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Case Number: 22-S-2014/0 **Source:** CIV - CHRIS MELLON
Subject: The Next Step: UAPs in Space and America's New Sputnik Moment
Purpose: PUBLIC RELEASE **Event Date:** **Pages:** 8
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Date Received: 06/01/2022 **Classification:** Unclassified **Typist:** (b)(6)
Suspense Date: 06/24/2022 **Date Completed:**
Reviewer Worksheet: **Action Officer:** (b)(6)

Agency Name	Routed Date	Due Date	Action	Remarks
IN HOUSE	06/02/2022	06/17/2022	OTHER (SEE REMARKS)	6/2/22- staff USD(I&S)
USD(I)	06/02/2022	06/17/2022	NO OBJECTION	Received 6/13/22
AIRFORCE	06/06/2022	06/24/2022	NO OBJECTION	Received 6/30/22

Notes:

author is Former DASD for Intelligence in OSD from 1997-2002

6/6/22- staffed to USAF per request from USD(I&S)

6/16/22- USAF asked for and received an extension until 6/24

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DOPSR Action

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- Cleared
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- Cleared as Amended
- Not Cleared
- See Memo Attached

Final Action

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PAIRS CASE #2022-0513

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22-S-2014/0

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The attached material is forwarded for review in accordance with the following guidelines. Questions concerning this case should be directed to:

(b)(6) Room (b)(6), (b)(6), Email: (b)(6) Unclassified Fax: (b)(6)

Please advise if reviews required other than: IN HOUSE
USD(I)
AIRFORCE

A reply is requested by: 06/17/2022

COORDINATION OFFICE ACTION

To: Defense Office of Prepublication & Security Review, DOPSR, 2A534, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155

Review by this office in accordance with guidelines below, result in the following recommendation concerning clearance for publication.

Check One:

No Objection as Received.

Recommended Changes.

No Objection Subject to Amendments made by this office (in black pencil). Amendments and rationale (security and policy) are annotated on page numbers listed below.

Objection. Amendments to permit publication are impracticable. Reasons stated below.

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(b)(6), SAF/PA, S&PR

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28- JUNE 2022

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CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 1:58 PM
To: WHS Pentagon ESD Mailbox SECREV
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] SUBMISSION: UAPs in Space?
Attachments: America's New Sputnik May 31st.docx

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Dear Sir/Madam:

Attached please find a draft article for publication on my blog or possibly with a media outlet such as *The Hill* or *The Debrief*.

Can you advise how long the OSD review process may take to complete?

Thanks,

~Christopher K. Mellon
Former DASD for Intelligence in OSD from 1997-2002

response from DOPSR

(b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Tue 7/5/2022 1:25 PM

To:

- CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)

Please find attached, DOPSR's response to ref (b)(4) -2014. Let me know if I can be of further assistance, or if you'd like to receive a paper copy. Thanks!

Regards,

(b)(6)

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(b)(6) Pentagon

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(b)(6) USAF HAF SAF/SAF/PA (b)(6)

Tue 6/28/2022 3:58 PM

To: WHS Pentagon ESD Mailbox SECREV (b)(6) (b)(6) CIV WHS
ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6) CIV USAF SAF-PA (USA) (b)(6)

Good Afternoon,

Air Force, Security and Policy Review "NO OBJECTION" response (see attached). Let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks

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SAF/PA Case Completed: Case Number 2022-0513

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Tue 6/28/2022 3:47 PM

To:

- (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

SAF/PA has completed the review process for your case on 28 Jun 2022:

Subject: The Next Step: UAPs in Space and America's New Sputnik Moment (Article)

Originator Reference Number: (b)(4), (b)(3) -2014/0

Case Reviewer: (b)(6)

Case Number: 2022-0513

The material was assigned a clearance of NO OBJECTION on 28 Jun 2022. If you

have any questions concerning your case, please contact (b)(6)

new case from DOPSR/DOPSR ref (b)(4); (b)(3); 17 -2014

(b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Mon 6/6/2022 2:15 PM

To: (b)(6) CIV USAF SAF-PA (USA); (b)(6); (b)(6) CIV USAF SAF-PA (USA)
(b)(6)

2 attachments (307 KB)

America's New Sputnik May 31st.pdf; Form373_22-S-2014_USAF.pdf;

Please find attached, document entitled "The Next Step: UAPs in Space and America's New Sputnik Moment," DOPSR ref (b)(4); (b)(3) -2014, which is being submitted for review. The requested suspense date is 17 June. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks!

Regards,

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Re: DOPSR request

(b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Mon 6/13/2022 11:14 AM

To: (b)(6) CTR OSD OUSD INTEL (USA) (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6); (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Thanks so much (b)(6)!

FYSA, I did indeed staff it out to AF for review per your request.

Regards,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) CTR OSD OUSD INTEL (USA)

Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 10:31 AM

To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)

Cc: (b)(6); (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: DOPSR request

(b)(6)

We have no objection to release as received. Please send to U.S. Air Force for their review. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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From: (b)(6)

Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 8:35 AM

To: (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Subject: FW: DOPSR request

(b)(6)

Please see the attached article that requires a security review. It's related to UAPs. Please advise if you have any questions.

Very Respectfully,

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From: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 4:36 PM

To: (b)(6)

Subject: Re: DOPSR request

Perfect, thanks so much! It's attached. The requested suspense date is 10 June if at all possible. Let me know if you need anything else!

Regards,

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From: (b)(6)

Sent: Thursday, June 2, 2022 6:24 AM

To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)

Subject: RE: DOPSR request

Thanks, (b)(6). You can send it to me on NIPR since it's unclass.

From: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 5:37 PM

To: (b)(6)

Subject: DOPSR request

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Thu 6/2/2022 4:35 PM

To: (b)(6) CTR OSD OUSD INTEL & SEC (USA) (b)(6)

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CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)
Sent: Monday, September 12, 2022 12:18 PM
To: (b)(6)
Subject: Clearance of "UAPs and ET" (DOPSR case 22-S-2643)
Attachments: 22-S-2643 cleared as amended UAPs and ET Aug 19th.pdf

Good afternoon,

DOPSR has completed its review of your submission of "UAPs and ET," and has no objection to its presentation as it has been submitted, subject to the amendment detailed in the attached copy of the speech. The amendment was made for accuracy. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me. I apologize for the late response, the time frame within which you required the clearance was not properly recorded. Thank you for your patience.

v/r,

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Case Number: 22-S-2643/0 **Source:** Chris Mellon

Subject: UAPs and the Extraterrestrial Hypothesis?

Purpose: PUBLIC RELEASE **Event Date:** **Pages:** 38

Requester: Mellon, Chris **Document Type:** SPEECH

Date Received: 08/19/2022 **Classification:** Unclassified **Typist:** (b)(6)

Suspense Date: 09/16/2022 **Date Completed:**

Reviewer Worksheet: **Action Officer:** (b)(6)

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In House: as amended, for accuracy.

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Amendment made for accuracy

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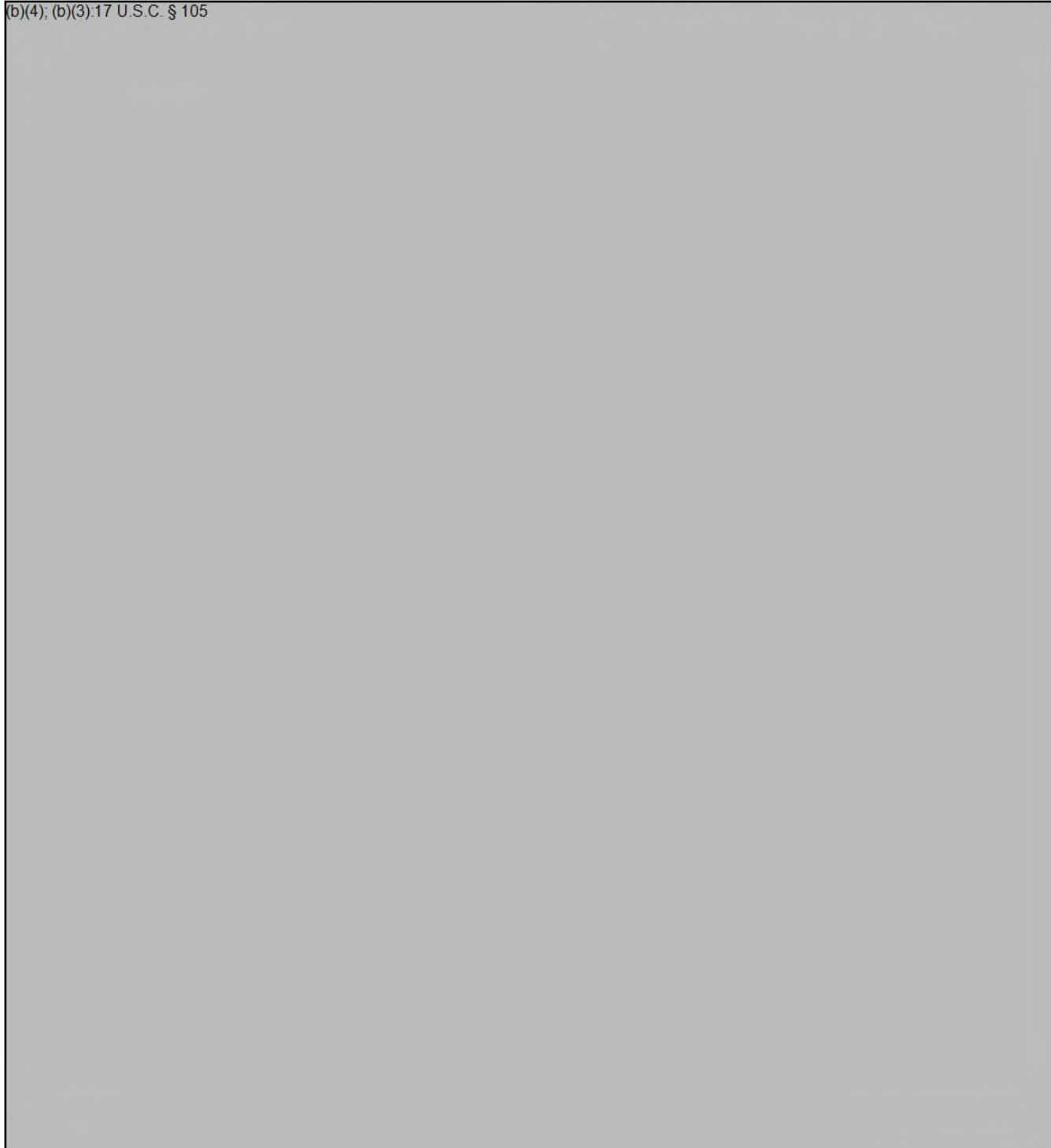
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1155 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, DC 20301-1155

Ref: 23-SB-0185
January 17, 2024

Mr. Christopher Mellon

(b)(6)

Dear Mr. Mellon:

This responds to your June 30, 2023, correspondence requesting public release clearance of your Forward to Mr. Luis Elizondo's manuscript. Your submission for prepublication security review is **CLEARED** for public release.

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A copy of the first page of the manuscript with our clearance stamp is enclosed. Please direct any questions regarding this case to (b)(6), at (b)(6) or

(b)(6)

Sincerely,

for

(b)(6)

Chief

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Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2024 1:27 PM
To: CHRIS MELLON
Cc: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA); (b)(6)
Subject: RE: Status?
Attachments: 23-SB-0182 DOPSR Clearance Final.pdf
Signed By: (b)(6)

Good Afternoon Sir,

The Security Review of your manuscript is complete, and it is now cleared for publication.

Please see the attached clearance letter and stamped first page for your records. If you have any questions just let me know.

Have a great day,

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Defense Office of Prepublication and Security Review
Cell: (b)(6)
Office: (b)(6)

-----Original Message-----

From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2023 3:37 PM
To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)
Subject: Re: Status?

Hi (b)(6):

Thanks very much for the update.

Regards,

Chris Mellon

> On Dec 14, 2023, at 2:27 PM, (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)

(b)(6) wrote:

- >
- > No Sir - no problems at all thus far. We rolled it in with Lue's review out of caution.
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- > Unfortunately his review isn't complete yet, though it is in its final stages.

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> That said, at this point I anticipate that your Foreword will likely be a "No Objection" response.
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> Hope this helps,

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> Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2023 2:22 PM
> To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)
> Subject: Status?

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> Hi (b)(6):
>
> I confess I am astonished not to have received a response yet regarding the draft Foreword to Lue Elizondo's book I submitted many months ago.

>
> Can you advise where things stand and if there is a problem or issue? I don't recall anything remotely sensitive or even close to raising a classification issue.

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> Thanks,
>
> Chris Mellon

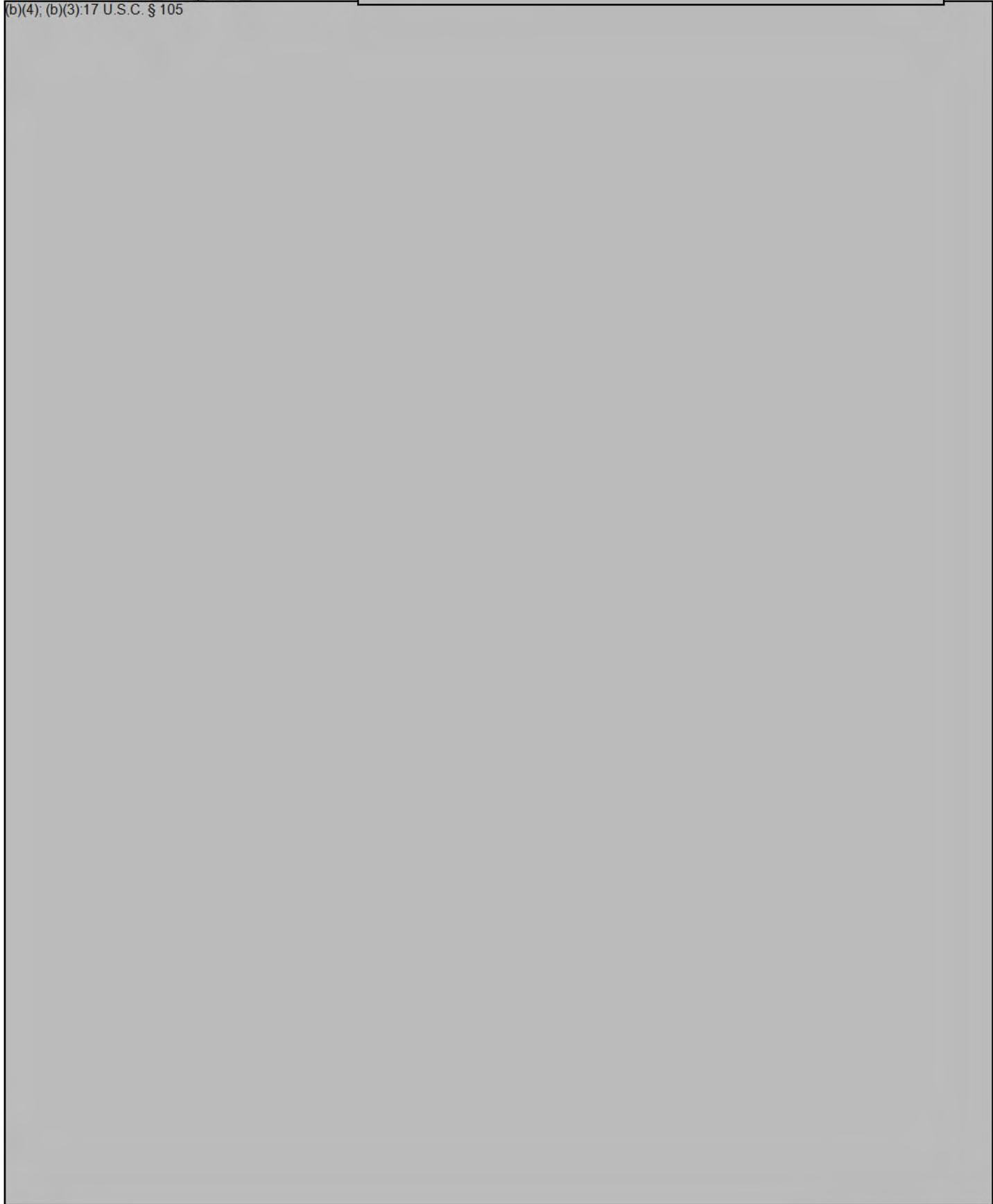
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(b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2023 10:08 AM
To: CHRIS MELLON; (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)
Subject: Re: Forward for Lue Elizondo's Book/ 23-SB-0178 // Lue

Good Morning Sir,

Yes, we packaged them together for tracking through the review. I'm sure (b)(5)
(b)(5) we're just waiting for the final responses on his manuscript.

Have a great day,

(b)(6)

From: "CHRIS MELLON" (b)(6)
Date: Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 2:12:15 AM
To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)" (b)(6)
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> From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)

> Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2023 2:22 PM

> To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

> Subject: Status?

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CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 30, 2023 11:35 AM
To: WHS Pentagon ESD Mailbox SECREV
Subject: Pre-Publication Review
Attachments: LUE DRAFT June 21st.docx

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Dear Sir/Madam:

I have drafted a Forward for a pending book by former OSD employee Luis Elizondo.

I understand his manuscript is presently under review.

As a former OSD employee myself, I suppose I ought to submit my draft Forward as well (see attached).

Does this constitute submission or do I need to send it elsewhere?

Thanks,

~Chris Mellon

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CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2023 1:46 PM
To: WHS Pentagon ESD Mailbox SECREV
Subject: Done!
Attachments: LUE DRAFT June 21st.docx

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This is my second attempt to submit for pre-pub review.

I am retaining this for my records.

If DoD again fails to respond its on you guys, I feel I've done my part to submit for pre-pub review. I also called and left a message.

It isn't obvious from the website either where to submit docs for review. That is astonishing to me as that would seem to be the #1 reason people go to your website. Why isn't there an easy and obvious highlighted link saying **"To Submit Docs for Pre-Publication Review Click Here"** or something along those lines?

Thanks,

~Chris Mellon

Attached please find a draft Foreword or a Book on UAP that has already been submitted by Luis Elizondo. I have no reason to believe there is anything the least bit sensitive here but I do want to be sure to comply as required.

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CIV WHS ESD (USA)

From: CHRIS MELLON (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, December 14, 2023 3:37 PM
To: (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA)
Subject: Re: Status?

Hi (b)(6):

Thanks very much for the update.

Regards,

Chris Mellon

> On Dec 14, 2023, at 2:27 PM, (b)(6) CIV WHS ESD (USA) (b)(6)

wrote:

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- > No Sir - no problems at all thus far. We rolled it in with Lue's review out of caution.
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- > Unfortunately his review isn't complete yet, though it is in its final stages.
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- > That said, at this point I anticipate that your Foreword will likely be a "No Objection" response.
- >
- > Hope this helps,

- > (b)(6)
- > Defense Office of Prepublication and Security Review
- > Office: (b)(6)
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