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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.

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- a copy of your initial request; and
- a copy of the letter of denial.

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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


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Sent: Monday, April 20, 2020 7:22 PM

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

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All the best,

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Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 12:30 PM

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

Good afternoon,

(b) (1) (A)

In summary, the following members will be in attendance:

- (b) (6)
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
- [Redacted]
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Other participants include:

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Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:52 PM

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

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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.

Thanks.

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Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:34 PM

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

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Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:25 PM

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

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From:

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Sent:

Monday, May 18, 2020 11:09 AM

To:

Cc:

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Subject:

Quads for funding

Attachments:

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

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**Sent:**

Monday, April 13, 2020 5:27 PM

**To:**

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**Subject:**

UAP Classification Guide

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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.

Thanks,

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Sent: Thursday, April 2, 2020 11:58 AM

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Subject: FW: UAP SCG

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It's ready for your review. I appreciate it!

V/r (b) (6)

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**Sent:** Thursday, April 2, 2020 11:04 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** RE: UAP SCG

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I am comfortable with the new remarks.

It is ready for (b) (6) chop.

V/R

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**Sent:** Thursday, April 2, 2020 8:11 AM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** RE: UAP SCG

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Thanks! My numbers are below if you need me...

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To: (b) (6)

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I am in and just began reviewing.

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Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 1:37 PM

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Subject: UAP SCG

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

v/r (b) (6)

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 1, 2020 12:24 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: FOR ACTION with 3 April Suspende: Classification Guide on UAP  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 1, 2020 11:24 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: FOR ACTION with 3 April Suspende: Classification Guide on UAP



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(b) (6) [redacted]

See my comments in attached. v/r (b) (6) [redacted]

(b) (6) [redacted]

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

(b) (6) [redacted]

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

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(b) (6) [redacted] (b) (6) [redacted]

(b) (6) [redacted]

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.

(b) (6) [redacted]

[redacted]

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2020 8:51 AM

(b) (6) [redacted]

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

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Classified By: (b) (6) [redacted]

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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.

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

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From: (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 6:41 PM

To: (b) (6)

[Redacted email body content]

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

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Thanks,

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**To:** (b) (6)  
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Hello (b) (6)

Please see below request from the DDNI and send via TMS to (b) (6) for completion (he knows its coming).

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Thanks,  
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**From:** (b) (6)  
**Sent:** Friday, March 27, 2020 6:47 PM  
**To:** (b) (6)  
**Subject:** RE: FOR ACTION with 3 April Suspense: Classification Guide on UAP

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Sorry; I lost a line in the email below...

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Thanks,

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From: (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, March 27, 2020 6:41 PM

To: (b) (6)

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

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Thanks,

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