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John Alexander: Time to Tell

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Here is a method to get the information out. Will witnesses take it or come up with a new Catch 22 so they can't be pinned down.

A Challenge

For many years we have been hearing about witnesses to UFO events that claim to have information they can't reveal due to their security clearances. Recently, there are examples of the most senior people responsible for national security stating they do not have information about UFOs or related activities, even though they have asked for any such material residing in their organizations to be provided to them.

Previously Steven Greer sent a notice to many US Government officials stating that if his organization did not receive a response, they would consider security clearances null and void. This approach is nonsense. It would have no legal standing and would leave anyone violating a security oath at risk.

Based on the following logic flow, I suggest another path be taken. That is, obtain conformation from the President and/or Director of Central Intelligence that UFO material per se is not classified. No private organization has the authority to establish their own official classification requirements. That would legally allow the witnesses to come forward without jeopardizing their oaths.

It should be understood by those not familiar with intelligence collection that there is a difference between specific information and

"sources and methods." That means that information obtained by sensitive sources may not be released if it could establish how that information was gathered. As an example, people having information from classified satellite systems could not come forward without clearing the data. However, there are a number of claims in which sources and methods are not involved. Examples might include seeing Eisenhower shake hands with an alien or other first hand witness accounts. Since sources and methods are not involved, such incidents could be freely recounted. All Roswell material would be accessible under these guidelines.

Logic sequence

1. The US Government operates under duly constituted authority (The US Constitution)
2. The Armed Forces and other intelligence agencies are all part of the US Government
3. Those organizations have clear and officially articulated policies and procedures for classification of information or material
4. Some current and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States and other agencies state they have knowledge of UFOs that is officially classified
5. Those members with such information state they want to be released from security oaths in order to report that information to Congress or the public
6. The most senior representatives of the US Government officially responsible for determination of classification (the President, DCI and others) state there is no classification of material as it relates directly to UFOs
7. Therefore: Said members can reveal their information as it is not officially classified

Note: This does not apply to information in which legitimately classified sources and methods might be revealed

Many witnesses claim that they have been threatened by people acting in an official capacity from various governmental agencies. Such threats are patently illegal. It is a Federal crime for a US Government official to abuse his or her position by use of threats. Therefore, by establishing that no classification of UFO related material exists, witnesses should be free to report illegal intimidation or harassment to the FBI or other appropriate law enforcement agency.

People experiencing such threats should be encouraged to file formal complaints. The UFO community should not be treated differently from the rest of society. After all, we expect residents observing drug deals to report them and testify against the dealers. Similarly we expect people to testify against organized crime. Both situations could place the witness as substantial risk. However, it is considered their civic duty to report, and many do. Therefore, it is entirely reasonable for those UFO witnesses who claim to have been victimized by abuse of power by Government agents to report those crimes.

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