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Ref: 21-F-0946
November 24, 2021

Mr. John Greenewald, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is a final response to your May 3, 2021 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, a copy of which is enclosed for your convenience. We received your request on May 3, 2021, and assigned it FOIA case number 21-F-0946. We ask that you use this number when referring to your request.

The Public Affairs, a component of the Office of the Secretary of Defense, conducted a search of their records systems and located 76 pages determined to be responsive to your request. Ms. Tanya R. Rose, Information Management Director, in her capacity as an Initial Denial Authority for Public Affairs, has determined that portions of the 76 responsive pages are exempt from release pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6), as disclosure of the information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of individuals.

In this instance, fees for processing your request were below the threshold for requiring payment. Please note that fees may be assessed on future requests.

If you have any questions or concerns about the foregoing or about the processing of your request, please do not hesitate to contact the Action Officer assigned to your request, Torrey Dixon, at (571)372-0409 or Torrey.d.dixon.civ@mail.mil. Additionally, if you have concerns about service received by our office, please contact a member of our Leadership Team at 571-372-0498 or Toll Free at 866-574-4970.

Should you wish to inquire about mediation services, you may contact the OSD/JS FOIA Public Liaison, Tonya R. Fuentes, at 571-372-0462 or by email at OSD.FOIALiaison@mail.mil, or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

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You have the right to appeal to the appellate authority, Ms. Joo Chung, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, by writing directly to the following address: 4800 Mark Center Drive, ATTN: DPCLTD, FOIA Appeals, Mailbox# 24, Alexandria, VA 22350-1700.

Your appeal must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this response. Alternatively, you may email your appeal to osd.foia-appeal@mail.mil. If you use email, please include the words "FOIA Appeal" in the subject of the email. Please also reference FOIA case number 21-F-0946 in any appeal correspondence.

We appreciate your patience in the processing of your request. As stated previously, please contact the Action Officer assigned to your request, Torrey Dixon, and reference FOIA case number 21-F-0946, if you have any questions or concerns.


Sincerely,

for Pamela Andrews
Stephanie L. Carr
Chief

Enclosures:
As stated

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From: [Steven Greenstreet](#)
To: [Gough, Susan L \(Sue\) CIV OSD PA \(USA\)](#)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Navy "UFO" videos/photo
Date: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 11:11:17 AM

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Sue,

Your recent statement was *"I can confirm that the referenced photos and videos were taken by Navy personnel. The UAPTF has included these incidents in their ongoing examinations."*

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Were these photos and videos officially/publicly released by the Pentagon? Or were these photos and videos *not* officially/publicly released by the Pentagon?

In essence, were these photos and videos "leaked"?

Thank you!

Steven Greenstreet

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From: [Steven Greenstreet](#)
To: [Sherwood, Christopher G CIV \(USA\)](#); [Gough, Susan L \(Sue\) CIV OSD PA \(USA\)](#)
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] NEED TO VERIFY: Elizondo resignation letter
Date: Tuesday, May 28, 2019 11:19:33 AM
Attachments: [elizondo_resignation.png](#)

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Christopher,

See attached image. This is claimed to be Luis Elizondo's resignation letter from DoD. I just need to verify if it is real and authentic.

I also look forward to you clarifying my previous questions verifying Elizondo's involvement with AATIP.

Thanks!

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MEMORANDUM FOR: RECORD

SUBJECT: Letter of Resignation & Differed Retirement

Mr. Secretary;

It has been my sincere honor and pleasure to have served with some of America's finest men and women in both peace time and in war. For over 22 years, I have been blessed to learn from, and work with world-class leadership, you certainly being among the very best.

With that in mind, bureaucratic challenges and inflexible mindsets continue to plague the Department at all levels. This is particularly true regarding the controversial topic of anomalous aerospace threats. Despite overwhelming evidence at both the unclassified and classified levels, certain individuals in the Department remain staunchly opposed to further research on what could be a tactical threat to our pilots, sailors, and soldiers, and perhaps even an existential threat to our national security. In many instances, there seems to be a direct correlation the phenomena exhibits with respect to our nuclear and military capabilities. The Department must take serious the many accounts by the Navy and other Services of unusual aerial systems interfering with military weapon platforms and displaying beyond next generation capabilities. Underestimating or ignoring these potential threats is not in the best interest of the Department no matter the level of political contention. There remains a vital need to ascertain capability and intent of these phenomena for the benefit of the armed forces and the nation.

For this reason, effective 4 October 2017, I humbly submit my resignation in hopes it will encourage you to ask the hard questions: "who else knows?", what are their capabilities?", and "why aren't we spending more time and effort on the issue?". As I transition to a new chapter of my life, please know it has been an honor and privilege of a lifetime to serve with you. Rest assure, no matter where the path of life may lead me, I will always have the best interest of the Department and the American people as my guiding principle.

Luis D. Elizondo
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From: [Steven Greenstreet](#)
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Cc: [Gough, Susan L \(Sue\) CIV OSD PA \(USA\)](#)
Subject: Re: [Non-DoD Source] New York Post questions re: AATIP
Date: Wednesday, May 29, 2019 8:23:43 AM

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We are prepping an article on Luis Elizondo's role with AATIP. I think they want to print by this Friday.

I sent this follow-up question on May 6th:

I need you to clarify this statement:

Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI, up until the time he resigned effective 10/4/2017

Does this mean Mr. Elizondo never had ANYTHING to do with AATIP at ANY time?

Elizondo's PR firm released this statement to me:

“There is ample, formal documentation on AATIP and the fact that it specifically involved Mr. Luis Elizondo while he was assigned to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. This fact was substantiated by numerous reputable media outlets including the New York Times, Washington Post, and Politico, through independent sources.”

And this is NOT part of the statement, just an FYI for you. This ran in Politico in Dec 2017: "Pentagon spokeswoman Dana White confirmed to POLITICO that the program existed and was run by Elizondo. But she could not say how long he was in charge of it and declined to answer detailed questions about the office or its work, citing concerns about the closely held nature of the program."

Is there anyway to get a response to my follow-up question above and a statement on claims made by Mr. Elizondo's representatives?

Thank you.

Steven

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On Tue, May 28, 2019 at 9:27 AM Sherwood, Christopher G CIV (USA)

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Steven,

It's "videos," plural. Thanks for reaching back.

Sincerely,

Chris

Christopher Sherwood

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Christopher, I am going to be launching this next piece of the story on Wednesday, May 29th.

I emailed you for clarification on May 6th and haven't heard back. My question was this:

Sorry, one more clarification I need: I asked about the "videos" (plural) included in the NYTimes article but your response was about "the video" (singular). Was this a typo? Or are you only referencing 1 single video (of the 3 total)? If so, which 1? And the others WERE cleared for the general public?

Pending any new clarifying comments you have this, I will be including a portion of your original statement in my report May 29th.

Your original statement:

The video you reference in the NY Times article was made releasable for research and analysis purposes by U.S. government agencies and industry partners, and not for general public release.

If I don't receive a clarification by Tuesday, May 28th, I will include a disclaimer that "the Pentagon did not clarify which of the 3 videos was not for general public release".

Please let me know if I can expect a clarification by Tuesday, May 28th.

Thanks!

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Okay, thank you.

Sincerely,

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Again, thank you. My deadline is tomorrow so any response before then would be appreciated.

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Steven,

I have your questions and will work to get you a response asap.

Sincerely,

Chris

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1) Does this mean Mr. Elizondo never had ANYTHING to do with AATIP at ANY time?

And my follow up question is this:

2) Did Mr. Elizondo work with the Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program (AAWSAP)? And, if so, in what capacity?

Thank you, Chris!

Steven

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Steven,

Below is what I can provide as a Defense Department Spokesman.

“The Department of Defense is always concerned about maintaining positive

identification of all aircraft in our operating environment as well as identifying any foreign capability that may be a threat to the homeland. The department will continue to investigate, through normal procedures, reports of unidentified aircraft encountered by US military aviators in order to ensure defense of the homeland and protection against strategic surprise by our nation's adversaries."

"The AATIP program did pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena. Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI, up until the time he resigned effective 10/4/2017."

"The video you reference in the NY Times article was made releasable for research and analysis purposes by U.S. government agencies and industry partners, and not for general public release."

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Chris, thanks for taking these questions. A response sometime this week would be great.

Did AATIP study unidentified flying objects (UFOs)?

Did Luis Elizondo work in the AATIP program?

Was Luis Elizondo the head of the AATIP program (in a leadership role)?

How long was Luis Elizondo employed by DoD/DIA/Pentagon/Etc?

Were the military UFO videos included in this NYTimes article
OFFICIALLY released by the DoD or were they "leaked"?

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What is the DoD's official stance on UFOs?

Thanks!

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Date: Thursday, May 30, 2019 9:04:18 PM

I refer you back to DIA, I am unaware that there was a "transition." My understanding is the program ended.

With regard to Elizondo's employment dates, it's easier to provide start and end dates of employment, 2008 – 2017 is correct, although a detail to another organization is harder to get history on. Elizondo was detailed to DIA, however, I cannot confirm the dates of his detail at this time.

Sincerely,
Chris

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1 last question for this! And then I think we're done!

Kudla said Elizondo came from OUSDI to help with AATIP transition from DIA to DoD. So was AATIP run out of OUSDI while at DoD? If not, which office? Thanks! Almost there.

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Steven, I'll have to speak with OUSD(I) tomorrow morning when they're at work for more clarity.

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Ok thank you.

But, and I have to be nit picky here, you said Elizondo had "no responsibilities with regard to AATIP while he worked in OUSDI" but you are now confirming Elizondo was a part of transitioning AATIP from DIA to DoD while he was in OUSDI. That doesn't seem like "no responsibilities", correct? Can you clarify your "no responsibilities" statement please?

Thanks again.

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Steven,

I don't disagree with DIA's account.

Sincerely,
Chris

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I just spoke with James Kudla at DIA who gave me the following:

Luis Elizondo worked at OUSDI from 2008-2017

Luis Elizondo was never employed with DIA

Luis Elizondo only came to DIA in 2010 "to help close out and transition AATIP" from DIA to DoD but "he had no management position".

So, from a combo of the Pentagon's statements and DIA's statements, it appears the ONLY time Elizondo was involved with AATIP was in 2010 to help transition it from DIA to DoD... but that's it.

Do you concur with this information?

Thanks!

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Steven,

I cannot confirm his role with AATIP, therefore Ms. Whites previous statement stands. The statement below is correct, it's his time prior to OUSDI is what I don't have position titles for.

Happy to discuss on the phone if you would like.

Chris

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We are prepping an article on Luis Elizondo's role with AATIP. I think they want to print by this Friday.

I sent this follow-up question on May 6th:

I need you to clarify this statement:

Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI, up until the time he resigned effective 10/4/2017

Does this mean Mr. Elizondo never had ANYTHING to do with AATIP at ANY time?

Elizondo's PR firm released this statement to me:

"There is ample, formal documentation on AATIP and the fact that it specifically involved Mr. Luis Elizondo while he was assigned to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. This fact was substantiated by numerous reputable media outlets including the New York Times, Washington Post, and Politico, through independent sources."

And this is NOT part of the statement, just an FYI for you. This ran in Politico in Dec 2017: "Pentagon spokeswoman Dana White confirmed to POLITICO that the program existed and was run by Elizondo. But she could not say how long he was in charge of it and declined to answer detailed questions about the office or its work, citing concerns about the closely held nature of the program."

Is there anyway to get a response to my follow-up question above and a statement on claims made by Mr. Elizondo's representatives?

Thank you.

Steven

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Steven,

It's "videos," plural. Thanks for reaching back.

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Christopher, I am going to be launching this next piece of the story on Wednesday, May 29th.

I emailed you for clarification on May 6th and haven't heard back. My question was this:

Sorry, one more clarification I need: I asked about the "videos" (plural) included in the NYTimes article but your response was about "the video" (singular). Was this a typo? Or are you only referencing 1 single video (of the 3 total)? If so, which 1? And the others WERE cleared for the general public?

Pending any new clarifying comments you have this, I will be including a portion of your original statement in my report May 29th.

Your original statement:

The video you reference in the NY Times article was made releasable for research and analysis purposes by U.S. government agencies and industry partners, and not for general public release.

If I don't receive a clarification by Tuesday, May 28th, I will include a disclaimer that "the Pentagon did not clarify which of the 3 videos was not for general public release".

Please let me know if I can expect a clarification by Tuesday, May 28th.

Thanks!

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Sorry, one more clarification I need: I asked about the "videos" (plural) included in the NYTimes article but your response was about "the video" (singular). Was this a typo? Or are you only referencing 1 single video (of the 3 total)? If so, which 1? And the others WERE cleared for the general public?

Thank you.

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Again, thank you. My deadline is tomorrow so any response before then would be appreciated.

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Thank you! I need you to clarify this statement:

Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI, up until the time he resigned effective 10/4/2017

1) Does this mean Mr. Elizondo never had ANYTHING to do with AATIP at ANY time?

And my follow up question is this:

2) Did Mr. Elizondo work with the Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program (AAWSAP)? And, if so, in what capacity?

Thank you, Chris!

Steven

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Steven,

Below is what I can provide as a Defense Department Spokesman.

“The Department of Defense is always concerned about maintaining positive identification of all aircraft in our operating environment as well as identifying any foreign capability that may be a threat to the homeland. The department will continue to investigate, through normal procedures, reports of unidentified aircraft encountered by US military aviators in order to ensure defense of the homeland and protection against strategic surprise by our nation’s adversaries.”

“The AATIP program did pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena. Mr. Elizondo had no responsibilities with regard to the AATIP program while he worked in OUSDI, up until the time he resigned effective 10/4/2017.”

“The video you reference in the NY Times article was made releasable for research and analysis purposes by U.S. government agencies and industry partners, and not for general public release.”

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Sincerely,

Christopher Sherwood

Office of the Secretary of Defense

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Chris, thanks for taking these questions. A response sometime this week would be great.

Did AATIP study unidentified flying objects (UFOs)?

Did Luis Elizondo work in the AATIP program?

Was Luis Elizondo the head of the AATIP program (in a leadership role)?

How long was Luis Elizondo employed by DoD/DIA/Pentagon/Etc?

Were the military UFO videos included in this NYTimes article OFFICIALLY released by the DoD or were they "leaked"?

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What is the DoD's official stance on UFOs?

Thanks!

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Date: Friday, December 6, 2019 3:57:00 PM

Hello, Steven,

I got your voicemail, too, so I know your request has to do with what I provided to John Greenewald.

Regarding Luis Elizondo and AATIP:

While in OUSD(I), Luis Elizondo did not have any assigned responsibilities for AATIP. The Defense Intelligence Agency ran AATIP. Elizondo was neither assigned nor detailed to DIA.

[The below was provided in response to a question about the difference between AATIP and AAWSAP and whether either were UAP related.]

Neither AATIP nor AAWSAP were UAP related. The purpose of AATIP was to investigate foreign advanced aerospace weapons system applications with future technology projections over the next 40 years, and to create a center of expertise on advanced aerospace technologies. The goal was to help understand the threat posed by unconventional or leap ahead aerospace vehicles/technologies that could have national security implications for the United States. The AAWSAP contract goal was to study 12 technical areas: lift, propulsion, control, armament, signatures reduction, materials, configuration, power generation, temporal translation, human effects, human interface, and technology integration.

[The below was provided in response to a follow-up question to the above response, asking for clarification due to comment that Christopher Sherwood had told the NY Post in May]

At the time, Mr. Sherwood was repeating the information that had been provided by a previous spokesperson some two years earlier. That previous spokesperson is no longer with my organization, and I cannot comment on why that person's explanation of AATIP included that it had looked at anomalous events. According to all the official information I have now, when implemented, AATIP did not pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena; that was not part of the technical studies nor the reports produced by the program.

Regards,

Sue Gough

Pentagon Spokesperson

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Susan,

Can you send me official statements regarding these questions:

Did AATIP research and investigate Unidentified Aerial Phenomena?

Was Luis Elizondo involved in AATIP?

Thank you,

Steven Greenstreet

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Happy New Year! Just checking in. Can you give me a general timeline on this? Thanks!

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On Wed, Dec 18, 2019 at 9:58 AM Steven Greenstreet <sgreenstreet@nypost.com> <Caution-mailto:sgreenstreet@nypost.com> > wrote:

Circling back on this. Possible to get something this week?

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<[REDACTED]> <Caution-mailto:[REDACTED]> > wrote:

Hi Steven, doesn't look like I'll have anything until Monday, as I'm still waiting to hear from a couple people/offices.

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Susan, can I have an update on this? Thanks!

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Hi Steven, hope to have something for you tomorrow; however, one of my key coordinators is out of the office, so not totally sure just yet.

Regards,

Sue

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Susan, circling back on this. Can you provide a timeframe for a response?

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I totally understand. That was my previous experience with Chris Sherwood as well. He had to coordinate his responses with other people there.

Please send me a time frame on Monday if you could.

Have a good weekend.

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Steven,

I am not going to be able to give you an answer on all of this until after the weekend, as there are other people I need to coordinate with.

Regards,

Sue

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Thank you for your response. My questions are below highlighted in yellow.

1) **So, would you characterize any statement that says "Luis Elizondo was the Director of AATIP" or "Luis Elizondo ran AATIP" as a false statement?**

2) In my conversations (phone and email) with Chris Sherwood in May 2019, he told me he was coordinating with OUSDI in order to properly answer my questions regarding AATIP and Mr. Elizondo. He said he was waiting on answers from them (OUSDI) and would then send me an "accurate" response. Some of his exact quotes were "Steven, I'll have to speak with OUSD(I) tomorrow morning when their at work for more clarity." and "This may take some time, we do not have a time frame on when we will receive this information. It's important for us to provide information that is accurate." **You are now saying that at least some of the information he provided was not accurate?**

And given your recent statement: *"At the time, Mr. Sherwood was repeating the information that had been provided by a previous spokesperson some two years earlier."*, **can you comment on Mr. Sherwood's source of the information given to the New York Post in May 2019 saying "AATIP did pursue research and investigation into UAP"?**

Because you seem to infer he was simply "repeating" or copy/pasting information from a "previous spokesperson some two years earlier" (who I assume is Dana White?) but my conversations with him informs that he was getting his information from OUSDI at the time of our communication in May 2019.

3) You are CCed on a few of the emails between myself and Chris Sherwood in May 2019. Specifically, you were CCed on an email dated May 29, 2019 in which I had asked about Pentagon Spokeswoman Dana White's comments to Politico stating the Luis Elizondo ran AATIP. Chris Sherwood states that "Ms. Whites previous statement stands." **Does that Chris Sherwood statement confirming Dana White's comments that Luis Elizondo ran AATIP still stand? If it doesn't (which seems to be the case), what changed? At what point did Sherwood's confirmation to me (with you CCed) become inaccurate?**

4) I have spoken to former Pentagon spokesperson Dana White directly and she told me that Luis Elizondo was indeed involved with AATIP and indeed "ran" the program. **Can you comment on this?**

5) You stated to me earlier: "According to all the official information I have now, when implemented, AATIP did not pursue research and investigation into unidentified aerial phenomena." **Was that "official information" that you have "now" NOT available in May 2019? Was it not available to Chris Sherwood in May 2019? If it was available to Chris Sherwood in May 2019, how do you explain his previous comment to me that AATIP investigated UAP?**

5) You were also CCed on an email dated May 30th between myself and Chris Sherwood about information given to me from James Kudla at DIA regarding Luis Elizondo. Please read below:

STEVEN GREENSTREET, New York Post

"I just spoke with James Kudla at DIA who gave me the following: Luis Elizondo worked at OUSDI from 2008-2017. Luis Elizondo was never employed with DIA. Luis Elizondo only came to DIA in 2010 "to help close out and transition AATIP" from DIA to DoD but "he had no management position". So, from a combo of the Pentagon's statements and DIA's statements, it appears the ONLY time Elizondo was involved with AATIP was in 2010 to help transition it from DIA to DoD... but that's it. Do you concur with this information?"

CHRISTOPHER SHERWOOD, Pentagon spokesperson

"I don't disagree with DIA's account."

Can I still print Sherwood's above comment "I don't disagree with DIA's account"? Or do you want to issue an updated comment?

6) Does the Department of Defense CURRENTLY have ANY program investigating Unidentified Aerial Phenomena?

7) Luis Elizondo has been openly claiming in hundreds of newspapers, television shows, and all across the internet as being the "director" of AATIP and "running the Pentagon's secret UFO program". **What is the Department of Defense's policy on former employees publicly claiming false credentials regarding their previous employment at DoD?**

Thank you in advance for your responses.

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Hello, Steven,

I got your voicemail, too, so I know your request has to do with what I provided to John Greenewald.

Regarding Luis Elizondo and AATIP:

While in OUSD(I), Luis Elizondo did not have any assigned responsibilities for AATIP. The Defense Intelligence Agency ran AATIP. Elizondo was neither assigned nor detailed to DIA.

[The below was provided in response to a question about the difference between AATIP and AAWSAP and whether either were UAP related.]

Neither AATIP nor AAWSAP were UAP related. The purpose of AATIP was to investigate foreign advanced aerospace weapons system applications with future technology projections over the next 40 years, and to create a center of expertise on advanced aerospace technologies. The goal was to help understand the threat posed by unconventional or leap ahead aerospace vehicles/technologies that could have national security implications for the United States. The AAWSAP contract goal was to study 12 technical areas: lift, propulsion, control, armament, signatures reduction, materials, configuration, power generation, temporal translation, human effects, human interface, and technology integration.

[The below was provided in response to a follow-up question to the above response, asking for clarification due to comment that Christopher Sherwood had told the NY Post in May]

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Regards,

Sue Gough

Pentagon Spokesperson

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Susan,

Can you send me official statements regarding these questions:

Did AATIP research and investigate Unidentified Aerial Phenomena?

Was Luis Elizondo involved in AATIP?

Thank you,

Steven Greenstreet

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Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 4:39:46 PM

Steven,

That was the information I was provided at the time. Most of the people who ran that program departed 7 years ago.

Most of what you say below is correct, however none of which was on the record.

Sincerely,
Chris

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Thank you for the update. While I'm sure employment records will definitely clarify many of these details, I also hope you can address former Pentagon spokeswoman telling Politico that Elizondo "ran" (was director of) AATIP.

Thanks again,

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Steven,

We are working to obtain Mr. Elizondo's employment records. This may take some time, we do not have a time frame on when we will receive this information. It's important for us to provide information that is accurate. Once we have more information we will provide that to you.

Feel free to follow up or call me if needed.

Sincerely,

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We are pubbing a non-Elizondo story early next week. Would be great if you could send me a statement or statements by early next week regarding Dana White's comments saying he ran AATIP and Elizondo's own comments that he ran AATIP while at OUSDI. It will be a separate story.

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Just checking in about this. Thanks!

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I got a response from Luis Elizondo's representative who said this:

This ran in Politico in Dec 2017:

"Pentagon spokeswoman Dana White confirmed to POLITICO that the program existed and was run by Elizondo. But she could not say how long he was in charge of it and declined to answer detailed questions about the office or its work, citing concerns about the closely held nature of the program."

So, Dana White, a Pentagon spokeswoman said Elizondo ran AATIP? But your recent statement to me said Elizondo had "no responsibilities" with AATIP?

I need to clear this up. Which statement is accurate?

Otherwise, I need to print that the Pentagon appears to have 100% changed it's story about Elizondo.


Thanks in advance for your response.

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