ENIGMATIC TEXT ABOUT "CATALOGUED UFO PARTS" SHOWN ON NBC DATALINE 1992 EPISODE

Nick Redfern's article "*UFOs, Computer-Hacking & the Media – & Just Maybe Dead Aliens*" published on November 6, 2019 at Mysterious Universe, caught my attention today. The article discussed UFO hackers, their "findings", and legal problems.

This section was particularly interesting:
https://mysteriousuniverse.org/2019/11/ufos-computer-hacking-the-media-just-maybe-dead-aliens/

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"*The story goes back to 1992 – and to the popular TV show Dateline NBC. Specifically, it goes back to October 27 of that year. That was when NBC ran a segment of its show with the eye-catching title of "Are Your Secrets Safe?" … Of the various hackers that NBC spoke with, one of them revealed that he had illegally accessed certain computerized files held at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio. … During the show, and to provide the viewers with intriguing visuals, a highly notable image appeared on the screen. The section that was discernible read as follows: "WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB/Cataloged UFO parts list, an underground facility of Foreign...*"

-- end of quote --

After some checking I have been able to locate the show in question and you can watch the original 1992 segment within this post. Two relevant screenshots from that episode are attached. Since second screenshot has key words like "*Paul Benewitz*" and "*Project Beta*", I had a hunch that text was possibly related to open UFO lore/literature or UFO BBS text files from 1980s:
https://web.archive.org/web/20080226025415/http://www.paranetinfo.com/ufofiles.html

I found the perfect match with additional digging. I have located extended text based on those two screenshots. It was published in 42nd issue of Phrack Magazine from March 3 1993. Particular section is embedded within the 13th segment in that issue:
http://phrack.org/issues/42/13.html

Deeper digging lead me to the actual source which was originally published in "Computer underground Digest" from February 14, 1993 Volume 5: Issue 13.
http://textfiles.com/magazines/CUD/cud0513.txt
Header of the section starts like this:

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Date: Sat, 23 Jan 93 01:15:50 PST
From: Ann_Dromeda@orion.nebula.com
Subject: File 4--"Hackers" take on the UFOs?

-- end of quote --

Another reference was located on the old UFO Mind mailing list.
A. J. Craddock writes in his November 9, 1996 post located here:
http://www.ufomind.com/area51/list/arc/1996/v096n021.html

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From: "A.J. Craddock" <craddock@ix.netcom.com>
Subject: All DDN UFO locations (HACKER.TXT)
Date: Sat, 9 Nov 1996 22:37:08 -0800

The following reprinted from the Computer Underground Digest, which
contains the full original HACKER.TXT file giving the Computer addresses of
many of the DDNs involved in UFO activities. The narrative covers some old
ground, but then this document first surfaced
Around 1992.

Tony Craddock

-- end of quote --

Conclusion:

Most likely the enigmatic textual screenshots shown in Dateline episode are from internal hacker manifesto initially shared within the hacker community. Manifesto has the list of potential computer targets for UFO hacking in early 1990s. Hacker in Dateline episode most likely showed parts of that internal manifesto on the screen which was subsequently reprinted in "Computer underground Digest" from February 14, 1993 Volume 5: Issue 13, and later in 42nd issue of Phrack Magazine from March 3 1993.

Extended text based on the Dateline screenshots looks like this:

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Wright Patterson AFB
 Catalogued UFO parts list. Autopsies on record. Bodies located in
 underground facility of Foreign Technology Building.

DDN Locations:
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HOST : 26.0.0.47 : WRIGHTPAT.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :
HOST : 26.8.0.123 : WRIGHTPAT2.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :
HOST : 26.0.0.124 : WRIGHTPAT3.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :
HOST : 26.3.0.170 : WAINWRIGHT-IGNET.ARMY.MIL : CONVERGENT-TECH-CN-100
     : CTOS ::
HOST : 26.0.0.176 : WRIGHTPAT4.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :

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Kirtland Air Force Base
    Office Of Special Investigations. Sandia Labs are here. Also part
of NSA Intercept Equipment Division.

Key Words/names:
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Sandia Labs
Project Beta (1979-83-?)
Paul Bennewitz
Project Blue
Project Blue Book

DDN Locations:
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NET : 131.23.0.0 : KIRTLAND-NET :
NET : 132.62.0.0 : KIRTLAND2 :
GATEWAY : 26.17.0.48, 131.23.0.1 :
KIRTLAND2-GW.AF.MIL,KIRTLAND-GW.AF.MIL
        : CISCO-MGS : UNIX : IP/GW,EGP :
GATEWAY : 26.18.0.87, 132.62.0.1
         : KIRTLAND1-GW.AF.MIL,KIRTLAND1606ABW-GW.AF.MIL : CISCO-MGS :
         : EGP,IP/GW :
HOST : 26.0.0.48 : KIRTLAND.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :
HOST : 26.0.0.87 : KIRTLAND2.MT.DDN.MIL : C/30 : TAC : TCP,ICMP :
HOST : 26.6.0.87 : KIRTLAND-AM1.AF.MIL : WANG-VS300 : VS ::

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Additional references:

==Phrack Magazine== Volume Five, Issue Forty-Five, File 11 of 28
Search for this segment with CTRL+F:
"The Omega White Knight - gave out copies of a government document on UFO coverups."
http://phrack.org/issues/45/11.html

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"Quentin Strikes Again"
http://www.phrack.com/issues/45/12.html

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