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NATIONS FOR UNDERTAKING, CO-ORDINATING AND DISSEMINATING
THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH INTO UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS
AND RELATED PHENOMENA

Letter dated 25 August 1977 from the Permanent
Representative of Grenada to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my Prime Minister's letter of 14 July 1977, regarding inclusion of an item in the provisional agenda of the thirty-second session of the General Assembly (A/32/142), I now have the honour to forward, in accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure, for circulation to Member States, a copy of an address delivered by the Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs at the First International Congress on the UFO Phenomenon, held at Acapulco, Mexico, from 18 to 23 April 1977, which was referred to in paragraph 3 of the explanatory memorandum already circulated by the Secretariat on 20 July 1977 (A/32/142, annex I). My Prime Minister regards this address as an important supplement to the documents already distributed in this connexion.

(Signed) Franklin O. DOLLAND
Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative to the
United Nations

ANNEX

Address by the Right Honorable Sir Eric Matthew Gairy,
Prime Minister of Grenada, to the First International
Congress on UFO Phenomena, held at Acapulco, Mexico,
from 17 to 24 April 1977

Mr. Chairman, even at the pain of duplicating myself and boring the distinguished gathering at this Conference with repetitions of what to them might already be abundantly clear, I crave your indulgence to restate a position which I made forcefully to the thirtieth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations on 7 October 1975:

"... It is my firm conviction that the whole world and, more specifically, the leaders of world affairs, need a greater measure of recognition and acceptance of the universality of a supreme being - whether known as God, Allah or Jehovah, or by any other name. Yes, we need to recognize that power, that supreme power; we need to accept God as the universal source of all existence, the centre of all creation. We need to feel and to sense God within and without, around and above us, in us and all around us, not only for a few hours on the day of worship, but at all times - in every second, every minute, every hour throughout our entire life on this planet earth. We, here, need to sense the supreme being filling this entire magnificent building, and indeed all space in the universe with his presence.

"I submit in humility and with respect that it is only with this concept, the recognition and acceptance of the universal God and the sensing of His presence as the universal power that is eternally holding and binding all things together, that a new 'world order' based on peace and love can properly be established on a permanent basis; and I now engage the hearts and minds of all here to join in invoking and beseeching our universal and supreme master to refill us with an abundant measure of His divine, cosmic and universal spirit, to revitalize us with His universal energy. May our minds be all imbued with that divine and cosmic mind; may He quicken our intelligence with His cosmic, divine and universal light; and may He inspire us with a love that is unselfish, a love that does not seek reward, a love that will hold and bind all peoples of our globe with a new understanding and with lasting peace." /A/PV.2378, p. 41/

As a political leader of long standing (some 26 years more or less) and with a vast array of experiences in both private and public life, I have come to believe deeply and sincerely that all men on this earth plane share a common spiritual origin with each other and with other men and forms dwelling elsewhere within the universe, in extraterrestrial planes, and that perhaps without knowing it or being able to explain it, we all share a common striving towards an universal intelligence. I have come to believe that man is surrounded everywhere by superior forces of which he himself forms a part, and that by developing and lifting himself

to higher dimensions he can more easily identify with such forces and be guided and controlled by them to such an extent that he becomes an integral and dynamic part of that energizing whole.

In other words, an underlying principle of my life has always been that I should continuously strive to understand more clearly those forces and intelligences that lie around and within me, not only that I might establish a more intimate linkage with them, but also that I might apply the resulting "knowingness" to the greater glory of my fellow men. It is on these premises that I based my appeal to the United Nations General Assembly at its thirtieth session on 7 October 1975, requesting that world body to establish some department or agency to advance the cause of psychic research, as an aid to complete self-mastery and world peace. I urged the General Assembly as follows:

"... There is definitely justification for doing something about psychic research, particularly when one reflects on the bountiful human talents that go to waste because of man's ignorance of certain aspects of his immediate environs and, most certainly, of his esoteric or inner self, and on the various inexplicable phenomena which continue to baffle even the most advanced branches of science." /ibid./

At that time I particularly singled out the Bermuda Triangle for mention, but when again I raised the matter of psychic research and urged the establishment of the United Nations department or agency for that purpose, at the thirty-first session of the General Assembly on 7 October 1976 see A/32/PV.22, I raised then the question of unidentified flying objects. My concern, therefore, had become even deeper when I had come to realize that, although much research had been done on these extraterrestrial phenomena, a good deal of the information was being deliberately held back and stifled by certain important national agencies in the name of national defence and security. The report of the CIA-established Robertson Panel in 1953 testifies adequately to that attitude which, notwithstanding the heartening statements for greater international collaboration made by President Jimmy Carter, continues to this day as a foreboding overhang to official policy throughout the world. By 1976, it was my humble belief, based on the many writings which came to my attention, that the world was ready, willing and ripe enough to accept those extraterrestrial phenomena (UFOs, etc.) in relation to man and his existence on the earth planet and life in outer space.

World reaction to my second address at the General Assembly was immediate, abundant, gratifying and symptomatic of growing awareness among scientists and other researchers of the need for some positive action to be taken by the United Nations. Not only was my appeal for a United Nations agency for psychic research carried in several UFO magazines as well as in other journals and periodicals throughout the world; but in addition several personal congratulatory letters and telephone calls were received from persons well known in the field of UFO research and investigation, many of them locked for years in controversy with the United Nations over the overhang of secrecy which lay over the entire question of UFOs and extraterrestrial interference by what is regarded as "alien intelligence". One such letter from the UFO Centre in Ontario, Canada, reads in part:

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"As a concerned Canadian may I express my warmest appreciation for your interest in such matters."

Another from the Canadian Academy of Psychotronics, Toronto, Canada, a body supported by the Canadian Prime Minister reads in part:

"I was very glad to read the text of your remarks in your address to the General Assembly of the United Nations of 7 October 1975 which called for support by the United Nations of psychical research."

Another from the Peace Through Unity Foundation in Sweden reads:

"Only recently did an abbreviated report come into our hands concerning your forthright and inspiring address at the thirty-first session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and we should be most grateful if you would airmail us the full text of your timely and important address. While it is to be regretted that so little worthwhile publicity was given an address of such outstanding significance, we may perhaps feel encouraged by the thought that the President of the United States has given an undertaking to disclose all information on the subject of UFOs which have hitherto been filed as top secret material. We therefore have hopes that the subject dealt with in your address will be taken up with increasing vigour not only by governmental bodies but also by non-governmental movements, associations and foundations such as ours, which share the deep concern you so rightly expressed and would feel equally concerned to see these matters aired and the peoples of the world participating to play their part, in co-operation with their Governments to see appropriate action taken with regard to them."

Another letter from Major (retired) Colman S. von Keviczky, Director of the Inter-Continental UFO Galactic Spacecraft-Research and Analytic Network (ICUFON) says in part:

"It was the most significant and surprising statement for us that your present address to the General Assembly of the United Nations as Prime Minister of Grenada was already the second and accentuated warning to the member nations to establish within the United Nations an authorized department for international survey and research of the supernatural phenomena (e.g. Bermuda Triangle, etc.) and the activity of UFOs which we identified and verified by the space exploring powers as spacecrafts of extraterrestrial origin, representing task forces of galactic powers, assigned for earthbound operations. May the Almighty God bless you and assist you to be the first nation of the world which solved for the benefit and prosperity of all the nations the humanity's most burning existential problem in history of the twentieth century - the galactic powers earthbound exploration."

And finally a most interesting letter from Mrs. Righetti from France gives strong support as follows:

"I have just read in a French newspaper (Nice-Matin) the report of your intervention at the United Nations, and in particular your remarks relating

to psychic research, flying saucers and the Bermuda Triangle - an intervention which apparently has astonished many people. Permit me to tell you that I find these problems important, and like you, I think they deserve priority, so that we can better understand our future and our role in this world. Besides, many people are showing a keen interest in these spheres, and leaders choose to be unaware of it. Allow me also to express my joy on seeing that someone finally had the courage to speak about it, defying the mockery of powerful spirits. I thank you for it and hope that you have opened a way which will not be closed up too soon."

You will therefore understand my abounding pleasure when I received the investigation from the Centre for the Information and Investigation of UFOs and Parapsychological Phenomena and to be a guest speaker. I came here in response to this invitation not as a research scientist in the generally accepted meaning of the term but rather as one who has always taken a deep interest in psychic matters and also as the Prime Minister of a small independent country in the West Indies who has the foresight to see and understand the tremendous good for all the people of the world which could derive from a thorough investigation of the astonishing extraterrestrial phenomena which have been showing themselves to our earth planet so vividly since 1947, and as one who during the past two years has had the courage to prod the United Nations to taking appropriate research and collaborative action for the benefit of all mankind.

Based on the foregoing, and with a deep sense of humility, I feel that I can, with some justification, speak for the entire West Indies when I report on UFO activity in that part of the world. In this regard, I wish to refer to a report which appeared in The Evening Post in Guyana on 21 July 1965 describing, with appropriate photographs, the appearance of two UFOs to Mr. Walter Cameron at Rose Hill Estate, Berbice, Guyana. The newspaper story with photographs of the UFOs are available for inspection. Another report by Mrs. Kay Howard highlights the appearance of a UFO in Birchgrove, St. Andrew's, Grenada. A signed statement by Mrs. Howard is available, also, for inspection.

Other UFO landings in the West Indies are not generally known about, but it is clear that there is an awakening interest in UFOs in the West Indies as evidenced by a news item in The Nation in Barbados, Sunday, 13 February 1977, which advertised a four-lecture course in Barbados on the UFOs by the Vice-President of the Barbados Astronomical Society. The course was to include:

historical background of the UFO phenomena;

nature of the UFO data;

plausible and unplausible interpretations;

applying a scientific methodology;

methods for reporting UFOs; and

arguments for and against the extraterrestrial hypothesis.

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It is clear, therefore, that the West Indies has a deep interest in the outcome of these deliberations here in Mexico.

And now, more specifically, I can speak as the Prime Minister of Grenada, a member of the United Nations. In this regard, I speak as a world leader with a voice and a concern that hopefully might penetrate the four corners of the earth and draw the attention of other world leaders to a matter of deep and urgent interest to all the peoples of the earth planet. It is in this role I think I can best serve the interests of this Conference and it is here that, with your support, I intend to make a contribution in the cause of world peace, progress and prosperity through an insistence on psychic and related UFO research by the United Nations.

The literature is replete with reports and descriptions of UFO activity which came in flaps since 1947. Some 30 years ago, Dr. Allen Hynek, a well-known and respected authority on extraterrestrial activity, estimated that at least 15 per cent of the reports can be accepted as authentic. This is substantial if we appreciate that between 1947 and 1969 more than 2,500 cases were studied in the United States alone by the air force project "Blue Book". There is still much that is questioned about UFOs: what they are, where they come from, what is the purpose of their appearances on the earth planet, what contact their inhabitants are trying to make with earthlings, what benefits we might derive as a result of direct contact and communication with the super-intelligent aliens who guide them to our planet.

It is now fairly well accepted world wide that UFOs are space vehicles used by highly-intelligent aliens of extraterrestrial origin who seem to have a definite purpose for these; perhaps with hostile intent, although we hope not, or perhaps in an effort to share with us the wealth of technological expertise with which they seem endowed, and so avoid our self-destruction; or perhaps to share with us their universal intelligence and so bring us in closer oneness with the brotherhood of man and the universe of the divine spirit.

These thoughts are not as far-fetched as they may have seemed in 1947, and indeed the literature now seems to indicate that man is gradually beginning to recognize the tremendous advantages that could accrue to him by learning to harmonize with this extraterrestrial intelligence gradually invading his consciousness. We are told, for example, that scientists are certain that, out of a given number of habitable worlds in space, at least half of them will be far ahead of us in science and technology. Thus any direct contact with the aliens would open a cornucopia of scientific wonders for us all. The record of UFO-related healing either through beams of light, actual appearance of humanoids or through psychic surgery is impressive, and when one reads the story of Uri Geller, the psychic from Israel, who claims that UFOs are behind his tremendous telepathic powers and that he depends on their intelligence for sustenance, one cannot but accept, however, grudgingly, the claim that there is tremendous potential for man in understanding and establishing a co-operative relationship with those forces that lie around us.

Indeed, we are told that the major world Powers are currently locked in a new "space race", not unlike what happened in the post-Sputnik era, except that this

time the objective seems to be to read accurately the signals which are supposed to be coming from extraterrestrial alien satellites and to establish direct communication with the aliens themselves. The flow of technological information that could conceivably come from such contact is enough to sustain a space war for years between world Powers that seek dominion over others. We are told that, already, limited success has been achieved in communicating with spacemen by telepathy, a development which opens up an entirely new field that is both exciting and foreboding for mankind.

The role of the United Nations in keeping a watchful eye on UFO activity and other psychic phenomena could also be regarded as being protective of our planetary resources. It is highly significant that UFO activity as recorded bears a direct relationship to the location of highly sensitive global facilities, activities and resources. It is reported for instance, that the southern United States, with its heavy concentration of military installations, missile bases and defence industries, seems to be a special "hunting ground" for aliens from space who are reconnoitering earth from UFOs (Dr. Allen Hynek reports that out of a total number of 2,500 sightings in the United States studied by the United States Air Force between 1947 and 1969, more than 1,300 were in the south alone). Similarly, in Europe and the Middle East, during five years of surveillance (1970-1975) recorded by ICUFON, it appeared that the galactic task forces highest control and most accurate surveillance weighed heavily upon navigational keypoints, major seaports and the military hardware deluge and concentration from all over the nations. Obviously, the United Nations ought to have a legitimate interest in co-ordinating the analysis of this surveillance and in disseminating the information for the better guidance of the nations of our planet. But to revert to the theme which I struck at the very beginning of this paper, I believe, sincerely and deeply, in the universality of God and the brotherhood of man and believe also that man has an inherent striving towards establishing a oneness with this higher intelligence which lives around us and which communicates in "strange" ways (e.g., by telepathy), I believe, with the foundation for peace through unity, that somehow there is a delicate balance and order established in our galaxy and among all galaxies, and that this balance is maintained and monitored very carefully by highly evolved beings from the spiritual realms whose high purpose is to establish a universal brotherhood of life, dwelling throughout the universe in peace and the spirit of mutual service and co-operation under the one supreme universal power. Enhancement of this high objective should, if anything, constitute the higher purpose of the United Nations and it is in this context that I strongly and firmly call upon the United Nations to take the sort of initiative I have been proposing since October 1975.

In the struggle to stimulate a United Nations action, it is interesting to note that others interested in this field have been making some worth-while contribution. I refer particularly to Major (retired) Colman S. von Keviczky of ICUFON and the tremendous effort he has put into seeking United Nations support from 1966 for research into and control of galactic task forces. These efforts were either suppressed or rejected and many of the pioneers suffered much humiliation and frustration as a result. The United Nations insisted that the matter of UFO research was one to be raised by individual members of the Organization.

And this was where Grenada came in in 1975, at the thirtieth session of the United Nations General Assembly. I raised this very important issue at that session. Regrettably, not much concrete action by that body has yet flowed from my recommendation, although much support and encouragement for it has been expressed by individuals and groups the world over. Today, here in Mexico, almost 30 years after the spate of UFOs began to appear on this planet, it could not be more opportune for me again to call upon the nations of the world to lend support to this appeal to the United Nations for the establishment of a department or agency for psychic research as well as for monitoring the work of the extraterrestrial aliens and establishing communication with them. Many bigger countries whose support for the United Nations action has been sought by ICUFON continuously from 1966 seem to have shied away from touching this apparently "hot potato". The small size of my country with its relatively limited economy does not prevent me from walking where angels fear to tread. Here and now I pledge to this Conference that I shall, myself, continue to appeal to the nations of the world through the United Nations forum, to take the necessary positive action. It appears that we are beginning to have powerful friends in court at the United Nations to help give momentum to our presentations, and, today, we call on them publicly to join hands with us in this enterprise for world peace and progress through psychic and extraterrestrial (UFO) research.

The recommendations made by Mr. George Kocher of the Rand Corporation in Document No. 18154-PR, dated 27 November 1968, as well as the proposals for joint international control, supervision and research, advanced to the Secretary-General of the United Nations on 27 November 1973, by Major (retired) Colman S. von Keviczky, could quite easily be accommodated within the terms of my proposal for a United Nations agency.

My other recommendation is that those of us attending this Conference here today should selflessly attempt to identify some of the persons (scientists and others) who have made significant contributions to developing an awareness of the intense activities in the psychic and extraterrestrial world, particularly UFOs, and of what these might mean for our planetary citizens now and in the future, recognize them for their contribution and honour them for their sacrifice in the interest of humanity. I have in mind persons like Dr. Allen Hynek, outstanding astrophysicist and famous astronomer from Northwestern University; Major Colman von Keviczky, Director of ICUFON; the Lorenzens of Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO); Major Donald Keyhoe of National Investigations Committee of Aerial Phenomena (NICAP); Mr. Karl Veit, Executive Director of DUIST; Señor Guillermo Bravo, General Manager of the Center for the Investigation of UFOs and Parapsychological Phenomena (CIIFOP); President Jimmy Carter of the United States of America, who has reportedly given promise of a new and more open attitude to sharing of the mass of accumulated information available on UFO phenomena. You will, obviously, know of others who I have not mentioned here. The whole point is that we should all make a concentrated effort to treat daring pioneers in a way they so richly deserve. I suggest that a special committee of experts be set up to look into this matter so that appropriate action might be taken before the end of this congress.

Mr. Chairman, may I suggest that the second international congress on UFO phenomena be called within the next two years and held under the auspices of the United Nations agency, which I have proposed, and here I offer my country, Grenada, small but beautiful, as the next venue. I suspect that there would be a continuous intensification of psychic and extraterrestrial activity as we move on, gathering momentum with greater speed than hitherto obtained.

Mr. Chairman, as one of the world's head of government, and as the one who officially raised the issue of psychic and other related phenomena at two successive meetings of the General Assembly of the United Nations within the last two years, I think it is somewhat incumbent upon me, and I hereby crave your kind indulgence, to place on record, on behalf of all leaders and peoples of the world who believe and accept the existence of UFOs and related phenomena, our most, sincere and grateful thanks and appreciation to a young man, a modest man, but a great man, Mr. Guillermo Bravo. I also wish to place on record, as a non-scientist, our sincere thanks and appreciation to all these great and famous scientists who are here with us today from various parts of our globe and whose brilliance and scientific luminosity have been motivating us and have given us the inspiration, the knowledge and hope for a fuller, a deeper and a more meaningful life within our own consciousness, within our immediate environs and, indeed, have given us a greater interest in matters of an extraterrestrial nature. May I, also, place on record our grateful thanks and appreciation to the illustrious President of Mexico and his dynamic Government and to the very charming and lovely people of Mexico for the help and co-operation given to make this Conference the success it promises to be. I bring from my Government and people warm and sincere greetings and felicitations to the Government and people of Mexico. Grenada looks forward with eager anticipation to some type of positive action to strengthen the relationship already established between our two countries, and in this context we are particularly looking forward to greater co-operation with the Mexican Government in the field of UFO investigation.

Mr. Chairman, finally, and I do not consider this out of context, I wish to crave the indulgence of all who are present here to join hearts and minds together in recognizing the presence of the divine and universal spirit of God within this magnificent building and certainly, within and without, around and above us all, and to pray in full consciousness that He may imbue us with His divine health, strength and intelligence so that our deliberations during the entire Conference may bear fruits, and that He may enlighten us with His cosmic and divine light so that this Conference may not only end here as a successful Conference, but also, and more importantly, that an appropriate plan of action would be reached among all concerned so that our ideas and ideals, our aims and objectives, may be better understood, appreciated and accepted by the leaders and nations of the world, and that this Conference may go down in the annals of our planet as the nucleus and as the motivating force that will have brought us into closer contact and dialogue with, and in better knowledge and understanding of, extraterrestrial crafts and beings for the benefit and advantage of humanity, and to the greater satisfaction and glory of God, the supreme and universal being.