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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: August 27, 1947

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF FLYING DISCS

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR D. M. LADD

Colonel SPRINGER, Fourth Air Force, Hamilton Field, California, telephonically advised Special Agent MICHAEL J. CASSIDY of the San Francisco Office at 10:40 AM on August 27, 1947, that a personal letter had been received by his organization from HENRY McLEOD, city editor of the Seattle Times, which stated in effect that because there were so many stories going around relative to flying discs and related matters, and that his staff of reporters had been attempting to get reliable information concerning such stories, he was writing to inquire whether any governmental agency was going to make an official statement relative to the situation pertaining to the flying discs; that Mr. McLEOD also asked whether it would be permissible for his reporters to interview ARNOLD, DAHL, and SMITH relative to this situation.

Colonel SPRINGER stated that the above-mentioned letter was answered personally by General HALE on August 25, 1947, and advised Mr. McLEOD that as far as the Army Air Force was concerned, they had no information which would definitely clear up the situation; that as far as interviewing persons, Mr. McLEOD could feel free to interview whomsoever he desired, in that there was no censorship at the present time; that in the interest of economy, the Fourth Air Force Headquarters would not run out every lead or report of flying discs, but that if well-founded and apparently reliable information were received, that such information would be given attention.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Seattle Field Division for any action deemed advisable.

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