

H, here's follow - up on your memo, with, amazingly, only one item remaining outstanding - and maybe that isn't.

16 November 1967

SUBJECT: Meeting on 13 November 1967 between E. U. Condon, R. J. Low and H. Hunter to discuss final report

Some of the points covered are itemized below, with "action" comments underlined.

Dr. Condon mentioned that all cases investigated, regardless of merit, should be listed in the final report, along with a notation of where we got word of each sighting--news media, NICAP, Blue Book, etc.

Is the case book a defensible format--ie: will it simply be a rehash of cases never solved, or will it include cases which we have investigated ourselves? Is there overlap between the Case Book cases and the so-called Colorado Cases (those investigated by project staff members.)?

The final report should include a record of all of the field trips made by staff investigators, as well as cases followed up by phone and dismissed as not worth field investigation.

Dr. Condon mentioned that it might be time to re-open the '52 Washington sightings now that we are further along in the study than when Wertheimer made his study of same. Some of the people involved are still around and might have information which would be useful.

Dr. Condon mentioned that Peter Marshall knows Zamora, of the Socorro case fame. Marshall was editor of the New Mexican police trade journal (The New Mexico Law Man) at the time of the incident, and has mentioned to Dr. Condon that he was acquainted with Zamora in this context. Might be a good "in" with Zamora.

It would be interesting to design an observing network, including cost figures for a "sky-blue" budget (no limits). In drawing up such a plan we should consider what conclusions can be drawn from network data of the past, how dense the network would have to be, and how to staff such a system. Set up a meeting with Roy Craig and Fred Ayer to prime them on developing such a plan.

Low mentioned the Vandenberg case as being a classic one of skilled people making a mistake--ie: not relating signal strength to range, which produced the astoundingly strong signals (or the mis-interpretation of them). Point is that such a case suggests the need for a procedure to be followed by radar operators when they are faced with unidentifiable signals, including tests to make and record. Perhaps a recommendation to Ratchford on the subject is in order.

Have Dodie send questionnaire samples to EUC, and check into the costs involved in having the Chicago survey firm do a study of attitudes re: UFO's on a national scale.

Be sure to include the key letter from McKinley (Public Service) in the final report. Get copy of the Federal Commission report on the NE power failure--either from Norm Levine or Lew Branscomb.

I've talked to Dodie about this

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Recommendation made to Maj. Gen. Steward at Frank's round meeting in DC

L. Con

H, have we (meaning, I guess, you) send I haven't done anything yet? Norm has some material on the NE power failure

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Dr. Condon mentioned his desire to do a review section on the paperback publications about UFO's. Review would point out irresponsibility of the authors and their out and out lies in many cases. The harm done via such "intellectual pornography", particularly among school children, is immeasurable. Perhaps a teachers magazine would be a better place for an article of this type.

A summary, by people, of who will be doing which sections of the final report follows: (deadline for sections to be completed: 1 April)

Altschuler	Plasma ejecta
Ayer	Instrumentation net
Condon	Summary, Methodology
Craig	EM effects; Insects
Hartman	Photography
Hunter	Chronicle, Conspiracy, Cases
Lee	Attitudes, Kind of people reporting
Levine	Plasmas, Radar cases
Low	Methodology, Sonic booms, Summary, Power failures, UFO's abroad
Rosenberg	History
Rush	Instrumentation
SRI	Radar in general
Saunders	Statistics
Strenz	Press
Wertheimer	Perception

What about "optics"--listed as topic but no name attached to it.

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