

*On 24 December 1997, the following letter was sent to key Chairmen of Congressional Committees by registered mail, return receipt requested.*

December 22, 1997

Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator/Congressman,

For the past seven years, CSETI (The Center for the Study of Extraterrestrial Intelligence) has been collecting scientific evidence on the matter of extraterrestrial intelligence and so-called UFOs.

We have identified a substantial amount of irrefutable evidence as well as the testimony of over 100 military, intelligence agency and civilian government witnesses who have held Top Secret (TS) clearances, many of whom were additionally cleared for access to Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI). These people have personally witnessed or been involved in covert operations related to this subject or events of an unambiguous extraterrestrial nature (see enclosures).

The implications of this matter transcend the interests of any given branch or agency of the US government, and impact numerous interrelated areas, all of which affect national security, governmental function and finances and government accountability.

In general, the US government and its legal representatives are excluded from briefings and developments impacting this important area — a situation which we feel is unconstitutional, dangerously avoids Congressional oversight, and which must be corrected as soon as possible.

In meetings which I have had with a sitting CIA Director, members of the Senate and House of Representatives, the Executive Branch and senior military representatives in the Pentagon, I have found that, while there is interest in the subject and general support for a disclosure regarding the existence of extraterrestrial life forms, there is an almost universal absence of information available to these leaders.

The implications of excessive and undue secrecy surrounding this issue should concern every member of Congress who is charged with upholding the integrity of the U.S. Constitution and the rule of law. The subject itself has vast implications for world peace, science and new technologies, the environment, the economy and geo-politics (see enclosed paper "Implications of an Extraterrestrial Disclosure").

CSETI is hereby formally asking your committee to convene open hearings on the subject of extraterrestrial intelligence beginning with the next term of Congress. We are prepared to provide you with a substantial body of detailed briefing materials in addition to those enclosed, as well as the names of bona-fide first hand military and intelligence witnesses who wish to testify under oath before Congress. These heroes of our country are eager to inform the Congress and the American people of what they know first-hand regarding this matter.

We respectfully ask that you reply to this request and answer the following questions:

Is your committee willing to receive a preliminary briefing on this subject?

If not, why?

Is your committee willing to allow open, publicly accessed hearings on this subject?

If not, why?

CSETI and its worldwide network of military witnesses, scientists and researchers are ready to provide you with a full briefing on this subject at your earliest convenience. We feel the American people, and the people of the world, deserve to know the truth of this matter.

We request that our elected representatives assert their constitutional rights on behalf of the American citizen to be provided a full, reasonable disclosure on this matter in the next term of Congress.

Sincerely,

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International Director of CSETI

enclosures:

1. CSETI Briefing Document – CSETI Assessment and Position Papers and U.S. Government Documents related to UFOs.
2. Videotape of Military Witnesses' Testimony from 9 April, 1997 Washington DC CSETI Briefings for Congressmen and others – Confidential.
3. Videotape of Images of UFOs/Extraterrestrial Vehicles.
4. Audiotape and Transcript of Edwards Air Force Base pursuit of UFOs, 1965.
5. Report on the CSETI Washington DC Briefings of 9 April, 1997.