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THE ARTICLE REPORTS ON CONTROVERSY OVER RESEARCH OF UNCONVENTIONAL PHYSICAL FIELDS AND MILITARY APPLICATIONS OF THIS WORK. SOME SCIENTISTS ARE SAID TO BELIEVE THAT PSYCHOTRONIC GENERATORS' BASED ON NEW PHYSICAL PRINCIPLES CAN BE USED FOR REMOTE CONTROL OF PEOPLE'S MINDS AND BEHAVIOR, AND THAT ORIGINAL WEAPONS FOR THIS PURPOSE CAN BE DEVELOPED ON THE BASIS OF GENERATORS OF SPINOR (TORSION) OR MICROLEPTON FIELDS, IN PARTICULAR. OTHER SCIENTISTS ARE HIGHLY SKEPTICAL OF SUCH RESEARCH.

IT IS RECALLED THAT A RESOLUTION ENTITLED ON THE UNSOUND PRACTICE OF FINANCING PSEUDOSCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OUT OF STATE SOURCES WAS PUBLISHED, TOGETHER WITH AN OPINION SUBMITTED BY THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY, ON JULY 4 OF THIS YEAR. THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET'S COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGIES ISSUED THIS RESOLUTION. IT ACCUSED SEVERAL MINISTRIES OF SPENDING, WITHOUT A PROPER EXPERT REVIEW, HALF A BILLION RUBLES ON PSEUDOSCIENTIFIC AND ANTISCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS INVOLVING SPINOR OR MICROLEPTON FIELDS WITH WHICH SCIENTISTS ARE ALREADY FAMILIAR. THE RESOLUTION NAMED THE USSR MINISTRY OF DEFENSE (MINOBORONY), THE USSR MINISTRY OF NUCLEAR POWER ENGINEERING AND INDUSTRY, THE USSR STATE SECURITY COMMITTEE (KGB) AND THE USSR CABINET OF MINISTERS' MILITARY INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION AS CLIENTS AND SPONSORS OF THIS WORK. MORE THAN 20 INSTITUTES WERE IDENTIFIED AS EXECUTORS AND DEVELOPERS. FIRST ON THIS LIST WAS THE UKRAINIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' INSTITUTE OF MATERIALS SCIENCE PROBLEMS, WHICH IS HEADED BY ACADEMICIAN TREFILOV. THE INTERAGENCY SCIENTIFIC TECHNICAL CENTER VENT (FORMERLY THE CENTER FOR UNCONVENTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES OF THE USSR STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY) WAS IDENTIFIED AS THE COUNTRY'S CHIEF FIRM ENGAGED IN DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA OF UNCONVENTIONAL FIELDS. ACCORDING TO UNVERIFIED DATA FROM A. AKIMOV, DIRECTOR OF THIS CENTER, THE COST OF UNCONVENTIONAL FIELD PROJECTS HAS BEEN 23 MILLION RUBLES IN MINOBORONY'S SECTOR ALONE, WHILE THE OVERALL AMOUNT WHICH HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR SUCH RESEARCH THROUGH ALL OF THE DIFFERENT CHANNELS IS AS GREAT AS 500 MILLION RUBLES.

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SEEKING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT UNCONVENTIONAL FIELDS RESEARCH AND THE PURPOSES OF THIS RESEARCH, THE AUTHOR SPOKE TO AN ASSOCIATE OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET'S COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGIES AND SUBSEQUENTLY WENT TO THE ARMED FORCES' GENERAL STAFF. HE WAS TOLD THAT THE COMMITTEE HAD RECEIVED NO INFORMATION IN THIS REGARD FROM MINOBORONY, THE KGB OR OTHER AGENCIES INVOLVED. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GENERAL STAFF REFERRED THE AUTHOR TO THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES' SECTION ON PROBLEMS OF APPLIED SCIENCE. NIKOLAY PRUDNIKOV, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THIS SECTION, SAID THAT IT SOMETIMES ORDERS PROJECTS TO BE CARRIED OUT FOR THE GENERAL STAFF, BUT HE DISCLOSED NO DETAILS OF THIS WORK. ONE SUCH PROJECT, WHICH WAS CALLED OBEZLICHYE (DE INDIVIDUALIZATION), IS MENTIONED. IT IS RECALLED THAT IN 1986, A SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE INFORMED THE ACADEMY'S SECTION THAT THE INSTITUTE WAS PREPARED TO CARRY OUT THIS PROJECT. AN ASSOCIATE OF THE SECTION WHO KNEW MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT WAS NOT AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONING, HOWEVER. AT THE VENT CENTER, THE AUTHOR WAS TOLD THAT DIRECTOR AKIMOV WAS AWAY ON A BUSINESS TRIP.

YE. ALEKSANDROV, CORRESPONDING MEMBER OF THE USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES AND A SCIENTIFIC OPPONENT OF AKIMOV'S, SENT THE AUTHOR A REPORT OF THE CENTER FOR UNCONVENTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES. ACCORDING TO THIS DOCUMENT, THE CENTER IS ENGAGED IN RESEARCH OF LONG DISTANCE PRODUCTION OF MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOPHYSICAL EFFECTS ON TROOPS AND THE POPULATION, USING TORSION RADIATIONS; AND ALSO IN RESEARCH OF MEDICAL BIOLOGICAL PROTECTION OF TROOPS AND THE POPULATION AGAINST EFFECTS OF SUCH RADIATIONS. ALEKSANDROV EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT EQUIPMENT CAPABLE OF PRODUCING SUCH EFFECTS CAN BE DEVELOPED. A LETTER WHICH THE EDITORS RECEIVED FROM ALEKSANDROV IS QUOTED, IN WHICH THE SCIENTIST DENOUNCED RESEARCH OF UNCONVENTIONAL FIELDS AS PSEUDOSCIENTIFIC, CITING A DECISION OF THE ACADEMY'S DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY. ALEKSANDROV WENT SO FAR AS TO ACCUSE STATE ENTERPRISES OF PRODUCING FAKE FIELD GENERATORS AND SELLING THEM TO DEFENSE AGENCIES FOR LARGE SUMS.

SCIENTISTS WHO HOLD OPPOSING VIEWS OF UNCONVENTIONAL FIELDS RESEARCH REPORTEDLY INCLUDE V. KAZNACHEYEV, WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE WORKING IN THIS DIRECTION FOR THE DEFENSE COMPLEX AND HAS SIGNED AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE NONUSE OF MENTAL WEAPONS; A. VEYNIK, CORRESPONDING MEMBER OF THE BELORUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, WHO HAS PUT FORWARD A NUMBER OF THEORIES; AND OTHER ACADEMY FIGURES, WHO HAVE PUBLISHED WORKS ABROAD. THE AUTHOR SUGGESTS THAT THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ORGANIZE A ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION ON THE TOPIC OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WEAPONS, WITH ALL SIDES IN THE CONTROVERSY REPRESENTED.

PFN INFORMATION: PART 001

FACILITY: OTDELENIYE OBSHCHEY FIZIKI I ASTRONOMII

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SUPERIOR: AKAD NAUK SSSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)
FSUBORD: FACILITY SUBORDINATION DATA

PFN INFORMATION: PART 002

FACILITY: MIN OBORONY SSSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)
FACLDATA: FACILITY NAME EQUATE AVAILABLE

FACILITY: MINATOMENERGOPROM SSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: KGB SSSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: GENSHTAB
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: GKNT SSSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: GRU
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: KOMITET PO NAUKE I TEKHNologiyAM
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

PFN INFORMATION: PART 003

RELATES: A AKIMOV IS A MEMBER OF MNTTS VENT. YE ALEKSANDROV IS A MEMBER OF AKAD NAUK SSSR. A BEYNIK IS A MEMBER OF AN BSSR.

PERSON: AKIMOV, A
PROTITLE: DIRECTOR
PERS CTY: USSR (UR)

PERSON: ALEKSANDROV, YE
PROTITLE: CORRESPONDING MEMBER
PERS CTY: USSR (UR)

PERSON: BEYNIK, A
PROTITLE: CORRESPONDING MEMBER
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FACL CTY: USSR (UR)
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FACILITY: AN BSSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

PFN INFORMATION: PART 004

PERSON: KAZNACHEYEV, V
PROTITLE: ACADEMICIAN
PERS CTY: USSR (UR)

PFN INFORMATION: PART 005

FACILITY: KABINET MINISTROV SSSR
SUBORD: VOYENNO PROMYSHLENNAYA KOMISSIYA
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)
FSUBORD: FACILITY SUBORDINATION DATA

PFN INFORMATION: PART 006

RELATES: FNU TREFILOV IS A MEMBER OF INST PROBLEM MATERIALOVEDENIYA (AN USSR). NIKOLAY PRUDNIKOV IS A MEMBER OF SEKTSIYA PRIKLADNYKH PROBLEM (AKAD NAUK SSSR).

PERSON: TREFILOV, FNU
PROTITLE: ACADEMICIAN
PERS CTY: USSR (UR)

PERSON: PRUDNIKOV, NIKOLAY
PROTITLE: DEPUTY CHAIRMAN
PERS CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: INST PROBLEM MATERIALOVEDENIYA
SUPERIOR: AN USSR
FACL CTY: USSR (UR)

FACILITY: SEKTSIYA PRIKLADNYKH PROBLEM
SUPERIOR: AKAD NAUK SSSR

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