

## Heaven's Gate Email Correspondance

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**On May 2, 2014, at 11:19 AM,  
Lina Misitzis wrote:**

Hi There,

I'm not sure who checks this, but my name is Lina Misitzis. I'm a public radio producer, focusing on human profiles. I'm very interested in speaking with someone (specifically Rio DiAngelo, if I can find him) about Heaven's Gate.

This is not meant to be investigative. I'm just curious to learn more about Rio and Heaven's Gate. If you can point me in a direction, I'd be very grateful.

Best,  
Lina

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**On Fri, May 2, 2014 at 12:14 PM,  
[rep@heavensgate.com](mailto:rep@heavensgate.com) wrote:**

Hi Lina,

Rio is essentially incommunicado right now. He doesn't do interviews anymore. I will check with him when he contacts us again but we think we know his answer.

We were in the Group for 12 years (1975 to 1987) and Rio for 3 (1994 to 1997).

When the Group departed they gave him one task to do, which he did, and they left us to take care of the website, emails, their physical and intellectual properties and essentially all information dissemination. We are known as the Telah Foundation. We have done select interviews before but basically our role is just to get information out to people, protect it and serve as the legal gatekeeper for all the documentaries and movies, books and articles that have occurred since 1997. We proof read a lot of information.

We are not inclined to do on air Q&A but have done many email interviews over the years.

Thank you

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**On May 4, 2014, at 12:17 PM,**

**Lina Misitzis wrote:**

Hi Again,

Thank you so much for getting back to me. I think preservation of information is very important. The Internet is an especially hard place to that (as everything on it is so fleeting, changing, updating, re-actualizing). It's striking to me that you have been able to keep the website intact, alive, and virtually unchanged for so many years.

Can I talk you into hopping on a phone call with me? It would only take ten or fifteen minutes. I'm really just interested in learning more about the maintenance/preservation work you are doing. If you'd like, I can send along a list of questions beforehand.

Yours,  
-Lina

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**On Mon, May 5, 2014 at 9:24 AM,  
[rep@heavensgate.com](mailto:rep@heavensgate.com) wrote:**

We could look at your questions but we haven't done phone interviews.

If email answers are fine, we may go that way.

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**On May 9, 2014, at 5:38 PM,  
Lina Misitzis wrote:**

To start, I'm curious to know more about the Telah Foundation. My understanding is that Telah is an acronym for The Evolutionary Level Above Human, but I'm curious to know what you mean by Telah *Fcunaaticr*. Bear with me, but is the Foundation funded with an endowment, or do you mean a literal foundation, as in, Telah is the base/roots of something extending beyond Earth?

The information I am most interested in is the process of keeping everything on the Internet. So my questions really are geared towards that.

Can you tell me more about having been asked to take care of the website and emails when the Away Team exited? If you were in the group until 1987, was it surprise to hear from them ten years later with this kind of request? What happened that you ended up in charge of something so long-term (and costly, I suspect, since it costs money to just keep the site up)?

Something I find very touching is that you've been able to keep alive something that must be very precious to you. How have you been able to do that given that the community is no longer here?

Can you explain why the website hasn't been updated in the past 17 years? Is it kept the same because that's how the Group left it, was there a stipulation in the request that you keep it exactly

as it was -- or is it more simple? Have you just not wanted to put in the extensive works it takes to keep a website looking "modern"?

My understanding is that there were two groups trying to support/maintain the website after the Group exited. I feel like I know you, Telah Foundation, and obviously you were the ones who ultimately took over the site. But I also know that someone/a group called Right To Know were chafing against Telah for distribution rights after the Group left. What I know about that conflict is very limited, but I'm hoping you can tell me that story. Who are they? Were they actually part of the Group? Why weren't they able to work with you on information dissemination?

Are you interested in Group recruitment? Do people ever come asking about Group entry? Or are you simply interested in making information available to those who seek it?

And more personally, I'm wondering if it was hard for you (after being tasked with taking care of the website and content) to know that that meant you weren't departing with them. Did you want to? Was that hard to reckon with?

Have you received any indication from the Group in these past 17 years that you are doing everything needed of you?

I would really love to keep this conversation going, and I am more than happy to do it over email. I look forward to hearing back.

Thank you so much for your time,  
-Lina

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**On Sat, May 10, 2014 at 11:34 AM,**  
**[rep@heavensgate.com](mailto:rep@heavensgate.com) wrote:**

First, there wasn't a 10 year gap as indicated. We kept up with the Group in 1988 and 1989. There was a quiet period in 90 and 91 but in 1992 activity started up again when they produced some videos. One bit of misinformation that has been perpetuated about the Group is that members were locked into the Class. Journalists and some researchers don't even know that individuals came and went as they saw fit. It was an open door policy. This rumor that people were held against their will or performed activities they didn't want to do is flat out wrong. As such we kept up with the Group. We met back up with the Group in early 1994 when they decided to go back out on the road to do public meetings again, like we had done in 1975 and 1976. In 1995 they met with us again and we formed a relationship of taking care of their communication and correspondence with other people and groups. We even served as a half-way house for those who were entering or departing the Class at that time. Many members came and went as they saw fit. That is when they set up business in Arizona and we moved forward with Telah Services which grew more intricate throughout 1996 and 1997. That began a daily exchange of emails and correspondences, private meetings and training, especially grooming us for taking care of all website, email and information dissemination that we enjoyed doing with them, but had a purpose that we were not fully aware of.

As far of the question about The Telah Foundation, we set up the legal structure for it in 1997. We wish there was an endowment but we have self-funded it over 17 years (about \$350,000 now) to

take care of the day to day operations of emails, website, mailing costs, information dissemination of all kinds and the protection issues of litigation.

When the Group exited in March of 1997 they had prepared us for the activities that would ensue. We honestly didn't know the details of what was going to occur with the Group but they turned over all physical and intellectual property over to us before they departed. That information arrived at our doorstep on March 25, 1997. All power of attorneys, identification information, keys to automobiles, storage locations and codes, IRS and Social Security information, website information and master SVHS copies of all exit tape information. They made sure we could "take on our mission, if we chose to accept it". Some pieces of information went out to people like Rio DiAngelo, Chuck Humphreys and others, to do their parts, but the master information came to us and we directed each player as to what to do. The instruction sheets enclosed with all the physical pieces were lengthy and detailed in what we need to do.

We continue to perform the tasks we were given to do and will continue with them until the day we die a natural death, unless they meet with us sooner.

The Group asked that we add certain items to the website, which we did on the morning of March 26th, 1997, and then leave the website up the way it was. We know it time it will look like a middle-ages painting appears to our modern eyes now, but that is what they wanted.

On maintaining the website, there really were not two Groups trying to keep it up. All the additions that the Group wanted to do were completed on March 26, 1997 by Chuck Humphreys (Rkkody), as he was asked to do. The problem occurred when the website crashed, due to being overwhelmed several days later. The main site was down for several weeks but mirrored sites kept it up for the public to see. When the [www.heavensagte.com](http://www.heavensagte.com) website, which was the property of the Telah Foundation, was finally able to come back gain there were URL issues with the ISP provider in Romania. Someone tried to grab the naming rights but we fought to get them back. In 1998, after Chuck Humphreys has committed suicide in the desert near the California border, we had to unfortunately file suit against his daughter and Right to Know (a internet information source Chuck had set up in 1996 or 1997) in order to finalize the legal rights issue. After we had corrected the situation there was a lingering ill-will by some who still did not have the Group's original instructions. In time all of those issues faded away except for one person who has written some unfounded and incorrect information on some internet sites. That may be the "chafing" that you mentioned. That individual indicated recently that even he didn't like what he had become, since it was so foreign to the ways of Ti and Do and the Next Level, and he was in the Group for only 3 months in the summer of 1994. He has quieted down over the past two years.

People do ask to join the Group. We have told them since 1997 that there is not Group to join. Only an Older member from the Next Level can start a Group. We are not able to. Our role here is to supply information to those who ask for it.

No, we have no issue with taking care of this task on earth while the others are in the Next Level. To all of us, it is just seconds in time and we will be taken care of.

We hope we are doing everything that the Next Level would want us to do but we have not had communications with them.

Thank you

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**May 28, 2014, at 3:28 PM,  
Lina Misitzi wrote:**

Hi Again,

First, I believe you that Heaven's Gate had an open door policy. I watched whatever footage I could find, and it seemed pretty clear to me that everyone who Exited did so because they wanted to. It also seemed clear to me that there were plenty of members of the Group who bowed out early, and didn't stay on until the end. The whole thing seems very consensual to me.

Thank you so much for all of this. I've sat on it, thought some, and here's what I'm still interested in knowing more about:

What happened to Higher Source after the Group departed? Was all of the work they were in the middle of completed by the time of Exit, or were some projects left abandoned?

\$350,000 is so much money. You must be very committed to the website/its contents to pay that kind of money. How were you able to pay so much?! Is Telah made up of more than just one individual?

You write: *'All power of attorneys, identification information, keys to automobiles, storage locations and codes, IRS and Social Security information, website information and master SVHS copies of all exit tape information. They made sure we could take on our mission, if we chose to accept it,'* and I'm wondering why you *did* accept it. Because you loved the Group and wanted to protect their wishes, or because you believe in the teachings of Ti and Do, or because you wanted to preserve the information it contains... or is it a combination of things?

I guess mostly what I'm asking here is the extent to which the original teachings and text are a part of your life. Do you believe in Heaven's Gate, as it was in 1997? Are you anticipating a reunion with the Group after you die? Would you consider it part of your faith, today, in 2014?

And if you do, why didn't you go with them? Did you consider Exiting?

I'm looking for clarification about this, too: *"To all of us, it is just seconds in time and we will be taken care of."* What do you mean by this?

Warmly,  
-Lina

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**On Wed, May 28, 2014 at 11:00 PM,  
[rep@heavensgate.com](mailto:rep@heavensgate.com) wrote:**

On the Higher Source issue, like everything else the Group did, all loose ends were tied up. They didn't take any jobs after a certain time and finished all of those in the pipeline. The customers were satisfied but some didn't pay up at the end and when we reached them, still didn't pay because of the publicity issues.

On the Telah funding issue, only two individuals. We had to take out a loan and pay it off over the years.

We accepted our mission for all the reasons you mentioned. The greatest is to perform the task given to us by Ti and Do. It's a motivator for life.

The original teachings going back to 1975 are a part of our being. We live it and it is our core belief.

As far as the reunion question: First, we won't join them when we die. We will reincarnate like everyone else and wait for a time to rejoin the Group when one is formed again in the future. Physical death does not lend anyone an opportunity to go to "heaven". You just reincarnate. Second, we have a task to do. It would be selfish to not complete it. Third, the Next Level view of time is relative. Two thousand years of time is an eye blink to them. If we have to wait, we will. We have no question that we will be taken care of.

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