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NOTE ON YELLOW:

Bufiles contain no identifiable references to correspondent.

The National Investigation Committee on Aerial
Phenomena has corresponded with the Bureau since 1957,
forwarding various material concerning flying saucers.
No investigation of the organization has been conducted
by the Bureau and, to date, no complaints have been
received against the organization alleging violation of
law over which this Bureau has jurisdiction.

The following items of literature have been forwarded to correspondent:

- 1. "Communist Target Youth"
- 2. "One Nation's Response to Communism"
- 3. "God and Country or Communism?"
- 4. "The Communists Are After Our Minds"
- 5. "Breaking the Communist Spell"

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Devils Lake N. Dak. April 17, 1961

Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington D. C.

Dear Sirs,

I recieved this letter in the mail some time ago and was at a loss what to do with it. As there are so many subversive organizations around I do not want to give any information that may have a bad affect on our government. I am not a Communist by any means and have no desire to give information to them. I would like to know if this is a legal organization or what. Also the unidentified flying objects we saw I will be glad to give the information to your office if you want it but I dont think it could have any value now.

Yours truly

T. C. Sabie /s/ Devils Lake N. Dak.

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1702 K Street La Porte, Indiana March 24, 1961

Mr. T. C. Sabie Devils Lake North Dakota

Mr. Sabie

Permit me to introduce myself. I am Orvil R. Hartle, chairman of Indiana Unit #2, NICAP. NICAP is the abbreviation for National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomena. This is a scientific investigative organization which has been established for several years. The purpose of this organization is to obtain factual information to be used in the cracking of censorship on the matter of UFO's (unidentified flying objects).

On March 20, 1961, I interviewed your brother Norman. Norman is a personal friend of one of the members of our organization, Mr. George Linnell, who assisted in the interview.

During the course of the interview, Norman volunteered information concerning a sighting (of a UFO) that you and he made in early November, 1928. At that time you were driving cattle near Milton, North Dakota. "

Reedless to say, Mr. Sabie, any additional information you might add to the report and testimony that Norman has already given would be greatly appreciated. The information that you give may be the link in solving? the great UFO mystery.

Enclosed you will find an official NICAP report form; which we of Indians Unit #2 would appreciate having you fill out for the national headquarters of NICAP. If you decide to fill out the form (and we sincerely hope that you do) will you please return it to me by I believe that the questions are selfreturn mail. If you need aid in filling out the form, explanatory. feel free to consult a near friend.

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I took the liberty of asking Norm for your name and address. Also I asked him if he thought that you could add to the details of the aforementioned UFO sighting. He said that he was certain that you would he glad to comply with our request if you possibly could.

If at all possible, please fill out the enclosed form, and return it to me as soon as possible. At the present we are evaluating Norman's report, and we cannot conclude before hearing from you.

I might also add that your sighting of this UFO may prove a point which could affect not only our present generation, but also the generations to come. Please, sir, be as factual as possible in filling out this report. Any detail you may consider unimportant and inconsequential may be the very link which our national group is looking for. However, I realize that thirty-three years is a very long time to remember.

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Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely yours

Orvil R. Hartle

Chairman: Indiana Unit #2

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#### INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON 1536 Connecticul Avenue

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## REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT(S)

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Place of Employment Name Occupation Address Education Special Training Military Service Telephone Time Date of Observation 2. Locality of Observation 3. Hours Minutes How long did you see the object? 4. Please describe weather conditions and the type of sky; i.e., bright daylight, nighttime, dusk, etc. 5. Position of the Sun or Moon in relation to the object and to you. If seen at night, twilight, or dawn, were the stars or moon visible? 7. If so, please tell how many, and draw a sketch of what you saw, indicating Were there more than one object? 8. direction of movement, if any. Please describe the object(s) in detail. For instance, did it (they) appear solid, or only as a source of light; was it revolving 9. etc? Please use additional sheets of paper, if necessary. Was the object(s) brighter than the background of the sky? 10. If so, compare the brightness with the Sun, Moon, headlights, etc. 11. (Please elaborate, if you can give detail Did the object(s) -12. Appear to stand still at any time? α. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time? ь. Break up into parts or explode? Give off smoke? d. Leave any visible trail? Drop anything? Change brightness? Change shape? Change color? Did the object(s) at any time pass in front of, or behind of, anything? If so, please elaborate giving distance, size, etc, if possible 13. if so, please give direction and speed. Was there any wind? 14. Did you observe the object(s) through an optical instrument or other aid, windshield, windowpane, storm 15. etc? How loud? What kind? Did the object(s) have any sound? 16. 62-103581-10X Please tell if the object(s) was (were) -17. Fuzzy or blurred. 20-60655

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62-103581-10X Mr. T. C. Sable Devils Lake, North Dakota Dear Mr. Sable: Your letter of April 17, 1961, with enclosures, has been received, and the interest which prompted you to write is appreciated. Although I would like to be of service in regard to your inquiry, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential due to regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret that I am unable to answer your inquiry and hope you will not infer in this connection either that we do or that we do not have the specific data you requested. I am sending a copy of your letter and enclosures to the Director of Special Investigations, Department of the Air Force, Building Tempo E, 4th Street and Adams Drive, Southwest, Washington, D. C. The material which you forwarded with your communication is being returned, and enclosed is some information on the general subject of communism which may be of interest. Sincerely yours. MAILED BU J. Edgar Hoover APR 25 1961 COMM-FBI John Edgar Hoover 2 APR 75 8 01 PM 'AI Director Enclosures (5) Correspondent's enclosures (2) 4-61 LEB Intro. Communist Target--Youth 4-17-61 Internal Security Statement See NOTE next page.

Mr. T. C. Sabie

NOTE: Neither the correspondent nor Orvil R. Hartle are identifiable in Bufiles. The National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena is listed in the Washington, D. C., telephone director. Bufiles contain no information concerning it; however, in February, 1959, we had an inquiry concerning the National Investigations Committee for Unidentified Flying Objects. No action was taken in regard to this inquiry as the individual requesting the information had previously suffered from mental illness. (62-0-58633)

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# Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR. FBI

7/10/61 DATE:

AC, NEW ORLEANS (62-0)

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Clerical employee Orleans Division advised that he is interested in aerial phenomena and wants to become a member of captioned organization. This organization is directed by Major DONALD E. KEYHOE, U. S. Marine Corps (Retired), and is headquartered at 1536 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. MC CALL stated that, to his knowledge, the objectives of this organization, are to keep records of all sightings of unidentified flying objects and to make the information concerning them available to the public, as the organization feels that the U. S. Government is making an effort to suppress this type of information.

Indices of the New Orleans Division are negative concerning captioned organization. The files of this Office reflect that in early 1950 an article concerning a flying disc appeared in True Magazine, written by one DONALD KEHOE who is possibly identical with Major KEYHOE.

The Bureau is requested to advise this Office of any information in its files concerning captioned organization and whether or not there would be any objection to a clerical employee of the Bureau becoming an active member of same.

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national investigations committee ON AERIAL PHENOMENA MISCELLANEOUS--INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reurlet dated July 10, 1961, and captioned as above, requesting background data concerning the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) and inquiring whether there would be any objection if a Bureau employee became active in the NICAP.

The NICAP has not been investigated by the Bureau; however. a number of inquiries have been received concerning this organization during recent years. Information available to the Bureau reflects that the MICAP was formed in 1956. A form letter which the NICAP distributed in 1957 to solicit "associate memberships" described the NICAP as a 'privately-supported fact-finding body serving the national public interest. This form letter charged that "the Air Force has kept thousands of authentic UFO (Unidentified Flying Objects) reports from the public.

The NICAP reportedly has also referred critically to the Air Force in its official publication, "U. F. O. Investigator." The NICAP has been intensely interested in all matters relating to "flying saucers," interplanetary travel, and the like; and it has exhibited strong sensitivity to alleged attempts to suppress information concerning such matters.

Donald E. Keyhoe, Director of the NICAP, has been known to the Bureau since the 1930's. He has been a free-lance writer for national magazines, and a flamboyant style has characterized his articles. In the past, when he has written concerning topics of direct interest to the Bureau, we have found much of his material to be irresponsible.

A number of former United States military officers have When affiliated with the NICAP; and Keyhoe has openly attempted to capitalize upon their names and military titles. The Bureau has been most cautious in

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NOTE: The New Orleans Office has requested information concerning captione , a clerk in that office ris brganization because interested in joining the NICAP. 67

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handling correspondence from the NICAP to avoid any inference that we hold views. either favorable or unfavorable, to this organization.

As the above information regarding Donald Keyhoe and the NICAP reflects, the NICAP is not the type of organization with which the Bureau's name should become connected—either through membership of FBI employees in the NICAP or by any other means.

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Dr. Frank E. Stranges who has impl	ied he was associated with the FBI. Hall stated
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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

Re: Richard Hall

2. That attached airtel be sent to San Francisco requesting that they locate Dr. Stranges and admonish him against implying that he is or has been connected with the FBI.

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PHONE, NORTH 7-0434 CABLE ADDRESS. SKYLIGHT

WASHINGTON 6. D. C.

1838 CONNECTICUT AVE.

April 27, 1962

MÁJOR DONALD E. KEYHOE USMC (RET.) DIRECTOR

> Mr. J.E. Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th, N.W. Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It has come to our attention through various references in personal correspondence that the FBI has, to some extent, investigated one Dr. Frank E. Stranges.

Enclosed is a report prepared by this Committee on Dr. Stranges which may be of interest. The letters cited in our report, including two in which the writers state Dr. Stranges implied he was associated with the FBI (underlined in red), are available for inspection here.

We also have a thick file of letters from Dr. Stranges, or about him, which are not cited in the enclosed report. We would be glad to make this material available to the FBI and to furnish copies of any pertinent documents.

Sincerely yours,

Richard Hall Secretary of NICAP

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May 7, 1962 62-103581-Mr. Richard Hall Secretary National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena 1536 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest Washington 6, D. C. Dear Mr. Hall: Your letter of April 27th, with enclosures, was received during Mr. Hoover's absence from the city. You may be sure it will be called to his attention when he returns, and he would want me to thank you for your interest in sending this material. Sincerely yours, Helen W. Gandy Secretary 1A!LI2 20 COMM-78t NOTE: See Morrell to DeLoach memo captioned "Richard Hall, Secretary, National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, 1536 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Washington 6, D. C. dated  $\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{C}_{C,D}}$ JH;sh  $\beta$ MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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You will note this material indicates Dr. Stranges has given the impleassion he is a former member or epocial investigator of the FBI.

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In view of the information received from Mr. Hall, it is felt desirable to locate Dr. Stranges, advise him that the Bureau has received information on a number of occasions that he has been giving the impression that he is or has been an employee of the FSI. He should be admonished to came amaking any such statements or in any way implying that he is associated with the Bureau.

Buffled in Monte Gut in 1918, Dr. Stranges listed himself as Fir dicent, International Evangelism Crusades, Inc., with headquarters at that Machall Way, Palo Alto, California.

Inn Francisco is instructed to attempt to locate Dr. Stranges and admeniah as indicated above or set forth appropriate leads for another office to do so.

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NOTE: See Morrell to DeLoach memo dated 5-3-62 captioned as above.

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Edgar J. Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Building Washington, D.C.

> Keith Fitzgerald 601 Silverside Road Wilmington 3, Delaware

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I am a student\_at Mount Pleasant High School in Wilmington, Ism concerned about Communism, especially in our schools. I have read many articles on Communism and Communist propaganda, and have become very interested in it. I would appreciate any literature on Communism in American schools, and how to detect it.

I also have a question I would like answered. Do you think that the National Investigation Committee on Aerial Phenomenon (N.I.C.A.P.) is Communist inspired or influenced?

> Thank you for your time and trouble, //

Keith Fitzgerald CE REC 62-10341-13

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EX-1113 November 29, 1962 REC 29 62-103581-13 Mr. Keith Fitzgerald 601 Silverside Road wilmington 3, Delaware Dear Mr. Fitzgerald: Your letter postmarked November 26, 1962, has been received, and the thought prompting you to write is appreciated. I am reassured when I read letters such as yours expressing an awareness of the problems menacing our country's future. Acknowledging the danger posed by the communist conspiracy is one great step toward protecting our national traditions. While I would like to be of assistance to you in regard to the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, the FBI is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. In addition, files of the FBI must be maintained confidential in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Justice. I regret I am unable to help you in this instance and hope you do not infer either that we do or do not have information in our files pertaining to this organization. Finclosed is some material on the general topic of communism. Perhaps you will also wish to refer to my books, "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism." The former was written with the hope that it would help its readers gain an insight into the true nature of communist activities. The latter is a comprehensive study of the development and expansion of communism throughout the world. These books should be available at your local E 8. L. Edgar Hoover (See pote and enclosures next page) DTP:bsp (3) VEU-DIRECTOR John Edgar Hoover Enclosures (5) Director V- ea MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT

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The captioned organization has not been investigated by the Bureau; however, information available to the Bureau irdicates that the organization was formed in 1956 as "a privately-supported fact finding body serving the national public interest." The NICAP has been intensively interested in all matters pertaining to "flying saucers," interplanetary travel and the light and it has exhibited strong sensitivity to alleged attempts to suppress information concerning such matters. It has repeatedly criticized the Air Force in its official publication "U.F.O. Investigator," for keeping authentic UFO (unidentifiable flying objects) reports from the public. The director of NICAP is Donald Keyhoe, a free-lance writer for national magazines.

It is not desired that the above information be furnished anyone outside your office.

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NOTE:

The librarian at Old Dominion College, Norfolk, advised that a professor at the college had received a questionnaire from NICAP. Norfolk desired to be advised whether such an organization existed.

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NATIONAL INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE ON AERIAL PHENOMENA (NICAP) MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

(NATIONALITIES INTELLIGENCE)

Re Norfolk airtel to the Bureau, 3/29/63; Bureau letter to Norfolk, 4/8/63.

On April 9, 1963, no listing for the captioned organization was located in the current Seattle telephone and city directories, or in the 1962 Aero Space Yearbook maintained at the Seattle Public Library. However, the captioned organization is indexed in the indices of the Seattle Public Library. 67C

on April 9, 1963, SA reviewed the forward to the book entitled, "Flying Saucers: Top Secret", by Major DONALD E. KEYHOE, U. S. Marine Corps, retired, who is the director of the captioned organization which is headquartered at 1536 Connecticut Avenue, Wash-Ington, D.C. This book, which has Dewey decimal system designation, R533.69/K521FL, at the Seattle Public Library, was published by G. P. Putnam's Son, New York, under a 1960 copyright. It has Library of Congress Catalogue Card number 60-5267. The forward reveals substantially the same information furnished in Bureau letter to Norfolk, dated April 8, 1963.

KEYHOE is also the author of the following books:

"The Flying Saucers are Real";

"Flying with Lindbergh";

"M Day":

"Flying Saucers from Outer Space"

The latter book has Library of Congress Catalogue,

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7 Idlewild Lane Matawan, New Jersey January 15, 1964

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director Federal Bureau of Investigation 9th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am a member of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), headquarters Washington, D.C., and would greatly appreciate your enswering the following questions:

1- Has the United States Air Force compelled you in any way, thru official orders or otherwise, to withhold from the press media and the general public any information you might obtain on investigating an unidentified flying object (UFO) sighting reported to the FBI?

2- If the answer to question #1 is in the negative what is the FBI policy regarding UFO sightings reported to you in releasing information to the press modia and general public on said sightings?

3- Has the FBI investigated any recent UFO reports and, if so, what were the results of those investigations?

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

TCAP member

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62-103581-16 January 21, 1964 Mr. John Laval 7 Idlewild Lane Matawan, New Jersey Dear Mr. Laval: Your letter of January 15th has been received. With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. Further, the question of unidentified flying objects does not fall within the jurisdiction of this Bureau. If someone should bring data concerning these objects to our attention, either the individual or the information is referred to the Department of the Air Force, The Pentagon, Washington, D. C. 20330. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am unable to be of help in this instance. Sincerely yours, 1. Edgar Hooven MAILED 10 JAN 3 1 1964 John Edgar Hoover COMM-FBI Director. NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP) has not been investigated by the Bureau however, a number of inquiries have been received concerning this organization during recent years. Information available to the Bureau reflects that the NICAP was founded in 1956. This group reportedly has criticized the Air Force for keeping information concerning unidentified flying objects from the public. This group has Ocorresponded with the Bureau since 1957, and it S Director, Donald E. Loach Keyhoe, has been known to the Bureau since the 1930's. He has been a free lance writer for National Magazines and a flamboyant style has racterized his articles. In the past, when he has written concerning topies of direct interest to the Bureau, we have found much of his material TP: jba (3) (note continued on next page)