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community (UK) 1988; Cert. of Achievement for outstanding and continuous support of Cdn. Diving Industry 1996; Charter recipient of The 20th Century Award of Achievement (UK) 1992; Am. Biographical Inst., Man of the Year 1990 and The Most Admired Man of the Decade 1992; International Man of the Year (UK) 1991; Rsch. Advisor of the Year (USA) 1991; One in a Million (UK) 1992; The Most Admired Men and Women of the Year (UK) 1993; World Intellectual 1993; Internat. Biographical Centre (U.K.); nominated for Frank Dearman Award of Merit (UK) 1991; The Internat. Order of Merit (UK) 1991; Lifetime Achievement Academy (USA) 1991 and the Galletti Memorial Award (USA) 1993; Awarded Plaque of Distinction as well as Roll of Honor Plaque 1989; Internat. Hall of Leaders 1988; Silver Shield of Valor (USA) 1992; Hon. D.Sc., London Rsch. Inst. (UK) 1994; Meritorious Plaque of Excellence, Cdn. Assn. of Diving Contractors 1997; listed in: *Internat. Who's Who of Intellectuals*; *Man of Achievement*; *Who's Who in the World*; *The Internat. Directory of Distinguished Leadership*; *The Five Hundred Leaders of Influence*; *Dictionary of Internat. Biography*; *5000 Personalities of the World*; *Internat. Registry of Profiles*; *Book of Dedications*; *The First Five-Hundred*; *Who is Who in Internat. Hyperbaric Medicine*; *Who's Who in Science and Engineering*; *American Men and Women of Science*; *Internat. Book of Honor*; *Internat. Leaders of Achievement*; Hon. appt. Adv. Ctte. Seneca Coll. 1983; Chrmn. Cdn. Standard Bd. Ctte. Survival Suits 1983-96; Chrmn. Cdn. Assn. Ctte. on Diving competency 1993-- ; Depy. Gov., Am. Biographical Inst. 1988-- ; Hon. mem., Adv. Council Internat. Biographical Centre (U.K.) 1990; first Hon. Life mem., Cdn. Assn. Diving Contractors 1993; first Hon. NEWTSUIT Pilot 1995; First Hon. Mem., Slovak Royal Assn. (Kosice) 1996; Bd. Adv., Stroke Centre, Fort Lauderdale 1990; mem. of Bd., Medical Technologies Management (Florida) 1990; Vice-Pres., Inst. of Mentalphysics (California) 1994; Vice-Pres., Internat. Soc. of Hyperbaric Medicine (Italy) 1990-94; Senator and Mem. of High Chamber, Internat. Parliament for Safety and Peace (Palermo) 1990; Regional Repr. for Information Swedenborg (Calgary) 1992; ordained as Preceptor and Church Minister-at-Large (USA) 1993; co-author *Exploring the Human Aura* 1976; *Cdn. Oil and Gas Diving Regulations* 1988; and 18 National Safety and Technical Standards; author various news articles and tech. papers; interviewed numerous internat. TV and Radio shows, cited various books, mags. & news articles; lectured on over sixty different subjects; guest speaker internat. symposiums, confs. & seminars; Founder Fellow, Inst. Diagnostic Engrs. (UK) 1981; Fellow, Inst. Petrol. (Scot.) 1981; Fellow, Inst. Intern. Biographic Assn. (UK) 1988; Founder, Cdn. Soc. Psychic Rsch. 1973; Cdn. Assn. Diving Contractors 1982; Merta Spiritual Centre 1989, and Internat. Inst. for Harmonious Development of Body and Mind (Ottawa) 1989; Chrmn. Czechoslovak Assn. Can. Ottawa Br. 1986-91; Founder and Chief Spokesman, Internat. Movement Let's Help Democracy in Eastern Europe 1990-92, Co-founder and Extve. Ctte. Mem. for International Day of Democracy 1990-92; Assoc., Inst. Mech. Engrs. (UK) 1982; Inst. Marine Engrs. (UK) 1988; Mem., Undersea Med. Soc. (USA) 1978; Am. College of Hyperbaric Medicine 1989; Dinshah Health Soc. (USA) 1992; Inst. Patents & Patentees (UK) 1981; Ancient Astronaut Soc. (USA) 1982; Cdn. Standards Assn. 1982; Brit. Psychol. Soc. 1983; Cdn. Fire Safety Assn. 1985; Soc. Fire Protection Engrs. (Can.) 1985; Cdn. General Standards Bd. 1988; Marine Tech. Soc. (USA) 1989; Internat. Soc. for Hyperbaric Medicine 1990; Internat. Soc. of Accredited Safety Auditors (USA) 1992; Soc. of Petroleum Engrs. (USA) 1992; Inst. Marine Safety Auditors (Can.) 1992; Professional Inst. of Public Service of Can. 1993; Deep Submersible Pilots Assn. (USA) 1996; recreations

