

# **INVESTIGATION #02 - BETWEEN 'REMOTE VIEWING' AND THE OBE: THE UNEXPECTED SIDE OF THE CIA**

(Part One)

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How interesting to read this statement in a classified document from the historical archives of the CIA<sup>2</sup>. Just these few lines are enough to demolish several concepts which form the basis of western civilisation: while in an OBE it is possible to access "other multidimensional realities" where "other conscious entities" are present. And it's also a good idea to learn to protect oneself from some of them using an energy balloon, because of their 'lower energy levels'. This memorandum, which in 1983 was sent to the "US Army Operational Group - Intelligence and Security Command" (INSCOM), and was declassified (although with important redactions) only in 2003 following a FoIA request, deals with subjects not normally expected to be found in CIA archives. After the initial shock, what they wrote – defined, among other things, as *facts beyond doubt* – led to many other stimulating questions and at the same time strengthened our research path.

Unsurprisingly, therefore, another report emerged, sent directly to the then Commander General of INSCOM, where – amongst other noteworthy things – we read that:

*«While Out-of-Body-Experiences (OBE) are known to spontaneously occur as a result of the technology utilized, this is not the purpose of the seminar...»<sup>3</sup>.*

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<sup>1</sup> "Analysis and assessment of Gateway Process", Historical Archives of the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency), CIA-RDP96-00788R001700210016-5.pdf, pag. 19.

<sup>2</sup> The subjects discussed in the document include: OBE, Consciousness, Hypnosis, Biofeedback, Transcendental Meditation, quantum entanglement, time travel, entities.

<sup>3</sup> "THE MONROE INSTITUTE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (M.I.A.S.) SEMINAR" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001700220015-5, pag. 2

We thus know that by means of a purposefully created technology, out of body experiences *take place*. The work of analysing and comparing the results from 5 subjects in an OBE state in EvanLab – which forms the centre of our work – stems from the path we chose to take at the beginning: since this material comes from, shall we say innovative, sources, and altogether difficult to verify, the same fundamentals of research are carefully observed, and in this way our work goes beyond the usual *modus operandi* of the traditional researcher. This applies to both the papers from the USA archives, as well as what has emerged during OBEs under hypnosis<sup>4</sup>, which we have called HypnOBE. From the channelled information we take what is compelling, innovative, and noteworthy, which can add to the advancement of the subject and the most accurate definition of it, irrespective of judgements of worth.

The provenance of the messages (sometimes quite long and articulate) is of little importance, whether from the mind or subconscious of the channeller (or medium), or a conscious manifestation of contact with the ‘Morphogenetic Field’, or telepathic contact (perhaps interdimensional) with another subject or with him/herself in another timeline, or interference from a more advanced MK-Ultra project, or actual musings from some entity in the astral plane – either a lower level one (maybe a parasite) or much above us.

Of interest to us, and what we focus on, is the ‘good’ that comes from the interactions – many hours of conversations during Out of Body Experiences obtained through induced hypnosis – from those who present themselves as *channelled entities*, especially when the same message is heard from different subjects from widely varying backgrounds, educational levels, and personal interests (often very different to what they report), and who live in different places.

In a nutshell, the importance of the message – as innovative, surprising, or incredible it may be – increases if it is repeated/confirmed by multiple sources, and comparing what emerges from individual entities will be one of the aims of this work.

After successfully deactivating the protective function of the brain’s left hemisphere (where the mind’s autocognitive, verbal, and linear reasoning reside) by means of a well-proven method, what emerges is the fruit of something. If this ‘something’ says interesting things, and these are confirmed by other ‘somethings’, we take note, otherwise they are discarded.

There are, of course, various problems associated with, primarily (again), the subject who serves as the ‘channeller’, the means through which the message is received: especially his/her educational level, but also the physical/energy level in the moment the OBE sessions occur, and also, it seems, the level of physical and ‘subtle’ interferences upon the channeller.

*“Between the Absolute and the ‘material’ universe in which we experience our physical existence are various intervening dimensions to which human consciousness in altered states of being may gain access”<sup>5</sup>.*

The report forwarded to the head of the military secret services of the world’s superpower continues to offer excellent food for thought. But one thing that stands out is the difficulty – for those who find themselves in other realities – in dealing with subject matters which are distinctly connected with our *materiality*; basically, the problem with getting precise answers about the world in which we live involves an already established fact which is correctly defined as follows:

*«...it becomes possible to "see" how human consciousness brought to a sufficiently altered (focused) state could obtain information concerning the past, present and future since they all exist in the universal hologram simultaneously»<sup>6</sup>.*

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<sup>4</sup> It is almost needless to point out that some wariness is called for when viewing documents from Intelligence agencies, and especially from the Cold War period, given that there may have been devious activity. In this case too, we looked at what is available, bearing in mind that often they were declassified after only 20 years (and we may ask why), while redacting the more sensitive parts, when – obviously for security reasons – the agencies do not produce conventional documents nor do they follow the usual protocols regarding more sensitive matters.

<sup>5</sup> “*Analysis and assessment of Gateway Process*”, 1983, CIA-RDP96-00788R001700210016-5, pag. 11.

<sup>6</sup> The contents of a document of an analysis of the *Gateway Process* by US Army Lt. Col. Wayne M. McDonnell, with support from models developed by biomedical engineer Itzhak Bentov, is confirmed by the latest theories of quantum physics, especially from the works of David Bohm onwards. Bob Monroe (founder of the MONROE INSTITUTE OF APPLIED SCIENCE) defined Gateway as

The distinction therein is that a single instant is (or can be) co-present in infinite dimensional realities and infinite energy levels. For those observing this peculiarity from the outside it seems not so easy to find and describe the exact point of interest to us. From this point, as we understand from the current state of research, there arise differences in the descriptions given at different times and from different messages.

Another statement from the quoted report released by the CIA in 2003 which we consider important to point out as being worthy of consideration:

*«Having ascertained that human consciousness is able to separate from physical reality and interact with other intelligences in other dimensions within the universe, and that it is both eternal and destined for ultimate return to the Absolute...»<sup>7</sup>.*

Since it is confirmed that Consciousness – eternal and destined to return to the ‘Absolute’ – *is able to separate from the physical body*, make contact with and interact with *other intelligences* present in *other dimensions*, we can relax and maintain that what we study is certainly not pulled out of the air or a result of sunstroke.

What is the “Gateway Experience” from the Monroe Institute<sup>8</sup>? We can read about it in a second memorandum sent in 1983 for the attention of General Albert Stubblebine:

*«This experience is intended to expand man’s consciousness and broaden his perception of reality. This is accomplished through a patented technology which synchronizes right/left brain interaction and produces peak amplitude within the optimum brain wave activity areas. This allows thought, while in higher order brain wave states, conducive to original thought and/or holistic idea formulation»<sup>9</sup>.*

Once again it’s hard to believe that this is from declassified pages from the CIA archives.

But let’s go back a little and ask a simpler question: why ever were the American intelligence services interested in this subject? According to the declassified documents, which of course are only a small part of what actually exists (and probably also the least interesting), the purpose was exclusively a military one.

The “Stargate Project” was the biggest funded program in the history of parapsychology research in the Intelligence field. Its related sub-projects were the CIA’s “Scanate”, also “Gondola Wish”, from which came project “Grill Flame”, and from 1984 there was the DIA’s and INSCOM’s “INSCOM Center Lane Project (ICLP)”. From the ashes of the latter came the “Sun Streak” program (briefly “Dragoon Absorb”). The Stargate Project was a type of umbrella for all the others<sup>10</sup>.

At the height of the cold war (1970), amidst the increasing Soviet threat, a very well written book called “*Psychic discoveries behind The Iron Curtain*” written by Sheila Ostrander and Lynn Schroeder attracted the attention of American Intelligence. On closer inspection, it was more of a bombshell dropped on the intelligence world rather than just another book, such that some suspected that the reality was the opposite (were the intelligence services of the USA themselves the source for the book?), a subject which deserves special attention in another work.

Truth be told, from an historical perspective the use of ‘psychic spies’, especially in times of war, was not a novelty, and the activities of the British secret services during WW2 is witnessed, amongst others, by the story of Ernest Montgomery, a psychic-spy originally from Jamaica and also

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“A voyage of self-discovery through the gateway of expanded awareness”. The *Mark V program* was the next step forward of the original Gateway experience.

<sup>7</sup> “*Analysis and assessment of Gateway Process*”, 1983, pag. 18.

<sup>8</sup> The Monroe Institute (MIAS in the CIA documents), in Virginia USA, was founded in the early 1970s by Robert Monroe as a research and educational organization dedicated to exploration and development of human consciousness. The Institute is known world-wide as a pioneer in experimentation of various states of expanded consciousness with the help of an audio technology that synchronizes the brain’s two hemispheres.

<sup>9</sup> “*MEMORANDUM FOR MG STUBBLEBINE*”, CIA-RDP96-00788R001700220015-5. pag. 1.

<sup>10</sup> The Stargate Project was closed (at least officially) in 1995. The project received a total of \$20mil in funding over a period of more than 20 years (1972 – 1995).

‘activated’ at the time of the Normandy landing together with other more well-known agents, such as Sybil Leek and the author Ian Fleming. Especially curious is that Montgomery himself talks about having encountered other spies like him in action in the ‘astral’ plane, some as enemies such as the Germans<sup>11</sup>. Whatever the truth may be, the important thing is the effect of Ostrander’s and Schroeder’s book: the beginning of a new chapter of research in the world of PSI by the USA government.

The response was almost immediate by both the CIA and the DIA. From an historical perspective, the reconstruction of the activities of the American secret services from reading the declassified reports of 2003 is very interesting. What appears clear is a separation – often complete and in some situations even conflictual – between the civilian services (CIA especially) and the military services (DIA and INSCOM); as we see, their activities at times proceeded virtually in parallel. But that’s not all. According to the DIA, there were other actors: for example NASA, and also the US Navy.

*«In the early ‘70s, conducted some PSI experiments [...] Suspicion lingers among Army project personnel that Navy may have nevertheless kept a tightly compartmented effort going. Navy representatives attend all DOD meetings, but remain uncommitted and literally silent»<sup>12</sup>.*

In July 1972 the DIA issued a 178-page report compiled by Captain John D. LaMothe of the Medical Intelligence Agency<sup>13</sup>: it was feared that the Soviets could be at an advantage in the field of international spying by the use of ‘atypical’ personnel such as psychic spies, which could have had a disastrous impact militarily<sup>14</sup>.

Actually, the 1972 report contained a bit of everything; it also included subjects today considered extreme, but accepted, such as the use of psychotropic substances from cannabis to mescaline, to LSD and Ritalin, in order to alter subjects (under the heading PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY IN THE USSR). There was also “*subliminal perception for military purposes*”, the effect of pulsating light on the human brain, even of sounds and smells, or the use of sensory deprivation. And there were even some disturbing claims, such as:

*“The apport technique and astral projection [...] allow the enemy to impart certain behavioral characteristics on its own people”<sup>15</sup>.*

Another paragraph to savour, where they give the subject at hand its deserved weight:

*«Soviet scientists successfully conducted numerous telepathy tests more than a quarter century ago [...] There are reports that the Soviets are training their cosmonauts in telepathy to back-up their electronic equipment while in outer space. [...] This method was previously demonstrated in March 1967, when a coded telepathic message was flashed from Moscow to Leningrad. The involvement of astronauts or cosmonaut in telepathy experiments is not necessarily unprecedented. In February 1971, during the Apollo 14 flight to the Moon, astronaut Edgar Mitchell made 150 separate attempts to project his thoughts from inside the space capsule back to an individual on earth. The results of the Apollo 14 experiments have been well-documented in detail and are published in the Journal of Parapsychology. Further documentation of Mitchell's experiments can be found in the University of California Newsletter.” » ... «In closing this section on parapsychology a quote from astronaut Edgar D. Mitchell, Jr. is appropriate. "Extrasensory*

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<sup>11</sup> See: Clifford L. Linedeker, *Psychic spy: The story of an astounding man*, Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group, 1976.

<sup>12</sup> “*THE GRILL FLAME SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION COMMITTEE*” - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300120001-5, Pag. 17. The Navy’s interest, according to DIA analysts, stemmed from the possibility of finding enemy submarines (Soviet and others) without sonar and, especially, contacting their own submarines while they were underwater – something very difficult to do via radio. From the US Navy archives, however, nothing much came of this, apart from the use of a submarine during a test.

<sup>13</sup> “*CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)*” - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6.

<sup>14</sup> It’s by no means the first time US Intelligence has been interested in ‘frontier’ science once they realised the interesting military implications. As we also see from the digital archives of the DEFENSE TECHNICAL INFORMATION CENTER of the Department of Defence, shortly after the war there was also some interest in the Italian Ferdinando Cazzamalli and his studies on “*ELECTROMAGNETIC PHENOMENA EMANATING FROM THE HUMAN BRAIN DURING INTENSE PSYCHO-SENSORIAL ACTIVITY IN DREAM, HALLUCINATORY, AND TELEPSYCHIC STATES*”.

<sup>15</sup> “*CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)*” - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6, pag. 3.

*perception is not a matter of belief. There is a great deal of serious scientific work being done in it, and it has been established over the last thirty years that it is a matter of probability, and the probabilities have been established beyond chance. I think it is an important work. I happen to be curious about it, and thus have been pursuing it for many years. This happened to be an opportunity (Apollo 14 lunar mission) to do another little step - a piece in the scientific puzzle of what man's all about*<sup>16</sup> ».

To recap, the DIA feared that, but using psychic-spies, the Soviets could:

«a. Know the contents of top secret US documents, the movements of our troops and ships and the location and nature of our military installations.

b. Mold the thoughts of key US military and civilian leaders, at a distance.

c. Cause the instant death of any US official, at a distance.

d. Disable, at a distance, US military equipment of all types»<sup>17</sup>.

We can't not mention this pearl (note this is the US military):

*"The possibility of creating assassins through hypnotic techniques on POWs exists"*<sup>18</sup>

The 1972 report ends with an interesting reference placed at the bottom, in the APPENDIX VI, in what sounds like a direct invitation:

*«Doctor Milan Ryzl is an international authority on para-psychology, who has lectured widely both in the United States and in Europe... educated in Czechoslovakia, was a member of the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences in Prague and was a leading figure in the application of scientific methods to the study of parapsychology... is currently a professor of parapsychology at San José State University... In his work, Doctor Ryzl presents indisputable and thoroughly documented evidence that psychic phenomena exist and scientifically examines the full range of psychic phenomena by evaluating experimental evidence derived from laboratory controlled testing»<sup>19</sup>.*

As usual it's very unfortunate that some parts of the report are still redacted. But interest in this material was by then underway, at least in some sectors. The first significant project was SCANATE (SCAN by coordiNATE), funded by the CIA:

*"Between 1972 and 1975, the CIA was interested in operational applications of remote viewing. Tests were done with SRI as well as with in-house CIA engineers."*

Additionally, Hal Puthoff had already collaborated with the NSA, which added significant weight (and secrecy) to studies which the academic establishment usually spurned. In 1972 Targ and Puthoff had the good fortune to bring into their group the extraordinarily talented psychic Ingo Swann<sup>20</sup>: Swann not only demonstrated the ability to visualize objects from a long distance, but was also able to mentally influence physical objects. One of the first effects produced psycho-energetically was the disruption of a magnetometer "...located in a well under a building and is shielded by  $\mu$ -metal shielding, an aluminum container, copper shielding, and, most important, a superconducting niobium shield."

The magnetometer measured the rate of change of a magnetic field.

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<sup>16</sup> "CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6, pag. 26. We infer from the experiment in which Edgar D. Mitchell participated the proof that from 1971 NASA was interested in these type of experiments. But it was Russell Targ himself, in his 1998 book, who points out the SRI's collaborations: "Even though NASA was our first sponsor, major support afterward came from the CIA and other federal agencies, some of whose names we can't yet reveal due to our agreements." From "I Miracoli della Mente", Ed. Futura, 1998, pag. 27.

<sup>17</sup> "CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6, pag. 40.

<sup>18</sup> "CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6, pag. 43.

<sup>19</sup> "CONTROLLED OFFENSIVE BEHAVIOR - USSR (1972)" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300020001-6, pag. 143.

<sup>20</sup> Another person who came to the CIA's (among others) attention, for her abilities, especially in remote viewing, was the German-American photographer Hella Hammid.

*«Mr. Swann was shown the setup and told that if he were to affect the magnetic field in the magnetometer, it would show up as a change in the output recording. Then, to use his own description, he placed his attention on the interior of the magnetometer, at which time the frequency of the output doubled for about two of the cycles or roughly 30 seconds.... Mr. Swann was next asked if he could stop the field change being indicated by the periodic output on the recorder. He then apparently proceeded to do just that.... Upon inquiry as to what he had done, he explained that he had direct vision of the apparatus inside and that the act of looking at different parts seemed to him to be correlated with the different effects, As he described what he was the recording again traced out a double frequency cycle (shown at D), as had occurred before»<sup>21</sup>.*

This description is truly worth noting, given that the same phenomenon was demonstrated, by experiments and relative publications, under the mind-matter interaction subject, performed by EvanLab<sup>22</sup>. At any rate, it's obvious that Swann's abilities could not have passed unnoticed by US intelligence<sup>23</sup>.

In 1973 another formidable subject joined the SRI. His name was Pat Price, a retired police inspector<sup>24</sup>. In the summer of that year, working only from a series of geographical co-ordinates read aloud to him, he gave striking descriptions of a 'military-type' structure. As was later discovered, the place was a secret installation of the NSA in West Virginia. Price not only was able to 'enter' the facility and correctly name the people working there, but more importantly, he spoke words in code which he 'saw' written in secret folders<sup>25</sup>. As the DIA reports years later:

*«In fall 1974, an experiment was conducted in-house by CIA engineers familiar with the SRI-Price coordinates protocol. The result was a description of what could only be a SA-5 missile training site at the coordinates. The Libyan desk officer was impressed, and indicated that a HUMINT agent had previously reported the same information.*

*In July 1975, Libyan coordinates were provided to Price, who came back with a description of a guerrilla training site - again, confirmed by CIA analysts from clandestine agent reporting. The same month Price tragically died of a heart attack»<sup>26</sup>.*

Over time, Ingo Swann and Harold Puthoff developed an instructional course which, according to them, allowed anyone to learn how to produce precise and detailed descriptions, which they called CRV (Coordinate Remote Viewing). According to a 1988 report:

*«...is a psychic technique which permits a "viewer" to transcend time and space to "view" or "perceive" people, places or objects without the "viewer" being physically present»<sup>27</sup>.*

The SRI conducted research and experiments at least until the end of 1991, but even in this case, the simple fact of finding proof that it's possible to 'transcend time and space' is worthy of respect<sup>28</sup>.

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<sup>21</sup> "PROPOSED SRI INTERNATIONAL PROTOCOL FOR RESEARCH ON REMOTE PERTURBATION TECHNIQUES", CIA-RDP96-00788R001300080001-0, pag. 4.

<sup>22</sup> For this subject see the freely available publications at: <https://www.evanlab.org/en/scientific-articles/>

<sup>23</sup> In 1973 Ingo Swann tried to visit the planet Jupiter, and described (and sketched) it with a ring around it. Nobody took this too seriously and Swann himself thought he had mistakenly directed his attention to Saturn instead of Jupiter. Then in 1979 the Voyager 1 mission showed that Swann was right, there really are rings around the planet.

<sup>24</sup> "THE GRILL FLAME SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION COMMITTEE" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300120001-5.

<sup>25</sup> Pat Price's vision includes an amazing description of the site: "[I see] A marble colonade type: "In this area was fought the battle of Lynch-burg where many brave men of the Union and Confederate Armys (sic) fell. We dedicate this area to all peace loving people of the future- Daughters G.A.R.". Cfr. "SCANGATE" - CIA-RDP96-00791R000100480002-4, pag. 7.

<sup>26</sup> "THE GRILL FLAME SCIENTIFIC EVALUATION COMMITTEE" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001300120001-5, pag. 13.

<sup>27</sup> "COORDINATE REMOTE VIEWING" - CIA-RDP96-00789R001300010001-6, pag. 1. The description continues as follows: "Project "SUN STEAK" has refined the process of teaching CRV to degrees that individuals possessing no know, "natural psychic abilities" can be taught to remote view with extreme accuracy in a relatively short period of time. The training program for CRV takes approximately 6 months to be complete, depending on the individual being trained". See also: "COORDINATE REMOTE VIEWING CRV TECHNOLOGY 1981-1983" - CIA-RDP96-00788R001800100001-2-1.

<sup>28</sup> We note that in his memoirs, Lyn Buchanan states that he was part of a secret group and was released by the 902nd Military Intelligence Group, of which he was, instead, a part.

In 1977 Lieutenant Frederick Holmes “Skip” Atwater, at the time the officer involved in training for their “*remote-viewing program*” (he developed, amongst other things, psychological tests for choosing suitable candidates) met Robert Monroe for the first time in his institute, and when out of curiosity underwent a test session, had his first OBE<sup>29</sup>. A not insignificant event. Perhaps not coincidentally then, that in mid-1978 military intelligence, specifically the 902nd Military Intelligence Group, inside project GONDOLA WISH, also contacted the MIAS (Monroe Institute of Applied Science)<sup>30</sup> to inquire about assisting with current research:

*«This office has been investigating the intelligence threat posed by Soviet state-of-the-art parapsychology since September 1977 [...] This report details the criteria under which the Monroe Institute of Applied Sciences (MIAS), Afton, VA, was selected as the organization to train MI personnel in a parapsychological intelligence collection technique [...] This project is referred to as GONDOLA WISH»<sup>31</sup>.*

Something of significant interest is described in this paragraph:

*«...The parapsychological technique to be used is known as out-of-the-body experience (OOBE). An OOBE is a parapsychological experience, either spontaneous or induced, in which one's center of consciousness seems to be in a spatial location separate from that of one's physical body. An OOBE differs from what Stanford Research Institute (SRI), Menlo Park, CA, calls “Remote Viewing”, in that during Remote Viewing the subject does not perceive himself to be at the target location, but only observing it. In an OOBE, the subject perceives himself to be actually at the target location. The product of Remote Viewing is usually only a graphic depiction of the target area, whereas the product of an OOBE may include not only a graphic picture of the target location, but also a record of subliminal telepathic communication with individuals at the target location.»<sup>32</sup>.*

On the 3rd May 1978 Robert Monroe was personally recruited by military intelligence, and at the end of 1978 the first 3 people were sent to the MIAS for OBE training<sup>33</sup>. At this point the die was cast and the results were clearly enough to allow the Army Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (ACSI) to formalize, on the 13th July 1978, an operational program called GRILL FLAME. Training in OBEs and remote viewing were officially part of a program (although secret) of the US government.

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<sup>29</sup> In the CIA archives there is an instruction manual for the ‘gateway’ experience of the MIAS dated 1977. CIA-RDP96-00788R001700210023-7.

<sup>30</sup> *« This office queried DIA as to the advisability of contacting Robert Monroe. Individuals at DIA were knowledgeable of Monroe, and stated that the CIA had shown interest in him in the 1973 – 1974 time frame. DIA contacted the CIA, and learned that the CIA had no interest in Monroe at the present time. [...] DIA then queried SRI scientists about Monroe. SRI representatives stated that they had not evaluated Monroe's teaching technique. SRI's research is with Remote Viewing, not OOBE, and SRI has had some success at teaching Remote Viewing. Scientists at SRI (Dr. Targ and Dr. Puthoff) also stated that they knew Monroe personally, and believed him to be a credible individual who has had parapsychological experiences which are not beyond present understanding».* “MONROE INST. GONDOLA WISH ASSESSMENT REPORT” - DIA, 902d Military Intelligence Group, CIA-RDP96-00788R002000160001-3 pag. 2.

<sup>31</sup> “MONROE INST. GONDOLA WISH ASSESSMENT REPORT” - DIA, 902d Military Intelligence Group, CIA-RDP96-00788R002000160001-3 pag. 2.

<sup>32</sup> “MONROE INST. GONDOLA WISH ASSESSMENT REPORT” - DIA-RDP96-00788R002000160001-3, pag. 2.

<sup>33</sup> “... On 3 May 1978, Monroe was recontacted and given a security indoctrination on the sensitive nature of MI involvement with him and his training program. Monroe agreed to keep all contacts with this office on a confidential basis, and not to discuss our involvement with other members of MIAS, the press, other government agencies, or anyone else. ...”. See: “MONROE INST. GONDOLA WISH ASSESSMENT REPORT” - DIA-RDP96-00788R002000160001-3, pag. 4.