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SUBJECT: IEEE Acclaim for SRI Psychoenergetics Work

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SRI researchers Puthoff and Targ, attending the Seventh IEEE International Conference on Cybernetics and Society, were presented with the Franklin V. Taylor Memorial Award for the Best Presentation of the Sixth International Conference on Cybernetics and Society.

Further acclaim for the SRI psychoenergetics work was contained in the introduction to this year's Conference Proceedings, written by Conference Chairman William H. von Alven of the FCC (see attached).

Finally, interest at the conference in psychoenergetics research and related brain research was so high that the Executive Committee of the IEEE SMC (Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society) group formed a subgroup "Biocybernetics," devoted specifically to investigation of man and his capabilities, viewed as a Biocybernetic System.

Therefore, although the controversial nature of psychoenergetics work at SRI has engendered negative reactions in some quarters, we should not lose sight of the fact that, by and large, the informed majority of the scientific and lay communities continue to respond in a very favorable vein.

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