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analysis of the UFO data is to avoid any possible charge of bias by ufologists." They also pointed out that a "written report" prepared by a "known researcher" is no guarantee of quality of investigation.

They conclude that "unless UNICAT adopts a more representative sampling procedure, the existing method of selecting cases introduces all kinds of bias which distorts or masks real quantitative variations between explained and unexplained events. Even if UNICAT was adopting a random sampling procedure, the method by which UFO reports come to the attention of ufologists still introduces statistical bias into the UNICAT database which at present we are unable to evaluate. For this reason alone any current database of UFO reports cannot be used to infer characteristics of UFO reports in general, let alone one that introduces all manner of additional bias into the sampling procedure" (Fuller and van Utrecht, 1989).

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The Universe Society Church (UNISOC) was founded in 1951 under the name Institute of Parapsychology. Later it was known as the Universe Society before assuming its present name in the early 1980s. Its past and present head is Hal Wilcox, who began as a Spiritualist medium. Then in the early 1950s he began channeling psychic communications from the Ancient Brotherhood of Fahsz (TABOF). Fahsz, a resident of the planet Narvon in the Altair system, relates that the earth lives in a sector (comprising seven galaxies) of the universe under the guidance of Master Brsgy and that flying saucers are spacecraft used in the colonization of habitable planets. TABOF teaches that God—"The Father, The Ultimate One, The Force behind All Force, the Ultimate Cause Behind All Cause"—created the universe.

The UNISOC conducts regular short services at its one existing center in Hollywood. During these services a mantrum is chanted and a 30-minute channeled message delivered through one of UNISOC's 12 oracles. During the service the pineal gland is activated and linked to a galactic computer bank operated by one of the Space Brothers under Fahsz's command.

In 1963 Wilcox had his first physical contact with a Space Brother, Zemkla, governor of the planet Selo in the Barnard's Star system.

Through its Galaxy Press UNISOC publishes the teachings of TABOF and accounts of Wilcox's interactions with extraterrestrials.

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