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US Senator Pecunia's Staff
New Senate Office Bldg.
Room 5241, Washington DC 2510

Dear Sir:

I am a substitute in the
Milwaukee Public School System.

I do scientific experiments in high
voltage electricity. I have studied
all the available writings of
the dead genius Nikola Tesla
(1861 - January 7, 1943)

When Nicola Tesla died the
Federal Bureau of Investigation
came and opened the ~~the~~ safe in
his room and took the papers it
contained, to examine ~~them~~ them.

for a reported secret invention of
possible use in II W.W.

As a ~~cit~~ citizen & a
scientist I would like to
study these unpublished papers
with hope of finding new
ideas ~~into~~ producing an alternate
source of energy. Something
that Nikola Tesla knew about
and because of his unfortunate
financial status, was not able
to develop into a working model.
Please help. -

With Love in The U.S.

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Milwaukee, Wisc. 53208

Call

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100-2237-30 June 23, 1976

Honorable William Proxmire
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

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DATE 2-9-80 BY SP4 Jm/ptc

Dear Senator Proxmire:

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This will respond to your communication of June 16th
enclosing the letter of Mr. [redacted] of Milwaukee,
Wisconsin. 52208

The effects of Dr. Nikola Tesla were impounded, after
his death, by the Office of Alien Property of the Department
of Justice and not by the FBI. Since we did not participate
in the handling of Dr. Tesla's belongings, I am unable to
furnish the information you desire.

A copy of your communication and of this reply are
being referred to the Department of Justice and the enclosure
to your communication is being returned as requested.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

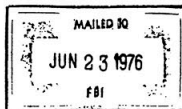
Enclosure

1 - Assistant Attorney General - Enclosures (2)
Civil Division

1 - Milwaukee - Enclosures (2)

1 - Office of Congressional Affairs - Enclosures (2)
NOTE: This response is consistent with past responses to
inquiries of a similar nature. Bufile 100-2237 reflects
that the Office of Alien Property took possession of
Dr. Tesla's papers following his death.
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FBI/DOJ

July 26, 1979

Dear Mr. Webster:

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DATE 7-27-91 BY SP-6/BJP

I am writing this letter in regard to some papers you have in your possession by Nikola Tesla.

I have for some time now been studying the works of Mr. Tesla and I am involved in the research and further development of his efforts. I have in my possession a copy of almost everything that was ever written by him.

However I have read that on the day following his death (he died the night of January 7th 1943, so probably January 8th 1943) the Federal Bureau of Investigation went to where Mr. Tesla had been staying - the Hotel New Yorker, New York City, New York and collected all notes and papers that he had with him there.

To further my studies and hopefully complete them it would be deeply appreciated if you would send me a copy of all the notes, papers, books, drawings etc. that were found there.

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Thank you,

W. J. Webster

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August 6, 1979

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DATE 7-3-82 BY [signature]

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[redacted]
b7C Royal Oak, Michigan 48073

Dear [redacted]

Your recent letter requesting information concerning Dr. Nikola Tesla has been received.

The effects of Dr. Tesla were impounded, after his death, by the Office of Alien Property of the Department of Justice and not by the FBI. We have no preprinted material available for public distribution regarding Dr. Tesla. However, under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (Title 5, United States Code, Section 552), requests have been made in the past regarding your topic and there may be documents available to you under Title 28--Code of Federal Regulations. (9)

If you are interested in seeking such documents under the Freedom of Information Act, you should make a separate inquiry, clearly marking the envelope and letter as a Freedom of Information Act request, and direct it to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20535. In the letter you must request documents regarding the specific topic of interest to you.

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Sincerely yours

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William L. Bailey
Assistant Director

100-2237-32

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Assoc. Dir. ☒ Mr. Underwood - Enclosure
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NOTE: Based upon available information, correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles.

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Bresson, 54

DATE: 2/25/80

FROM : [REDACTED] b7C

SUBJECT: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT DISCLOSURE
REGARDING DR. NIKOLA TESLA

PURPOSE:

To reduce time spent on handling of requests for information on captioned subject and to promote uniformity of disclosure.

DETAILS:

A search of FBIHQ central records indices reflects that Dr. Nikola Tesla is carried as the subject of Bufile 100-2237. Virtually all information in this file is inquiry-type correspondence. For purposes of FOIA releases, copies of this material have not been made and requesters have been so advised. Copies of the remaining material in the file totalling 29 pages, however, has been processed for disclosure. Numerous requesters have sought information relating to Dr. Tesla under the FOIA. Therefore, it is recommended that the disclosure documents maintained in Bufile 190-16504-4 be considered the preprocessed release appropriate for responses by the Initial Processing Unit for any further requests for information on this subject.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Initial Processing Unit, FOIPA Branch, Records Management Division, add captioned case to their list of preprocessed cases and handle any future requests for such information. 110-2237-

1 - Mr. Underwood
1 - Miss [REDACTED] b7C

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Handwritten notes:
 I would prefer
 this being altered
 that any request for review be
 referred directly to [redacted] rather than
 she would see that request
 return is made

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THOMAS H. BREESON STATION CHIEF	PHONE	DATE

Tom -

It is my understanding
that every case which
is completed through disclosure
is "preprocessors".

IPU's Reading Room
maintains only those "preprocessors"
cases which have been deemed
to have sufficient public
interest to warrant inclusion
in the Reading Room.

The question, therefore,
is: Does the Tesla material
fit the criteria for inclusion
in the FIA Reading Room?

I think not.

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OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

9 FEB 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: Papers Recovered on the Death of Nicola Tesla (U)

(U) We understand that the FBI may have possession of a number of papers found after the death of Nicola Tesla in 1943. Nicola Tesla was a brilliant electrical engineer (i.e. the Tesla Coil) who was a pioneer in various aspects of electrical transmission phenomena.

(C) We believe that certain of Tesla's papers may contain basic principles which would be of considerable value to certain ongoing research within the DoD. It would be very helpful to have access to his papers.

(U) Since we have really no idea of the possible volume of these papers, we would be happy to provide a researcher who could assist you in reducing the magnitude of the search. If there are further questions, I am the point of contact within the DoD and can be reached at 695-6364 or 695-7417.

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Allan J. McLaren
LtColonel, USAF
Military Assistant
Strategic and Space Systems

100-2237-33

Per DoD letter dated 3-22-93
with Enclosures 1 and 2
All DoD info is unclassified
DoD referenced FOI # 356,608 and 362,001

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March 10, 1981

Mr. Col. Allen C. MacLaren, USAF
Military Assistant
Strategic and Space Systems
Office of the Under Secretary
of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20301

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DATE 11-19-90 BY 2022/AMX

Dear Colonel MacLaren:

Your memorandum of February 9 requesting access to the scientific papers of Dr. Nikola Tesla which might be in our files has been referred to my office for reply.

A preliminary review of our files indicates that the FBI did not participate in the handling of Dr. Tesla's belongings following his death in New York City in January, 1943. His papers were examined by representatives of the Office of Alien Property, the Navy Department and the Office of Scientific Research and Development. In February, 1943, the papers apparently were released to Mr. Sava W. Kosanovic, Dr. Tesla's nephew and the administrator of his estate. Mr. Kosanovic's address at that time was 111 Central Park South, New York, New York.

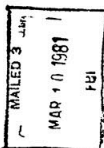
A complete search of our indexes is being made to determine if we have any information that might be useful to you. You will be notified of the results of this search at the earliest possible date.

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Sincerely,

Roger E. Young
Assistant Director in Charge
Office of Congressional
and Public Affairs

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1 - [redacted] (FOIPA) - Enc.

1 - Mr. Young - Enc.

1 - [redacted] Enc.

Enc AD Inv. [redacted] Reply discussed with [redacted] FOIPA, RMD, who has handled similar requests for information in our files concerning Dr. Tesla. In numerous previous responses we have said that the Office of Alien Property the Department of Justice impounded Dr. Tesla's papers after his death. However, the Office of Foreign Litigation, Civil Division, indicates that Dr. Tesla's papers are not in their possession.

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MARCH 23, 1961

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Lt. Col. A. J. MacLaren
Military Assistant
Strategic and Space Systems
Office of the Under Secretary
of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20361

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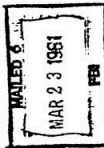
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DATE 9-14-92 BY SP4SMM/2

Dear Colonel MacLaren:

A complete search of our retrievable files concern-
ing Dr. Nikola Tesla shows that all notes and material in his
immediate possession at the time of his death on January 7, 1943,
were placed in the custody of the Alien Property Custodian
under seal by the United States Government. These materials
have never been in the care or custody of the FBI.

On January 26 and 27, 1943, Federal authorities made
a thorough review of the effects of Dr. Tesla to determine if
any items of significant value to the United States war effort
could be found. His effects were examined at the Manhattan
Warehouse and Storage Company at 52nd and 7th Avenue, New York,
New York, where they apparently were taken after his death. Par-
ticipating in this examination were representatives from the
New York and Washington Offices of the Alien Property Custodian, the
Office of Scientific Research and Development at the Massa-
chusetts Institute of Technology, the Office of Naval Intel-
ligence, and United States Naval Research. The FBI did not
participate in this examination. (65-47953 section 1)

It was the considered opinion of a spokesman of those
examiners that there exist among Dr. Tesla's papers and posses-
sions no scientific notes, descriptions of hitherto unrevealed
methods or devices, or actual apparatus which could be of
significant value to this country or which would constitute a
hazard in unfriendly hands. There was thought to be no
technical or military reason why further custody of the property
should be retained. However, our files indicate that certain
papers, which were regarded as typical of Nikola Tesla's writings
and thoughts in the period of 1925 up to 1942, were removed for
the purpose of deposit to the Office of the Alien Property
Custodian. (65-47953 section 1)



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On September 17, 1945, from New York Office and that at that time Dr. Tesla's effects remained at the Manhattan Storage Warehouse in some 75 packing boxes and trunks under seal by the New York Department of Taxation. The rental for this storage, approximately \$15 per month, was being paid by Charlotte Muzar, 134 East 63rd Street, New York, New York, who was listed as an agent for Sava Kossanovich, Dr. Tesla's nephew and administrator of his estate. (65-47953-14)

On October 26, 1945, Private Eugene Fitzgerald, U. S. Army, a young scientist who had been Tesla's protégé, called in person at our New York Field Office. With him were Private David W. Pratt, Lt. Herbert O. Schutt and Lt. R. E. Houle from a research development unit at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. These men carried a letter signed by Brigadier General H. C. Craig, Chief Engineering Division, Wright Field, requesting that the FBI allow the bearers of the letter access to the effects of Nikola Tesla. (65-47953-15)

It was explained to this military contingent that the FBI had no jurisdiction over Tesla's effects, and they were referred to the Office of the Alien Property Custodian. Bureau files do not indicate whether the men ever examined Tesla's belongings. (65-47953-15)

The Tesla effects remained in rooms 53 and 54 of the Manhattan Storage Company. In the 1950s, FBI Agents were told by company management that the only recorded visit had been made by "Federal authorities" in January, 1943. The floor supervisor recalled that the men had taken numerous photographs. His description of the equipment used would tend to show that a microfilm reproduction was made of the papers of the deceased. (65-47953-27)

Our files do not reflect any pertinent information on the Tesla materials since that date. Their current whereabouts or condition are not reflected in our files.

For further information regarding this matter, you may wish to contact the Office of the Alien Property Custodian and the other Federal agencies mentioned above.

I hope that we have been of assistance to you.

Sincerely,

ROY E. YOUNG
Assistant Director in Charge
Office of Congressional
and Public Affairs

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Mr. Col. A. J. MacLaren

NOTE: On February 3, 1981, Col. MacLaren wrote to us inquiring about the scientific papers of Dr. Nikola Tesla. In a return letter of March 9, we informed him that a thorough review of our files would be made in search of the information he requested. This was done and he is being informed of the results. Tesla's papers have been the subject of numerous inquiries by various individuals and organizations since his death. FBI received over 20 FOIA requests on this matter during the period 1978-1980. Matter coordinated with FOIA Section, R2D.



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

1 APR 1981

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Mr. Roger S. Young
Assistant Director in Charge
Office of Congressional and Public Affairs
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Young,

Thank you very much for your letters of March 10 and March 20, 1981, in response to our request re Dr. ⁹Tesla. We very much appreciate the effort that must have gone into this. On behalf of the Deputy Under Secretary (Strategic and Space Systems), Dr. S. L. Zeiberg, I would like to thank you and the people who spent their time searching out the relevant data.

Sincerely,

Allen J. MacLaren
Allen J. MacLaren
Colonel, USAF
Military Assistant
Strategic and Space Systems

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Per DAD letter dated 3/29/93
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No acknowledgment & return

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Off. of Cong. and Pub. Aff.

21 July 1981

Director of the FBI
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

While attending college, I came across an article about the electrical genius, Nicolai Tesla. Mr. Tesla was an electrical genius with such peers as EDISON and WESTINGHOUSE. Tesla designed the basic generator and was the first man to introduce alternating current to the people. The article, written in an underground San Francisco newspaper, stated that Tesla also worked with electromagnetic waves and supposedly built a plant that could harness the electromagnetic waves out of the earth's atmosphere sufficiently enough to use them as a source of electricity. The article stated that Tesla built such a plant and lit up a city street 150 miles away by sending the electromagnetism via radio waves. This method is presently being used in electronic warfare. After that, the article stated that the FBI confiscated his plans and buried them in your archives. Their reasoning was that such a free form of energy would knock out a big chunk of the oil, coal, and nuclear forms of energy and their contributions to the economy (money for research and employment). All I want to know is if there is any truth to this story and if so what was the FBI's reasons and when are the archives opened again so that Tesla's work could come to light again. Now bear in mind that this man was an electrical genius and even had a unit of electrical measure named after him. If he did figure out a way to utilize the earth's electromagnetic waves then I believe that we are ready to gradually phase out our dependence on oil, ease the volatile tension in the Middle East and put all that money presently going to the Arabs into

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DATE 7-14-82 BY SP10/PLS

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space research, joint international research and deep-sea research to help solve our population problem. I am talking about huge sums of money being released that could speed up the experts present projected times of producing significant gains in these still relatively new fields.

You could at least take the time to check out what I am saying and judge for yourself whether or not the archives should be opened now to put the world back on a more secure heading.

Sincerely,

b7C

FPO San Francisco 96602

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DATE 7-14-12 BY SP1/JSK/MYS

Dear:

To be as helpful as possible, I am forwarding a copy of this communication to the Department of Justice.

Roger S. Young
Assistant Director in Charge
Office of Congressional
and Public Affairs

NOTE: [REDACTED] is not identifiable in Bufiles. Dr. [REDACTED] died on 1/7/43 and we have received much correspondence regarding his belongings which were impounded by the Office of Alien Property of the Department of Justice. 1/

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Date 8/18/83

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 ATTN: INTD, SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI [REDACTED] (P)

NIKOLA TESLA

(OO: CI)

This communication is classified "Secret" in its entirety.

Re telephone call of SA [REDACTED] Cincinnati Division, to Supervisor [REDACTED] FBIHQ, on 8/11/83, b7C

Enclosed for the Bureau and New York is one copy each of pertinent pages from the 1981 book titled "Tesla: Man Out of Time" by Margaret Cheney, with important passages underlined.

For information of Bureau and New York, a [REDACTED] research physicist with the Electro Optics Research Lab of the Avionics Division of the U.S. Air Force Aeronautical Systems Division at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (WPAFB) and [REDACTED] physicist and intelligence specialist on Particle Beam Weapons Technology with the Foreign Technology Division (FTD) also at WPAFB, have both been in contact with SA [REDACTED] at the Dayton, Ohio RA regarding possible FBI b7C

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Approved: [REDACTED]

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involvement in the seizing of Nikola Tesla's research papers and other documents and scientific instruments after his death on January 7, 1943.

They both explained that Tesla was a scientific genius and experimenter who was born in Yugoslavia of Serbian parents on 7/10/56, went to school later in Gratz, Austria, Prague, Czechoslovakia and Paris, France. He immigrated to the U.S. in the early 1880's, worked for Thomas Edison's laboratory for a couple of years, then started his own lab after being paid \$1 million dollars for rights to his patents on his polyphase systems of alternating current dynamos, which lead to the harnessing of Niagra Falls for producing electricity and then the power system of the whole country. He was naturalized in 1889. He predicted wireless communication (radio). His later experiments in Colorado and elsewhere lead to his producing artificial lightning in the millions of volts. He also had patents on the concept of neon and flourescent lights, but he later made little money on his later inventions, although he continued to do experiments leading to devices of great potential worth, which he never patented. He became more reclusive in his later years, living in various hotels in New York City. In the 1930's he claimed he had developed the concept and method of building a "death ray", which could destroy planes at many miles distant, for defending America. Also, there are reports of resonance machines or devices whereby he could shake one or many large city buildings from some distance away.

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Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said that Tesla donated "some" of his papers (or copies thereof) to the Tesla Institute in Belgrade, Yugoslavia; set up in the 1930's in his honor by their government. Biographies on Tesla claim that either the custodian of Alien Property and/or the FBI seized his papers and other personal effects, including a safe or safes, and other property immediately after his death in 1943. This is elaborated on in the enclosed copies of certain pages of Margaret Cheney's book, "Tesla: Man Out of Time".

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[REDACTED] said that after World War II Tesla's papers were shipped to the Tesla Institute in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, by his nephew, Sava Kosanovic, who had become Tito's Ambassador to the U.S. There were reports that some microfilming of Tesla's papers by government agents while they were still in storage in New York under Kosanovic's custody.

Also, the Soviet Union has allegedly had access to some of Tesla's papers, possibly in Belgrade and/or else where, which influenced their early research into directed energy weapons. And Butler feels access to much of Tesla's papers on lightning, beam weapons and/or "death rays" would give him more insight into the Soviet beam weapons program. This is Butler's area of expertise and responsibility. He has been unable to locate any Tesla papers or copies of same in the classified or unclassified libraries at WPAFB. However, there are reports that some portions of them were shipped by the Custodian of Alien Property Office in Washington, D.C. to a technical research lab at WPAFB, possibly the "Equipment Lab", now closed for some years or reorganized into another organization.

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are both desirous of learning the locations of such papers of Tesla as now exist in the U.S. for both intelligence and research purposes. Therefore, Butler would like to examine FBI files relating to Nikola Tesla and possibly any on Sava Kosanovic, his nephew who received the bulk of his papers after Tesla's death, and may possibly have been the subject of FBI investigation.

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[REDACTED] travels to the Washington, D.C. area on FTD business periodically and can review FBI files at FBIHQ relating to Tesla and Kosanovic.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The Bureau is requested to conduct full indices checks on both Nikola Tesla and Sava Kosanovic.

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Should there be such files at FBIHQ, as well as at New York, it is requested that Bureau consider granting the above [REDACTED] of FTD, official access to same, in the interest of national security.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will conduct same indices check as requested of Bureau and advise the Bureau and Cincinnati of results and confirm such files and references still exist there.

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AT DAYTON, OHIO

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[REDACTED] Will maintain contact with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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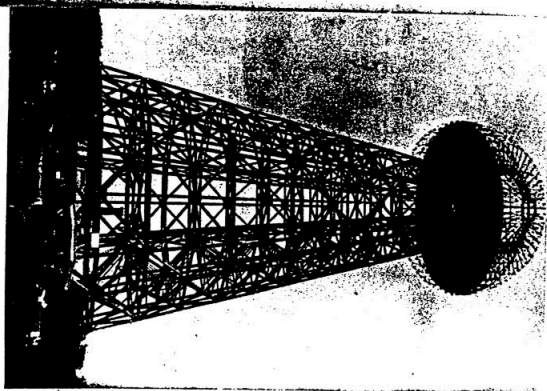
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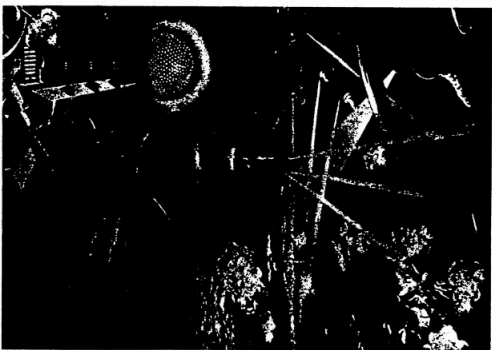
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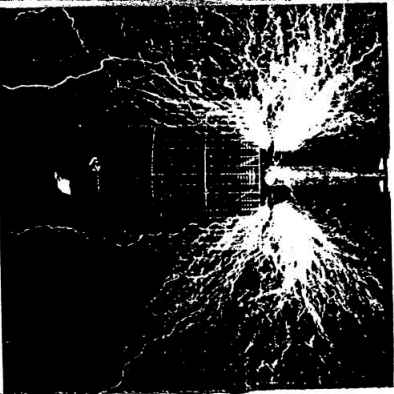
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The Eiffel Tower, a radio tower, built in 1911-13. It was intended for radio broadcasting and is now used for the transmission of power across the Atlantic. (Courtesy J. Anderson, after photo by Lillian McChesney)



An artist's rendering of Tesla's concept of the war of the future. The towerlike structures (based on the intended final form of the radio tower) are directing remote-controlled defense and offense machines. The top of the tower is the Science and Invention, where this illustration appeared. Machines only will meet in mortal combat. It will be a veritable war of Science. (Carnegie Publications, Inc.)



Discharge of several million volts cascading around Tesla's his Colorado Springs coil. The sparks would be heard ten miles away. (Burrery Library)

of low frequency, and would yield sinuoidal and continuous oscillations, he said to himself.

"Then it is the narrowest significance of the term, however," Tesla wrote. "It is a resonant transformer which, besides possessing these qualities, is accurately proportioned to fit the globe and its electrical constants and properties. By means of this device it is possible to transmit light and electricity, the wireless transmission of energy. Distance is then absolutely eliminated, there being no diminution in the intensity of the transmitted impulses. It is even possible to make the action increase with the distance from the point according to an exact mathematical law."

Over this powerful equipment was built, and the inventor began testing he was able to emulate the electrical phenomena of even the wildest mountain storms. When the transmitter was operating, lightning emanated in a wide cone radiating from the station, and the surrounding area was lit up by the intense light and the brilliant sparks which were produced by natural lightning.

For the first time he kept a careful daily diary in which he recorded every aspect of his research. And because visual effects were useful as well as striking, he devoted many hours to photographic experiments.

The equipment Tesla thus perfecting would, he hoped, one day be adaptable for commercial use. But first, thousands of observations and delicate adjustments had to be made. He no longer trusted his sporadic memory; he had to make a record of everything he did. He was working steadily to experiments that had failed to turn out as expected, and he would ask himself why. This process was at times tedious, but he was determined to have used throughout the entire life. Now middle-aged, he may have had the appearance of a young man, but he was a man of great determination and a man of great energy.

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Nights when experiments were being made with the magnifying transmitter the partly sky exploded with sound and color. Large clouds of earth seemed to rise and the Colorado landscape was lit up by the brilliant light of the lightning. The sparks were sucked into the vortex of the

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The new government of King Peter, with broad popular support, confronted the Germans and refused to ratify the compromise agreement that had been made with Hitler by Prince Paul. Almost at once reprisals began.

On Palm Sunday, 1941, three hundred Luftwaffe bombers crisscrossed the city street by street, stoning everything that breathed. By noon 25,000 civilians were dead, and the wounded lay everywhere. Most public buildings were left in ruins, including the modern laboratory known as the Tesla Institute.

The combined armed forces of Germany, Italy, Hungary, and Army invaded the doomed country within only days. The Yugoslav Army was crushed, and King Peter was sent to England for safety. His World War II-era wife would operate from London for the remainder of

Yugoslavia. However, was only the beginning of the war for the people were resilient. The remnants of the Army and Communist forces withdrew into the mountains, from which they launched successful attacks on the invaders. These armed fighters, men and women, were supplied with food grown by the old people and children remaining in undisturbed villages.

Against them the Nazis and Fascists carried out massacres and deportations in the fishing villages and along the rocky slopes of the Adriatic. Half the people in every hamlet were shot or deported.

United States and England that, not only were Axis forces taking Yugoslavia, but rival generalist factions of monarchists and Communists had begun to use for Allied support and were shooting each other as well as the invaders.

Cod. Draža Mihailović, a Serbian army officer, called a faction called Chetniks (the "Yugoslav Army in the Fatherland") composed of Serbian and Bosnian monarchists. With close ties to King

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But, they became the first major resistance movement in Europe. The initial British aid to Yugoslavians went to the Chetniks, but it was soon shifted. The National Liberation Army or Partisans, led by Josip Broz Tito, the Communist Party, was swiftly driven to prominence. Allied strategists knew little of Tito. It was said he had been left wounded on a battlefield in 1917 and captured by the Russians. Thereafter he was trained as a Communist leader and sent to France during the Spanish Civil War to aid the Loyalists or Republicans.

A Croat, Tito had little more to do with the Loyalists or Republicans.

imprisoned after returning to Yugoslavia. On release, he became active in organising a metal workers' union and helped to build the Yugoslav labour movement. The emergence as head of the Partisans in World War II was that of a natural leader who inspired his fighters and maintained rigorous discipline. He was looking ahead to a time when the Slavs could rebuild a free and united country without oppression either by foreigners or by Slavs.

Prof Bogdan Radtze*, then director of the information service the Yugoslav Embassy in Washington, D.C., said that the Russian style, while Mikhailovskii and the Chetivski favored administrative authorities under the monarchy, both before local ruling Germans and Italians but, unfortunately, they also continued regarding each other.

became rather complicated when Yugoslavia collapsed in 1941 and when, at the end of that year, a Royal Yugoslav Mission came to this country. It was composed of members of King Peter's government—the one and the Ban (Governor) of Croatia, Dr. Ivan Šubašić, Spaso Katanić, and Ilija Repušić. Then a member of the Democratic Party also served as a member of the exiled government.

"As soon as Kozomirov came to the State," says Professor Rodina, "he tried to recruit 'bills from the exiles' Serbian policy, and he succeeded. First, even before, never felt himself a Greater Serbian chauvinist. He used to say, 'I am a Serb but my homeland is Croatia.'"

The conflict between Serbs and Croats in exile intensified as the war went on, paralyzing normal Slav diplomatic activities in London, Washington, and New York.

"Kosenovic, though a Serb," recalls Radtka, "was leading the struggle for a brotherhood between the Serbs and Croats against the Focke and many other Serb members of various Yugoslav missions. Radtka belonged to a family in southern Croatia that had always favored a union of Croats and Serbs."

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Hausler and Teles spent many hours together, sharing notes and papers. Once Teles decided to turn the "Thomas Edison could not be trusted" story into a book, Hausler was the first person he consulted. The boy remembered the employer as "a very nice and considerate human person," and there was one incident that stood out in the mind long afterward. "He had a sign box or container in the room near the pigeon coop, and he told me to be very careful not to disturb the box," said Hausler. "As it contained something that was very important to him, I was very careful not to touch it." The discovery an airplane in the sky and the hot food of presenting it to the world." He believed it probably was stored in the color of the heated

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The inventor was intelligent and refused to hear that his invention was dead. "I was in my room last night," he said. "The cat came in and sat on the bed. I was thinking about the problems in that chair and talked to me for an hour. He's having financial difficulties and needs my help. So—don't come back until you have a solution." One sign—the messenger went to his boss and delivered that envelope. Once again the messenger went to his superior and they opened the envelope. It contained a surprise and together unwrapped around twenty five-dollar bills—enough to help an old friend through a little financial spell.

On the fourth of January, the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* sent to the office to make an experiment that George Schiffert was interested in, Schiffert dropped in to help him prepare for it. The work was interrupted, however, when Tesla left a recurrence of knee aching in the chest.

Early on the morning of January 8, Alice Monaghan, a medical examiner, was called to the apartment by the inventor, who ignored the sign and entered the apartment to find the inventor dead in bed, his arms, "stretched" above his head, composed. Assistant Medical Examiner H. W. Weinberg examined the body, placed the time of death as 10:30 P.M. on January 7, 1963, and gave the opinion that the cause of death had been coronary thrombosis. Tests had been run in his sleep, and the examiner noted that he had found "No suspicious circumstances." The inventor was sixty-six years of age.

Kenneth Swazey was notified at once, and as soon as possible in the morning he telephoned to Dr. Rodd at New York University. King Peart's headquarters, then at 745 Fifth Avenue, was advised by the professor. Today's nephew, Koenigsk, then wartime president of the Eastern and Central European Planning Board for the Balkan countries, also was notified.

The FBI was called. Sweeney and Nicosano summoned a team of investigators to the scene. Sweeney, Nicosano, Lockman and Teal's wife were opened and the contents examined. The body was removed to the Frank E. Campbell Funeral Home at Madison Avenue and 84th Street and a sculptor was engaged by Hugo Gernsbech to prepare a death mask of the inventor.

Just before Teal's death, Eleanor Roosevelt had tried to meet with him. In his final hours, Roosevelt had tried to attend a conference some honor upon him. In the Teal Museum at 125 West 125th Street, the last place he lived, visitors can see the last of the inventor. Behind glass cases are the tools he used to create his inventions. Behind glass cases are the tools he used to create his inventions. Behind glass cases are the tools he used to create his inventions.

annuity at the request of author Louis Adams. Mrs. Roosevelt would call on him on her next trip to New York. The second row would call on the President to write to Adams and said that she herself would call on him on her next trip to New York. The third row said, "Memo for Mrs. Roosevelt" and it is signed FDR. "I was hoping this book had this but the papers yesterday carried the story that Dr. Teas had died. Therefore I am returning the enclosures herewith." The third row of January 11 from Eleanor Roosevelt to Adams forwarded the President's message and adds her sorrow at learning of the President's death.

Adams wrote a moving eulogy to Tish that was read by New York Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia over station WNYC on January 10.¹⁰ Meanwhile the extreme tensions between Serb and Croat factions in the United States were making the planning of funeral services difficult. The body lay in state but, according to an unpublished letter of O'Neill, "only twelve people, some of whom were newspaper reporters," came to view it.

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of the works who paved the way for many of the important technological developments of modern times."

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt expressed their gratitude for Teich's contributions "to science and industry and to this country." Vice-President Wallace, in the spirit of the new Yugoslavia, declared that, "in Nikola Teich's death the common man loses one of his best friends."

Although Louis Adams, wrongly vilified Tesla as one who had cared nothing for money, he could not have been more accurate when he said that Tesla was not really dead. "The real, important part of Tesla lives in his achievement, which is great, almost beyond calculation, and an integral part of our civilization, our daily lives, our current use, effort.... His life is a triumph...."

Among the honors that had come to Tesla in the life were many academic degrees from American and foreign universities; the John Scott Medal, the Edison Medal, and various awards from European governments. In September 1943 the Library ship *Nikola Tesla* was launched, an honor that would have pleased the scientist. But not until 1975 was he inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

Eight months later, Tesla's death, the U.S. Supreme Court handed down the decision that he had been confident would come eventually—filing that he was the inventor of radio.

His body was taken to Farnfield Cemetery at Audley-on-the-Hudson in the deep cold of the winter afternoon. In the car that followed the hearse rode Sweeney and Kilaosnoo. The inventor's remains were cremated and his ashes later returned to the land of his birth.

In almost every nation in the world, the fighting and dying continued.

Quadrat Museum, formerly secretary to Sava N. Kossakoff, carried Tadi's ashes to the Tadi Museum in Belgrade in 1957. Throughout the years Kossakoff had spoken of leaving the ashes in America and had hoped an appropriate memorial to the inventor would be raised in the United States as their resting place.

—Archives, Tadi Memorial Society

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In addition to his acknowledged achievements, Tesla left a legacy of riddles. To the end of his life he was preoccupied with the question of wireless transmission of energy through the Earth's conducting walls. What actually was he doing in his experimentation with electrifying Niagara's beam weapons? And what became of his work on the "radio" and other sensitive documents in the days immediately following his death? The answers to these questions are the business of the U.S. intelligence establishment in Tesla's work (as according to my 1961) in the late 1940's.

It is not surprising that Tesla, like Edison, was a wide-ranging generalist. As he himself had said, he had the "touch of ignorance." Where others stopped short, aware of what could not be done, he continued. The arrival of such mutants and polymaths as either he or Edison could have facilitated in today's milieu is inconceivable.

The example set by Tesla has always been particularly inspiring to the few true men. At the same time, however, his legacy to the world has been a mixed one. He has been a source of inspiration and a source of confusion. His contribution was major rather than incremental. His articles failed in part because it would have required fundamental changes in the way we think about the world. He was a man of his time, but he was also a man of the future.

But there was an unfortunate corollary to Tesla's love affair with the scientific establishment. Since he was part of no group or tradition, he had no colleagues with whom to discuss work. He was a lone wolf. He was a man who worked in isolation. He worked not just in private, but—his love of loneliness notwithstanding—in secret. Thus any invention which he did not patent or give freely to the world was more or less shrouded in mystery. And, because of the handling of the

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papers he left behind after his death, the range of his achievement continues to be a mystery.

If this has been frustrating to the scientists who have succeeded Tesla, it has at least been stimulating. After a period of obscurity, the one hundred anniversary of his birth in July, 1956 brought an extraordinary outpouring of interest in his work. In 1958, the U.S. government announced in the work, first by a growing awareness of the riddles surrounding it, has been escalating ever since, almost as if he had been reborn in the new psychological age.

He was honored by ceremonial celebrations in America and Europe. The U.S. government of the time (Kennedy) had a special ceremony in Chicago to a review of his life and inventions. Commemorative programs were arranged by the Institute of Radio Engineers, the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry, the Franklin Institute, and various universities. The Tesla Society paying an active role in such programs. The U.S. government of the time (Kennedy) had a special ceremony in Chicago to a review of his life and inventions. Commemorative programs were arranged by the Institute of Radio Engineers, the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry, the Franklin Institute, and various universities. The Tesla Society paying an active role in such programs.

Special ceremonies were conducted at Niagara Falls, and a statue was erected in his honor on Goat Island, a gift from the people of Niagara, Chicago, awarded by Mayor Daley. The U.S. government of the time (Kennedy) had a special ceremony in Chicago to a review of his life and inventions. Commemorative programs were arranged by the Institute of Radio Engineers, the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry, the Franklin Institute, and various universities. The Tesla Society paying an active role in such programs.

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At the conclusion of a year's research, to add interest in Tesla, especially from the standpoint of beam weapons and microwave work, in America, Russia, Canada, and various other countries, projects in his name or derived from his pioneering, from wireless energy, from his work on the "radio" and other sensitive documents in the days immediately following his death. The answers to these questions are the business of the U.S. intelligence establishment in Tesla's work (as according to my 1961) in the late 1940's.

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asked by his income and influence, of whom two lived in America at the time of the war.

Curiously, the FBI, offered the ability to the Office of Alien Property, which accepted, opened the contents, since this was an American citizen, the OAP's concern in the matter was hard to justify. The missing papers were not to be found. The missing papers were not to be found.

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Most New Yorkers, New York City. During his lifetime, he conducted many experiments in connection with the wireless transmission of electrical power and ... what is commonly called the death ray. According to information furnished by J. J. Lawrence (deceased), New York City, the notes and records of Tesla's experiments and formulae together with designs of machinery ... are among Tesla's personal effects, and no steps have been taken to preserve them or to keep them from falling into the hands of people ... unfriendly to the new effort of the United Nations. ... [The FBI was, however, advised by the office of Vice-President Henry A. Wallace that the government was "valued interest" in preserving Tesla's papers.]

Blaise D. Fitzgerald, an electrical engineer who had been quite close to Telsa during his lifetime, continued Foxworth's "sleeked" New York offices that on January seven, nineteen forty three, Sam Kozlovsky, George Clark, who is in charge of the museum and technology for RCA, and Kenneth Conway... went to Telsa's room in the New Yorker [author's note: the correct date would have been January 8], and with the assistance of a doorman, broke into a safe which Telsa had in the room in which he kept some of his valuable papers.... Within the last month, Telsa told Fitzgerald that the experiments in connection with the wireless transmission of electrical power had been completed and perfected.

¹⁰ Fitzgerald also knows that Tesla had previously been and designed a revolutionary type of torpedo which is not presently in use by any of the navies. It is Fitzgerald's belief that this design has not been made available to any nation up to the present time. From statements made available by Tesla, he knows that the complete plans, specifications and explanation of the basic theories of these things are some place in the personal effects of Tesla. He also knows there is a working model of Tesla's, which cost more than ten thousand dollars to build. In an early deposit book belonging to Tesla at the Governor Clinton Hotel and Fitzgerald believes this model has to do with the so-called death ray or the wireless transmission of electrical current.

Mr. Tass also told Progaroff in past conversations that he has some eighty tapes in different places containing transcripts and plans having to do with experiments conducted by him. Bureau is requested to advise immediately what, if any action should be taken concerning this matter by the New York Field Division.

to Dr. Trump were Willa George, Office of Naval Intelligence, Thad Newell Dierck, Edward Palmer, Chief Yeoman, USNR, and John J. Connel, Chief Yeoman, USNR.

Dr. Trump stated that for examination use made of the vast amount of Tesla's property that had been in the basement of the New Yorker Hotel for ten years prior to the death, or of any of the papers except those in his immediate possession at the time of death, it should be remembered that Tesla's scientific papers and designs in general were not of the type that could be taken from him and then described in detail by him. He was a very busy man, just as the staff of the FBI was stretched thin by its preoccupation with investigating wartime sabotage.

Dr. Trump stated that Tesla's papers and possessions no scientific notes, descriptions of hitherto unexplained methods or devices or actual apparatus which could be of significant value to this country or which would constitute a hazard to untold numbers of lives, and which would cause many very little curiosity of the property should be retained.

The added: "For your records, there has been removed to your office a file of various written material by Dr. Tesla which comes directly from his own hands, and which contains many of the documents which have been retained by the FBI. These documents are enumerated and briefly abstracted in the attachment to this letter."

In doing Dr. Trump said: "It should be no detriment to the distinguished engineer and scientist, whose real contributions to the world have been his inventions and efforts during at least the past fifteen years were primarily of a speculative, philosophical, and somewhat pre-technical character—often concerned with the production and wireless transmission of power—but did not include new sound, workable methods of producing power."
The file (of which Dr. Trump's notes were only an abstract) contained apparently of either photographs or microfilm made by the naval officers present, and the original papers apparently retained in the original file. The papers were not to be removed to the FBI, but to be retained in the original file, and to be retained in the power of the Naval Property Custodian under the Trolling with the Enemy Act. Tesla's papers and personal effects were retained in

February of 1943 in deposition by Walter, the chairman of the Committee on the Investigation of the Activities of the
Dr. Trump abstract included the following:

Art of Telephony, or Art of Producing Terrestrial
Waves of Distance—This document, in the form of a letter dated June 12, 1943, to the United States Navy, contains a description of a method for the transmission of large amounts of power over vast distances by means of mechanical vibrations of the earth's crust. The source of power is a mechanical or electromechanical device linked to some rotary phenomenon and imparting power at a constant rate to the earth's crust. The method is described in such a manner as to be completely visionary and unworkable. (Wattage can't apply) indicates their public rejection...

New Art of Projecting Concentrated Non-Destructive Energy through Natural Media—This undated document by Thad Newell Dierck, Chief Yeoman, USNR, contains a description of a method of projecting high-energy electrical energy through air as the concentrated non-destructive means by which the power of the earth's crust can be used to project power at great distances. The document is described in such a manner as to be completely visionary and unworkable. (Wattage can't apply) indicates their public rejection...

The proposed scheme bears some relation to present means for producing high-energy cathode rays by the cooperative use of a high-frequency oscillator and a high-voltage generator in an induction tube. It is well known, however, that such devices, while of scientific and medical interest, are incapable of the transmission of large amounts of power in undegraded beams over long distances. Tesla's document in this connection is clearly visionary and unworkable. The document is described in such a manner as to be completely visionary and unworkable. (Wattage can't apply) indicates their public rejection...

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