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## OTHER NATIONAL ACTIVITY

10. **CHINA** In the early 1990s China announced an interest in Unexplained Aerial Phenomena, and in May 1993 set up a 'Scientific Institute for the Study of UFOs. This Institute numbers more than 300 co-operating specialist members over 24 Industrial and Municipal Departments centred on Peking/Beijing and other large cities. The TORs are to determine whether UFOs represent unusual or unconventional astronomical phenomenon. Some articles have appeared in the Chinese News Media (in UKHAMI), together with UFO photography. The Chinese had contact with Russian officials on the topic of UAP in the setting-up of the organisation described briefly above, specifically Academicians Frolov, Kasmacheev and Pitrovich.[1][ (U)

11. **SPAIN** The Spanish MoD have taken the 'UFO' phenomenon seriously. Sixty six files have reportedly been released to the public. DI 55 Staff have not seen these files.(U)

12. **USA & CANADA** The USA's widely-publicised activities were described and contrasted with the UK effort at the beginning of Volume 1 of this report. There is no intelligence exchange or access or collaboration of any sort on the topic of 'UFOs'. [redacted] S.27
The Society for Scientific Exploration [redacted] S.26
have made a mid-1998 statement to the effect that the topic of UFOs should be studied - only in that it might expose some new scientific information.

13. The medical experiments which unexpectedly replicated 'UFO' effects on humans took place at the University of Ontario, Canada. No papers have been seen which directly relate these to an intention to replicate UFO effects obtained in Ontario,. (U)

14. Most responsible organisations distance themselves from the extreme positions taken by the media and the ever busy UFO publishing industry, which, in the last year has produced no less than 31 books for public consumption. Most of these originated in the USA. [redacted] S.27

[1] Comment: Source is translation of barely readable text on a document visible during a video interview