

INFORMATION PAPER

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SUBJECT: The Monroe Institute of Applied Sciences (U)

ISSUE. (U) To provide the Secretary of the Army with information on Robert A. Monroe, and INSCOM's association with the Monroe Institute of Applied Sciences (MIAS).

FACTS.

1. (U) Born on 30 Oct 1915, in Wabash, Indiana, Robert A. Monroe received a BA degree from Ohio State University in 1937 and began a career as a radio program writer, director, producer, and executive. Concurrent with his radio broadcasting career, Mr. Monroe pursued his avocation, the practical development of accelerated learning through expanded forms of consciousness. This work led to the founding of MIAS in the early 1970's. He is the author of the book Journeys Out of the Body, published in 1971. Mr. Monroe has a DoD SECRET security clearance based on a NAC completed on 18 January 1980.

2. (U) MIAS, near Charlottesville, Virginia, is a complete educational facility where Mr. Monroe and his staff conduct educational seminars. These seminars are based on the blending and sequencing of sound pulses coupled with a system of "binaural beats" that apparently create a frequency-following response (FFR) and an environment conducive to the synchronization of the left and right hemispheres of the human brain. This process is known as hemispheric synchronization or Hemi-Sync. The MIAS Hemi-Sync seminars teach individuals to develop an awareness and control of inner resources and abilities.

3. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) USAINSCOM association with MIAS dates to 1978, when the potentials of the Hemi-Sync process were considered for application within INSCOM's initial psychoenergetic efforts. Current involvement is as follows:

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a. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Project CENTER LANE.

(1) (S/CL-3/NOFORN) CENTER LANE Advanced Training with MIAS consists of four progressive phases that lead to full use of the Hemi-Sync process during CENTER LANE intelligence collection missions.

(2) (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Rapid Acquisition Personnel Training (RAPT) is an application of the Hemi-Sync process designed to improve managerial and intra-personal relation's skills. The RAPT program is managed by CENTER LANE, and is used to screen prospective source personnel and sensitize intelligence managers and consumers to intelligence applications of psychoenergetics.

b. (U) INSCOM Center for Excellence (CENTEX) plans to use MIAS/Hemi-Sync technology for accelerated learning of foreign language skills. In addition, the technology appears to offer opportunities for habit control training.

4. (U) Articles which provide additional information on Mr. Monroe, MIAS, and the Hemi-Sync process are attached.

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Very little is known as to the occurrence of such synchronized states in typical human consciousness. A study at the Menninger Foundation indicated the ability of an experienced Zen Master to induce it at will, which may suggest it is more prevalent than considered originally. Over the past six years, the Monroe Institute has developed and tested specific "hemi-sync" applications with several thousand participants through its Gateway Program. As a result, it is the leader in this newly-emerging field of consciousness research.

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*"Auditory Beats in the Brain", "SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN", September, 1973