

## Dr. Steven Greer Creates New Corporation To Find And Fund Inventors Of Novel Energy Sources And To Manufacture Them

Dr. Steven Greer, whose Project Disclosure had the originally stated objective of getting Congress to hold open hearings to reveal the Government's (alleged) coverup of UFO secrets, has announced the creation of a new corporation, called SPACE ENERGY ACCESS SYSTEMS (SEAS), to "identify, test, secure, disclose, finance and produce systems to replace all energy sources currently in use. It will have a significant associated Foundation to fund and support [Project] Disclosure, world peace, outer space relations, environmental protection and the alleviation of human poverty and suffering."

According to the Jan. 11 Project Disclosure e-mail announcement, "We have identified a number of prospective civilian scientists and inventors who appear to have uncovered important new electromagnetic energy and propulsion technologies. We have concluded that the time has come to form an entity to definitely identify, test, disclose and mass-produce such a device to replace the internal-combustion engine and the need for fossil fuels. I have no doubt that we now possess the strategic capability to do this once a bona fide technology is identified and tested by independent facilities," according to Greer. He predicts that during the current year "the technologies behind UFO energy and propulsion systems will begin to be released to a long-suffering world." (Emphasis added.) [SUN Comment: Don't hold your breath.]

According to this e-mail announcement, Project Disclosure had its "most successful and best attended press conference in 20 years on May 9, 2001 at the National Press Club. The truth about UFOs, illegal covert projects and the promise of a new civilization made possible by the release of new energy and propulsion systems was heard by over a billion people in the past 7 months. Thousands of people have attended Campaign for Disclosure events..." [SUN questions whether there are "billions" of English-speaking persons on Earth and whether every one of them has listened to the content of Project Disclosure's May 9 press conference.]

## Greer Schedules 3-Day Conference in California's Bay Area

In an e-mail message issued Jan. 31, Greer revealed plans for a Project Disclosure conference to be held June 21-23 in San Mateo, and hopes to hold a (repeat) conference for the news media at the National Press Club in Washington in "late summer" of this year. [SUN predicts that if Greer stages another press conference at the NPC, there will be far fewer news media in attendance than at his first on May 9, 2001, and they will be far more critical of his wild claims.] Greer said that since the May 9 conference "we have identified literally dozens of new top secret witnesses to UFO, extraterrestrial and advanced energy programs."

## Firmage Praises UFO-Coverup Views In Dolan's Recent Book

Silicon Valley's Joe Firmage, who (seemingly) has abandoned his earlier strong endorsement of the "new Majestic Documents" promoted by Dr. Robert Wood and his son Ryan, has found a new "UFO Cover-up" promoter: RICHARD M. DOLAN. He is author of a book titled "UFOs and the National Security State, An Unclassified History, Volume One: 1941 to 1973." In a lengthy message posted on the Internet on Dec. 17, Firmage predicted that Dolan's book is "likely to be ranked one day among the great works of investigative journalism." [SUN Predicts: Firmage should live so long.] In the year since Dolan's book was published it has been reviewed, and praised, by only a tiny handful of pro-UFOlogists who are convinced that some UFOs are ET craft and that the governments of the U.S. and many other countries have carried out a successful cover-up for more than 50 years.

According to the Firmage e-mail message, "*One of the deepest mysteries to confront the discipline of science is the vast body of unexplained observations...labeled 'unidentified flying objects.'* Research into UFO phenomena has been a challenging process for all those professionals courageous enough to climb its slippery slope—a situation produced by a self-reinforcing cycle of inattentive science, intense secrecy, and half a century of disinformation on the subject....It is a book that every student of science, government, philosophy and history must read." [Firmage provided Amazon.com's web-site address. Price/soft-cover: \$31.94, including shipping.]

Firmage then posed 40 "Questions for Scientists Who Care About The Truth"—some of which are based on the contents of Dolan's book. One such example, "*Are scientists and journalists aware that much of the research staff on a pivotal government-funded study of UFO evidence—the Condon Committee—resigned or were fired when they challenged the director's [Condon] intention to report a pre-ordained conclusion that all UFO sightings can be explained in mundane terms?*" (Emphasis added.) In reality, only TWO of the more than a dozen scientists directly involved in the Colorado University project were fired when it was learned that they had covertly leaked a memo by project coordinator Robert Low. The memo, written when the university was weighing whether to take on the UFO study, could be interpreted as indicating that Low was a UFO skeptic.

The Condon Report included UFO cases which seemingly defied prosaic explanations. One of these involved two UFO photos taken by Mr./Mrs. Paul Trent in 1952 near McMinnville, Ore. Dolan's book (p. 452) quotes investigator William K. Hartmann's conclusion: "*This is one of the few UFO reports in which all factors investigated...appear to be consistent with...an extraordinary flying object, silvery, metallic, disk-shaped, tens of meters in diameter, and evidently artificial [manufactured], flew within sight of two witnesses.*"

Hartmann, whose investigation included a visit to the site, interviews with the Trents and analysis of their two photos, qualified his conclusion: "*It cannot be said that the evidence positively rules out fabrication [i.e., a hoax], although there are some physical factors...which argue against a fabrication.*" Dolan failed to inform his book's readers that Hartmann later had changed his assessment after the Condon report was published and after he studied the results of an investigation by Robert Sheaffer (and SUN's editor). Hartmann

said, "I think that Sheaffer's work removes the McMinnville case from consideration as evidence for the existence of disk-like artificial aircraft." (Hartmann's revised assessment was reported in my book "UFOs Explained," which Dolan lists in his book's bibliography. Dolan wrote that his bibliography was not exhaustive "but merely a listing of sources I have used in this study.")

## Dolan Rejects Prosaic Explanations

Shortly before Jimmy Carter was elected President in 1976, the tabloid National Enquirer revealed that he had had a UFO sighting which he (erroneously) recalled had occurred in late 1969, shortly after he had delivered a talk to the Lion's Club of Thomaston, GA. The article quoted Carter as saying, "*It was the darndest thing I've ever seen. It was big, it was very bright, it changed colors and it was about the size of the moon. We watched it for about 10 minutes, but none of us could figure out what it was.*" This case underwent a lengthy investigation by Robert Sheaffer (as detailed in his book "The UFO Verdict: Examining The Evidence," published in 1981 and cited by Dolan as one of his sources. Sheaffer's expanded book was republished in 1998 as "UFO Sightings: The Evidence.")

With much hard work and a bit of luck, Sheaffer determined that the UFO sighting had occurred on Jan. 6 shortly before Carter spoke to the Lion's Club of Leary, GA.—not Thomaston. This indicated the time was about 7:15 pm. Sheaffer found that the planet Venus was at maximum brilliance and to observers at around 7:15 pm in Leary would appear at an elevation of about 25 degrees in the west-southwest part of the sky. This matched Carter's account and those of other witnesses who were with him. After Dolan's very brief summary of the incident, he dismissed Sheaffer's findings: "The only analysis of the incident was offered by debunker Robert Sheaffer, who established the presence of Venus in that part of the sky. To which one answers: so?" (Although Dolan cites in his own book's bibliography/sources a total of six books authored by pro-UFOlogist Jacques Vallee, he ignores Vallee's sage warning in one of his books: "No single object has been misinterpreted as a 'flying saucer' more often than the planet Venus.")

## Author Dolan's Background

Although Dolan's book occupies nearly 550 pages, there is not a single page devoted to providing the background of its author. However, its publisher's web-site provides a copy of a feature article on Dolan and his book, which appeared in a weekly newspaper in his home town of Rochester NY in early January of 2001. From this article we learn that "*Dolan came to the University of Rochester in 1985 as a grad student in history. His specialty was German and Soviet studies, and he did a great deal of research on Bismarck's spy chief before switching his focus to American Cold War policies. While writing his dissertation on Truman and the National Security Council, he decided to get out of academia....He [now] runs a resume business out of his home...*" in Rochester.

This article provides useful insights into Dolan's views. For example: "*When you have wealth hoarded by a very few, which is what we have in our society, you've got to have de-facto manipulation of the institutions of society to keep it going....So it is in that context that the*

*UFO cover-up is not unique. It's one cover-up among dozens, hundreds, that occur every day.*” According to Dolan, one of the assumptions we grow up with is that “science is an independent search for the truth. But that is not how science works.... They have to work for grants. And who funds them? Since the Second World War, the military has been by far the biggest sponsor of scientific work.... It would seem logical that the military has sponsored classified—that is, secret—scientific work on this problem for years. In public, however, mainstream scientists offer nothing more than ridicule or scorn upon the topic.” (Emphasis added.)

Dolan provides added insights in the lengthy Introduction chapter of his book. For example, *“America is a country with a bad conscience, nominally a republic and free society, but in reality an empire and oligarchy, vaguely aware of its own oppression, within and without. I have used the term ‘national security state’ to describe its structure and power. It is a convenient way to express the military and intelligence communities, as well as the worlds that feed upon them—such as defense contractors and other underground, nebulous entities. Its fundamental traits are secrecy, wealth, independence, power, and duplicity.”* [SUN Comment: Dolan’s opinions undoubtedly influenced his views on allegations of a UFO-cover-up. We note a similarity of Dolan’s views about America to those of Osama bin Laden.]

Dolan wrote: *“Fundamentally, this is a book about the concern that military-intelligence organizations have toward UFOs, and their concealment of that fact from the public.”* [Note Dolan’s use of the ‘present tense’ although the book’s title indicates it only covers the period of 1941 to 1973.] *“The United States is comprised of large organizations—corporations, bureaucracies, interest groups and the like—which are conspiratorial by nature.”* According to Dolan, during President and five-star general Eisenhower’s final two years in office he *“asked repeatedly to get an audience with the head of the Strategic Air Command to learn what America’s nuclear retaliatory plan was. What he finally learned in 1960, his final year in office, horrified him. If a revered military hero such as Eisenhower could not control America’s nuclear arsenal, nor get a straight answer from the Pentagon...”* [Although Dolan’s book provides hundreds of footnotes as sources, there is none to support this Eisenhower charge.]

## Some Reservations About Roswell Incident And MJ-12 Documents

After a lengthy and somewhat factually flawed account, Dolan summarizes his opinion of the Roswell Incident as follows: *“It has offered hope to those seeking to prove a UFO cover-up, but has yet to deliver the goods.... The case for the UFO is much broader and stronger than a fixation on Roswell warrants.... And the fact remains that many UFO researchers who otherwise ‘believe’ in aliens do not believe that a UFO crashed at Roswell. Others, still, concede that an ET explanation remains one of several valid possibilities.”* [SUN Comment: Dolan cites the Project Mogul balloon train/radar target explanation but does not cite any other of “SEVERAL valid possibilities.”]

Dolan’s brief discussion of the original “Majestic 12” [MJ-12] documents accurately characterizes them as *“as rancorous and disputed as the Roswell controversy.”* Although he offers—and attacks—views that challenge the authenticity of the MJ-12 papers, Dolan concedes,

*"Most UFO researchers now believe that the MJ-12 documents are fake." The argument "that swayed most UFO researchers concerned Truman's signature [on a letter to Defense Secretary Forrestal allegedly creating MJ-12, dated Sept. 24, 1947]. Klass found that it matched [the signature] on a letter in the Truman archives: a Xeroxed letter written by Truman to [Vannevar] Bush on October 1, 1947. [WRONG. The letter was in the Bush files in the Library of Congress.] Thus, it appeared that the forger had simply tacked a [photo-copy of a] real signature onto a fake letter. But not everyone was persuaded," Dolan wrote. (Emphasis added.)*

Dr. Robert Wood's suggested explanation for the identical signatures was that Truman signed them using a device which enabled the President to sign five letters simultaneously. This would require Truman to wait a week after writing the important MJ-12 letter before signing it so he could use the "Auto-Pen." (SUN #58/July 1999 demolished this Wood hypothesis by showing an authentic letter by Truman, dated Sept. 26, 1947, whose signature did not match the one on the MJ-12 letter of Sept.24 or the Bush letter of Oct 1.—showing he did not use an "Auto-Pen.")

### If MJ-12 Papers A Hoax, Dolan Suspects AFOSI

If the Truman letter is a counterfeit (and then so is the MJ-12 Eisenhower Briefing Document which refers to the Truman-Forrestal letter), who prepared them? Dolan says *"the strongest evidence points to members of the U.S. intelligence community, specifically 10 or so individuals from the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) at Kirtland AFB... William Moore [who made public the MJ-12 papers in mid-1987] had already been in contact with several intelligence people at the base, including Master Sergeant Richard Doty.... This group [allegedly] informed Moore that they were opposed to UFO secrecy, and would assist him in his research by leading him to key documents."* (Emphasis added.) Dolan does not mention that a high-ranking AFOSI officer in the Pentagon (Col. Richard Weaver) was the first U.S. government official to declare the MJ-12 papers to be counterfeit.

### Dolan Believes Keyhoe Was Top UFO Researcher

There can be no doubt that Donald Keyhoe, whose five books and several magazine articles promoted the idea of UFOs as ET visitors, deserves to be called the "Father of UFOlogy." Keyhoe also created and headed the nation's largest and most influential pro-UFO organization—NICAP. But Dolan believes he was also *"the most important UFO researcher, ever. Only James E. McDonald came close..."* [McDonald, a University of Arizona physicist who emerged as a leading pro-UFO spokesman in 1966, committed suicide in 1971.] Keyhoe's books *"in 1950, 1953, 1955, 1960, and 1973 provided an enormous amount of information, much of which was leaked or even declassified solely for his use,"* according to Dolan. *"Considering his importance to the field of UFO research, it is remarkable that Keyhoe has become...almost a forgotten entity.... UFO researchers ...almost never footnote his books, which indicates they probably have not read them."* [SUN Comment: Dolan often quotes from Keyhoe's writings, much of which was based on speculation and rumor.]

Dolan predicts: "The day will come when Keyhoe's reputation is re-established for what it ought to be..." [SUN Comment: Don't hold your breath.]

## New Randle Book Features 1952 Washington Radar-UFO Sightings

Kevin Randle, who achieved UFO fame with his four books on the Roswell Incident, provides a somewhat more balanced treatment of a famous UFO case in his latest book, titled "INVASION WASHINGTON: UFOs Over The Capital" [Paperback, 312 pages, \$7.50]. Roughly one-sixth of the book is devoted to a transcript of a press conference held by the Pentagon/USAF following the second radar-UFO incident on the night of July 26-27, 1952. (The first such incident, which occurred a week earlier [July 19-20], made headlines around the world.) Maj. Gen. John A. Samford, USAF's Director of Intelligence, was the principal speaker, sometimes referring reporters' questions to Maj. Gen. Roger M. Ramey, USAF's Director of Operations. (In mid-1947, Ramey, who was then head of the 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force, had identified the "Roswell debris" as the remains of a balloon-borne radar reflector and not from an ET craft—a verdict with which Randle strongly disagrees.) In a few instances Samford called on a radar or other specialist from the Air Technical Intelligence Center (ATIC) to answer a reporter's question.

Randle's book briefly mentions a feature article that appeared in the April 4, 1952, issue of LIFE magazine which was headlined: "Have We Visitors From Space?" (Excerpts from the article were carried by more than 300 newspapers throughout the country.) Randle reports that the number of UFO reports submitted to the USAF's Project Blue Book office in May "was 79, down from the 99 made during April 1952." But he does not inform readers that prior to the LIFE article the number of UFO reports averaged only about 15 per month. In June, LOOK magazine ran *two* feature articles on UFOs and LIFE ran another. Randle does not inform his readers that during June a total of 148 UFO reports were submitted to Project Blue Book and in July more than 500 UFO sighting reports were submitted—an all-time peak. Randle attributes this to "*some of the most important cases...that provided some of the best physical evidence that UFOs were not just illusions or delusions, but something solid enough to be filmed and recorded on radar.*"

The film to which he refers was taken with a 16 mm. home movie camera in daylight by Navy Warrant Officer Delbert C. Newhouse near Tremonton, Utah—in the vicinity of the Great Salt Lake. The film shows nearly a dozen white "UFOs" flying erratically overhead. Randle informs his readers that Navy photo-analysts were unable to offer a prosaic explanation, but the University of Colorado's UFO-photo analyst, William K. Hartmann, concluded that the UFOs were a flock of white seagulls known to populate the area where the film was taken. Hartmann himself witnessed flocks of such gulls while driving near Tremonton. [SUN's editor, having viewed the film agrees that the "UFOs" were birds.]

In a closing chapter Randle discusses radar's vulnerability to showing spurious targets caused by temperature inversion—when a layer of air becomes warmer with increasing altitude instead of getting colder—which bends radar energy so it reflects off of ground objects. This possible explanation had been suggested during the Samford press conference. Temperature inversions occur most frequently during the hot, humid days of summer.

There were a few visual-UFO reports of lights-in-the-night-sky by pilots who had been alerted by National Airport traffic controllers, but there were none which correlated with the

location of the UFO radar blips. During the second incident two USAF F-94 interceptors, launched from New Castle, Del. to investigate the Washington UFOs, reached the DC area shortly before midnight and were guided to the radar-UFOs' locations. One of the two pilots, flying at low altitude, briefly reported seeing a white light which he estimated to be five miles ahead, but it disappeared after about a minute. The pilot of the other F-94, John W. McHugo, who was flying at a higher altitude, wrote SUN's Editor that *"we are certain that the light was a surface vehicle's headlight."* Neither radar operator in the two aircraft reported detecting any airborne targets. When the first two F-94s ran low on fuel and returned to their base in Delaware, two more F-94s were dispatched at about 1:20 a.m. and returned around 3 a.m. Their crews reported spotting several small general aviation aircraft and small meteor-fireballs.

## The "Missing" Civil Aeronautics Administration Report

Randle has pieced together from data in the Project Blue Book files the very limited investigation of the July 20-21 incident conducted by the USAF and he is critical of same. But he makes no mention of an investigation launched by the Civil Aeronautics Administration (CAA)—now the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)—because two of the three radars involved were those of the CAA. The CAA's 15-page report on its investigation, published in the spring of 1953, states that radar-UFOs "do not represent a new phenomenon nor are they peculiar to the Washington area....As one of the first steps in this study, all records of these phenomena reported in the logs of the Washington ARTC [Air Route Traffic Control] Center [34 incidents from May through mid-August, 1952] were tabulated. This tabulation, Table I of this report, was taken to the Analysis Section of the U.S. Weather Bureau where it was correlated with meteorological data for the periods involved. It was then discovered that a temperature inversion had been indicated in almost every instance when the unidentified radar targets or visual objects had been reported." (Emphasis added.)

During mid-August of 1952, CAA investigators had the opportunity to observe the Washington ARTC radar display and to plot movements of its spurious targets. CAA investigators found that the anomalous radar blips moved slowly in the direction of the prevailing wind—providing further confirmation for the temperature-inversion explanation.

## Randle's Conclusion

Randle offers a much more balanced presentation of the 1952 Washington radar-UFO incidents than most accounts, such as the report "Spaceships Or Mirages" published by the Fund For UFO Research (FUFOR). But his book's concluding summary indicates that he knows that "believers" buy more UFO books than "skeptics." *"We can say with certainty that something was seen by radar and observed visually. There was a physical manifestation over Washington that engaged the interest of the President. [SUN Comment: Hardly surprising in view of national news-media interest.]....The only explanation that fits all the facts is the extra-terrestrial....The Washington National [incidents] show that we have been visited. There is no other plausible explanation."* [SUN suggests that Randle study the CAA report.]

## Astronomer Creates Pro-UFO Web-site For Scientists

Dr. Bernard Haisch, a leading researcher in Zero Point Energy (ZPE) and who was named director of experimental studies for Joe Firmage's recently created Motion Sciences Organization (to replace his International Space Sciences Organization)[SUN #69/Fall, 2001], has created a new UFO web-site for "UFO skeptics" that proves the old adage: "*Actions Speak Louder Than Words.*" Haisch calls his new web-site "ufoskeptic.org" but his list of nine recommended UFO books does NOT INCLUDE A SINGLE BOOK BY A SKEPTICAL UFO INVESTIGATOR. It DOES include RICHARD DOLAN'S recent book to which Haisch also refers in his remarks about "true skeptics" vs. "scoffers" posing as skeptics.

For 12 years Haisch was editor of the quarterly journal published by the Society for Scientific Exploration, created by astrophysicist Dr. Peter Sturrock, who has a long-standing interest in UFOs. Haisch notes that in the early 1970s, Sturrock conducted a UFO survey of members of the American Astronomical Society (AAS) which revealed "*an interesting finding: astronomers who spent time reading up on the UFO phenomena developed more interest in it. If there were nothing to it, you would expect the opposite.*" [SUN Comment: NOT if they read some of the strongly pro-UFO books recommended by Haisch.] Not mentioned by Haisch is that of the 2,611 members surveyed, 53 had themselves had UFO sightings. But only seven of them—including Sturrock and Dr. J. Allen Hynek—were sufficiently impressed to spend some of their personal time investigating UFOs. As for reports of a government UFO cover-up, Haisch says "*I now have three completely independent examples of individuals whom I trust, reporting to me that individuals whom they trust have admitted handling alien [i.e., ET] artifacts in our possession in the course of secret official duties.*" (Emphasis added.) [SUN Comment: If these three persons violated their security oaths to reveal that they had handled ET artifacts, they are NOT to be trusted.]

## UFO Lawyer Launches "Extraordinary News" E-mail:

Peter A. Gersten informed his Internet followers on Jan. 8 that he had decided "*to discontinue his Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS), P3N, FACET and recently established 'Dorothy Network' web-sites*" which would be replaced with his "PAG E-NEWS." It would, according to Gersten, carry "*stories that are not ordinarily covered by the conventional media: reports of our interaction with non-human intelligence, commentary on the nature of our 3-D reality...as well as information that would normally be found on CAUS, P3N, FACET, and Dorothy Network web-sites.*" PAG E-NEWS also reports Gersten's opinions: The Feb. 7 edition included the following: "*The goal of the U.S. move into Central Asia is to prevent the emergence of a force capable of checking the U.S. empire. The war on terrorism is a contrivance to create public support for what is in fact imperial aggression.*"

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