documented in two books published in the U.S. The books are (The Andreasson Affair) and (The Andreasson-Affair Phase Two) published by Prentice Hall Publishing of New Jersey. Because of our experiance with the u.f.o. craft and occupants we seek the truth with regard to the whole phenomena in it's entirety.

It is for this reason I write you. I am aware of the report our Air Force OSI completed and sent to your agencey concerning the landing of a "craft of unknown origin crewed by several entities near RAF Bentwaters on the night of December 29/30 1980". I would appreciate any information you could send me regarding this incident, especially what is refered to as Flag A and on original reports Flags B-C which states the landing is not considered a defence issue in view of the overt peaceful nature of the contact. The report further states this is part of a series of landings to SAC bases in the U.S.A. and Europe. Any help you can provide concerning this situation would be greatly appreciated.

Thank You

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REPORT OF SIGHTING - BONDLESHAM FOREST DECEMBER 1981

12/2/1

[redacted]

Your reference

Our reference D/DS 8/10/209

Date 28 November 1984

[redacted]

I have seen the alleged report of a 'UFO' landing near RAF Bentwaters which you referred to in your letter, but I am afraid that it is a forgery. Although apparently written on official Ministry of Defence paper (I have only seen a photo-copy), it is most certainly not an official document and its contents bear no relation to our policy towards reported sightings of 'Unidentified Flying Objects'. Obviously I have no idea where it came from or why it was written and can only conclude that it was intended by someone as a joke.

In fact, our interest in reported sightings of 'UFOs' is very limited. We are concerned solely with whether these reports reveal anything of defence interest, such as intruding aircraft and if we are satisfied that they do not we take our investigations no further. There is no organisation in the MOD appointed solely for the purpose of studying UFO reports and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff respons-ible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, who examine them as part of their normal duties.

We did receive a report by Col Charles Halt of the USAF, of some lights seen outside RAF Bentwaters in December 1980, I attach a copy, although you may well have already seen it. The Department satisfied itself at the time that the lights were of no defence significance and took matters no further. We did not attempt to identify what might have been seen, but I can assure you that there is no evidence whatsoever that anything intruded into British airspace or landed outside RAF Bentwaters.

I hope you find this helpful.

Yours Sincerely

L Matthews

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Your reference

Our reference
D/DS8/10/209
Date
14 September 1984

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Thank you for your letter of 18 July.

I should first of all point out that the sole interest of the Ministry of Defence in reported sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) is to establish whether they have any bearing on the defence of the country.

There is no organization in the Ministry of Defence appointed solely for the purpose of studying UFOs, and no staff are employed on the subject full time. The reports we receive are referred to the staff in the Department who are responsible for the air defence of the United Kingdom, and they examine the reports as part of their normal duties.

Since our interest in UFOs is limited to possible defence implications we have not carried out a study into the scientific significance of these phenomena. Unless there are defence implications we do not attempt to identify sightings and we cannot inform observers of the probable identity of the object seen. The Department could not justify the expenditure of public funds on investigations which go beyond the pure defence interests.

The only information we have on the alleged "UFO sighting" at Rendlesham Forest in December 1980 is the report by Colonel Charles Halt, of the United States Air Force, of lights seen outside RAF Woodbridge. A copy of this is enclosed. We are satisfied that the events described are of no defence significance.

I am also enclosing with this copies of 2 recent Parliamentary Questions, which you may be interested in.

Yours Sincerely,

L. Hatton

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25 JUL [illegible]
10/2091

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18/July/84.

Dear Sir,

I am sending this letter with ref to my interest in the events surrounding the Rendlesham Forest UFO incident in Suffolk Dec/80. I am studying this case, as it is of some significance. And I would be oblidged if you could send me some additional information regards this incident ? As I was informed by a certain person that some files on the Rendlesham case had been despatched to investigators involved etc , via freedom of information act.

Hoping you are able to reply.

Yours Sincerely,

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Your reference

Our reference
BENT/S/AIR

Date
21 August 1984

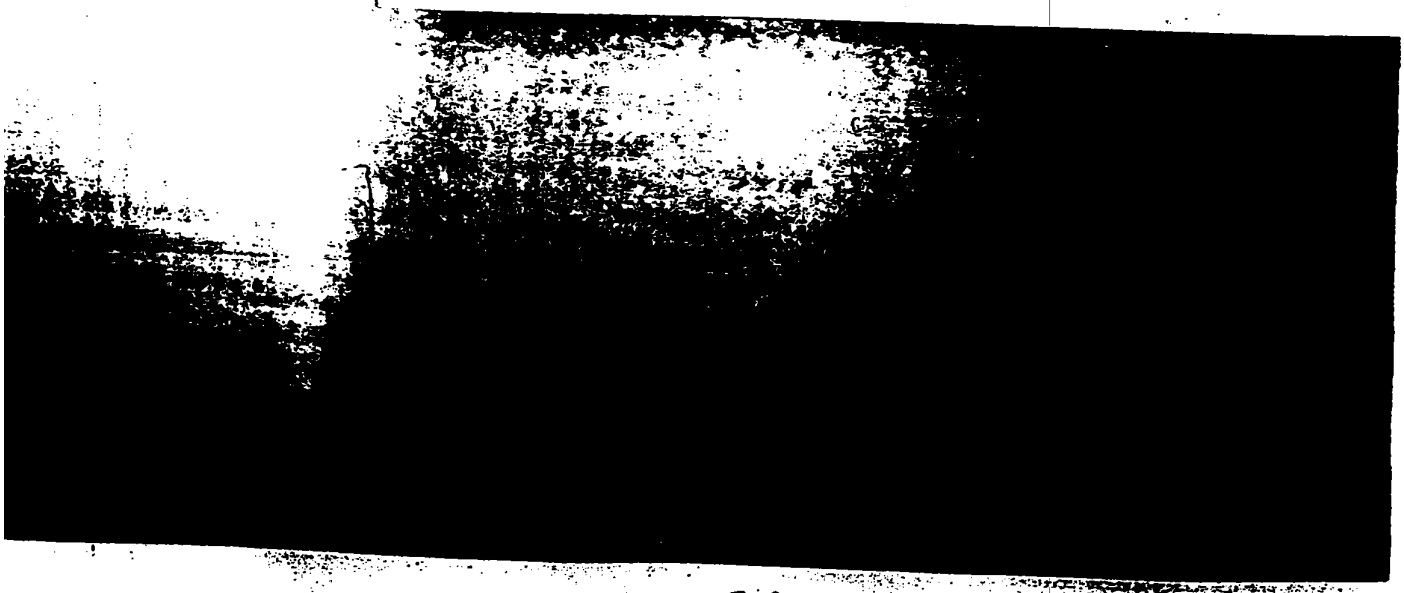
Dear Peter

Further to my telecon of yesterday I enclose a copy of the request from 'Cable News Network' on information concerning our "UFO" incident of 1980.

At the moment I have no involvement but I would not be surprised to find the British interest revived.

Yours

Dave Crowther



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SUBJ: QUERY FROM CNN TO RE UFO SIGHTING(S)
1. REFERENCE TELECON BETWEEN MAJ MCCOLLISTER, HQ USAFE/PAM, AND CAPT WARZINSKI, 81TFW/PA, 20 AUG 84, SAME SUBJ.
2. OSAF/PAM HAS RECEIVED A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM CHUCK DE CARO OF CABLE NEWS NETWORK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT AN ALLEGED UFO SIGHTING AT RAF BENTWATERS ON 27 DEC 1980. THE CNN REPORTER HAS A COPY OF A LETTER DATED 13 JAN 81 FROM THE THEN-DEPUTY BASE COMMANDER AT RAF BENTWATERS WHICH REPORTS ON THE INCIDENT. THE 13 JAN 81 LETTER WAS ADDRESSED TO 3AF/CC. OSAF/PAM HAS ASKED US TO HELP THEM RESPOND TO SOME 20 QUESTIONS POSED BY CNN. WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE IN FLESHING OUT THE RESPONSES. WOULD APPRECIATE 81TFW/PA, THROUGH 3AF/PA, PROVIDE US THE BEST RESPONSES POSSIBLE TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE ANSWERS BY 23 AUG 84, OR SOONER IF POSSIBLE. THE QUESTIONS ARE:

PAGE 2 RHFQAARALQ087 UNCLAS
Q-1: EXACTLY HOW MANY UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS/SIGHTINGS OCCURRED?
Q-2: OVER THE COURSE OF HOW MANY DAYS DID INCIDENTS OCCUR?
Q-3: DID USAF SECURITY POLICE CORDON OFF THE AREA SPECIFIED IN LT COL HALT'S REPORT?
Q-4: WHAT UNITS WERE INVOLVED IN THE SIGHTINGS? WERE AAVS UNITS THERE?
Q-5: WAS THERE A HELPING HAND, COVERED WAGON, FADED GIANT OR BROKEN ARROW REPORTED OR REPORT GENERATED BY THE INCIDENT?
Q-6: DID GEN. GORDON WILLIAMS WITNESS THE INCIDENT? IF SO, WHY DID HALT WRITE A REPORT?
Q-7: WILL GENERAL WILLIAMS WRITE AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ABOUT HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE INCIDENT FOR CNN?
Q-8: HOW MANY USAF PERSONNEL WITNESSED THE SIGHTINGS?
Q-9: DID SECURITY POLICE MAJOR ZEIGLER WITNESS THE INCIDENT?
Q-10: DID SGT. JOHN BURROUGHS WITNESS THE INCIDENT?
Q-11: WAS THERE A LIEUTENANT ENGLAND IN THE SECURITY POLICE UNIT AT RAF BENTWATERS AT THE TIME AND DID HE WITNESS THE INCIDENT?
Q-12: WHAT ARE THE CURRENT UNITS AND DUTY STATIONS OF GENERAL WILLIAMS, COLONEL HALT, SGT BURROUGHS, MAJ ZIEGLER AND LT ENGLAND?
Q-13: WERE THERE USAF DISASTER PREPAREDNESS, EOD OR NUCLEAR

PAGE 3 RHFQAARALQ087 UNCLAS
WEAPONS MANAGEMENT TEAMS DISPATCHED TO THE SIGHT OF THE INCIDENT? ARE THERE COPIES OF THEIR REPORTS IN USAF FILES? IF SO, WHICH UNITS HAVE THE FILES?
Q-14: WHAT UNIT OR WHAT PERSONNEL TOOK THE RADIOACTIVITY READINGS REFERRED TO IN LT COL HALT'S REPORT? WHAT UNIT OR PERSONNEL

ESTABLISHED THE GEOMETRY OF THE INDENTATIONS ON THE GROUND? WHERE ARE THEIR OFFICIAL MEASUREMENTS AND REPORTS?

Q-15: WERE THERE ANY NON-NATO PERSONNEL INTERVIEWED OR SEEN AT THE SITE OF THE INCIDENT? COULD THESE PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNEXPLAINED LIGHTS?

Q-16: WERE OSI PERSONNEL DISPATCHED TO THE INCIDENT SITE? DID OSI INTERVIEW LT COL HALT, SGT LARRY WARREN, AIRMAN STEVEN CAPLUNE, GENERAL WILLIAMS, MAJOR ZEIGLER, LIEUTENANT ENGLAND OR SGT BURROUGHS? WITNESSED THE INCIDENT?

Q-17: WILL THE USAF PROVIDE A LIST OF USAF PERSONNEL WHO

Q-18: WHAT ARE THE REASONS THAT WILLIAMS, HALT AND BORROUGHS GAVE FOR NOT GRANTING OFFICIAL INTERVIEWS?

Q-19: ARE THERE PHOTOGRAPHS, TAPE RECORDINGS, VIDEOTAPES, DRAWINGS OR DESCRIPTIONS OF ANY KIND IN USAF FILES? IF NOT, TO WHAT AGENCY OR AGENCIES HAVE THE FILES BEEN TRANSFERRED?

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Q-20: WERE PERSONNEL FROM CIA, DIA, NSA, USAF INTEL, OR NSC NOTIFIED ABOUT LT COL HOLT'S SIGHTINGS? WHY? DID THE SECAF VISIT RAF BENTWATERS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE INCIDENT? WHY? DID ANY SECAF STAFF ACCOMPANY THE SECAF? WHO WERE THEY?

3 YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THIS PROJECT IS APPRECIATED.

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Your reference

Our reference
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Date
18 July 1984

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Thank you for your letter of 28 June. I am afraid that there really is very little more I can say in answer to the two main questions you ask.

We received Colonel Halt's report regarding the lights seen in Renllesham Forest, near RAF Woodbridge, and the opertaional staff have satisfied themselves that there was nothing in the report which gave rise to any concern from a defence point of vie In these circumstances, and I apologise if this was not quite clear in my earlier letter, we make no attempt whatsoever to establish what was seen. I can therefore make no official comment on what was seen, or try to guess what it might have been, but, as I said, there is absolutely no evidence that anything had either intruded into UK airspace or landed near RAF Woodbridge.

As to your second question, no Government Department or official body, apart from the Ministry of Defence, has any interest in these reports, and the interest of the Ministry of Defence is very strictly limited, in the way I described.

Yours Sincerely,

C Hatton

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UR REF: HH/SL

UR REF: D/DS8/10/209

28th June, 1984

For the attention of A. Mathewson Esq.

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Defence Secretariat 8,
Room 7230,
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Dear Mr. Mathewson,

I thank you for your letter of the 19th instant with its enclosures.

If I might refer to the last paragraph of your said letter and refer you to Colonal Halt's report, of which I have a copy, you will obviously observe that of the three numbered para raphs thereof, paragraphs numbered 1 and 2 relate to "a strange glowing object..... metallic in appearance and triangular in shape approximately two to three metres across the base and approximately two metres high.....hovering or on legs" - since you say that you have satisifed yourself that nothing in Colonel Halt's report was of significance from a dfence point of view I assume that you are aware of and can explain to me what this object was?

You then go on to say that there is no evidence of anything having "intruded" into British air space and "landing" near R.A.F. Woodbridge and therefore am I to take this to mean that the vehicle referred to inparagraph numbered 1 of Colonel Halt's report has been identified by you and that you are satisifed that it was not an "intruder" i.e. it had the consent of H.M. Government, directly or indirectly, to be there?

I am sure you will take my point that there is a great deal more referred to in Colonel Halt's report than mere "lights" since the report clearly describes a substantive craft which obviously left marks bearing witness to its presence (see paragraph No. 2 of Colonal Halt's letter).

If I may be permitted to continue, I would like now to refer to the second paragraph of your letter to me wherein you state that your Ministry is solely concerned with matters of a "defence" interest, which I accept, and perhaps you would kindly confirm, as I understand to be the case, that whilst your Ministry's interest is solely in connection with anything that might be held to be a threat to our national security, there is another "wing" of Government or State, or a "wing" controlled by the Government, which does have an interest in those objects that fly about, which have no defence implications (i.e. are not a threat to national security) and which are not what the man in the street would regard as conventional aircraft, meteorite, satelite, ball lightening, comet or any atmospheric phenomina.

At this stage I hope you will not be offended of my enquiring as to whether you, Mr. Mathewson, replied to my letter from your own knowledge and file or whether the reply to me was passed from others to your good-self, i.e. is the reply yours or are you acting as a "go-between?

[redacted]

OUR REF:

YOUR REF:

I feel that I do owe you some explanation as to how and why I am involved in the subject of unidentified flying objects and I would mention that, if you can spare me another few more minutes, my interest in this subject commenced some six years ago, when, as a total cynique, I investigated a sighting in Wales for the purpose of giving a talk to a discussion group, of which I was then and still am a member, on the subject of U.F.O.'s.

I started out to prepare this talk "tongue in cheek" and, indeed my visit to Wales (actually Anglesey) was made in the same frame of mind but I have to say that I returned with a somewhat different point of view.

Since that time I have been involved, along with colleagues whose acquaintance I was to make, in the research of a small but significant number of sightings and I find that, although I have never seen anything myself, the more that I delve into this subject the more convinced I become that there is a craft of unknown origin, or at least of an origin unknown to the great mass of mankind, which flies about this planet motivated by a purpose at which I can only guess.

The questions that one has to ask oneself are to what extent does Government know more than the man in the street and conceal from him such knowledge and is one under a public duty to enlighten the man in the street not only as to the possibility of such concealed information but also as to its content?

The dilemma that one faces is whether or not it is in the interests of the man in the street to be aware of what is going on or whether it is in his interests not to know and clearly, the answer to this must depend on the reasons for concealment i.e. whether the same is in the public good and, as such, an exception from the normal rule that the public is entitled to know what is going on or whether concealment from the public is not in their interests since it is designed solely to protect, perhaps, limited sectional interests e.g. that of the oil industry against the introduction of a new plentiful and cheap means of fuel.

I subscribe to the "middle of the road" view that the public are entitled to know something of that which is going on but as yet cannot make a decision as to whether they are entitled to full disclosure since I have to concede that there may be wiser heads than mine who have genuine bone fide reasons for concealment, of which I may not be aware, but which are clearly in the public interest.

Much of what I have said may well be meaningless to you and I suspect it will be if you are merely replying to me from information which is passed on to you from elsewhere, and from a source to which you yourself do not have access.

However, I feel as a matter of courtesy that I owe you some explanation of my involvement in the topic of U.F.O:'s, which I suspect is a relative term since what may be totally unidentifiable to one person may be partially identifiable or recognisable to another.

Finally, having outlined in short general terms my philosophy and thinking on the subject, I would be grateful to receive your specific reply

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UR REF:

OUR REF:

to the points I have raised relating to Colonel Halt's report and that Department of State which does concern itself with those craft when the same are considered not to be a Defence issue.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

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Your reference

Our reference
D/DS8/10/209-710
Date
13 July 1984

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Thank you for your letter of 4 July. I am sorry that you appear to have found my last letter, of 22 June, disappointing. However, I have nothing to add to my explanation of the Ministry of Defence's interest in so called UFO reports and I suggest that there is little point in continuing this correspondence.

Yours Sincerely,

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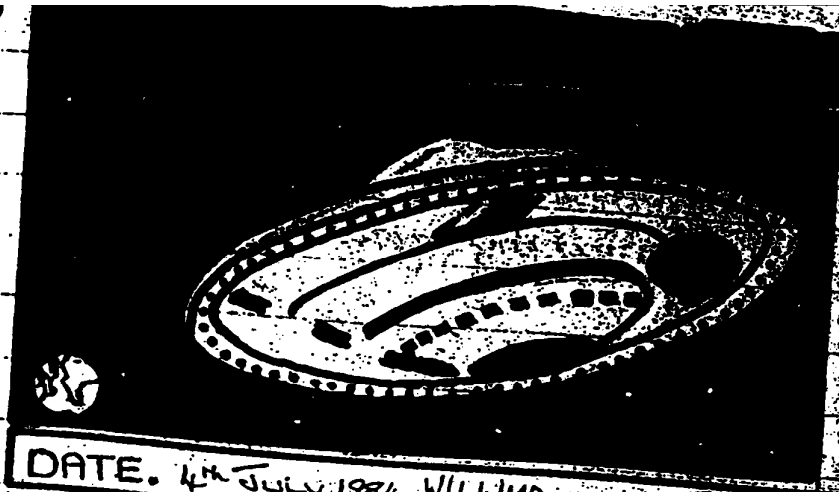

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DATE. 4th July 1984 W/L4/MD. TO/ A.MATHEWSON

DEAR MR. MATHEWSON,

I yet again find myself writing to you feeling that I am disappointed this time. I recived your last letter only to find my questions Unanswered and your reply was Inadequate. (TOTALLY)

(1) RENDELSHAM FOREST INCIDENT. After reading Col HALTS report - How did the MOD SATISFIE THEMSELVES that there was NO DEFENCE IMPLICATIONS PLEASE Explain the Conclusion and how it was reached.!

(2) MOD RELEASE FILES. WHY DO you NOT keep TO your policy AS IN Section 3 of your Letter to me dated 6th JUNE 1984 Send me ONE report FILE Such as the one you released to ufologist IAN MRZYGLOD AND Author/ ufologist JENNY RANDLES. If you find yourself Unable to release the FILE I would like an explanation.

In your reply I would be greatful if it Contained more than nine Lines of TOTAL Jargon and repeats of what you have stated in previous letters I look forward to an half decent answer - many thanks

Yours Sincerely

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Your reference

Our reference
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Date
22 June 1984

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I am sorry that I forgot to enclose the copy of Col Halts report with my prev letter. I am therefore including it with this. As to the remainder of your letter, we received no report of an "unidentified flying object" near Cwmbran 14 September 1982, and as I have said before we do not have the resources to search through our files for any reports we may have received from the Wigan a for a particular year. The reports we receive have so far proved to be of no interest from a defence point of view, so this would in any event fall well out our defence responsibilities.

Yours sincerely,

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Our reference. [redacted]

Your reference D/DSB/10/209.

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Dear mr Mathewson,

Thankyou for your reply to my last letter to your departme
your reply to me you wrote, find Enclosed a Copy of Colonel Halt's report, apparentl
further Inspection of your reply NO report was to be found in the envolope.
ease Could your Amend this by sending the Copy to us as Stated - many thanks.
section 3 of your letter you stated, and I quote, We will realease the details of particu
ecified reports on request. Then to your policy I would like to ask on behalf of our Investigat
- the MOD file Investigation of the September 14th 1982 Sighting at CWMBRAN. your departme
re reported has to Covering this Case by a well known Ufo Association, we would be well
ased if you Could help us in anyway with this Case. Here at WAPIT, we do Now Understand t
r department do not ATTEMPT to Identify Ufo's/ARIEL Phenomena Unless it Causes Concern fr
EFENCE point of View. Back to Section 3 again, you do keep the details/files of Cases reporte
you, this being the thing that Intreats me - if this is so - Then why is this Information NOT
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rmation files on Certain Cases such as the RENDELSHAM forest Incident - the Complete
- and all we recive is NOTHING! - Then may I ask why you have a policy to CONSIDER realeas
of Specified reports, when you dont for some reason wish to keep to this policy? OR
dently Sway away from the GENUINE requests made?. May I make it Clear In NO Way are
saying this is a dilliberate Sway from the So-Called MOD Policy. Once more I must point o
your department do NOT Investigate Ufo's - So has you know the Sighting's will NOT be
tigated Unless files are made open to Ufologist's - so that they Can get on with their Job
vestigation and Evaluation of the Phenomena observed. That is why we must have
peration through all our network Channels. for the Ufologist to Continue with a Case
ust obtain as much Information as possible to do his Job of Evaluation well. (I hope you
e with me on this Point?).

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ay I enquire what Reports you recived in 1983 for the Wigan AREA a persentage
mber out of the 390 you recived...

ay I now take time to thank you Sincereley (I feel sure it is DUE) for the
-operation, time and Consideration you have given me so far.
- are Investigators of a Phenomena which at present remains Unidentified and
- try Very hard to keep our Investigation of the Subject OBJECTIVE and detailed
hich I am sure you will appreciate). Once again I thank you and the department,
nd I look forward to your Speedy reply...

Yours Sincerely

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