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Ad Hoc Committee to Save NICKAP
Meeting w/NICAP
Exec Com. Board Member

PROJECT 1947

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___ Project Blue Book(Microfilm I _____ Microfilm II _____ Files _____ Hynek Papers _____)

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NOTES:

MEETING WITH MR. HARTRANFT AND GENERAL RICHARDSON, SEPTEMBER 26, 1978

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We see two basic possibilities of working out a mutually satisfactory agreement with NICAP; the many details of each would be subject to negotiation:

SCENARIO 1--Acquisition. If NICAP wants to settle its debts and obligations, then "go out of business," we are prepared to negotiate a dollar amount by which we would acquire all properties, possessions, titles, supplies, etc. of NICAP, specifically including the UFO case files and the mailing list. We are prepared to assist the Board in meeting its obligations, including satisfaction of subscription/membership obligations.

SCENARIO 2--Merger. If NICAP wants to settle its debts and obligations, then merge its activities and possessions with another group or groups to carry on NICAP's name in some manner, we are prepared to negotiate such an arrangement. The best possibility, as we see it, is for NICAP to "merge" with or join the following consortium: INFO, CUFOS (Center for UFO Studies), and MUFON (Mutual UFO Network). We are in close communication with the Directors of these organizations and feel confident that a satisfactory arrangement could be negotiated.

In the interim between now and some resolution of the NICAP situation, we offer our manpower and facilities to pick up, transport, and store (securely) all NICAP files and possessions, if granted authority to do so, pending a final resolution.

For either scenario, we would need to know the nature and extent of all NICAP legal and moral obligations and indebtedness, including specifically the nature of the contract with John L. Acuff, and what disposition or settlement could be made of that. Also, we would need to have at least an informal inventory of NICAP possessions, specifically including some information about materials stored in warehouses, storerooms, or basements apart from the NICAP offices; and copies of NICAP's by-laws and corporation papers.

At this meeting we are representing the Ad Hoc Committee to Preserve NICAP whose names and affiliations appear in our original letter; they are INFO, CUFOS, MUFON, and current and former NICAP members. They have been polled and have given their input to these discussions.

John B. Carlson
Richard H. Hall

(Copies of this "talking paper" were presented to J.B. Hartranft, Jr. and R. Richardson III, of the NICAP Executive Board.)

cc: Members, Ad Hoc Committee to Preserve NICAP