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> IN REPLY REFER TO 5720 Ser N00J / 0165 28 September 2021

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Subj: FOIA Request DON-NAVY-2020-009296

Dear Mr. Greenwald:

This is a final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of June 23, 2020, addressed to the Office of Naval Intelligence (ONI). Your request was assigned the above referenced Department of Navy FOIA number. You requested all emails sent to/from (bcc'd or cc'd) Captain Scott Chesbrough which include the keywords/phrases: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena and/or Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon and/or UAP and/or UAPs and/or Unidentified Flying Object and/or Unidentified Flying Objects and/or UFO and/or UFOs." Our review of our records and systems returned several emails related to your request.

Due to the public interest, once the review is completed, the records that are publicly releasable will posted in the FOIA Reading Room located at:

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- a letter requesting an appeal that explains what you are appealing with any supporting arguments or reasons you think may be worthy of consideration;
  - a copy of your initial request; and
  - a copy of the letter of denial.

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Also, please provide the ONI FOIA Program Coordinator a copy of your appeal letter at Office of Naval Intelligence, Staff Judge Advocate, Code: ONI-22, Attn: Camille V'Estres, FOIA Coordinator, 4251 Suitland Road, Washington, DC 20395.

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- 2. By mail. Address your appeal to:

The Judge Advocate General (Code 14) 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA coordinator at camille.vestres@navy.mil and 301-669-3432. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at <a href="mailto:christopher.a.julka@navy.mil">christopher.a.julka@navy.mil</a>, (703)697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, go to <a href="https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information">https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information</a>.

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Seject: Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon (UAP) Security Classification Guide (SCG)

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All the best,

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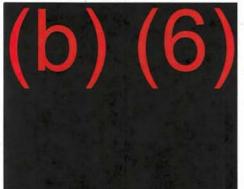
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Subject: FOR REVIEW: 11 MAR UAP Briefing to HASC Future of Defense Task Force

Good afternoon,

In summary, the following members will be in attendance:

Other participants include:



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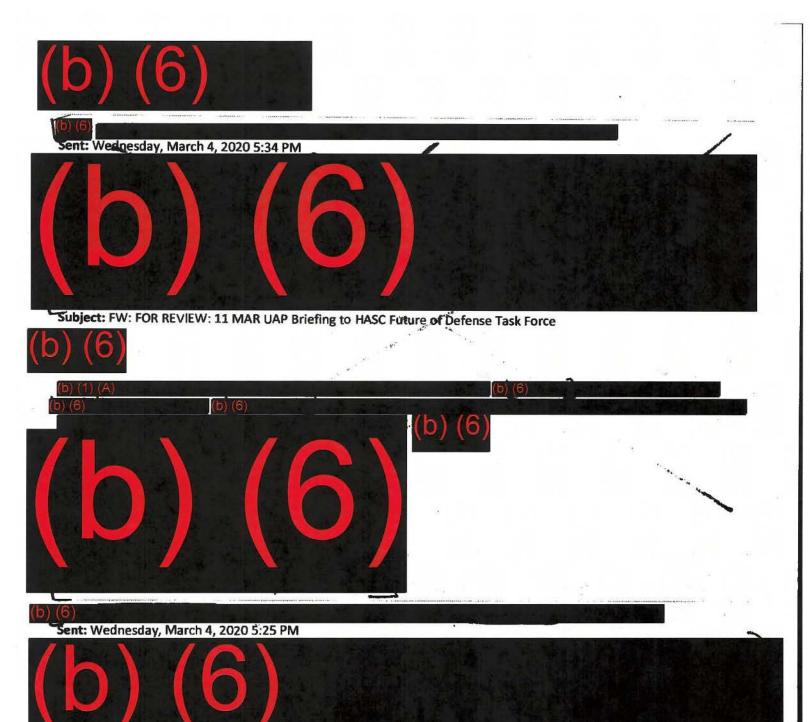
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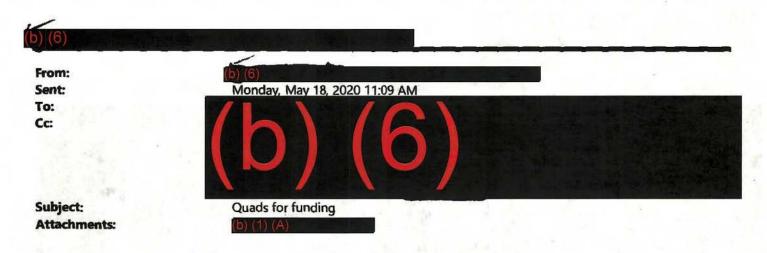
We discussed with Leg Affairs earlier today. I plan to attend – and I'll engage with USD/I on their level of participation.



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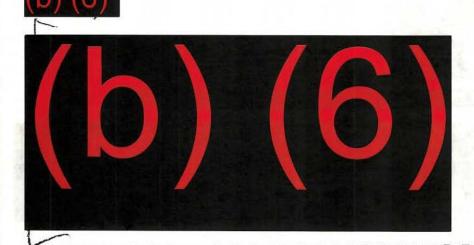




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Thanks for your time! Here are the quads we discussed.



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Attachments:

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Monday, April 13, 2020 5:27 PM

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Hello All-

For now, providing for your SA not for wider distribution. We are working with SSO Navy on the formal promulgation of this guide across the Fleet.

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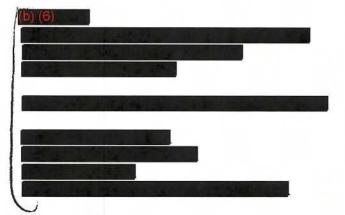
Thanks! My numbers are below if you need me... (b) (6) From: (6) (6) Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 8:01 AM To: (6) (6) Subject: RE: UAP SCG Classification: TOP SECRET//NOFORN I am in and just began reviewing. From:(6) (6) Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 1:37 PM Subject: UAP SCG



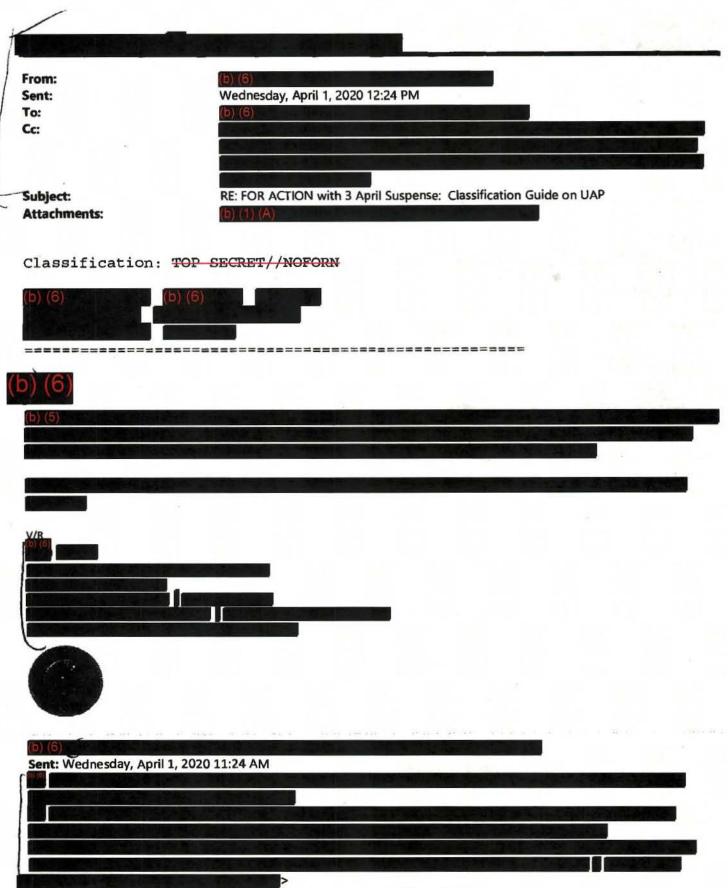
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Here's the draft for (6) (6) review. Thanks for your help in coordinating this effort! I'll be available for any questions throughout the review.

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See my comments in attached. v/r

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 10:13 AM



Subject: RE: FOR ACTION with 3 April Suspense: Classification Guide on UAP

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Sorry for update, I didn't catch that the SAPCO changed a couple of the paragraph markings to include SAR, please delete the previous version. Those paragraphs were certainly not SAR.

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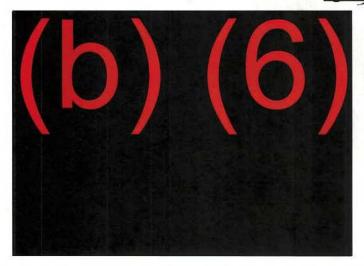
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I wrote this based on (b) (6) guidance below that he would be signing it. I need to get this with the appropriate NIA security POC for review before it goes to (b) (6) wanted to give you the opportunity to review it. I do have it out with some of the folks across the community for comments as well.



Who should be the security POC for review maybe (6) (6)



From; (b) (6)
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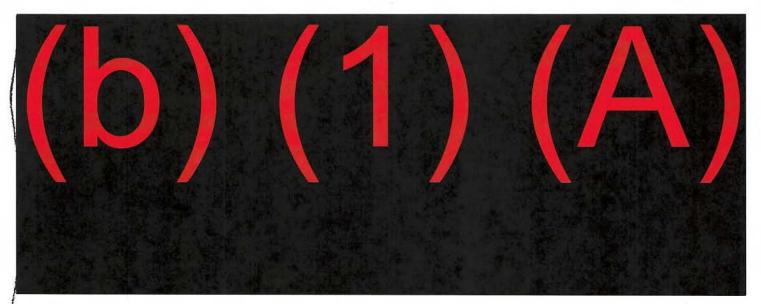
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