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SPEAKER MARVEL: Does that answer your question, Senator Schmit?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Would someone else from the Budget Committee care to answer? I would like to call upon Senator Fowler. I think he might be able to answer that. Can you tell me, Senator Fowler, what Paranormal Claims Research is supposed to mean?

SENATOR FOWLER: Well, I am not going to be able to match the Chairman certainly in his comment. I think Senator Kelly is the expert in the Paranormal and....?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Is there any member of the Budget Committee who can tell me what Paranormal Claims Research means?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, are you...

SENATOR SCHMIT: That is not too bad, one out of nine.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Are you asking Senator Kelly a question?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, I would like to ask Senator Kelly.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kelly, will you respond?

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. Speaker, Senator Schmit, paranormal experiences are those experiences that cannot be explained scientifically. The folklore experiences that they work with over there in the University are those that can be explained on a reasonable method but the paranormal cannot be explained on a reasonable method. Now this little bit of money is an expansion of their folklore program over at UNO to "bring it up to date".

SENATOR SCHMIT: Is it true, Senator Kelly, that this is to be utilized in research on unidentified flying objects?

SENATOR KELLY: Unidentified flying objects would fit that classification, yes.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Is there any indication that this is directly what it is supposed to be used for?

SENATOR KELLY: Negative.

SENATOR SCHMIT: It will not be used for research into