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## New Obama Advisor John Podesta An Advocate For UFO Disclosure

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For all of you who hope the U.S. government will lift the veil on its alleged stockpile of evidence that Earth is being visited by extraterrestrials -- take heart.

This week, former Clinton chief of staff and UFO advocate [John Podesta was named as President Obama's newest advisor](#).

Podesta, 64, has more than once publicly urged the U.S. government to release any UFO files that could help scientists determine "the real nature of this phenomenon."

Podesta's stance on UFOs can be seen in the following video clip from the 2009 James Fox film, "I Know What I Saw." Podesta spoke at a 2002 news conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., where he called upon the U.S. government "to declassify [UFO] records that are more than 25 years old."

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Adding more fuel to the fire, Podesta wrote the foreword to [Leslie Kean's 2010 New York Times bestseller](#), "UFOs: Generals, Pilots, And Government Officials Go On The Record":

I'm skeptical about many things, including the notion that government always knows best, and that the people can't be trusted with the truth. The time to pull the curtain back on this subject is long overdue. Presenting the facts, the book includes statements from only the most credible sources -- those in a position to know -- about a fascinating phenomenon, the nature of which is yet to be determined. It's time to find out what the truth really is that's out there. The American people -- and people around the world -- want to know, and they *can* handle the truth.

On Tuesday, [Time Magazine](#) listed five topics that Podesta and Obama haven't previously agreed on:

- Drone Secrecy
- NSA Spying
- Afghanistan
- The American Political System
- UFOs

Now that Podesta seemingly has Obama's ear, will the former White House chief of staff stay true to his stance on UFOs and use his new advisory position to sway the president on this topic?

Part of the answer might lie in whether or not Obama would consider releasing UFO information as a way to improve his popularity.

The other part of the answer, of course, is whether or not there truly are UFO secrets to even divulge.