

MEMORANDUM

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To: Jeremy Gunn
From: Tim Wray
Subject: Prouty & Reich

Fletcher Prouty.

Chris has drafted a good summary/analysis of our interview with L. Fletcher Prouty that lays out how his statements to us compare with statements he has made or written elsewhere.

I'm now convinced that we need to make a complete written transcript of our interview with Prouty.

Colonel Reich

I think we need to fix a date for doing a face-to-face interview with Reich. Our phone interview with him was not entirely satisfactory: while his meaning is clear enough to anyone who listens to him, his syntax (he was born in Austria and still speaks with an accent), his tendency to speak in sentence fragments, and his frequent digressions make the transcript of our phone interview less clear than a careful, patient face-to-face interview would probably be.

He was eager to cooperate with us, and promptly searched out and sent us the documents we asked for. I don't want to squander his goodwill because we leave him hanging too long. (Besides, he's 81 years old. . .)

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