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DRAFT EXECUTIVE ORDER

PRESIDENTIAL REVIEW OF RECORDS RELATING TO THE 1997 PHOENIX LIGHTS INCIDENT

Presidential First-30-Days Policy Draft

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This separate campaign discussion draft directs relevant executive agencies to locate and provide to the President records concerning the aerial phenomena widely known as the Phoenix Lights of March 13, 1997. It requires a comprehensive classified Presidential report by Day 30 and does not direct public release or declassification at this time.

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Purpose and Policy.

The President requires a complete accounting of executive-branch records concerning the aerial phenomena reported over Arizona and surrounding areas on March 13, 1997, commonly known as the Phoenix Lights. The review shall determine what federal agencies observed, recorded, investigated, assessed, or knew concerning the incident.

This order does not make a factual finding that the incident was extraterrestrial in origin. It requires the Government to identify and present the documentary, technical, military, intelligence, and other evidence in its possession, including any records addressing an extraterrestrial or non-human hypothesis.

Sec. 2. Lead Agencies and Coordination.

- (a) The Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence, shall lead the classified executive-branch review.
- (b) The review shall include, as appropriate, the Department of the Air Force, other Department of Defense components, the North American Aerospace Defense Command to the extent records are within United States executive-branch custody or control, the Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Homeland Security and relevant predecessor records, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Energy, National Archives and Records Administration, and other executive entities reasonably likely to possess responsive records.
- (c) Agencies shall search relevant predecessor, successor, transferred, retired, and archival repositories.

Sec. 3. Thirty-Day Production to the President.

- (a) Not later than 30 days after the President assumes office, covered agencies shall make responsive records available for secure Presidential review through procedures coordinated by the National Security Advisor.
- (b) The production shall include complete authenticated copies or originals where appropriate, accompanied by an index identifying the originating organization, date where known, record identifier, classification status, current custodian, and relevant chain-of-custody information.
- (c) Classified or compartmented status alone shall not constitute a basis for withholding executive-branch material from Presidential review, subject to applicable law.

Sec. 4. Scope of Records.

The search shall include military flight records; training schedules; range activity; aircraft tracking information; radar and sensor data; air-defense records; FAA records; air-traffic communications; pilot reports; photographs; negatives; video and film; audio; satellite or aerial imagery where responsive; intelligence reports; memoranda; emails or electronic messages preserved from the period; witness interviews; investigative records; scientific or technical assessments; briefing papers; public-affairs records; classification reviews; and derivative summaries.

Sec. 5. Military Activity and Aircraft Review.

- (a) The Secretary of Defense and Secretary of the Air Force shall identify military exercises, training flights, flare activity, aircraft operations, range activity, or other United States military operations that could bear upon reported observations on March 13, 1997.
- (b) The review shall identify aircraft types, units, operating locations, mission times, flight paths, relevant range activity, and available records supporting any official explanation.
- (c) Where records are incomplete, missing, destroyed, or inconsistent, the report required by section 9 shall state that fact.

Sec. 6. Radar, Sensor, and Aviation Records.

- (a) The FAA and appropriate defense and intelligence components shall search for radar plots, radar logs, air-traffic records, sensor data, pilot communications, incident reports, and related technical material for the relevant geographic area and time period.
- (b) The agencies shall identify whether responsive data existed, whether it remains available, and, if unavailable, any known disposition or retention history.
- (c) Technical assessments shall distinguish what the underlying data demonstrates from analytical inference or speculation.

Sec. 7. Photographs, Video, and Imagery.

- (a) Agencies shall specifically identify government-held photographs, negatives, video recordings, film, technical imagery, and other visual evidence relating to the incident.
- (b) Available provenance, metadata, authenticity assessments, enhancement history, and chain-of-custody information shall accompany significant imagery.
- (c) Original government media shall be preserved.

Sec. 8. Extraterrestrial or Non-Human Hypothesis Records.

Covered agencies shall identify any responsive government record that considered, investigated, discussed, supported, rejected, or remained unresolved regarding an extraterrestrial, non-human, unidentified anomalous, or otherwise unexplained origin for the observed phenomena. Inclusion in this review shall not be treated as proof that any such explanation is correct.

Sec. 9. Ten-Page Comprehensive Presidential Report.

- (a) Not later than the thirtieth day after the President assumes office, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Director of National Intelligence, FAA Administrator, and other participating officials, shall place on the President's desk an approximately 10-page comprehensive classified report summarizing the entire federal review.
- (b) The report shall address the chronology of reported events; federal agencies and military units involved; military operations potentially related to the sightings; radar, sensor, and aviation evidence; photographs and audiovisual evidence; contemporaneous government communications; official explanations; contradictory or unresolved evidence; records addressing extraterrestrial or non-human hypotheses; missing or destroyed records; classification history; current national-security implications, if any; and recommendations for further Presidential action.
- (c) The report shall clearly distinguish established documentary facts, official conclusions, witness reports, analytical judgments, unresolved questions, and unsupported claims.
- (d) Detailed record inventories, technical information, or highly sensitive material may be included in classified annexes beyond the approximately 10-page principal report.

Sec. 10. Certification of Completeness.

- (a) Each participating agency head shall certify that a diligent search of repositories reasonably likely to contain responsive records was conducted.
- (b) Certifications shall identify repositories searched, significant responsive holdings, and any known categories of records that could not be located.
- (c) Records shall not be excluded solely because they were filed under terminology other than Phoenix Lights, UFO, UAP, extraterrestrial, or non-human.

Sec. 11. Preservation of Records.

- (a) Agencies shall preserve potentially responsive federal records pending completion of the Presidential review.
- (b) No officer, employee, contractor, or agent shall unlawfully destroy, alter, conceal, remove, or dispose of a responsive federal record.
- (c) Credible evidence of unlawful destruction, concealment, falsification, or unauthorized removal shall be referred to the appropriate Inspector General, Archivist, Attorney General, or other authority having jurisdiction.

Sec. 12. No Public Release Directed at This Time.

- (a) This order does not direct public release or declassification of records collected under this review.

- (b) Responsive classified information shall continue to be protected in accordance with applicable law and national-security requirements pending further Presidential direction.
- (c) Following review, the President may separately direct additional investigation, declassification review, archival action, congressional notification, or public disclosure as permitted by law.

Sec. 13. Secure Presidential Review.

The National Security Advisor and appropriate Presidential support personnel shall coordinate secure receipt, storage, briefing, and handling of records produced under this order. Classified records shall be reviewed and maintained in facilities and systems appropriate to their classification.

Sec. 14. General Provisions.

- (a) Nothing in this order shall be construed to impair authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, the Director of National Intelligence, an Inspector General, the FAA Administrator, or the Archivist of the United States.
- (b) This order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law, constitutional authorities, federal records requirements, and protection of intelligence sources and methods.
- (c) Nothing in this order constitutes an official Presidential determination that extraterrestrial or non-human activity caused the Phoenix Lights.
- (d) This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity against the United States or any person.

THE WHITE HOUSE,

Date of issuance: _____

DRAFTING NOTE

This is a separate executive order from the Roswell Presidential review. It requires secure Presidential access to responsive federal records and an approximately 10-page classified report by Day 30. It deliberately treats an extraterrestrial or non-human explanation as a hypothesis to be searched for in government records rather than as an established historical fact. No public release or automatic declassification is directed by this draft.