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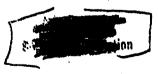
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SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects

1. Jack Reckert telephoned yesterday and told me that O/CI is no longer following reports of U. F. O.'s. Jack has the O/CI file of U. F. O. dispatches and wanted suggestions as to whose to send it.

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- 2. O/SI interest in U. F. O.'s is currently centered on Dave Stevenson (Air Tranch/Appliet Science Division). He is back—stopped by Lt. Col. Fritz Cder (Geophys Br/Mil Division). Stevenson has all O/SI files with exception of key documents, Fanel Reports, etc. which are in the Operations Staff office.
 - 3. It would seem wise for O/SI to keep a watch on U. F. C. reports in view of possibly greater activity this summer. The following stems are suggested to assign responsibility and insure receipt of intelligence information:
 - a. Designate Chief, Applied Science Division as goordinator of reports on U. F. C.'s with the suggestion that L'r. David E. Stevenson be named "action man". Carbon copy to Chief, PUE Division would request division support to Stevenson be coordinated by Lt. Col. F. C. Cdor.
 - b. Request 0/37 turn files now in oustody of John Reckert over to Stevenson for perusal. I believe very little material would be worth saving except as samples of indicative or unusual reports. The rest I recommend be destroyed.
 - c. Request C/CI Screening Fanel (Miss Lowry, I believe) route all future messages portaining to U. F. O.'s to the Applied Science Division, Attentions D. B. Stevenson, for review.
- 4. The above nothed is believed the simplest method for O/SI effectively keeping tabs on the subject. There would be little time required on Lieurnaen's part to keep himself up to date. In the event of a future flap, his continuing watch should prove valuable in a critical analysis. From time to time he night report erally to you or to me on the status que but no fermal reports seem indicated.



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5. If the above plan appears suitable and you so desire, I'll prepare directive names. 8-3.



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