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GHOST ROCKET AND FOD FIGHTER

1943-1948

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## INTRODUCTION

The phenomenon known as 'Foo Fighters' and 'Ghost Rockets' has for many years, been regarded as the original predecessors to the modern era of the UFO enigma [1]. In over forty years little has been learned of the true nature or origin of the above named subject. A few authors have sought emotional explanations, whilst others simply believe that the pre-1947 observations were merely natural earthly manifestations; or generally the two categories combined. Predominantly, civilians working in this specialist field, have for some time ignored relative and substantiated evidence.

This evidence is without doubt available, both in historical research papers and captured second world war German military documentation. Many potentials lie behind these two phenomenon, but it is my contention that most of the reports have indeed conventional, yet remarkable explanations, based upon the revelations that the Nazi's had in their possession a variety of airborne 'weaponry' which could stimulate certain visible features - many of which given they were viewed today, would fall within the framework regarded as UFO's. This persistence of vision would grow to such an extent, that thankfully some reports remain today.

During the later part of the Second World War, many Allied and Axis military personnel (in particular air force pilots and ground anti-aircraft crews) observed luminous aeroforms many of which were placed in the unidentified category. Towards the end of the 1940's (1946-1949) hundreds of unusual missile shaped objects were seen in Scandinavia, Europe, and North Africa. According to 'UFO enthusiasts' no satisfactory explanation has ever been attributed to these sightings [2].

Belief plays a major role in the research of UFO phenomenon. Cluttered with fantasy and a gross lack of time and monies this failure has often hindered any kind of real investigation into these two "mysteries". Persuaded by the void pertaining to no real study of our own technological capabilities and skills in terms of aviation and space travel, UFO researchers decided to project a relationship with odd occurrences in WWII; these are namely unusual airborne sights; and whilst admitting a paradoxical state of affairs, I cannot help feel that much vital evidence has been sadly ignored. The study of war is perhaps more complex than most could imagine (or for that matter would care to imagine); an investigation into rapid developments and deployments of new born weaponry emerging from desperate war-weary nations, does not

compete in terms of the 'magical' nature and concept of unidentified flying objects (UFO's).

However, it has been noticeable that an acceleration has begun relating to the analysis of both the Foo Fighter and Ghost Rocket phenomenon, the result being an inter-linking between these subjects and the modern era of 'Ufology'. Sadly however, the vastness of military/scientific breakthroughs which simply litter that frantic time period between 1938 - 1947 has not. Identification of the majority of these two peculiar subjects has often been ignored, and this is extremely unfortunate. For to allow ourselves the freedom and liberty to 'generate' such sweeping statements as 'advanced alien craft' or natural phenomenon, one must first base that theory or hypothesis on the understanding of what weaponry and technology had already been achieved in 1945 [3]. It is simply not scientific to dismiss the suggestion that a ready answer to these phenomenon, may already have been found by our own military personnel - way back in 1945.

To establish and determine the nature of these lights and physical forms, particular emphasis has been given to detailed examination of thousands of official U.S, German, British and Scandinavian documents relating to the ultra advanced weaponry and rocketry held by various private covert German scientific organisations prior and during the war. That situation would be afforded an ever greater complexity-classification, as analysis, testing and the adoption of such weaponry was now in the factories of 'friendly nations'.

Some 'UFO' researchers have made unfortunate statements in the past regarding the reality of such weaponry as non-existent and at design stage only. This is simply not the case as evidence begins to emerge that towards the end of 1943, German intelligence [realising that it would now be impossible to win a war fighting on two fronts and against vast odds] began an intricate re-structuring of many industrial and private research institutes [4]; primarily, to generate a whole new series of physical and psychological weaponry and update many existing plans, and secondly - to restore stability - at least on recognised fronts. Without question nearly all of these reports [Foo Fighter & Ghost Rocket], can be categorized as advanced technology channelled from various secret German second world war scientific facilities. Many of these facilities fell into the hands of Western and Eastern block nations, as one by one, German military component and assembly lines were overrun. This research paper places much emphasis on reality and the psychological aspect and effect of the Foo Fighter and the Ghost Rocket sightings.

## THE THEATRE OF WAR

The determination of Allied nations to resist the all too apparent motives of Nazi Germany in 1939, came to a 'head' when it was learned that the Wehrmacht had entered a new era of weaponry - some four and a half years into the bloodiest war this planet had ever seen. By this time of course, German armed forces had overrun, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Holland, Belgium, France, Norway and many, many more countries. The German planners and developers had already 'fashioned' many existing occupied factories, into heavily fortified and working assembly lines. Foreign institutes and private research centres had fallen into Nazi hands, and many key research programmes intended to thwart the fast moving armies of Hitler, were now unfortunately, used to assist any counter attack that may be forthcoming.

Deep in the heart of Southern England, German intelligence signals [Enigma] had already been intercepted and decoded by ULTRA [5]; these data presented Winston Churchill and the British war-time intelligence services with a serious problem. For some eighteen months, he and his advisors had failed to grasp that the bluffs and the boasts that Germany had indeed developed various attack rockets and radio controlled pilotless aircraft which could not be intercepted were true. More menacing to the fear of the British people, was the truly unidentified craft which Hitler had pledged would be used in the near future. In 1943, that realization was beginning to peak.

The development of the V1 and the V2 (A-4) rockets began in the early 1930's and by 1936, the framework, design and construction of the long range rocket was reality. In terms of Germany's overall military research programmes, they formed just a part. Development of intercept projectiles which functioned incredibly well (under test conditions) were beginning to be moved out into the field of war.

It was close to the island of Rugen that the final testing and research facilities of Germany's rocket programme was based- Peenemunde; yet interestingly, the future launches of the V-weapons were to account for only a small percentage of 'Foo Fighter' reports. These weapons were originally designed to strike at all enemy targets, yet the guidance systems used on the rockets were incredibly poor [6]. Early in 1944, British intelligence had sufficient information to suggest that these virtually un-stoppable weapons were now being moved into France for a frightening attack on Britain. However, it is worth remembering that the initial tests of the V-weapons (which emanated from the Northern coastline of Germany) almost coincided with the first sightings of the unidentified aeroforms. Safe from enemy capture, the

Germans tested many different types of rocket propelled craft. Yet as we will learn, it does appear the real stimulus and initial concept, lies elsewhere - beyond the rocket scientists at this and other related bases.

Peenemunde under the leadership of Walter Dornberger housed such notable personnel, as Werner Von Braun, Professor Oberth and many more leading rocket scientists. Indeed, on this relatively small island, the seeds of space travel were born; but not before the genial scientists had led Germany into a chilling new period of the war.

Peenemunde is probably the most famous of all German secret research installations, situated on the northern coast over-looking the Baltic sea, it is now just a tiny part of the Eastern block. It was at this locality that rumours surrounding the nature of the rocket projects were generated. However, in terms of secrecy, Peenemunde was perhaps secondary. For all over Europe, German military installations were being 'cloaked' in a veil of stealth. Indeed, much further to the south, one such facility existed. Deep in the astonishingly beautiful Harz mountains existed a large underground pre-war constructed facility known to the Allies as - Nordhausen [7] (Central Works). On the 11th September 1943 this facility in conjunction with the Zeppelin factory at Friedrichshafen and other important contract companies around Vienna, began assembling V2 components. The race against time to halt the irresistible advance of the Allies into Europe had begun. Secretly, other - less known (yet truly more ingenious) projects were also gathering momentum.

On the other side of the Channel the preparation had commenced in Great Britain to assemble the largest maritime fleet ever to sail; the projected target - Hitler's Fortress Europe; and its ultimate plan? - destroy German occupation of this continent. The effectiveness of German advanced weaponry was soon to be tested.

Meanwhile a totally new situation had arisen in Germany. Prior the new Allied offensive (which was shortly to commence - 6th June, 1944), Germany's scientific community had worked under (in the main) an odd series of commands. In simplistic terms, it was the heads of each fighting arm, that had 'ordered' weapons of 'their desire'. Some of these were totally absurd, whilst others had been built years ago. New technology was the key, and for the first time since the outbreak of war, it was the scientists who were coming forward with semi-unofficial plans which given that the German troops could hold their lengthy lines, these would be ready. In turn, the High Command, could foresee a time when even more futuristic weapons (which

given the fact that blue-prints were available years ago) would actually turn the tide of war in their favour.

### THE REPORTS EMERGE

Any person who is not familiar with the horror that is the theatre of war cannot comment upon the physical, mental and psychological effects that this human pastime ultimately brings. Foo Fighter reports were often generated by pilots and crews under immense strain, pressure and the constant problem of fatigue. Many of the pilots - flying several missions per week had survived, whilst others had seen colleagues die. Raids on cities such as Munich, Berlin, Nurnberg, Keil, Vienna, Hamburg and many, many others were to be the scene of several manifestations of unusual glowing aeroforms.

It is interesting to note, that the main thrust of the Foo Fighter report [sightings of] began in the summer of 1943. By this time of course, the Luftwaffe's effectiveness had been depleted to such a small, insignificant fighting force that only a partial defence capability existed in Germany at that time. And more importantly the mass Allied bombing raids began. Millions of people were to die horribly in German cities (as previously occurred in early Luftwaffe raids on Britain), as less and less defence craft were scrambled into action. This factor is just one of a strange series of events, that may hold an important clue into our investigation.

According to historical wartime documentation, emphasis for the adaptation from propeller driven craft to already available jet propulsion methods had not yet been generated in large numbers. However, to understand why Germany did not react quickly in respect of their own available technology - the reader must really delve into the non-committed - leading Nazi personnel. It was this failure to adapt quickly in terms of advanced scientific potentials (especially in the years 1940/41 when Germany enjoyed total control), that has puzzled military researchers to this day - and as history would show, it was this non-transfer of available science - into physical weaponry, that would prove fatal to Hitler's Germany. For the reader to grasp why this did not occur one must study and evaluate the internal organisational structure of each and every section of the German war machine; in particular those sections developing weaponry and surveillance systems years ahead of there time. And as previously mentioned, that change was first instigated after the 1943 raids.



After the Second World War had ended, Allied scientific missions were sent to Germany to try to establish why this strange situation had arisen. After studying thousands upon thousands of captured documents and the interrogation of many leading personnel had occurred, it became clear that Germany's three main fighting forces had continued to work under relative security and secrecy. The work and the scientific developments of each 'arm' of the armed forces, was in most cases concealed from other units even in their own branch. Indeed, having analysed several of these TOP SECRET British technical reports, it was obvious that a disastrous state of affairs had arisen in Germany. For example: I acquired U.S intelligence papers giving details of a new army weapon, and although constructed, test flown and assembly lines begun, this particular airborne weapon required further electrical modification and parts. Unfortunately, the contract work for this weapon was afforded to a company (private) who could not find the resources nor the technological manpower to devise these components. This weapon never flew one mission in anger. What astonished British and American Air Force intelligence missions (army) was the fact that the Luftwaffe had already constructed an identical weapon, complete with working electrical components, many months previous. The Wehrmacht (German army) had no idea that this was the case and in any event, it is doubtful due to a simple anomaly such as pride, would have offered details of their construction to the Luftwaffe.

The bureaucracy which surrounded the construction of advanced machinery was not limited to the heads of the three sections of the German fighting machine. Such a case had already arisen in the early part of the war. With the evacuation of British and French troops from Dunkirk, a situation arose whereby Hitler and Field Marshal Goring had the ideal opportunity to further test the heavy bombers and the frightening strength of the Luftwaffe; the Battle of Britain was to commence. It is now clear that even in 1939, concern was shown regarding the ability to strike effectively using mass heavy bombers. SS (Schutzstaffle) intelligence had warned of the apparent ability and fighting intent of the Royal Air Force. In the following months and after the loss of thousands of German bombers, the Luftwaffe raids began to become incoherent, military and industrial targets had become secondary and the innocent victims were civilians. An almost identical situation occurred towards the end of the war, whereby Allied mass bombing (initially begun to wreck German industrial output and aircraft production) resulted only in the destruction of cities - German aircraft output increased dramatically towards the end of the war. And this was due to clever manoeuvring on the part of the Luftwaffe Chiefs of Staff.

Again the year 1943 seems critical; Britain was now aided by America, and the cargo lines between the biggest aircraft and food producer in the world (America) and Britain was free of virtually all U-boat attacks. America had covertly shipped millions of pounds worth of equipment through to the U.K. for the coming assault on European Germany. Given that the German High Command tried for some five years to sever this supply link, it now seemed futile given the lack of success in the mid-Atlantic to continue the U-boats attack. Since the very first day that Germany reached the Channel ports of France, the construction companies under Hitler's guidance had begun its preparation for its [Germany] defence. This major Allied breakthrough signalled danger for the Third Reich, thus urgent planning was necessary to move obvious (component installations) and research bases underground. In December, 1987, I obtained a recently released British Intelligence document from America, outlining ULTRA acquired information that Germany's war time facilities throughout Europe were being located in hillsides, caves, mines, and a variety of natural impregnable locations. ULTRA's main concern was of new workings around the regions of Tharla, Saarbrucken, Dassel and the Harz mountains. Given that reconnaissance photographs showed aircraft sections (not recognised as conventional), Britain had indeed obtained vital data.

By 1943 it appears that the Luftwaffe and a number of special research departments based in several countries [including occupied nations] had entered into a new field of weaponry - part in conjunction with the rocket industry. It was the Luftwaffe - heavily depleted of its fighting strength in terms of experienced pilots and resources that quickly staged a recovery in respect of new breakthroughs - given that it was private contract companies (highly paid) that were pulling the strings.

For example; it has always been rumoured that Germany had constructed circular planform aircraft: without doubt such an occurrence did take place. It was a long process to determine which particular company, or for that matter, which research factory could have developed weaponry to confuse the Allied pilots and illuminate both day and night skies with totally absurd craft. However earlier this year the pieces of the jigsaw were almost complete and the very fact that Foo Fighters were seen even over parts of North Africa and possibly other far-off nations was coincidental; I acquired a top secret British/U.S. Intelligence briefing paper outlining ultra concern by both Allied military leaders over new research facilities (underground) which were also appearing in countries such as Rumania, Yugoslavia and throughout the central war zone [8].

By 1944, 90% of all German front line research into advanced weaponry was under the guise of the Waffen SS. Peenemunde had already been bombed on the 18th August 1943, but within weeks most of the machinery, weaponry and plans were transferred to Blizna in Poland (research facilities and component factories at Wiener Neustadt and Friedrichshafen which supported the research and component supplies that Peenemunde needed to function properly - were unaffected). And it was here that Allied air force pilots appeared to have encountered their first Unidentified Flying Objects - or 'Foo Fighters'.

As Churchill pondered over RAF reconnaissance photographs in his small war room, several British officials who had previously negated the possibility that Germany had developed long-range rockets fell into silence. Curious elongated marks were pictured against dark patches near outer-buildings. Other distinct circular constructions [9] were clearly visible. Churchill voiced his concern. His advisors agreed with the analysis and his orders, "Peenemunde must be bombed." With that order, the RAF began to plot the ultimate destruction of this secret Baltic base.

#### THE PHENOMENON EMERGES

It has to be said that the characteristics of the so-called Foo Fighter could be placed under several different categories; However the most frequently reported of all the variants was the singular glowing and highly manoeuvrable aeroform which often appeared to pace aircraft and show a distinct characteristic which many would shortly describe as 'controlled'. Foo Fighters were also seen in numbers primarily two, but often as many as ten (the height would often vary from 85,000ft to as low as 1000ft). Once again similar 'in-flight' manoeuvres were performed. Colours varied intensely, from white to deep red. These strange but benevolent objects showed little sign of menace and indeed became quite a common event over the skies of Germany.

It was, in my opinion, Bomber Command (Intelligence Bureaux) who first became aware of the Foo Fighter presence. After the raid on Peenemunde had occurred, talk between pilots that they had witnessed, "pulsating lights," and had been "buzzed", was popular. They were referring to unidentified aeroforms, the like they had never seen before.

The long-range bombers encountered stiff resistance over Peenemunde [10], searchlights appeared from every directions and wave after wave of flak lit up the sky. This was recognisable, but other airborne 'forms' did not comply to their

[Allied crews] training. Several bright circular lights which materialised from nowhere began circling the aircraft. The lights changed colour and appeared to revolve. British signals officers tracking the bombers every move complained that their communications began 'fuzzing', and the crews agreed that their radio transmitters carried a great deal of interference. Another indicator perhaps to the true identity of the glowing aeroforms? This classic case signalled the beginning of intense Nazi developments.

In the winter months (1988) I interviewed a number of ex RAF (Pathfinder Units - personnel), who observed the so-called Foo Fighters over Germany as early as 1942. As the crew of the Halifax bomber led vast numbers of British aircraft over prime industrial targets, several unidentified lights were seen above the lone aircraft. In all seven fully trained and experienced RAF pilots had seen the targets. They were convinced that the Nazi's had developed remarkable craft. Like 99% of all Foo Fighter reports, the unknown targets showed no hostility. As the winter of 44 approached, American intelligence (G-2) spoke of heavy U.S. bombers coming face to face with Foo Fighters. Over Berlin - Mannheim - Schweinfurt, U.S. pilots dodged the seemingly benevolent 'crafts' [11].

During my researches I was fortunate to meet a former member of the British Army who related some puzzling data. In this respect, I am aware of a potentially interesting piece of film footage acquired by American Air Force Intelligence which shows one Allied aircraft in flight over Germany being intercepted by a so-called 'Foo Fighter'. The film footage depicts the phenomena closing in on an Allied aircraft (wing tip) a circular lens shaped object (dark in colour, and resembling two dinner plates joined and spinning vertically) moved furiously alongside the aircraft in a rolling fashion. This information was supplied from an ex-military person of substantial background. The film footage, taken during the war shows without doubt what many ill-informed UFO researchers believe was a 'drawing board plan'. We have without doubt learned of a remarkable weapon which was developed by a research facility under the private sector in Austria.

Many of the so called 'Foo Fighter' reports are not that easy to explain. However, during the latter part of the Second World War, the Luftwaffe had developed several highly manoeuvrable aircraft, such as the Me262 and a whole host of strange looking aeroplanes. I have never heard it said that perhaps a number of Foo Fighter reports could be identified as the after-burner of such weaponry? Allied pilots (and most of the German ground forces) were unaware of this form of aircraft until its inception was generally related to German armed forces badly in need of further stimulus to

continue a futile fight. Surely faced with such unusually shaped aircraft and a quite simply 'alien' potential, mistakes could have been made? Furthermore, I was impressed with the knowledge of one ex-RAF Officer who I had the privilege to interview earlier this year. His keen interest and remarkable memory, afforded one particular weapon which I was simply not aware of.

He informed me that during the last three years of the war, he was working within a secret branch of the Royal Air Force, often flying perilous missions over key German installations. His crew were aware of a dangerous new development. The code name for this weapon is known, but I would like to clarify certain details before releasing the data. Nevertheless the weapon was launched by a ground detail and was attached to a rocket which could rise to around 100,000ft. When such an altitude was attained, the rocket would quickly release a strange looking device. This object consisted of two large metal plates (circular in construction) joined by a large thin steel chain. A further mechanism would trigger an explosive on its descent and visual appearance would be that of two highly luminous glowing aeroforms. The explosive charge was not intended to destroy the plates and I can only imagine that its purpose (illumination) was psychological. The projected potential was for the weapon to actually fall amongst Allied bombers flying at around 18,000ft and to actually 'wrap itself' around propeller shafts and wings.

Several other authors reporting on the subject of Foo Fighters, have realised that intelligence documentation acquired after the war by Allied nations, offers more than a partial insight into identification, yet clearly, the relevant data - scientific personnel, and primary research facilities are still buried under the haunting description of 'Top Secret' [12].

Amongst other highly classified British/American intelligence data, there exists important and consistent evidence that as early as 1928, a number of leading Junkers research personnel had devised a circular machine that when operated, gave the visible impression [or illusion] of the 'rings of Saturn'. And interestingly, a number of key personnel from that very same design facility were captured by the Soviets at the end of the war. Other rockets were timed to explode at a given height (usually that of the approaching bomber). And then we turn to limited data regarding the German 'night fighters'. These 'V' shaped craft were again physical forms and not 'drawing board' or 'paper weapons'. Moving at extremely high speeds, several of these aircraft were captured towards the end of the war. Rocket powered and more manoeuvrable than conventional craft, these 'flying wings' were regarded as

unidentified aeroforms by several pilots unaware of such advances in airborne technology.

Other significant Foo Fighter impostors could well have been the air launched guided missile, or the high powered rockets which could launch smaller glide aircraft to heights of around 80,000ft. Once this altitude was achieved the aircraft would be released. From this height the glide-attack aircraft would slowly descend in a circular fashion and strafe numerous advancing aircraft. By 1945, such craft would be fitted with jet engines, often causing a quite remarkable sight in the night sky as a white-hot flame spiralled earthwards.

Probably the biggest indicator to solving the Foo Fighter phenomenon, came from the pilots themselves. Quite often the crews of heavy American bombers and RAF aircraft, would report glowing aeroforms ascend from below the aircraft. Simple, yet qualified statements have been proposed regarding the potential that the odd lights were in fact nothing more than radio-jamming remotely piloted vehicles (R.P.V.s). This may have been the case. Such an incident was of course recorded over the town of Speyer, by two Allied pilots (Henry Giblin and Walter Cleary) on the 27th November, 1944. According to the men, an unidentified orange-coloured glowing aeroform moving at a speed approaching 250mph, buzzed their aircraft. Instrumentation began to falter.

Although I am satisfied that it was British Intelligence that first became aware of unknown aeroforms (without doubt the result of stringent de-briefs) [13] it was American Air Force Intelligence that first hinted (publicly) Allied pilots had encountered unknown enemy aeroforms over Europe. Quite suddenly - an upsurge of doubt began to hinder British and American pilots awareness.

Quite certainly I am aware of at least one such device and two radio/air research facilities that were working on such anti-radar jamming systems. After all, the British had devised a quite unique device to fool the relatively simple German radar equipment. Having acquired Top Secret documents from a British based researcher, it is evident that radar tracking's cannot be trusted in the framework of 'general UFO research'. Having said that, it is worth noting that the British government in 1943, had constructed and engineered an airborne device affording a radar signal which would be viewed by German ground radar as an attacking force which numbered literally dozens of aircraft. That signal did in fact work and was recorded as such by German radar operatives. The signal would of course be aimed solely to confuse; for example - Germany's northern defences. Alert and preference of intercept aircraft would be submitted by Germany's Northern most armies, and leave several



southern and central positions vacant. Meanwhile, a gap would be available for the mass bombing of key positions in Germany. Perhaps the 'mysterious' aeroforms were indeed a Nazi counter-measure, after all, the dates and timing of both occurrences are geared-up for such a potential? It should also be remembered, that it was American Intelligence sources who actually conjectured that the 'Foo Fighters' were German anti-radar jamming devices.

In my research papers concerning the advanced German circular aeroplane, Wiener Neustadt [14] is mentioned on several occasions. I made a number of conjecturally important breakthroughs regarding the reality of such craft [circular planform]. I sought to trace a number of eminent professors who actually worked at this establishment during the war, and through hefty correspondence it has become clear, that other important research projects were operated at the same time. In particular one - which a number of prominent historians feel, could be directed towards the 'Foo Fighter'.

Many different weapons (ground and air) were developed by Nazi Germany, to the extent whereby some 50 million documents were shipped to Britain and America after the war. The content of these documents, varied from simple leave papers for Army personnel, to ultra-secret programmes which were conducted at institutes such as Breslau and Prague. Through the pages of such documents (scientific and technological) the Allies advanced their own sciences by as much (in some cases), as twenty five years. And indeed, it was through the scientific departmental research programmes, that evidence appears to have been found regarding two developments.

Albert Speer was the Minister of Armourments and Slave Labour during the second part of the war. As an architect by profession (and an ardent Nazi), Hitler saw Speer as a man with vision and a professionalism to get projects off the ground. According to U.S. intelligence papers, Speer was present during a frosty morning in Prague (Czechoslovakia) when a new advanced German aircraft was purportedly test flown [15]. That aircraft incidentally was circular. Speer was also a key figure behind a research facility jointly run by his department and the S.S. (who by 1944 trusted virtually nobody and tended to over-ride many of the conventional German Air Force projects). This facility (situated in Bavaria) was run by the Luftwaffe, who at that time were working constantly to provide better air defences. They tested several electrical machines which had been devised from a series of experiments in relation to their ability to confuse and interfere with Allied radar. However, based upon trials, the effectiveness of such machinery was limited to around one hundred feet. To induce further range, the apparatus was deployed in an airborne structure which

resembled a tortoise shell and was circular. This component may well have been already manufactured in Austria, as the description fits perfectly with data I acquired on such a 'weapon'. The entire machine was powered by a unique turbojet engine and was purportedly code-named - 'THE FEUERBALL' (Fireball). That the visual appearance of the fast moving Remotely Piloted Vehicle (RPV) was that of a circular halo and illuminated glowing sphere, does in my opinion, indicate great similarities to the prototype built and conceived at the Junkers research facility in the late 1920's - [the 'rings of Saturn']. The airborne radar jamming-system had greater scope and locked-in on the heat emissions of enemy aircraft.

This un-armed weapon and its potential fits perfectly with Allied pilots descriptions of the 'Foo Fighters' - namely that the 'aeroforms' showed no sign of hostility, yet appeared to be under intelligent control and continually followed the aircraft. As the study of such reports continued, it became apparent, that this construction, had a menace classification, rather than an ultimately proven hostile one.

That project was finalised at the Wiener Neustadt facility; many classed the weapon as a missile, yet sufficient eye-witness accounts exist whereby many would reject that terminology. Indeed, eye witness accounts suggest that the weapon resembled a shining disc spinning on its axis. I was fortunate to trace another witness who informs that whilst serving in the Waffen SS, he too observed a similar craft being tested at the rocket facility - Peenemunde. And this may well be another clue to the original aeroforms seen over Peenemunde during the Allied raids. American intelligence also reported [16] that the Foo Fighters have been seen during daylight hours; the appearance was at times, "that of a shiny silver ball." I was informed by a highly reliable source, that such airborne weaponry was both cheap to make, in terms of expense, and could be transferred easily, from locality to locality. Another clue perhaps to the wide area of reported visuals. Indeed, I was fortunate to locate Top Secret British documents (1944) relating that several launch vehicles had appeared throughout the war front. This may or may not be applicable to such weaponry, but it does suggest, adequately in my opinion, that the German High Command had decided to inject a new - highly transferable system into being, for attacking 'enemy' targets.

Another potential constitutes the fact that Germany was indeed working on various remarkable weaponry. Those ill-informed researchers and historians of war would of course dis-agree. However, under the heading of 'Restricted' and released only a few years ago by government agencies, I found perplexing information regarding two

totally puzzling weapons. At one of the Luftwaffe's laboratories German scientists were actually working on utilising sound as a new weapon. And if this constitutes data bordering on the futuristic, perhaps adapting the earth's natural 'wind currents' as a weapon may be just a little too much. Other weapons were being tested which constitute a level of thinking far advanced than placing an illuminated light source in the sky. Another clue to the varied and often ill-fated and hurried planning of Germany. By 1945, daily meetings of Germany's hierarchy was grasping at every new discovery and invention [17].

Resources by this time were inadequate, yet emphasis was still given regarding delaying tactics. If German science could provide the weaponry, then there might still be hope for Hitler's crazed dream. The S.S. by this time trusted nobody, and Hitler had hoped that by entrusting much of the secret research programmes to this menacing 'branch', vital results could yet prove favourable. However, U.S. Army documents pertaining to several key Luftwaffe research centre's show that when advancing Allied units approached, the facility would either be destroyed (complete with all research programmes - constructed or design stage only, or the S.S. would simply remove everything to safe quarters.

In terms of the 'secret war with Germany', the importance of this phenomenon should not be under-estimated. However, it is my contention that far too much 'generalisation' has been placed on this aspect. The extraordinary ability of the German scientific establishment working under very unusual conditions, seems to have provided the initial stimulus for 'UFO' researchers to contend that this, 'was the coming of the saucers'. Indeed it was - but in potentially differing circumstances.

When marking the degree of change in German aviation potential and the 'state of war' at the time of the first sightings of unidentified aeroforms, it seems too much of a coincidence. When one considers that at least six previously private aeroplane company's had already began vast research programmes into unconventional flying weapons by 1939, the timing and intricate sighting locale of many 'Foo Fighters', must be prominent on one's mind. For hardly have we mentioned the enormity of the rocket/guided missile programmes in this research paper, and yet without doubt, night-time launches and pre-finalised testing had already occurred in 1942.

Foo Fighters (like today's UFO phenomenon) could have several explanations; and the list of potential 'Foo Fighter' impostors is endless. The key towards explaining this 'mystery' must lie in the hands of both Western and Eastern governments and in the ultra-secret documents pertaining to counter-intelligence. Clearly, much of the

available data suggests a physical - yet psychological weapon, other complicated observations could just as easily be placed in chapters concerning Germany's secret wartime offensive and defensive weaponry. I am almost satisfied, that the phenomenon (although decidedly interesting) is explainable in terms of conventional, highly advanced scientific breakthroughs.

To counter this argument, 'UFO' researchers have often pointed the finger at other similar sightings of Foo Fighters over Japan and far-off countries. This is highly illogical due to the fact that German technology was often related to her ally and indeed, it does seem probable that Japan, was making headway in terms of similar 'weapons'. Combine such a potential with the fact that the 'theatre of war' was not really restricted to any one continent (and the very real probability that the U.S.A., Britain and the Soviets were all heavily involved with airborne research) observations bordering the 'unreal', seem likely to have occurred throughout the globe. America's nerves jangled when Pearl Harbour was attacked, and throughout the following months, countless reports of unidentified objects were recorded. The world was a decidedly nervous place, and any observation which could not be readily identified was recorded.

As the Top Secret summary I acquired relates, "Western nations learned very little of the secret facilities east of the river Elbe." It was east of this river that Allied nations met and eventually Germany capitulated. All technology beyond this point was captured by the Soviets. The Foo Fighter sightings seem to have appeared over strategic targets, and if one considers that within the available data on such sightings, there must be a high percentage of mis-identifications of known aircraft, and to some extent 'unknown targets' [unknown in the sense of secret German aircraft] then we have very little evidence to support an alien hypothesis. Furthermore, that 99% of the sightings were nocturnal, and the unmistakable fact that Germany had various flying wing craft operational (and the testing of circular planform aircraft was very probable), there already existed a 'boiling-pot' climate for the reporting of unidentified flying objects. Conjecturing further, there now exists official reports which conveys doubts on even civilian pilots to mis-identify under conditions already outlined in this report; and given the fact that major hostilities were in progress, I cannot believe that this factor did not have its part to play. Summing up however, I am satisfied that simple psychological weapons were deployed in various areas of Europe and that these systems were eventually modified to counter attacking aircraft; that evidence still exists for such systems remains doubtful - this doubt could have overtones effecting today's phenomenon. And

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it is without doubt the starting point for any investigation regarding the so called, 'Ghost Rocket' reports of the 1940's, of which there are so many.

## THE 'GHOST ROCKET' PHENOMENON

After Hitler's craze for world domination had been so vehemently denied and ultimately destroyed by western and eastern forces, came the birth of the 'cold war'. In fact, the seeds of mistrust and caution that still remain to this day (between Soviet forces and NATO) had been planted way back in 1943/44, as Britain and American forces began their remarkable plan for the D-Day operation (6th June 1944).

Germany in terms of land mass is a relatively small country, yet without doubt the timing of an unusual airborne phenomenon, and the fact that war-torn Europe had become the epi-centre of such manifestations is perplexing. Unfortunately most people in the business of tracking UFO's require no answer to a question which ultimately squash their inner-most feeling for such a mystery to remain.

At the end of the war, the 'Foo Fighter' and the majority of [its] war time implications were but a memory to Allied governments - governments which were intent on re-building shattered nations. As this gruesome task began, another sight was shortly to be reported in numbers over Europe - the phenomenon known today as it was then - 'Ghost Rocket'.

I have often dwelt on the fact that important and highly relevant facts have been ignored. And as previously mentioned, several key facilities east of the river Elbe, were overrun by advancing Soviet and Soviet aligned forces. Without delving too much into the exact establishments (literally numbering hundreds) which housed experimental weaponry, the Russians received an equal part of the 'scientific spoils of war', and perhaps more than U.S. and British forces combined [18].

Is it coincidence that some ten months after the Second World War had ended, unusual aeroforms in the general appearance of missiles were seen tracking over a number of Baltic Sea countries, and in particular Sweden and the Scandinavian nations [19]? What indeed was this phenomenon?

## GHOST ROCKETS OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED

By 1944, Germany had several established rocket programmes, which for many years had been under development at various research centres [20]. And unlike the previous decisions of Adolf Hitler (which at times seemed quite bizarre), emphasis was now placed heavily on these weapons - weapons which the High Command in Berlin hoped



would turn the tide against Allied forces and press 'enemy' advancing armies into a hasty retreat.

Rocketry had always attracted many leading German aviation designers, and their work during the war, did in some cases benefit, especially financially. This however was not always the case.

In the late 1920's, several 'Schools' (independent from any military organisation) were generated by ordinary scientists. Technicians and engineers who found this subject fascinating to say the least, quickly joined the original design teams. Their motives were not of hostility towards other nations, but an advancement of science. Rarely did these persons receive large sums of monies and more often than not, events similar to a 'circus gathering' were advertised and the occasional rocket launched. The public were invited to attend, thus some monies at least were acquired. Even in the early 1930's, the German rocket industry (although well ahead of any other nation) did not receive government funding of any real substance. It was not until Hitler reached power did the 'new era' really take-off.

As war commenced, a number of these scientists believed that the rocket afforded Germany with a potential weapon of un-equalled power. Many, many rockets were built and other areas of interesting research explored. Today, I find it hard to believe that there still remain people who are not aware of the ominous, and infamous Vengeance weapons (V-1 & V-2). And whilst on this theme, one should remember, that these two weapons, were designed by two totally independent teams of scientists. Like much of the secret work carried out by the scientists in the war years, these destructive weapons had little or no association with each other.

#### THE A ROCKETS

As Germany began to 'buckle' under increasing Allied bombardment, [it] sought to counter the attacks - not by vast armies (which in any event were becoming increasingly depleted) but by rocketry and decoy advanced weaponry which included an array of night fighter aircraft and covert operations from which would emerge the astonishing stealth programmes of today. Probably one of the most secret weapons ever devised and nearly constructed was the giant A-9 rocket. This intercontinental ballistic missile was designed to reach continents such as Africa and ultimately - America. Much to the annoyance of several top generals, Hitler's High Command had by 1944, converted design ready plans and experimental missiles programmes into reality - years too late. If the V-rockets were classified secret, then Germany's other

defence projects must have been on the periphery of an equivalent 1988 American 'Black Programme'.

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Like the independent research teams who designed the 'V' weapons [a term given to the rockets by Allied countries - V = Vengeance], several other groups were actually building and testing a number of highly important ground and air launched craft/missiles - complete with ultra sensitive homing devices. Further independent Luftwaffe contract companies were also making headway into aircraft designs way ahead of their time - including design features and construction materials which today are officially recognised as the forerunner to the many U.S. and Soviet research programmes [21]. American, Russian and British intelligence services were aware of several developments, and by 1945 the race was on to acquire that technology.

Probably the the most infamous aspect surrounding the 'acquisition' of such technology and the teams behind their production, was the 'Paperclip Conspiracy' [22]. This involved U.S. Army intelligence operating in a covert fashion behind enemy lines (whilst the war was taking place), and often securing promises of assistance once Germany had capitulated. Needless to say, it seems quite clear today, that similar Soviet advances had already occurred.

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This being the case, one should carefully review the state of politics during the emergence of 'Ghost Rocket' reports. The Americans - months prior the first of these reports had defeated Japan, the entire world was in theory, still in a warring state of mind. In fact, such was the 'whirlwind' which swept across every nation regarding the war-aftermath, that in my opinion it is difficult to find any particular country where dis-trust was not evident. Europe was still controlled by the ageing military commanders; American forces remained in strength to counter any further up-rising by Germany (and perhaps more because of the Soviet threat). South American governments were accused of harbouring ex-Nazis, Spain and Portugal were condemned for sympathising with Germany for the death of Hitler, and even Antarctica was mentioned as a key escape point for such people [Nazi']. Rumour after rumour surfaced. Did Hitler die? Were the Soviets planning to march across the hinterland of western Europe? Such was the rolling instability of this planet in the years after the war, that even the serious press often fed the public mythological information, and perhaps the 'rockets of Europe' was just one more news story to exploit? The Soviets in 1945 and 1946, even began to generate rumours that Hitler had escaped, thus giving more credence to their case that Red Army troops should stay in Europe!

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Once the Helsinki statement had been released, reports streamed in from civilians and military authorities alike. Many of the reports described an object which emitted a long flowing smoke trail which could be clearly seen against a virtual black night sky (similar to aircraft vapour visible during a moon-lit sky today). Many citizens claimed the Finish 'rocket' was barely 1000ft above the ground, others claimed the 'object' had made a number of hap-hazard turns. But above all I feel, is the direction which this phenomenon appeared to emanate from. Official government sources in Finland reported that the object moved towards Finland's southern coastline from the Baltic Sea, and nearly all the witnesses had heard a tremendous 'roaring' noise as the object hurtled overhead. This particular object was last seen moving upwards and on several occasions appeared to become invisible.

Other Finnish reports hold various significant and relevant identification potentials, for instance; several 'Ghost Rocket reports' were described as "elliptical" or missile shaped - objects emitting an illuminated trail of sparks. Several reports speak of a shining ball or cigar shape which flew horizontally. Other witnesses informed local authorities that the phenomenon appeared to 'barrel roll' and then quickly move downwards towards the Earth.

Sweden unlike Finland had remained neutral during the entire second world war. Unlike Italy, Finland had up until the Autumn of 1944, remained an ally of Nazi Germany and had fought several key battles with the Soviets most northerly forces. Thus it is no small wonder that Finnish authorities remained silent when this phenomenon began to appear. [AUTHORS NOTE:-This is a highly significant factor which I find quite relevant to the entire hypothesis of the 'Ghost Rocket' phenomenon. In my opinion, the Finnish government did have sufficient information regarding the overflights, to make a qualified statement. That statement did of course not surface. And perhaps the very fact that Finland feared Soviet advances into its territory such as had taken place in Latvia, Lithuania and a number of pre-war independent nations, if further hostile comment was to arise from its government?] It was left to the Swedish authorities to first imply that these 'manifestations' were indeed Russian testing of advanced Nazi weaponry which had been captured at the end of the war, and it was from this country that the term, 'Ghost Rocket' arose.

#### A SHIFT IN LOCALITY

In the summer of 1946, the internal arguments between western and eastern nations was still quite evident. It was also in July of that year, that the first reports of



the rockets began to emerge more predominantly over another Scandinavian country - Sweden.

Several hundreds of reports (primarily from civilians) were submitted to the Swedish authorities regarding the rocket phenomenon. And unlike its Scandinavian neighbour - Finland, the Swedish government had little to fear from any adverse comment made towards the Soviet Union. In fact, I have often wondered if any western pressure (particularly from the United States and Britain) was placed on the Swedish government to make such an announcement that was to 'rock' Europe again. The Swedes vehemently denounced what they saw as blatant testing by the Soviets of military missiles. Many European countries 'latched' on to the enigma, and it was the western press (as was the case regarding the term 'flying saucer') who 'nick-named' the overflights, 'Ghost Rockets'.

Military authorities in Sweden were put on full alert. Western nations such as Britain and America must have feared Soviet intentions. During these observations [25], several official investigations were launched after a number of 'Ghost Rockets' had fallen to earth and exploded. Official press releases from the Swedish authorities reveal that little or nothing remained of the actual object, other than a few hard-to-identify pieces of, "slag-like material". By October, 1946, sightings [number of] began to fall, and come the winter, they had almost ceased. What official recognition of the phenomenon was recorded by Swedish authorities?

It is clear that an 'unusual occurrence' had taken place. Many scientists blamed the phenomenon on meteorite activity, others were convinced that the Soviets were indeed testing 'newly acquired' Nazi weaponry. Without doubt we must presume the overflights were of a physical form [26], which immediately negates the often stated claim, that these recordings were of natural and/or astronomical nature. Several of the sightings were indeed recorded, both by radar and photographic methods, thus we are most certainly dealing with a very real and not illusionary phenomena. From around 1000 reported sightings over Sweden, the government in that country announced, "20% could not be explained" [27].

After an apparent lull in the sightings (sporadic observations however, were still being made) 1948 saw the Scandinavian reports begin again. This was of course only months after Kenneth Arnold had reported his unusual 'flying crescents' over Mount Rainer in Washington State. Norwegian pilots observed them and on occasions actually photographed them. Having seen one of these photographs, I am in no doubt that this was indeed a missile; further identification is taking place. Other pilots reported

that the 'missiles' emitted flames and travelled at a height of 30,000ft; other 'ghost rockets' were recorded as moving at an altitude as low as 50ft. And interestingly one such observation indicated that the 'missile' travelled at a speed of nearly 7000 miles per hour. Having been alerted to the phenomenon, other nations immediately took an interest, and a few observations of unidentified aerial objects took place in The Netherlands, North Africa, Italy and the United States.

At the end of World War II, hundreds of ex-Nazi scientists were brought to countries such as America and the Soviet Union - a few also ended up in Britain [28]. The majority of these highly trained personnel continued projects that had been designed to destroy their newly found employers. At the White Sands Missile launching facility in New Mexico, the German engineers 'laced' with experience of the V-rocket projects, continued their research. Thousands of component parts, futuristic design plans and entire rockets were shipped to the rocket-range. Tests began almost immediately after the close of hostilities, and weapons which only months earlier had been intended to destroy American troops, were heading sky-wards towards space. The early research programmes of American/German scientists were branded top secret, and very little was learned by the public in the way of progress. Perhaps the witnesses to an early American UFO report had actually sighted a V2 - American style?

From an early 'Secret' - categorised document, I acquired a brief 'insight' of a report which in my opinion falls within the framework of the 'Ghost Rocket' phenomenon [29]. The official report reads:-

"On the 29th June, 1947, a party of three persons, two of them scientists, were motoring along Highway 17 towards the White Sands, New Mexico, V-2 firing grounds, and reported seeing a large disc or sphere moving horizontally at a high speed and at an estimated altitude of 10,000ft. It was of uniform shape and had no protruding surfaces such as wings. The object was in sight for about 60 seconds before it disappeared to the northeast. The three observers agreed on the details of the sighting except that one of the persons thought he had seen vapour trails."

That report taken at face value would receive little interest today in terms of identification. The very fact that rockets were being tested (almost daily in one aspect or another) plus the very locality of the overflight, must produce some doubt that the 'UFO' was in fact nothing more than the actual launch of a V-2 or perhaps even the lesser advanced rocket known as the V-1 [30].

Interestingly, on the previous day, [28th June, 1947] an American Air Force Lieutenant flying some 30 miles from Lake Meade, Nevada, USA, reported that he had seen five or six white-coloured circular objects in close formation. The objects were estimated at travelling in the region of 285 mph [31].

Probably more interesting is the observation made by American pilots and the distinct relationship with other sightings over the Netherlands on the morning of July 25th, 1948 - a date which could be looked upon as nearing the end of the 'Ghost Rocket' reports.

Two Eastern Airline pilots reported sighting a, "huge flying craft similar to a V-2 rocket pass their aircraft." The American intelligence report I acquired concentrates further on this report;

The object apparently made the same noise as that heard by Allied forces during the war of a V-2 rocket - final descent. The craft was seen four times through broken cloud and was travelling at high speed. Interesting to note that American intelligence note the similarity in detail to the sighting made by other U.S. officials over Holland just five days previous [20th July 1948]. It was here over Arnhem that an almost identical craft was seen.

The slender shape which many researchers today relate to the 'Ghost Rocket' chapter in UFO history was making an impression not just over the American and European circuit. If as I believe these sightings are indicative of advanced weaponry-testing then we must presume a similar state of affairs stimulated Swedish Government statements over the overflights effecting Scandinavia. Indeed, evidence exists which does indicate a similar test programme was occurring over the hinter-lands of the Soviet Union and a number of still-occupied countries.

It was an American reporter observations some 25 miles northeast of Moscow, on the 3rd August, 1948, that next attracted further U.S. Air Force and Naval intelligence concern.

Travelling with a Russian colleague, the two men noted an identical object as reported above. However, the reporters colleague identified the craft as a rigid airship, but doubts remain over his conclusions. The American indicates that excessive speed and height negate his friends conclusions.

One of the final 'Ghost Rocket' sightings or 'cylindrical objects' reported in this period, was again seen above Moscow. In December, 1948 a number of long fish-shaped metal objects were seen reflecting the sunlight [32].

Combine these relatively basic sightings into the hundreds of such observations made near the Soviet border with Scandinavian countries, then we have an early insight into the beginning of the 'UFO' phenomenon. Not all such 'period' observations were of missile or rocket shapes. Indeed, U.S. intelligence indicates several different shapes, even as early as 1949, yet emphasis can be found in virtually all early U.S. projects on this subject covering German technology in one form or another [33].

Information, data analysis, logistics and an array of other factors must first be looked into, prior any calculated hypothesis on the origin of both 'unidentified categories'. And I was perplexed when I discovered further evidence of British interest in the pilotless guided missile and bomber situation as early as 1947. Clearly an indication that countries such as the U.K. believed that foreign nations had already begun their researches into futuristic aviation and space programmes.

### MISTRUST AND IGNORANCE

Ufology must recognise that nearly every report that is submitted regarding unidentified flying objects has a valid and relevant explanation [34]. If 'Foo Fighters' were indeed extraterrestrial manifestations, then I would be extremely surprised. And furthermore, I cannot accept any fundamental issue which affords me any particular reason to doubt that 'Ghost Rocket' phenomenon is any different. Perhaps a significant clue exists regarding this 'quarter' in the 'forty years' of UFO research. Quite simply nearly every Ufologist alive today has little or zero knowledge of the breakthroughs being made by our own scientists or the spectacular developments currently being developed that will no doubt in time, take our race to other sectors of the Milky Way. It is very unfortunate that war often brings new devices and a clear intent for machinery and weaponry development in respect of a 'race against time'; such was the need for development by the Nazi's in the latter part of the second world war. And their requirements [German] for an aircraft to counter the then increasing effectiveness of Allied radar could be seen as the early experimental breakthroughs regarding the awesome potential of today's stealth programmes.

When Russia overran the research facilities of Germany (and in particular those at Blizna, Peenemunde and Wiener Neustadt) a variety of total 'alien weaponry' was

found. I have uncovered hundreds of government papers detailing the potential of such technology, and it is very revealing. That 'Foo Fighter' reports of yesteryear would hardly rise an eyebrow today must be recognised, Ufologists do not treat lights in the sky as seriously as those pilots who feared their own termination. And in the same breath many researchers clearly ignore the ever increasing movement of our own western nations towards advanced airborne ability, instead many research groups continue to spend increasingly valuable time researching 'ET' reports which I am convinced, they themselves regard as fragile, perhaps their 'want to believe' is stronger than their 'need to know'.

Western intelligence monitored the 'Foo Fighter' phenomenon very closely [35], not for the possibility that Earth was being visited by other alien races, but because they truly believed in the potential of German aviation breakthroughs - which may have effected the outcome of the war. Like all intelligence gathering bodies, the Royal Air Force was no different. After every single excursion over enemy or occupied territories, the crew informed a single or dual intelligence branch officer of their flight. Stories of unidentified encounters with German night fighters often produced a preempted notion of concern [36]. I am informed that on one such observation (British bombing raid on Munich), the crew returned with the most fantastic story to tell. The intelligence briefing Officer (Royal Air Force) took full details of this and every single such occurrence according to the highly trained Pathfinder pilot [37]. I have no reason to believe that American and British Intelligence Services (Army/Air Force) did not agree with the crews.

Furthermore, that Western countries after the war were satisfied that the majority of advanced weaponry (German) was in the hands of 'safe nations' [38]. Only until the 'Ghost Rockets' emerged did America, Britain and to some extent France give any indication of concern, that the Russians had in fact obtained weaponry far superior to that of the Western Allies.

I acquired further Top Secret documents [U.S. & British]) giving further details regarding German Second World War weaponry; from 300 pages of data, I found an interesting note:- The missiles of Germany were thought to be very unreliable. Even their inventors voiced concern to superiors that time was needed to perfect such technology. Problems had occurred throughout hurried German experimentation such as the 'barrel rolling' of many rockets including both the V-1 and V-2. "Measures to counter this effect have been designated essential," was what one such German technical record said.

These notes and data were captured by the Soviets as several key facilities (all known but as far as I am aware not connected with German rocket production) were overrun towards the end of March/April and May. Yet perhaps the 1946 eye witnesses in Finland and Sweden, who reported missiles 'barrel-rolling', were indeed seeing for the first time, Soviet engineers testing new technology originally applied to several A-weapons during the spring of '45'[39] ? The 'roaring' and sparks often seen - reported and associated with such overflights, is surely representative of high powered cruise and ballistic missiles and a very rich fuel compound. The 'Ghost Rockets' which exploded; given that nearly 1/3rd of all German rockets exploded prior their designated target, does imply that Soviet tests did run into similar problems. The occasional fragments found; I contend, that these could have been the remnants of exploding missiles. But probably more important; Is it I wonder, just coincidence that 'Foo Fighters' and 'Ghost Rocket' reports appeared during and just after the most advanced war in the world's history?

What data the U.S. and British governments have released on 'German advanced second world war weaponry' is non-too helpful. In my researches at various data-holding agencies, the same old story is re-told. And in April this year I requested files on various information held by the British government on specific weaponry and scientists. The files were of course denied. After more intense efforts to secure hefty documentation, I was told that after 'review' such information may be made available in the year 2020! Some War Historians and UFO researchers will never of course be able to study that data - data which may hold significant clues to today's subject.

However, although much of the Nazi secrets fell into the hands of the Soviets and Americans, limited materials and newly 'released' technical data is beginning to emerge, which could ultimately explain further chapters in this awesome period. 'Foo Fighters' were very real of course, yet when taking a variety of relevant factors in to account, the reports tend to slowly decline in status. Having already discussed a number of key issues in this category, other more unusual situations did occur during the war; on the 24th March, 1943, the city of Nürnberg was attacked by hundreds of RAF bombers [40] . It was also on this night that a new and relatively simple system was used for both defensive and offensive means. The result could well have meant that Allied pilots reported unusual aeroforms.

The system was known as 'Mattscheibe' [41] and basically a large number of ground situated searchlights fired their beams onto low cloud [42], at this point some 2000 flares were sent sky-wards from an array of different locations. Combine the German



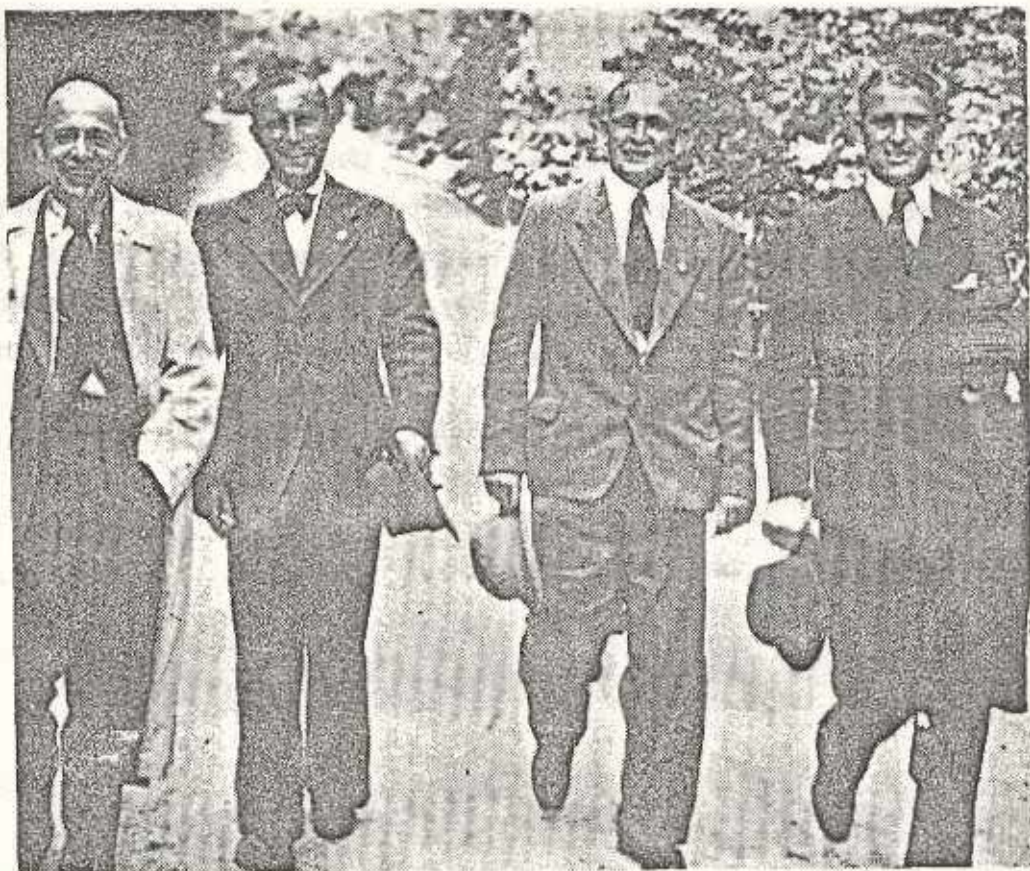
illuminations with the then present red and blue coloured 'hanging' flares of RAF pathfinder units, the skies must have looked very peculiar. This also says nothing of ground anti-aircraft fire and 'hunting packs' of Nazi night fighter units. That the S.S. [43] did in fact have physical technology to confuse is beyond doubt. And perhaps this combination of an intense set of circumstances, led to many 'Foo Fighter' reports. Many, many projects will never be understood, but in time we should discover them all. Everything in historical history indicates the Soviets did continue the Nazi missile and rocketry projects - like their American counterparts. And it was not just the secret departments of the German fighting machine that tried both physical and psychological weaponry/science to counter human intent; Allied forces dreamed-up numerous different projects - many of them equally bizarre as those of Germany - some of them probably relevant to this paper.

America, before the introduction of fully functioning radar, had tried to counter the German attacking Luftwaffe forces with a simple yet remarkably successful project - 'YOHUDI'. Known as a counter ploy, 'YOHUDI' was used both in the air and on the ground. High intensity light bulbs were fitted to the wings of daylight flying aircraft on both reconnaissance and attack missions. The effect was devastating when seen at a distance - so devastating in fact, that German defences could almost see nothing. A slight shape or 'blur' was the visual description often reported, and when used on ground vehicles or stationary positions, the effect functioned even better. And given that the weather conditions were suited to the ploy, the target image became 'invisible' [44]. Not until German radar reached a suitable level of capability, did this project elapse, or so 'they' say.

America's 1988 Stealth programme is extremely successful, and the bomber variant [45] is regarded as the ultimate fighting machine. Locked away in a remote hanger on American soil is a part assembled German aircraft. Former U.S. Air Intelligence officers regard the plywood craft as the forerunner and prototype of the B-2 machine [46]. So successful and so near were the Luftwaffe to operating this craft [47], that many feel - given the vast array of futuristic weapons which were scattered about war-torn Europe, had several more months grace, the outcome of the Second World War would have been very different.

Nearly twenty years ago mankind visited another world (regardless of whether or not the Moon is Earth's satellite), in 1943, several German scientists had begun a research project (interestingly not Werner Von Braun, Oberth or Dornberger) to send craft to other planets [48]. When war occurs between nations, developments move quickly, perhaps we consider the importance our own lives a little more than we

truly believe. Ufology should back-track immediately and try and re-piece the jigsaw which could well be given the title of 'early UFO phenomenon' perhaps then we may have the ability to recognise and respond to - what is truly unidentified and was is not. In another forty years, that opportunity could well be beyond our present means and may be unattainable as our own technology surges ahead. Before we begin to conjecture on aspects which I admit are perplexing, let us please educate ourselves on historical situations which are all relevant to the study of the UFO.



**VIENNA, AUSTRIA 1942: THE SCIENTISTS WHO HEADED THE ROCKET PROGRAMME OF GERMANY.**

**FROM LEFT TO RIGHT - COLONEL ZANNSEN (CAMP COMMANDANT OF PEENEMUNDE) DORNBERGER, DR. THIEL (KILLED DURING THE RAF BOMBING RAID 1943 ON PEENEMUNDE, AND WERNER VON BRAUN.**

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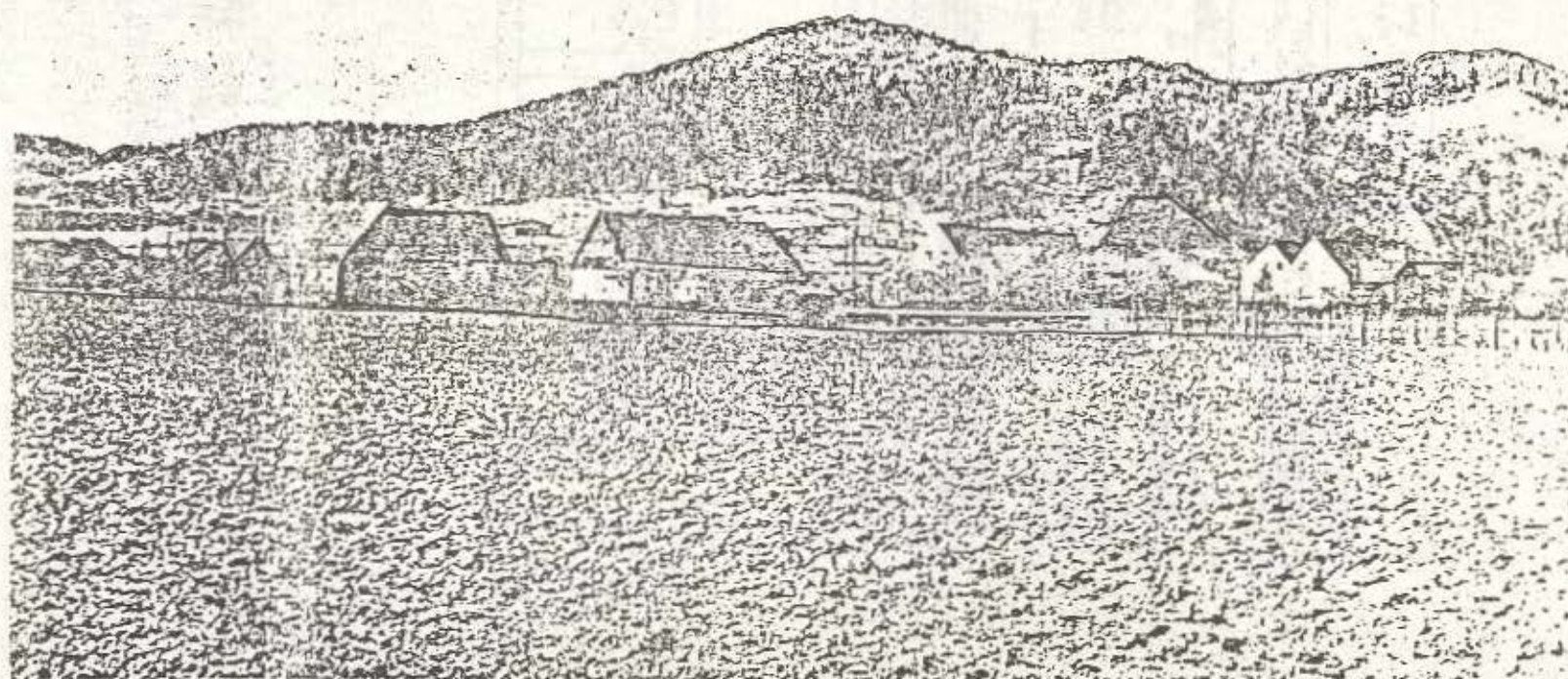
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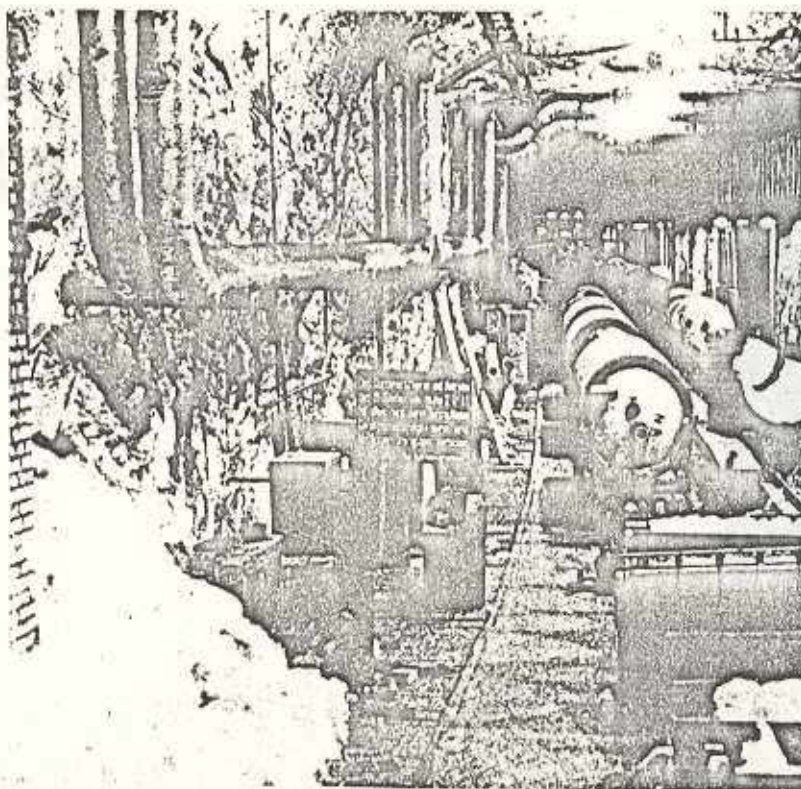
THE NAZI DIRECTIVE OF 19th OCTOBER, 1943, WHICH REPRESENTS AN ORDER FOR 12,000 A4 (V2) ROCKETS FROM THE STATE-OWNED MITTELWERK CORPORATION. EACH UNIT (ROCKET) COST 40,000 REICHMARKS.



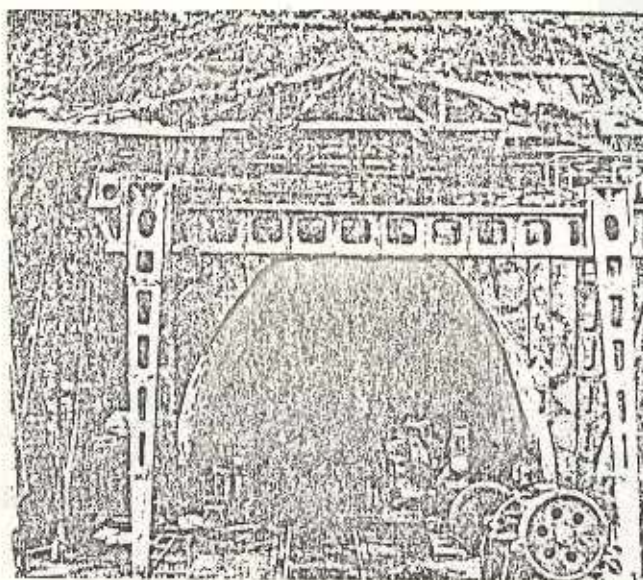
THE HARZ MOUNTAINS GERMANY: BENEATH THE HILLS SHOWN IN THIS RARE PHOTOGRAPH, (MAJOR HILL CENTRE OF PICTURE) GERMANY CONSTRUCTED NEARLY 6000 MISSILES. THE FOREGROUND IS NOW WEST GERMANY, AND THE MOUNTAINS AND FORMER MITTLEWERK UNDERGROUND ROCKET ASSEMBLY PLANT IS IN EAST GERMANY. THE COMPONENT FACTORY WAS SECTIONALISED, WITH JET FIGHTER AND V ROCKET PRODUCTION OCCURRING SIMULTANEOUSLY IN VARIOUS UNDERGROUND AREAS.







**NORDHAUSEN - HARZ MOUNTAINS, GERMANY:**  
**PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS THE 'CENTRAL WERKES'**  
**(WORK) FACTORY IN FULL ROCKET**  
**PRODUCTION.**



**NORDHAUSEN: MAIN TUNNEL ENTRANCE TO THE**  
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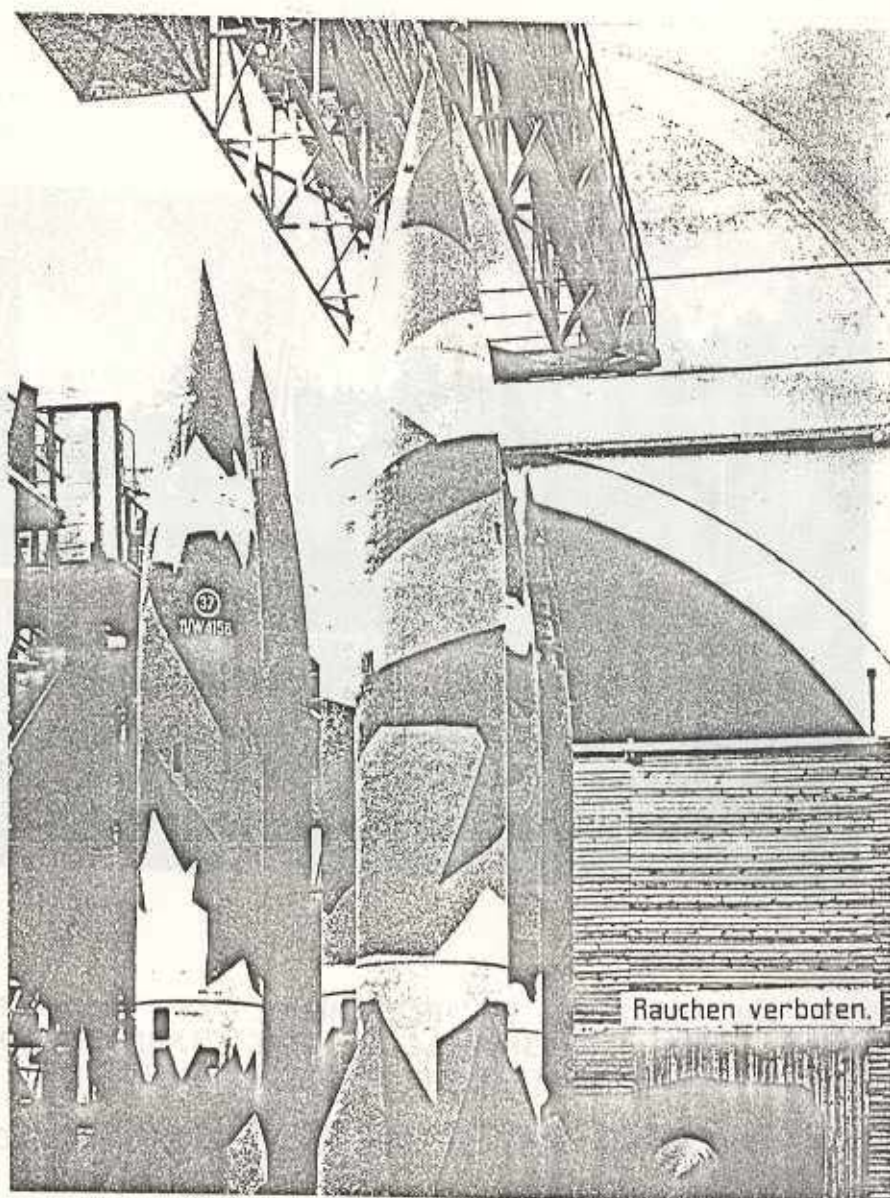
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**GERHARD DEGENKOLB:** REMARKABLE INDUSTRIALIST WHO MANAGED TO GET ALL V-WEAPON PROJECTS INTO MASS PRODUCTION.

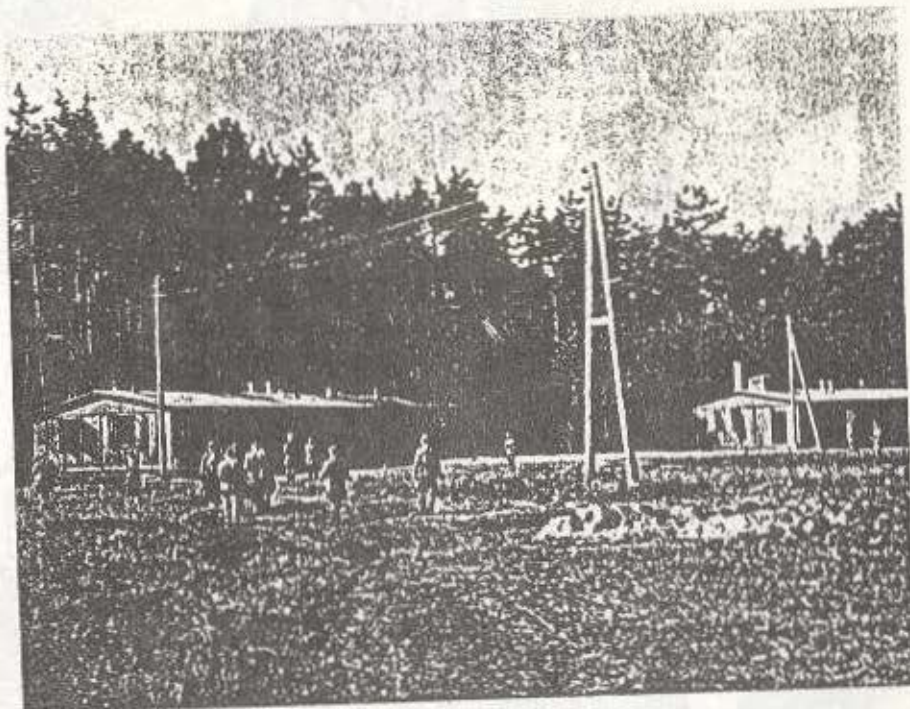


**SS GENERAL HANS KAMMLER:** THIS 'DEDICATED' NAZI WAS GIVEN THE ULTIMATE TASK OF DEPLOYING THE ROCKETS (V1 & V2) AND THEN THE INTRICATE PLANNING FOR THEIR USE AGAINST ALLIED FORCES IN THE WEST.



A4 ROCKETS ASSEMBLED AT PEENEMUNDE

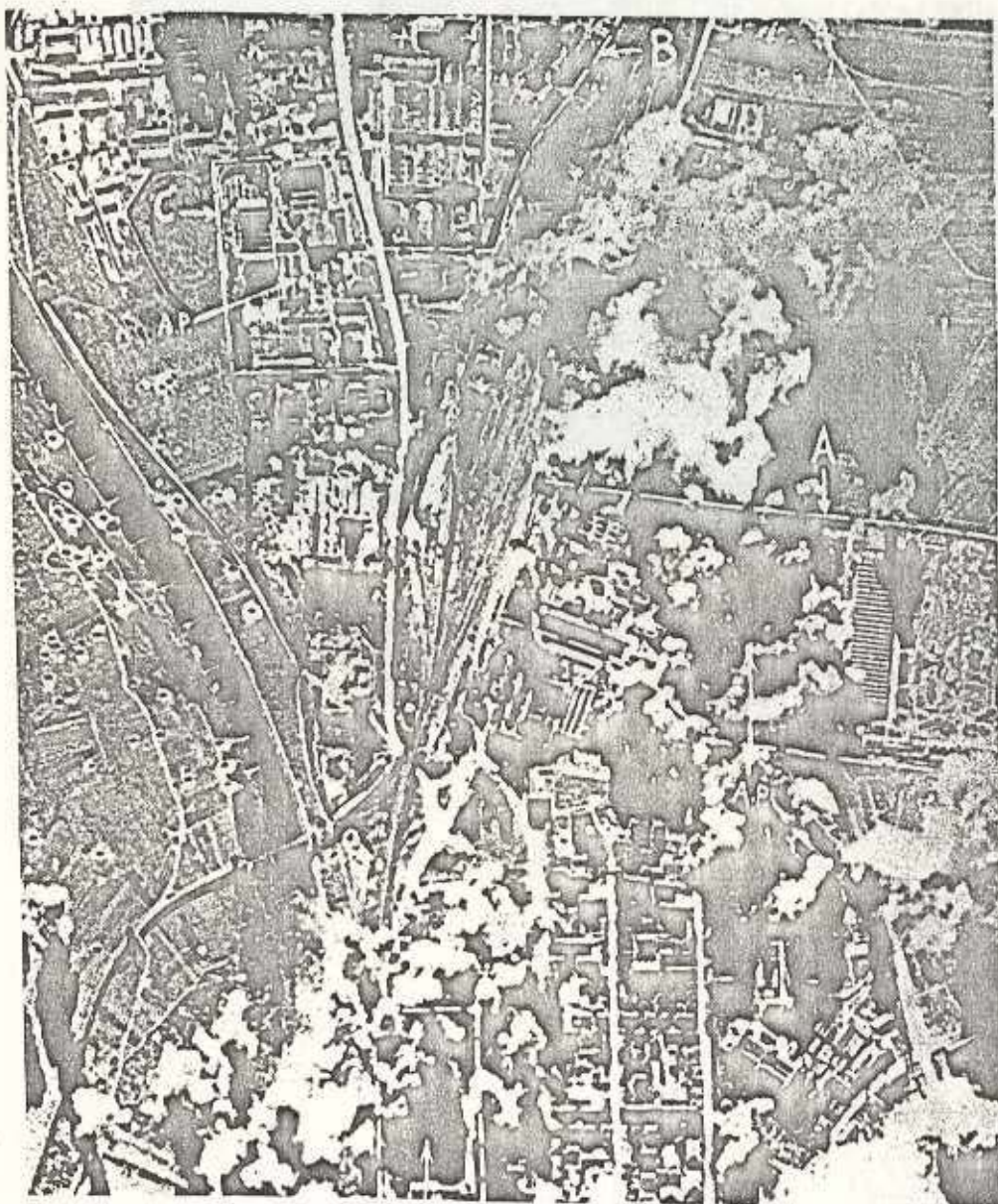




AFTER THE BOMBING OF PEENEMUNDE IN 1943, ROCKET RESEARCH WAS TRANSFERED TO THE 'MODEST' BLIZNA FACILITY IN THE HINTERLAND OF OCCUPIED POLAND.

PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS PART OF THE BASE WHICH HOUSED MANY SS PERSONNEL.



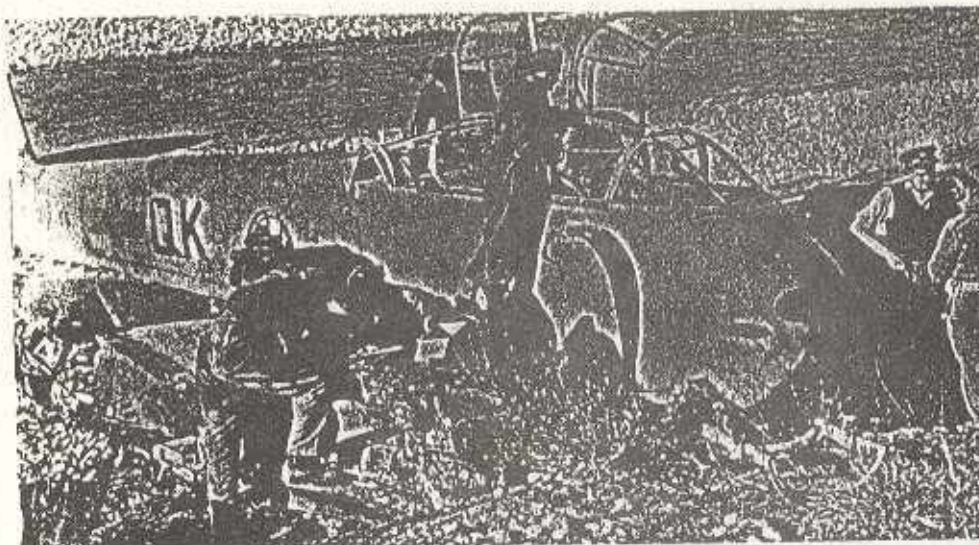


FOO FIGHTERS WERE SEEN OVER MANY KEY GERMAN CITIES AND MILITARY AREAS. THE CITY OF SCHWEINFURT WITH ITS MASSIVE ARRAY OF FACTORIES PRODUCING MILITARY AND INDUSTRIAL COMPONENTS WAS TO SUFFER EXTENSIVE BOMBING DAMAGE.

U.S. AND RAF BOMBING CREWS REPORTED FOO FIGHTERS WHILST OVER SCHWEINFURT THROUGHOUT THE WAR.

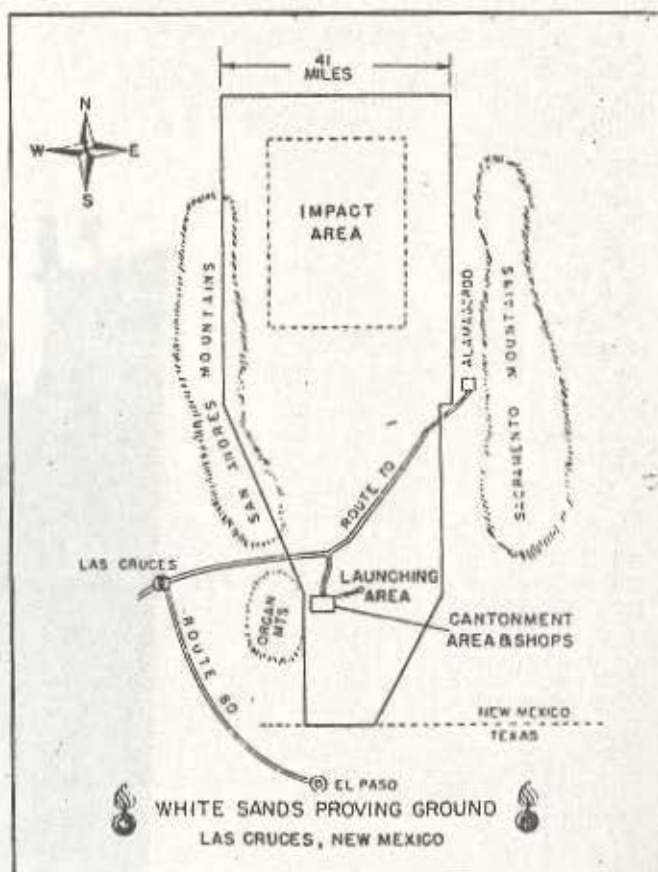
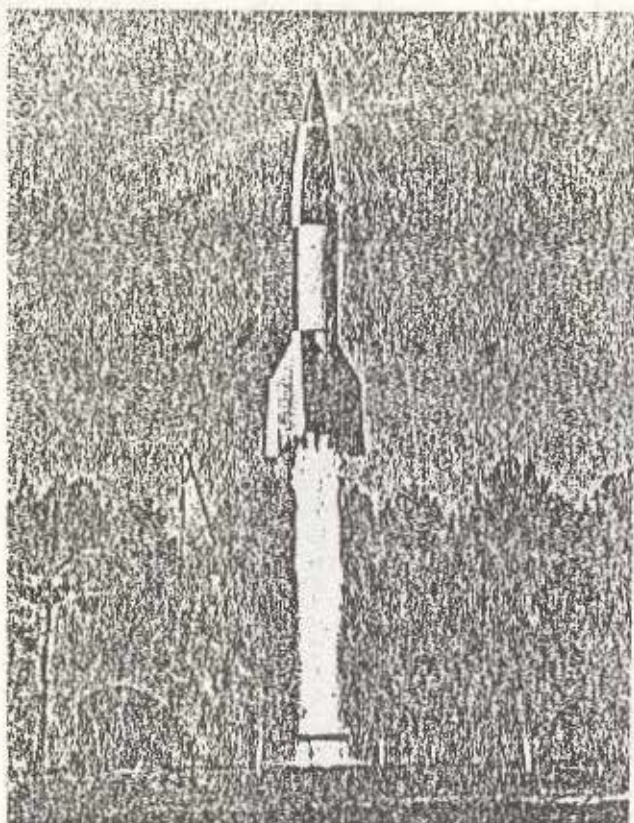
[PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS SCHWEINFURT UNDER ATTACK FROM U.S. EIGHTH ARMY/AIR FORCE ON THE 14th OCTOBER, 1943.





**Me 410:** THE SPOILS OF WAR AS BRITISH TECHNICAL PERSONNEL EXAMINE A GERMAN ADVANCED FIGHTER AIRCRAFT FORCED TO LAND NEAR THE RIVER SANGRO IN ALLIED OCCUPIED ITALY.





AT THE END OF THE WAR, AMERICA ACQUIRED HUNDREDS OF KEY GERMAN ROCKET SCIENTISTS IN THE OPERATION KNOWN AS 'PAPERCLIP'. WEEKS LATER, ENTIRE V2 ROCKETS AND LAUNCHING EQUIPMENT WERE SECRETLY TAKEN OUT OF GERMANY AND SHIPPED TO THE WHITE SANDS PROVING GROUNDS IN NEW MEXICO.

ON THE 2nd OCTOBER, 1945, GERMAN SCIENTISTS LAUNCHED THE AMERICAN V2 ROCKET.

MONTHS LATER, AMERICAN CITIZENS BEGAN REPORTING UNUSUAL ELONGATED OBJECTS AROUND THE BASE; WITHOUT DOUBT THEY WERE SEEING 'BACKFIRE' IN OPERATION. 'BACKFIRE' WAS THE DESIGNATED CODE NAME GIVEN TO THE GERMAN/AMERICAN OPERATION TO CONTINUE THE FORMER NAZI ROCKET PROGRAMME.

ABOVE DIAGRAM RIGHT: THE 1945 LAYOUT OF THE NEW MEXICO FACILITY WHICH AWAITED THE LIKES OF WERNER VON BRAUN.

ABOVE PHOTOGRAPH LEFT: THIS RARE PICTURE (USAF) SHOWS THE V2 WHICH BLASTED OFF ON THE 2nd OCTOBER 1945. AMERICA'S SPACE PROGRAMME AND THE UFO PHENOMENON WAS TO BEGIN.





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1] It is my opinion that many civilian UFO researchers now accept that this 'modern era' or reference to post war UFO sightings actually exists. However, it must be remembered that prior the 'Ghost Rocket' and 'Foo Fighter' reports, strange objects have been sighted and recorded in virtually every century.

2] Based upon literature dealing with this particular subject and period, the two named phenomenon have been classed in a variety of probable categories - namely:-

#### Foo Fighter

- a) Atmospheric phenomenon
- b) St. Elmo's Fire
- c) Earthlights
- d) Ball Lightning
- e) Unconventional German weaponry - radar-counter measures  
psychological weaponry
- f) Mis-identification of known defence systems
- g) Mis-identification of aircraft light configurations
- h) An unknown presence - possibly alien

#### Ghost Rocket

- a) Astronomical phenomenon
- b) Soviet testing of captured V-1 V-2 and German rockets
- c) An unknown presence - possibly alien

3] I find it quite astonishing that UFO researchers have spent so little time studying and analysing the vast array of technologically advanced aviation programmes which existed in both occupied Europe and the United States of America, both of which constituted an enormous leap in terms of futuristic weaponry.

Early as 1928, German designers had managed to produce flying wing aircraft (glide), which could confuse and produce doubt in many observers minds - in terms of visual recognition. Similar research programmes were also induced in America by the year 1942.

These projects were classified very similar to today's 'Black Programmes', and in reality their existence was not made known until the final months of the war.

That Germany had by 1943, provided its military machine with rockets which could in effect reach the lower regions of space, should in itself be important.

The rocket programmes were significant, but evidence exists which has only until recently, been released. This data signifies and heralds a new talking point. Germany, by the year 1941, was already researching the 'stealth' programme, and today, those early designs made by Lippisch and the Horten's are recognised by American Air Force Historians, as the predecessor to the US B-2 stealth bomber and the F117e fighter variant.

Combine these relatively simple projects with an array of private venture's, it is my belief, that the underlying trend which researchers of the UFO have displayed, in respect of ignoring

data, has been misplaced. Today, researchers of the UFO phenomenon have made it essential priority in many situations, to converse themselves with our own particular aviation and military technology, researches into the past appear to have caused more problems, thus the lack of identifying and relating equations.

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[Private sources]

5] ULTRA; The British Intelligence Crypt-analysis organisation responsible for the interception of Germany's ENIGMA signals. ULTRA was a highly efficient data-receiving agency and on numerous occasions acquired top secret signals relating to many of the Third Reich's most remarkable aviation programmes.

6] Peenemunde cost the German tax-payer some £25,000,000 in respect of development. The research station was responsible for numerous breakthroughs in rocket technology and was regarded by the British as the most important target in Germany.

Over 2000 V-2s rockets were launched against Southern England from a variety of near coast-line batteries. The success or strike rate was evident when official figures released by the British government at the end of the war showed some 20% had self-destructed or had missed their designated target totally.

A variety of reasons were offered for the failures, but primarily, the indications are, that German technology was rushed into production prior the solving of many guidance system problems.

It is no secret that Peenemunde was well defended against heavy bombing raids once the reconnaissance aircraft of the RAF had discovered [its] existence in 1942. Indeed, Peenemunde was one of the first overflight targets whereby British and American pilots first reported unusual glowing nocturnal lights which appeared non-hostile. There is every indication of a defence decoy weapon being placed near the establishment.

The ability of German armed forces to move heavy equipment throughout Europe was amply displayed by the various positions these rockets were moved in to. That a relative secret anti-radar jamming or psychological programme of defence tactics existed, must be regarded with some probability. Thus the 'target' area for 'Foo Fighter' reports when studied carefully, displays a marked increase in respect of the advancement of German technology and the ability to strike anywhere on the European continent.

FOO FIGHTER REPORTS WERE SUBMITTED PRIMARILY AFTER MAJOR BOMBING RAIDS ON KEY GERMAN INDUSTRIAL AND RESEARCH FACILITIES. IN EFFECT, THE ESSENCE OF THIS ARGUMENT REVEALS A CLOSE LIAISON BETWEEN SIGHTINGS OF AND BOMBING RAIDS OVER MAJOR AREAS - ALL HEAVILY GUARDED TO SOME EXTENT IN 1943, BY THE SS.

7] The Central Werkes (works) was chosen as the ultimate location of the production of V-2 and other smaller rocket projects. Orders were issued by the German High Command that such important establishments should be totally secret from the Allies, and more importantly, not prone to damage by heavy bombing raids.

That Nordhausen - prior the hostilities, had once been a **chemical storage facility**, was seen to represent a natural base. Nordhausen (now in Eastern Germany some eight miles from the border) was eventually overrun by the Americans, after one of the most bloodiest battles of the Second World War.

8] After extensive collaboration with several military historians in Germany, I received an interesting report designated **'Secret'** and dated **October 1944**. The report was an Anglo/American Intelligence document interpretation of details acquired by methods unknown, although within the papers there is every indication that ground resistance parties were responsible.

Further to this document/paper, data within the information suggests that the RAF had acted upon this signal and had overflowed various areas which were designated **'Top Secret'**. The major concern reported in that paper reads:

**"THE PHOTO EVIDENCE SUGGESTS THAT AN UNDERGROUND  
DISPERSAL OF THE GERMAN AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY IS TAKING PLACE  
ON A CONSIDERABLE SCALE."**

That paper lists significant locations which in effect mean that German advanced jet and rocket research component and launch sites were situated throughout the war zone. Researchers who have often believed in the lack of mobile ability of such weaponry, perhaps would do well to study this aspect, as all the facilities contained a wealth of experience including the likes of Junkers and Heinkel.

An American Air Force Intelligence Officer commenting on reconnaissance photographs, states that only wing and fuselage components can be identified, and that other interesting details which the data displays, cannot.

9] The circular marks\* seen and noted in the initial reconnaissance photographs shown to Dr R.V. Jones, - Air Ministry Scientific Intelligence Dept. were conjectured that [they] represented launch pads or test firing facilities for rockets.

**\* SEE DIAGRAM - reference - 'PEENEMUNDE'**

10] The de-briefing reports of many Allied bombing crews that struck at many of Northern Germany's Baltic Coast facilities (including Peenemunde), speak of large scale defences and extreme night fighter defence forces, often in collaboration on the ground working with various new weaponry.

11] Semi-official United States Air Force de-briefing reports which subsequently appeared in the American and British press.

12] During my researches into the German aviation - circular platform programmes, it became essential to discover the background of many engineers and relatively unknown research facilities which dotted the European theatre of war. Only limited information exists in Germany yet through various channels, I did make significant in-roads.

Hundreds of key projects and the early research into these are held in the vast chambers of the Public Records Office in London. According to the search departments at that office, all seven of my requests pertaining to personnel and facilities remain unavailable until 'review' in the year 2020. Similar arrangements are thought to exist in America and Russia.

Clearly, what the Allied pilots of the Second World War observed, are still designated - 'Top Secret'.

The secret papers of ULTRA and ENIGMA intercepts; many containing valuable data will never be released.

13] I have interviewed several members of the RAF Pathfinder Units who have given the most precise details of 'UFOs' seen over many German cities. They helpfully revealed the nature of/and interest shown by the RAF intelligence officers de-briefs, and the remarks made by numerous bombing crews.

14] A covert Austrian aviation and radio facility situated thirteen miles south of Vienna.

[Author - 'THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION' 1987]

[Author - 'OPERATION BERLIN' 1988]

15] Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) report

16] New York Times 1945

17] During the latter months of the war, meetings between Germany's hierarchy were taking place daily at Hitler's bunker in Berlin. 'Death rays' and a whole variety of perplexing weaponry was mentioned as 'near completion'. Much of this revealed in captured SS documentation after the war by advancing and victorious Allied forces.

18] Tom Bower - 'The Paperclip Conspiracy' 1987 Paladin

19] After studying various accounts of the first sightings of 'Ghost Rocket' reports, I still remain un-convinced that any accurate data exists regarding the initial reports/date. However, for a much further insight into the early reports of this phenomenon, then 'ABOVE TOP SECRET' - Timothy Good - Sidgwick & Jackson 1987 is recommended reading.

20] The rocket industry of Germany was in the early stages of the divided into various sections (including Army and Luftwaffe units). However, based upon the real lack of interest shown by the OKW (German Armed Forces High Command), and the enthusiasm of independent rocket 'schools', it does seem likely that the centres were indeed scattered around Germany.

When hostilities started, various organisations were drafted into University's such as Vienna and all previous projects were taken over or monitored by such authorities - the results of the projects and future work, would be again tentatively 'housed' under no real direction - until early 1942.

21] It is well known today, that America in particular used the vast knowledge of many former German design plans for modification purposes (to help progress similar projects such as the flying wing and underwater boats [U-boats] ) and the continuation of such defunct programmes - i.e., the Lippisch DM-1. Most certainly the swept-back wing feature was unique in many ways, and captured German wind-tunnel test facilities were vital to both friendly western nations, and the Soviet Union.

Little has to be said about the scientific brilliance of the rocket personnel, suffice to say, America's NASA benefited enormously from German experience gained from the V - weapon programmes.

For further indications of the scale of this 'technology transfer' I recommend Tom Bower's carefully researched comments on the 'PAPERCLIP CONSPIRACY'.

22] Tom Bower - 'The Paperclip Conspiracy' 1987 - Paladin - Grafton Books, 8, Grafton Street, London, W1X 3LA, England.

23] 'Freed' nations such as Slovakia, Poland and virtually the entire 1988 Warsaw Pact league have remained under political and military control of Moscow. Formerly 'independent', many of these countries did house and construct vital '1939-1945' technology for Nazi Germany. An example of this is the vast BMW plant situated in Prague Czechoslovakia. Russia has been dominant in their strict guidance over military and political affairs of formerly free European nations.

However, political implications are overshadowed by the scale of industry, component facilities and military research centres held by the advancing Soviet forces. The spoils of Nazi Germany could have been an early reason for Russian refusal to withdraw to pre-1939 international boundaries.

24] The final Foo Fighter sightings came in the last months of the Second World war. In view of this most interesting fact, in terms of evaluation, one must therefore believe that only when Germany's fighting capabilities had ceased, did the reports end. It is most significant and revealing in my opinion.

25] By August, 1946, Swedish Government officials described the constant sightings of Ghost Rockets as, "extremely dangerous." Sweden asked both Great Britain and America for assistance. By this time the official Swedish Government investigation into the phenomenon had been in progression for many months. It was therefore a surprise to learn that Norway had already imposed a reporting ban and Sweden had introduced similar restrictions.

In October, 1946, the Swedish government released details of its official inquiry:

A) 80% of all sightings attributed to celestial phenomenon.

B) Radar had detected 200 objects "which cannot be the phenomenon of nature or products of the imagination, nor can be referred to as Swedish aeroplanes."

26] Based upon the content of the many good reports of Swedish Ghost rocket sightings, one can assume that we are dealing with a very real and physical structure.

The Swedish and Norwegian governments both revealed information (statements) which indicated the public were not 'seeing things'. Indeed, radar tracks made of the Ghost Rockets reveal much important data, including speed references and height factors. However, one should not limit oneself to the fact that the evidence is somewhat distorted. Quite often the rockets were tracked for many miles, and more importantly - photographed. Only when the serious nature of the situation became apparent, did the Scandinavian governments embark upon a **near total cover-up**. It is also my opinion that the **COLD WAR** had a great deal to do with this political decision.

Many researchers who negate the missile hypothesis on the grounds that the projectiles [German] (even allowing for the fact the twelve months had surpassed), could not have reached the speeds and the performance of those seen and reported/recorded over all the Northern countries of Europe. I find this somewhat strange, for in the late weeks of the Second World War, a project to launch a three stage rocket to hit New York from Germany was in progress. The speed attained by this rocket would have been around **6000 mph** - journey time would have been measured in minutes rather than hours. Presumably, the hurried research programmes of the Soviet Union could therefore have made sufficient progress in terms of performance and reliability.

27] Official Swedish Government figures. 1946/47

28] Unlike America and the Soviet Union, Britain was extremely slow to react to the potential of utilising captured German scientists in their own industry and military research areas. Incredibly, much of the slow-reaction was caused by the intense government fear of British trade unions complaining that German's were (or would) be occupying jobs which were extremely rare and difficult to come by. Months after America had already 'shipped' hundreds of former Nazi scientists into their country to begin work immediately on former German military and industrial projects, did Britain react. Unfortunately the U.K. was far too slow and in this respect, and was to receive only a limited amount of key scientists. In relation to British interest in the rocket projects of Nazi Germany, again only deep scepticism existed and the reaction time to acquire the rocket teams was slow.

The Soviet space programme benefited so much from the German wartime developments, that in the Russian 'RED FLEET' magazine - **12th October 1951**, made an announcement that the Soviet Union is planning to build a "moon rocket".

Of **2500 aeronautic experts** working in Germany during the war, by **1947**, **25%** were already conducting researches in Russia, **12%** in America, **8%** went to France and Britain had **acquired 1%**.

29] Directorate of United States intelligence - classified '**TOP SECRET**'.

30] The V-1 or 'Doodlebug' as it was 'affectionately' known in Britain was first born from three of Hitler's delayed rocket/jet programmes - Me 262, Me 163, and the anti-aircraft missile projectile known as Wasserfall (Waterfall - English terminology). Due to financial restrictions the project which were already advanced at the outbreak of the war, had been hit, and the fact that Hitler fully expected the war to be a short lived affair further delayed progress.

However, during this period, German engineers had managed to adapt the jet engines from the aircraft prototypes into a single pilotless aircraft which was intended to carry a one ton warhead. Production was only authorized after a successful test flight in December, 1942.

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33] American intelligence agencies, primarily military - at the beginning of the 'modern era' of UFO phenomenon, noted the relevance of pre-war German aviation developments and tried desperately to conjecture that these could have been progressed by the Soviets. Many pre - 1950 intelligence papers concerning the UFO phenomenon, and in our case, the Ghost Rockets, do serve notice that the German link cannot be ruled out.

34] According to government (British) agencies (Ministry of Defence) UFOs do not represent extraterrestrial objects, and state quite clearly, that most of the reports can be explained. Civilian researchers who issue answers to the same question, claim that between 90% and 95% are unexplainable. I would contend that given full resources and adequate monies, this second figure could be drastically reduced.

35] As revealed by both American Second World War pilots and in particular by returning Royal Air Force bomb crews who offered details of the unusual aeroforms.

36] I was informed that throughout the raids on Germany's industrial and weapons factories, intelligence de-briefs for the returning crews was extremely detailed and lengthy. No stone was left unturned. The stories of air pilots encountering unidentified flying objects or Foo Fighters were often believed to have heralded the beginning of a totally new concept of German airborne defences.

37] RAF 1941-47 Pathfinder Captain - who spoke of the extreme urgency that de-briefs often took. (see above reference)

38] British military papers 1946\*; details of several visits to Germany by British weaponry and industrial scientists did believe that the majority of Germany's top secret research facilities and construction departments had been secured by western nations.

\* Currently under investigation by author

39] Although the Soviet continuation of former Nazi rocket projects had begun almost immediately after the war had ended, the first 'official' test of a German rocket was made in 1946.

40] Official British government papers - Public Records Office, London

41] German designated code - 'MATTSCHEIBE'. This intricate system was designed to confuse and present an unusual and 'alien' environment for incoming allied bombers.

42] The system required a limited amount of cloud cover for effective use.

43] SS = Schutzstaffel.

44] The YOHUDI project - an American Army/Air Force counter play (deception) was a daylight operation designed only to confuse in daylight. [At this point in time I am only aware that 'YOHUDI' was operated during daylight hours. However, the system - if it was used at night, must have looked spectacular - with its hundreds of brilliant lights, and even more so if the target was an aircraft.]

Weather conditions which suited the play best, were noted as being overcast or light white clouds. However, regardless of these non-controlable factors, the relevant target did look highly unusual and was effective to the point of being confusing.

45] Northrop Aviation - B2 'Stealth' bomber. circa 1982

46] The German Horten IX and other flying wing type aircraft.

47] Certainly all the Horten and various other German all wing aircraft were successful for their unique style and potential. By early 1945, the jet variant (prototype) of the Horten IX had been test flown and many other Luftwaffe projects including Junkers, Lippisch, Blohm - Voss, Messerschmitt flying wing projects were all in part production. Luftwaffe research scientists had by now become aware that the slender all wing aircraft was very effective in terms of returning a weak radar signal.

That the Northrop B2 is now regarded as the ultimate aircraft - goes some way to help us evaluate the state of German aviation technology in 1945.

48] American Army/Air Force intelligence papers. circa 1948



### AUTHORS NOTE

That civilian UFO researchers today can comment upon various situations of war-torn Europe without a hefty concept of military and civilian reports regarding the many startling airborne sights which existed primarily from 1943 - 1948 in these areas is perplexing. Further to this statement one must really interject psychological aspects and physical situations - most certainly with 'Foo Fighter' reports and at least in part to the missiles which prevailed over Scandinavian countries.

According to many former RAF personnel whom I had the privilege to interview and correspond with over this subject, it appears that most regard the 'Foo Fighters' as conventional aircraft and weapons and mis-identification situations generated by various conditions such as fear, unusual cloud factors and both friendly and enemy night-time aircraft viewed under abnormal weather conditions.

This doesn't of course answer the intriguing question of whether or not certain private facilities under the guise of the Waffen SS scientific and technical laboratories had developed unique craft to perform the manoeuvres and interfere with the controls (radar) of bombing aircraft such as the Halifax's and Lancasters. However, one must believe that such a potential did exist, due to other weaponry already functioning and in the hands of the Nazi's.

However, I now offer a pilots version of entering Germany's airspace for a night bombing raid, the date is August, 1943, the target - BERLIN:

### On the Berlin Approach

"The first thing we have to do is fly through a wall of searchlights; they are in hundreds - in cones and in clusters. It's a wall of light, with very few breaks, and behind that wall is an even fiercer light, glowing red and green and blue. It is pretty obvious as we come through the searchlights cones that it is going to be hell over the target.

There is one comfort, and it has been a comfort to me all the time we have been going over, and that is that it is quite soundless; the roar of the engines drowns everything else. It is like running straight into the most gigantic display of soundless fireworks in the world."

That extract was taken from the diary of Sergeant Ferris Newton, a flight engineer in a Halifax bomber of 76 SQUADRON.

I am satisfied that the majority of 'Foo Fighter' reports however, emanated under those or similar conditions as reported by Newton. Yet Counter Intelligence and decoy targets also played an immense part in the horrifying games of war played over Germany skies. For example, Pathfinder Units of the RAF BOMBER COMMAND were under certain secret restrictions - and those restrictions were at times highly complicated. The PU's led the mass bombing raids over Germany, quite often it was these aircraft that took the brunt of the attack by the newly formed night fighter units of the Luftwaffe. And as the crews dropped their target flares coloured red and green to identify military facilities and industrial locations, the main thrust of attacking aircraft homed in to drop their payloads. However, in many cases, and as much as ten miles away, RAF confusion aircraft had simulated dummy attacks by dropping a variety of flares and bombs to try and confuse approaching night fighter aircraft which had been sent to intercept.

In most cases this did not work of course, but for the crews of the central bomb zone, they too were often confused, but given that they were under strict orders to follow the PU's, they never deviated.

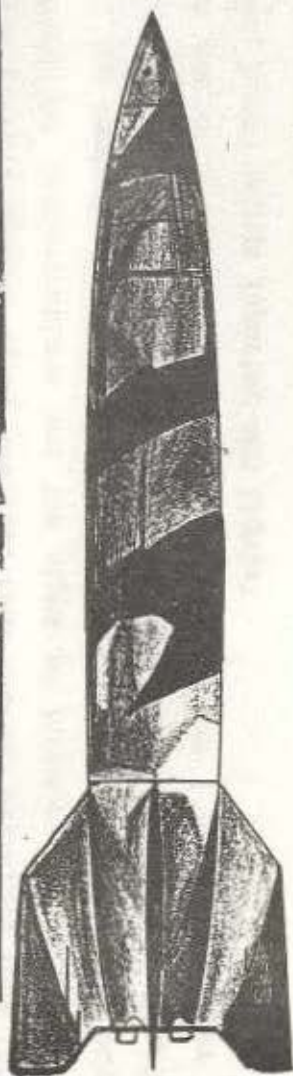
For the German night fighters it was a frightening affair. Often being guided to their targets by ground radar, they carried ultra-powerful headlights which on many occasions blinded bomb crews and caused much confusion as they dipped beneath the cloud layers for safety. However, after an attack, the night fighters released an array of brilliant 'hanging' flares so ground flak batteries could target their aim, and also assisted themselves if a second or third attack run was to be made.

In 1943, when the raids had become much more devastating, the Luftwaffe fitted a new invention to the Me 110 and other aircraft which were to defend the night skies over Germany. The weapon was code-named SCHRAGE MUSIK, and allowed the fighter to travel directly under the in-coming bombers and beneath the cloud level, yet to fire vertically using two cannons. And given that the RAF firmly believed that by attacking in bad weather, the bomb crews would find no airborne resistance, this new German weapon allowed the night fighter relative safety and would have both confused and caused terror. Hundreds of bombers were lost due to Schrage Musik.

That many (or most) of the pilots reported the 'Foo Fighters' ascending is not surprising to my mind. Already in this paper we have displayed many potentials, and one cannot end without mentioning the potential of FLAK.

As the bombers approached ground targets, radar had already made contact with the aircraft. In constant touch with hundreds of 'flak towers' in and around the ground targets, the gun batteries electronically guided, began to elevate to their final positions - following often unseen aircraft above cloud. The flak towers were usually ordered not to fire until the last few seconds, just in case the bombers (due to their not being fired upon) moved over significant facilities. Usually however the Pathfinders were spot-on, and dropped their recognition flares. Seconds later the flak from the gun batteries tore into the sky. Searchlight concentrations and the sight of hundreds of airborne flares signalled the beginning of a terrifying period, it was of course much worse on the ground. As aircraft fell from the sky and entire cities were alight, the scene was one of sheer devastation. Is it any wonder I ask, that under these conditions, human beings reported odd lights?

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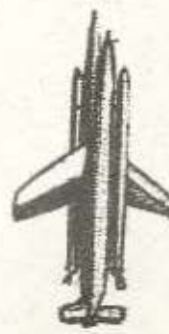
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- 1) A4. (V-2)
- 2) RHEINMETALL RHEINBOTE. ("RHINE MESSENGER")
- 3) C-2 WASSERFALL. ("WATERFALL")
- 4) RHEINTOCHTER R1. ("RHINE DAUGHTER")
- 5) HENSHEL HS 117 SCHMETTERLING. ("BUTTERFLY")

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