ANS REPORT

THE SPACE:1999 SOCIETY

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Although still in the planning stages, The SPACE: 1999 Society now officially announces a new letter campaign to the Independent Television Corporation (ITC), hopefully to influence positive action regarding SPACE: 1999.

The new letter campaign is not scheduled to begin until March, when complete details can be given in the regular issue of Alpha News Service , Number 3. The campaign is expected to coincide with the Society's SPACE: 1999 CONVENTION 1980, tentatively slated for August.

Members are requested not to write letters to ITC until full instructions are given regarding the campaign. α

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As an experiment in "filling the gap" between the quarterly issues of Alpha News Service, The SPACE: 1999 Society presents "ANS REPORT".

To be issued mid-way between each regular issue of ANS, the "REPORT" will duplicate some of the functions of the newsletter, on a smaller scale.

The "ANS REPORT" is intended solely for late-breaking news or announcements which might not be covered in the regular ANS issue. Letters and ads will be carried in the regular quarterly issues of Alpha News Service. α



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USAirfix will be re-issuing some SF model kits formerly produced by Aurora, which was recently taken over by Monogram.

Many Aurora dies were bought from Monogram by USAirfix, and although specific information is not available, it is known that USAirfix has the dies for the 2001:A SPACE ODYSSEY kits, including the "Orion Shuttle" and "Moon Bus".

A strong possibility exists that some "Lost In Space" kits may also be re-produced, either by Monogram or USAirfix.

Fans who wish to check other kits formerly made by Aurora may want to consult a listing which appeared in STARLOG #21.

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Several Battlestar Galactica fan organizations participated in a letter campaign this past year, directed at ABC-TV and Universal Studios.

According to Darrell Jones, co-coordinator of Rising Star Alpha, the campaign was successful in motivating a substantial number of fans to write letters to ABC and Universal by the December 1 target date. Work on the letter campaign began in November.

In addition to Rising Star Alpha, a SPACE: 1999/Galactica group based in Caruthersville, MO., campaign participants included Galactica Blue Leader One, based in Denver CO., and several other groups of Galactica fans. α

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