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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:22:24 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:05:30 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Rimmer

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 08:58:40 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>I have written many a UFO article, some have even been
>published. I have also written a few Sci-Fi (sorry Kevin we
>Brits prefer that term) stories which have never been published.

This particular 'Brit' very strongly dislikes both "Sci-Fi" and
"Brit". As the latter began as a derogatory term used by
republicans in Northern Ireland I regard as an offensive racial
epithet.

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John Rimmer
Magonia Magazine
www.magonia.demon.co.uk

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Rimmer

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 12:25:50 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:08:24 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Rimmer

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>I hadn't really planned to say anything about this, but what the
>hell, it's Saturday and the football game is over.

>>Source: Irondequoit Post, Rochester, N.Y.

>>http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dept_id=121573&rfi=6

<snip>

>Well, he's correct here. There is no documented explanation.

Kevin, List:

Not even any documented proof, like sneaked pixs, a stolen
Romulan communicator.

>But then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
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>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

An important observation. Why wouldn't the totality of UFO
phenomena be any different than any other human matter. There
are always a lot of greys, but not so many blacks and whites. A
wide range of human conditions and situations should be
present. Any theory which does not include this is clearly in
deep trouble.

I'm always doubtfull when somebody claims a simple explanation.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

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Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:09:41 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 08:58:40 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

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>Larry's writing partner is often Jerry Pournelle who
>also has a
>Phd.

Readers may recall Pournelle from the introduction to Pflock's
"Roswell."

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 14:05:25 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:16:17 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Mortellaro

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Good Evening, List, all -

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>>Friday 28 September, 2001

>>Aliens Among Us

>>Christine C. Fien/Messenger Post Staff
>>September 27, 2001

>>SUNY Brockport Professor Discusses The Alien Abduction Experience

>>Nearly one million Americans say they've had an alien abduction
>>experience.

<snip>

>>Hypnosis can create false memories, Appelle said, and abductees
>>don't go to a hypnotist out of the blue. They go because they
>>have "missing time" - sometimes hours they can't account for -
>>or suspect they may have been abducted.

>Or they have had vivid dreams and friends suggest they see
>someone, or they have experienced sleep paralysis and aren't
>sure what happened to them and friends suggest they see
>someone... Oh, yes, sleep paralysis doesn't count...

Dear Kevin, All, Errol,

You are missing a point, Kevin. Vivid dreams are distinguished by most if not all abductees. I've had very vivid dreams. However in my most sincere and accurate memory and knowledge, there is a very significant difference between any dream and the perceived abduction experience. Ask any abductee. This is most true of those of us who have had spontaneous or other recall. There is no doubt of the source of the recall, eh? No Jacobs or Hoppy to blame for planting our seeds.

>>While hypnosis may embellish the story, the core experience is
>>still there, Appelle said.

>And in some cases there is no core story as evidenced by those
>claiming horrific Vietnam combat and which they told under

>hypnosis with all the proper emotion, only to have their stories >exposed as untrue.

One never knows about truth. But you may single out many such stories. None of which impacts the truth of the abduction phenomenon. Each must be treated seperately. Besides, we who perceive ourselves to have had these experiences were largely not serving in Nam. Or had any traumatic experience with which to develope such trauma. In fact, it's the other way around. The experience produces our trauma.

>>Sleep-paralysis as an explanation to debunk abduction accounts >>also falls short, he said. During an occurrence of >>sleep-paralysis, people wake up feeling like they can't move, >>can't speak, and sometimes sense a disturbing presence in the >>room. The problem is, Appelle said, that this theory doesn't >>explain highway abductions. Sleep-paralysis experiences also >>tend to be very vague, while accounts of alien abductions are >>rich in detail, he said.

>And no one said that sleep paralysis explains all cases of >alien abduction, only that it explains some. Couple that to a >hypnotist who is poorly trained, and the rich detail can be >found.

Only too true.

>Some sleep paralysis experiences are quite detailed. I'm >confused as to why Dr. Appelle would say something like this, >unless the writer got part of the quote wrong.

>>Appelle said he is "open-minded" on the subject of abductions.

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Does this detract from those which are not? This is the heart of research is it not? To make the distinction. Listen, Kevin... I've not the heart to debate with anyone regarding the lameness of so many of the arguments against. Unless you've been there, it's nearly impossible to extrapolate. However I have one very stupid question. It must be very stupid, I can't for the life of me garner an answer.

Hasn't anyone used the sort of drugs on people like us, sodium pentathol or any of it's ilk to help determine truth? Shucks, I see it in the movies all the time. Must be truth, eh? I mean, it's on the screen... on the toob.... inn't?

Jim

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Clark

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Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:18:39 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Clark

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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I urge all interested listfolk to read Stuart Appelle's paper in
JUFGOS. It is the finest survey I've ever seen of the relative
strengths and weakness of all proposed explanations, mundane and
extraordinary, for the abduction phenomenon. The citation is:

"The Abduction Experience: A Critical Evaluation of Theory and
Evidence." Journal of UFO Studies (n.s., 6, 1995/1996): 29-78.

The issue is available from CUFGOS at 2457 West Peterson Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois 60659.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Bubbling Seas Can Sink Ships - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 19:04:49 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:20:39 -0400
Subject: Re: Bubbling Seas Can Sink Ships - Hall

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 04:45:03 +0100
>From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Bubbling Seas Can Sink Ships

>>Source: NewScientist

>><http://www.newscientist.com/news/news.jsp?id=ns99991350>

>Hello fellow Listerions,

>I don't mean to mock these important findings but I came to the
>same conclusion many years ago. Maybe I was drawn into
>scientific experimentation as a child in the 1950s by the
>inspiration of my mentor, "Mr. Wizard" on TV. Seeing the post
>below regarding bubbling left me feeling unusually weird and
>frisky tonight. I will slip on my ass in one of the lower
>recesses of my childhood memories. That was a low grade of humor
>that one may someday see in the future film "American Pie 3".

>As a kid I found the above out in my home laboratory, the
>bathtub. It was part of my study of UFOs - Unusual Flatulent
>Objects.

>It must have been one Thanksgiving when, in the water of the
>bathtub after dinner, I discovered that I was a mighty methane
>generator. It would emanate from me in frequent and uniformly
>large bubbles that would float up to the surface and be released
>to jump out of that open air into the free atmosphere. That
>phenomenon caused me to experiment to further discover its
>properties.

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Josh & List,

I have deleted most of the swamp gas rather than further pollute
the atmosphere. Surely this is some of the most important
research reported on this List recently. The bubble has finally
burst.

Dick

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Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 09:23:47 -0400
Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

The Drudge Report web site shows frames from a video reportedly taken 10 seconds after the second tower of the World Trade Center was struck on 9/11. It shows a dark object streaking downward at a shallow angle from the first tower, starting near the level of the impact. The frame sequence is at:

<http://www.drudgereport.com/flash91.htm>

It has been dismissed by some people as a bug or bird flying close to the video camera, but the first frame suggests otherwise. That frame shows the dark streak cut off abruptly at the edge of the building, as if the object is partially hidden by the tower itself. And the apparent size and speed of the object are such that it probably should have been visible against the building in the frame prior to its first appearance if it was between the building and the camera. That prior frame isn't shown on the Drudge web site, but is part of the movie sequence that can be downloaded from another web site:

<http://www.cyberspaceorbit.com/wtclx.gif>

This indicates that the object may have been behind the building, not in front of it. If so, an estimate can be made of its speed, assuming it was at the same distance from the camera as the WTC tower or greater (in fact, the object almost appears to have originated from within the tower). The width of the building is about 170 feet, according to the diagram at:

<http://webs.ii.ca/nalyd/skyscrapers/tallones.htm>

Using that width for the distance scale, a video frame rate of 60 per second, and the distance covered by the leading edge of the streak between the first and fourth frame, the speed would have been about 3,800 miles per hour, more than 5 times the speed of sound. This is, of course, too high a speed for the object to be a helicopter, although it is within the range of some military jets. Drudge says there were no witness reports of any military aircraft at the time, although maybe even a jet flying low at Mach 5 could go unnoticed in the chaos and terror.

A missile might be another possibility, although it seems to me that a missile would probably have impacted somewhere where it would have been discovered. I don't know whether or not the explosion itself could have propelled a large chunk of debris to that kind of speed, but I don't think so.

The provenance of this footage appears to be well established. It was taken by a news organization, not amateurs. The video clip originally was posted by Fox News at:

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,34238,00.html>

I haven't been able to get my browser to display it properly, though.

This may be something that one of the experts on the list (Bruce Maccabee?) should take a closer look at.

Lan Fleming

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Strange Lights - Again!

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:58:43 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:27:14 -0400
Subject: Strange Lights - Again!

Lights in the sky. Rosemarie and I moved upstate to a place where the trout streams flow and the air is nice. (From "Hurricane" by the Bard). The sky is also nice. I cannot recall being in such clear atmosphere in a long, long time. It was this way in the late forties and very early fifties in the Bronx, believe it or not. In those times I had seen the milky way on numerous occasions from my home on Wickham Avenue. And during a most splendid solar maximum, the Aurora Borealis. Truth.

It's the way it is up here. A few nights ago the Aurora came. Not the one in my garage. The one in the sky. It was weak for certain. But I saw it. And I see other things here too. Things I have already reported on UpDates but wish to report again, this time with further explanation. These things may have nothing to do with aliens from the planet Mongo. But these are Unidentified Flying Objects, notwithstanding.

First the description of the lights. 'Light' actually. One light. A dim star is what you see at first. At zenith. And one at about 45 degrees in the Southern sky. Just those two places. Hey, maybe the Air Farce is experimenting with swamp gas or something secret in them places. I dunno. But those are the only places I see this phenomenon. It is a paradox in truth because it cannot happen.

The light is a dim star. Not moving. I am drawn to that point in the night sky by whim or fancy or some strange need to just go out there and look up. It starts that way. When I was a kid I would feel this "high strangeness," grab my telescope and binocs and go out in the back yard. I would look straight up at zenith. I would see this dim star. Maybe four or so magnitude or less. Yeah, less. Star.

Then it starts moving. Erratically. Just the one star. Those near it are not moving. Just this one object. OK? So it ain't me eyes, Dudes and Dudesses. Because there are other stars nearby not moving. And it moves with or without averted vision. In fact, there were some occasions when with averted visions, I would see even dimmer objects doing the same thing. But never the stars in the neighborhood. And the displacement of this star in it's erratic movement, is usually no more than a few arc seconds or at most, a degree or so. Like the other night. Two or three degrees of arc. The little guys are brave and gettin' braver.

The movement is erratic. Starts, stops, moves this way and that. Zig-zag. Circular. Unbelievable, even in those days. Nothing we know moves like that. And never did I go back inside the house and ask someone to come out and witness it. I could not. Would not. Can't recall. Because the high strangeness prevented me from mentioning this to anyone. And usually, when this happened, something else would happen during the ensuing nights.

I digress. After looking at zenith and seeing this sight, I would next automatically, mechanically almost, go to the side of the house which faced South. I would look halfway up the sky from the horizon and sure enough. There it would be, moving just like the star at zenith. This one never was motionless. And that Southern sky, that Southern side of the house, is where my

bedroom faced. One of my bedrooms. I had several as I grew up. And it was at that window facing South from which the solid blue light came. That one.

For several nights now, after starting to smoke again (I had not touched cancer stix for 15 plus years) I decided to go outside to kill some cells in my lungs, when this feeling came over me again. High Strangeness. It is a combination of mixed up feelings. Among those which I can recognize are... Fear... Wonder... Anticipation... a little terror... and something I can only recognize and describe as a feeling of some past recognition. Something expected is going to happen. I started smoking the morning of 9/11.

The sky has been clear and crisp for the entire week we've been here. The six inch Cassegrain is busy getting to temperature. The five inch reflector is cooling down. The binocs are in the garage so they are not gonna fog at the wrong time.

I have to go outside. Rosemarie looks at me and asks what's wrong. I tell her, "I dunno. But I feel funny. Strange funny. Please, come out with me." I bundle her up. It's cold. She can't take cold or heat. Straight out the door and I say to her, before looking at the sky - on purpose - "Sweetheart, look straight up and tell me if you see anything unusual."

"She tells me there is a star, a very dim one, moving to and fro." She says it must be a... and stops. She doesn't know what it may be. I say, just describe it and she does. As I've seen it hundreds of times before, when I was young. Same description

"Do you feel anything at all, I mean, physically?"

"No."

I look up and there the sucker is. Moving like years ago. Oh shit. What now? I say, "Let's go back inside and go out the deck door and see if there is anything in that part of the sky." She hesitates. "What's the matter?"

"I do feel funny. I am afraid. I don't want to be out here anymore." We go back inside and I ask her to look at the Southern sky. It takes a few moments of cajoling. I promise her a night of ecstasy.

"Oh yeah? That's going to be a long distance piece of work." "Why?" "You're sleeping in the bathtub tonight. Last time you promised me ecstasy all I got was" I shall leave out the personal part. Ahem.

We go out back and it's the same thing about forty-five degrees up from zenith.

After a cup of Cafe' Barbera, I ask her to tell me if the other surrounding stars were moving and she explains that it was just those two.

Nothing has happened to us that we are aware. And I am always aware if something has happened. I get that "funny feeling" in the morning. The one I shoulda got the night before? No, not "that" funny feeling.

As a perceived abductee, I cannot explain this. Not a problem with the eyes. My next door neighbor came out this morning and told me she's seen me with the telescope. Invites me in for coffee. I bring Elio's fresh ground beans and her husband grovels at the aroma. There, in the kitchen, is a 9 inch folded Cassie, the one I've always lusted after. Does everything but jump up and down and spit wooden nickels. Built-in microprocessors do the work. I am drooling. I trade him TWO nights of my personal use of this wonder for 1/4 pound of Cafe' Barbera. I am almost out of this stuff and you may imagine, those of you who know me, how much this is costing me. I adore a good cup of Joe.

We talk, he tells me if I'd seen the crazy star this past week and describes what I've seen for years. He knows I am writing a book because I have no drapes in my office yet, and everyone can look inside and see me typing away day and night. Especially night with the lights on. We talk some more. He tells me "Did you know that the locksmith you are using was a student of

Imbroglia, and that he took the class out on UFO watching field trips in Mount Kisco in the 80's? I said I did. He told me. He asked me if I believed in UFO's and I said I did. Asked if I believed in the abduction experience and said, "Well, you may as well know. I do. I was. And I still likely am." I knew I could say that because he asked the question by using the exact phrase, "The Abduction Experience." Either he was Fill Class in drag or he was one. He was one. And he described the same thing happening to him as a child. His wife just looked at him like she was in a trance. I asked him if he would consider sharing his story with me, no names. He said yes to that. I now have another witness for the book. And his story is very similar to mine.

Maybe there is a reason for those funny stars. The ones acting like they were alive.

Maybe they are alive. Maybe there is something to all this other than strange coincidences and funny eye problems. I mean, here are two people, three actually if I count the man's wifey, who see the same thing. One of us can be lying or crazy. But when, out of a clear blue sky, some guy whips out, "Hey, have you seen that crazy star....." you know something is happening here, but you don't know what it is. Do you, Mr. Jones!?

Jim Mortellaro

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'Mechanical Alien' Drawings

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 22:16:44 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:39:50 -0400
Subject: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings

List,

I've read many accounts of "Gray" aliens being robots of some sort, and drew a couple pictures expounding on this idea just for the fun of it (actually I drew 'em a long time ago and just put them online tonight).

(I'm not an "experiencer" and these _aren't_ drawn from memory.)

They can be seen at:

<http://mactonnies.com/doodles.html>

--Mac

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Something Weird From Tennessee

From: **Kenny Young** <ufo@FUSE.NET>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 04:07:07 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:45:25 -0400
Subject: Something Weird From Tennessee

Enclosed is a strange report from Tennessee I received via email early this morning. I responded with a message asking for clarification of the word 'figure.' I could only imagine that his use of the word 'figure' was an effort to describe something difficult to put into words or might have been because of a regional dialect or something similar. I'll try to follow up on this Tennessee report.

KY

I am from Wartrace, TN and am a student at Tennessee Technological University. On Sunday, September 23, 2001, at about 7:30 pm, I was passing through the outskirts of Machester, TN on my way to TTU. I saw a glowing figure in the sky but didn't really think anything about it. It was already dark outside. As I approached the figure I noticed that it was moving or should I say floating. It was close enough to the ground to where I could make out what it looked like. I looked like a fireball that had a sort of "cap" on top. The "cap" was like a cone with the tip cut off, it was flattened out at the top. The "cap" fit on the fireball like figure. The UFO had a yellowish orange glow to it. I watched it float over my truck and out into a field and away until I couldn't see it anymore. It never really shot away really fast, just kept a constant, yet quick speed. I didn't understand it because people haven't pictured a figure like this one before (to my knowledge). I guess it could have been something else, but I have never seen anything like it. Sorry I reported it so late but I didn't know exactly what to do. Maybe you'll know what I should do or maybe you are just the one to tell. Let me know what you think about this or what you can find out. E'mail me back at jva0542@tnech.edu as soon as possible. Thanks for your time and understanding. Maybe you can bring me to a better understanding of what I saw.

Thanks again,

(name and email address deleted for privacy)

Dear (name deleted),

I am having trouble understanding your description and especially your use of the term 'figure' to describe this. For example: "the cap fit on the fireball like a figure" seems to have nothing that could make sense to me or illustrate an image workable from a basic framework to reference from. The word 'figure' as is commonly used might indicate arms, body and legs, such as "stick figure." Could you kindly help out with a clarification of this?

Thanks for taking the time to report this,

Kenny Young

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Friedman Back On Line

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 07:39:10 -0300
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:47:20 -0400
Subject: Friedman Back On Line

Errol:

My Email server (Brunnet.net) has finally made it back on line!
Down six days. So if anybody has been trying to reach me, I am
sorry, but apparently your messages were bounced.

Stan Friedman
fsphys@brunnet.net

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 14:13:24 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:49:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Hall

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 12:25:50 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>I hadn't really planned to say anything about this, but what the
>>hell, it's Saturday and the football game is over.

>>>Source: Irondequoit Post, Rochester, N.Y.

>>http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dept_id=121573&rfi=6

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>>Well, he's correct here. There is no documented explanation.

>Kevin, List:

>Not even any documented proof, like sneaked pixs, a stolen
>Romulan communicator.

>>But then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
>>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

>>And, I've never understood why we all say that 90% of the UFO
>>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

>An important observation. Why wouldn't the totality of UFO
>phenomena be any different than any other human matter. There
>are always a lot of greys, but not so many blacks and whites. A
>wide range of human conditions and situations should be
>present. Any theory which does not include this is clearly in
>deep trouble.

>I'm always doubtfull when somebody claims a simple explanation.

>Clear skies,

>Bob Young

Bob,

You mean simple explanations like "swamp gas," "ball lightning,"
"fireballs?"

Dick

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Re: Atom Experiment Brings Teleportation Closer -

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:18:26 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 10:59:01 -0400
Subject: Re: Atom Experiment Brings Teleportation Closer -

>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 07:21:07 -0400
>To: "- UFO UpDates Subscribers -";
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Atom Experiment Brings Teleportation Closer

>Source: Japan Today

><http://www.japantoday.com/e/?content=news&cat=8&id=87339>

>Atom Experiment Brings Teleportation Closer

>Reuters-- Thursday, September 27, 2001 at 09:30 JST LONDON
>Physicists in Denmark have made two samples of trillions of
>atoms interact at a distance in an experiment which may bring
>"Star Trek"-style teleportation and rapid quantum computing
>closer to reality.

>Eugene Polzik and his colleagues at the University of Aarhus are
>not about to beam anyone up to the Starship Enterprise, but
>their research reported in the science journal Nature on
>Wednesday makes the idea of instantly transporting an object
>from one place to another less far fetched.

Hi All,

The article goes on to say:

>It involves quantum entanglement ÷ a mysterious concept of
>entwining two or more particles without physical contact. Albert
>Einstein once described it as "spooky action at a distance."

Gee, I wonder if a civilization that is maybe older and more
scientifically advanced could figure out a way to develop
technology that would take advantage of the principle expressed
in the above and allow them to pass through solid objects!
<VBEG>(Like walls, ceilings, closed doors, closed windows,
etc.etc.etc.)

Seems like the more we learn, the less 'far fetched' some of the
details reported by abductees become. ;) Sure, we're a long way
from taking technological advantage of findings like the one
above, but maybe it isn't beyond the science of a race capable
of creating machines that demonstrate the abilities/behaviors
that UFOs do.

Regards,

John Velez

A.I.C. - Abduction Information Center
www.spacelab.net/~jvif/default.htm
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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:38:13 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:01:19 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Salvaille

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:28:57 -0500

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>I urge all interested listfolk to read Stuart Appelle's paper in
>JUFGOS. It is the finest survey I've ever seen of the relative
>strengths and weakness of all proposed explanations, mundane and
>extraordinary, for the abduction phenomenon. The citation is:

>"The Abduction Experience: A Critical Evaluation of Theory and
>Evidence." Journal of UFO Studies (n.s., 6, 1995/1996): 29-78.

>The issue is available from CUFGOS at 2457 West Peterson Avenue,
>Chicago, Illinois 60659.

<snip>

Jerry and List,

The article is also online at:

<http://www.spacelab.net/~jvif/appelle1.htm>

This is John Velez' web site.

Serge

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:39:05 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:03:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

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>Drudge says there were no witness reports of any military aircraft
>at the time, although maybe even a jet flying low at Mach 5 could
>go unnoticed in the chaos and terror.

There was no chaos and terror prior to the approach of this
hypothetical "Mach 5" military jet. In fact, maybe there wasn't
any airliner crashes at all, but tens of thousands of windows
just broken by the sound.

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><http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,34238,00.html>

This validates it? Oh, Lordy

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Young

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:45:41 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:05:39 -0400
Subject: Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Young

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:58:43 EDT
>Subject: Strange Lights - Again!
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>seconds or at most, a degree or so. Like the other night. Two or
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>braver.

Hi, Jim:

Sounds like autokinetic motion of the eye muscles. I can see it in the planetarium, too. Pick out any known star, bright enough or low in the sky so that there aren't any nearby references and you'll see it. I have a little experiment in the planetarium when I turn out all lights and "stars", except for a small reostat bulb. Within seconds the kids see it "moving". This is identical to the classic experiment done with a dim red light in a darkened room in the 1920's which documented this phenomenon.

Sounds like you are appreciating the beautiful night sky. Keep looking up.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:57:16 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:14:41 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Velez

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Good Evening, List, all -

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>><http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dep> >t_id=121573&rfi=6

>>Friday 28 September, 2001

>>Aliens Among Us

>>Christine C. Fien/Messenger Post Staff
>>September 27, 2001

>>SUNY Brockport Professor Discusses The Alien Abduction Experience

Hello Mr. Randle, hi All,

Kevin writes (out of boredom because there's not much to do in the mid-west on a Saturday night unless you want to get drunk or go cow tipping.....)

>>Nearly one million Americans say they've had an alien abduction
>>experience.

>So, where did this number come from? Did the writer make it up,
>did Dr. Appelle, or have we now gotten away from the 5 million
>figure that came out of the first roper Poll...

Maybe he used figures from the same "poll" that you and Mr. Estes got your (published) statistic that almost 50% of abductees are gay! I asked you the same question, "Where did this number come from?" when you published your equally 'questionable' statistic.

>>Hypnosis can create false memories, Appelle said, and abductees
>>don't go to a hypnotist out of the blue. They go because they
>>have "missing time" - sometimes hours they can't account for -
>>or suspect they may have been abducted.

>Or they have had vivid dreams and friends suggest they see
>someone, or they have experienced sleep paralysis and aren't
>sure what happened to them and friends suggest they see
>someone... Oh, yes, sleep paralysis doesn't count...

For a tough guy who served time in the military you have a real penchant for going after the 'easy meat'. I'm still waiting for you to acknowledge that abduction cases involving (waking state) fully conscious encounters cannot be explained by "sleep paralysis" or any of the other simplistic explanations that you are always holding 'out front' like a bar-b-que chef protecting himself from grease spatter with a cotton apron.

>>While hypnosis may embellish the story, the core experience is
>>still there, Appelle said.

>And in some cases there is no core story as evidenced by those
>claiming horrific Vietnam combat and which they told under
>hypnosis with all the proper emotion, only to have their stories
>exposed as untrue.

So what about the ones that are true Kevin? Or, is it a simple case of all abductees are lying? That thousands of ordinary family folk worldwide have suddenly become deranged to the point where they are collectively telling elaborate lies about contact with alien beings. And the same elaborate lie yet! Give us a break please.

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>found.

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>confused as to why Dr. Appelle would say something like this,
>unless the writer got part of the quote wrong.

Hmmm, you mean like those guys out in the mid-west that claim that half of those who report UFO abductions are homosexuals?

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>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

True. Which also means that if even one abductee out of all the many thousands reporting are telling the truth; then we're all in very deep poo-doo. But you keep ignoring that fact in favor of tackling the 'easily explained' reports. Aiming low, and only at the weak sisters seems to be your preferred approach. After you've taken down the weak ones, you can then surround the healthier, stronger ones and take them down by sheer force of numbers eh? You're a pip.

Or, maybe your intentions are noble and you seek to eliminate the easily explained cases so that you can then defend the strong cases and hold them up as examples of a genuine mystery.

But 'somehow' I doubt the latter.

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>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

Could be caused by repeated anal penetration according to your statistics.

Hey Kevin, if it's so 'boring' on a Saturday night where you are, so much so that it causes you to 'mess with the abductees on the UpDates List' for entertainment; you ought to consider moving here to New York! In spite of the disaster, we have a rich cultural and entertainment industry that is ever at the ready to wipe away your boredom.

Regards from the Heart of Humanity, and the center of the cultural world, New York.

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Karr

From: Nancy Karr <karr@home.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:03:09 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:17:57 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Karr

Hello Mac,

Thanks for sharing your drawings...

...I thought you might be interested in the two types that I have run into: ones that I call Barbie and Ken dolls.

They have almost mask like faces and are all built the same in stature. They are always smiling very broadly no matter what is going on.

The other type looks like a metal man, it was huge, strong and had weapons available in it. All you can do is run...

I usually see them set on a target. It's like they come in and focus on an individual, capture or kill and then return it home. They very rarely miss their target and can jump through rips in time which makes for a grand chase.

I've never seen one that actually looks like a grey.

BTW.. I was wondering if anyone knew of a good, trustworthy email support group for experiencers?

I've been trying to find one but have not had that much luck. thanks in advance

Nancy

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 22:16:44 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings
>To: UfoUpdates <ufoupdates@home.com>
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Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:33:40 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 00:29:28 -0400
Subject: Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Mortellaro

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:45:41 EDT
>Subject: Re: Strange Lights - Again!
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:58:43 EDT
>>Subject: Strange Lights - Again!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>>Then it starts moving. Erratically. Just the one star. Those
>>near it are not moving. Just this one object. OK? So it ain't me
>>eyes, Dudes and Dudesses. Because there are other stars nearby
>>not moving. And it moves with or without averted vision. In
>>fact, there were some occasions when with averted visions, I
>>would see even dimmer objects doing the same thing. But never
>>the stars in the neighborhood. And the displacement of this star
>>in it's erratic movement, is usually no more than a few arc
>>seconds or at most, a degree or so. Like the other night. Two or
>>three degrees of arc. The little guys are brave and gettin'
>>braver.

>Hi, Jim:

>Sounds like autokinetic motion of the eye muscles. I can see it
>in the planetarium, too. Pick out any known star, bright enough
>or low in the sky so that there aren't any nearby references and
>you'll see it. I have a little experiment in the planetarium
>when I turn out all lights and "stars", except for a small
>reostat bulb. Within seconds the kids see it "moving". This is
>identical to the classic experiment dome with a dim red light in
>a darkened room in the 1920's which documented this phenomenon.

Yeah. I sat in a NASA darkroom at Goddard Spaceflight Center in
Greenbelt, Md. for eons, looking at simulacrum of stars,
zillions of stars. Not one of them moved. Wierd, huh? Read on
McTuff.

>Sounds like you are appreciating the beautiful night sky. Keep
>looking up.

I've been looking at stars since I was a little Gesundt. Always
had an interest in Astronomy. Taught it at Adelphi years back.
Lectured and gave more time to the glass than you'll ever see in
your mirrors. It _ain't_ autokinetic eye movement. Reference the
reference below.

>Clear skies,

Read it again, Young Bob. You are not paying attention to
detail. There are references. The nearby stars. Some, right in
the circle of movement of the object. Sheesh. Proves my theory
that some folks don't see what you see but what they want you to
see, so they keep telling you, you see what you don't see but in
reality you see what you do see and you don't see what they want
you see.

See?

Uh, that was autokinetic mouth movement.

Morty

PS: I can prove it wasn't autokinetic eye muscle movement.
I have no eye muscles! Hah! Too much Grip!

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Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:40:35 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 00:31:25 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Mortellaro

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 22:16:44 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings
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>sort, and drew a couple pictures expounding on this idea just
>for the fun of it (actually I drew 'em a long time ago and just
>put them online tonight).

>(I'm not an "experiencer" and these _aren't_ drawn from memory.)

>They can be seen at:

><http://mactonnies.com/doodles.html>

>--Mac

Dear Mac, List, Errol,

First and foremost, thank you for sharing. I enjoyed your cocka
doodle doos. Seriously. It's fun stuff.

Second, and more important... I have a major observation to
make.

Just when was it that you met my inlaws?

Jim Mortellaro

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:41:52 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 00:34:30 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Randle

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 14:05:25 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Good Evening, List, all -

>>I hadn't really planned to say anything about this, but what the hell,
>>it's Saturday and the football game is over.

>>>Source: Irondequoit Post, Rochester, N.Y.

>>><http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dep>>t_id=121573&rfi=6

>>>Friday 28 September, 2001

>>>Aliens Among Us

>>>Christine C. Fien/Messenger Post Staff
>>>September 27, 2001

>>>SUNY Brockport Professor Discusses The Alien Abduction Experience

>>>Nearly one million Americans say they've had an alien abduction
>>>experience.

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>>>Hypnosis can create false memories, Appelle said, and abductees
>>>don't go to a hypnotist out of the blue. They go because they
>>>have "missing time" - sometimes hours they can't account for -
>>>or suspect they may have been abducted.

>>Or they have had vivid dreams and friends suggest they see
>>someone, or they have experienced sleep paralysis and aren't
>>sure what happened to them and friends suggest they see
>>someone... Oh, yes, sleep paralysis doesn't count...

>Dear Kevin, All, Errol,

>You are missing a point, Kevin. Vivid dreams are distinguished
>by most if not all abductees. I've had very vivid dreams.
>However in my most sincere and accurate memory and knowledge,
>there is a very significant difference between any dream and
>the perceived abduction experience. Ask any abductee. This is
>most true of those of us who have had spontaneous or other
>recall. There is no doubt of the source of the recall, eh? No
>Jacobs or Hoppy to blame for planting our seeds.

No, I haven't missed the point. Dr. Appelle had asked for the ways people arrived at the idea that they had been abducted and I suggested, based on what Leah Haley had said about the way she came to the conclusion she had been abducted that her first recall was in the form of a very vivid dream. That does not mean that everyone else fell into that category, it just suggests another way that people enter into the abduction arena.

>>>While hypnosis may embellish the story, the core experience is still there, Appelle said.

>>And in some cases there is no core story as evidenced by those claiming horrific Vietnam combat and which they told under hypnosis with all the proper emotion, only to have their stories exposed as untrue.

>One never knows about truth. But you may single out many such stories. None of which impacts the truth of the abduction phenomenon. Each must be treated separately. Besides, we who perceive ourselves to have had these experiences were largely not serving in Nam. Or had any traumatic experience with which to develop such trauma. In fact, it's the other way around. The experience produces our trauma.

I was suggesting that Dr. Appelle's suggestion that even if there is hypnotic embellishment that the core experience is true is not necessarily an accurate statement. I used the example of those claiming horrific combat in Vietnam only because we have records that can be checked. If you say you were in Vietnam and exposed to combat, we can check the accuracy of those statements. Many of those with the most horrific stories were not in combat or even in Vietnam.

I could have used Satanic Ritual Abuse as well. These stories are told under hypnosis with all the "proper" emotions and yet, when many of the details are checked, they do not corroborate the "core" belief or core story. I was suggesting here that the core story might not be there and we need to check, as best we can, for that core report.

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>Does this detract from those which are not? This is the heart of research is it not? To make the distinction. Listen, Kevin...

>I've not the heart to debate with anyone regarding the lameness
>of so many of the arguments against. Unless you've been there,
>it's nearly impossible to extrapolate. However I have one very
>stupid question. It must be very stupid, I can't for the life of
>me garner an answer.

>Hasn't anyone used the sort of drugs on people like us, sodium
>pentathol or any of it's ilk to help determine truth? Shucks, I
>see it in the movies all the time. Must be truth, eh? I mean,
>it's on the screen... on the toob.... inn't?

There is a good reason why such an experiment had not been
conducted in wide spread fashion... A licensed medical doctor
would need to be involved to administer the drug. And, the
subject would need to sign an informed consent.

However, the experiment has been conducted and the results were
interesting. Under hypnosis, the subjects suggested reports of
alien abduction that mirror those reports made by others. Under
the influence of the drug there was no accompanying memories of
abduction. The difference here, as I see it, is that under the
hypnosis we believe the subject is in an altered state but can't
really prove it. Under the influence of the drug, we know the
altered state exists.

And for those interested in numbers, the experiment was
conducted with only a few people because of the medical and
legal considerations. This is not something that can be done
lightly and must be monitored by a medical doctor.

KRandle

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 00:36:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Sandow

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:28:57 -0500

>I urge all interested listfolk to read Stuart Appelle's paper in
>JUFGOS. It is the finest survey I've ever seen of the relative
>strengths and weakness of all proposed explanations, mundane and
>extraordinary, for the abduction phenomenon. The citation is:

>"The Abduction Experience: A Critical Evaluation of Theory and
>Evidence." Journal of UFO Studies (n.s., 6, 1995/1996): 29-78.

>The issue is available from CUFOS at 2457 West Peterson Avenue,
>Chicago, Illinois 60659.

I agree. Appelle's paper is still the most important discussion
of the abduction evidence. It's not very comforting either to
believers or skeptics.

Greg Sandow

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Leeds Conference Review

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Subject: Leeds Conference Review

Review of 20th Leeds International UFO Conference
Leeds University - 21 to 23 September 2001
By Anthony Chippendale

Introduction

Every year for the past 20 years UFO Magazine UK has held a UFO conference in Leeds, England. This year's conference was, in my opinion, the best yet! It was a total sell-out and the lecturer's that UFO Magazine editor Graham Birdsall lined up for us were great! They included Budd Hopkins, Dr John Mack, Nick Pope, Georgina Bruni and more! It all kicked off at 7pm on the Friday...

Friday Evening

Although the conference wasn't due to start until 7pm I was there at bang on 6pm when the doors opened. As soon as I walked in, I grabbed my first of many bargains that weekend! Sat at a little desk amongst many piles of books was researcher Alan F Alford and he was flogging off his personal stock of his books at only £5 each! Normal selling price for these (they were hardbacks) is £20 each! I grabbed a copy of each of them, which he duly signed for me. They were: Gods of the New Millennium, The Phoenix Solution and When the Gods Came Down. I can't wait to read them!

In previous years the Friday evening has been dominated by the showing of video footage of recent UFO sightings, this year, however, as many people could not attend the Saturday and Sunday as tickets had sold out, they gave each of the weekend's speaker fifteen minutes at the lectern to give a short talk about what their lectures, during the weekend, would be about.

First up were Nick Pope and his abductee friend Brigette Grant. Now, for as long as I've been attending the Leeds conference (this was my 4th conference), Brigette has "tagged along" with Nick, but no one has ever known who she was.... I actually thought she was his girlfriend! But this weekend we got to know the truth.... she is an abductee, with a very interesting tale of a lifetime of experiences with UFOs and the paranormal.

Next up was Dr John Mack, the Harvard psychiatrist who believes abductions are real, followed by New York researcher Budd Hopkins. They both give a quick ten-minute overview of what they were going to be talking about in their lectures the following day.

After a thirty-minute interval during which I picked up a copy of the new October 2001 issue of UFO Magazine and a copy of the double video "What Happened on the Moon?" Georgina Bruni, author of Rendlesham Forest book "You can't tell the People" gave us a quick introduction to the new MOD files on Rendlesham Forest, which she was going to be elaborating on in her lecture.

After Georgina came Mexican researcher Santiago Yturria Garza who gave us a brief introduction and promised us that during his Sunday afternoon presentation we would be seeing some amazing new film footage from Mexico.

Finally, UFO Magazine's own Russel Callaghan showed us some interesting new UFO footage, which he would be expanding on, on Sunday.

During the evening Graham Birdsall had one little surprise for us, from behind the thick black curtain came Canadian Martyn Stubbs who was instrumental in bringing the "secret NASA transmissions" to the world. Martyn is very ill with a brain tumour and received a very warm welcome from the audience.

Saturday

Saturday morning, on arriving at the conference auditorium I found my second bargain of the weekend! This time, Nick Redfern, British researcher, had a stall of all his old books and magazines. He is currently making a permanent move to Texas to live with his new girlfriend, who may even become his wife. So, he was flogging off all these old paperback books at only £1 each! I grabbed nine of them... they are old 1970s books on Atlantis, Bermuda Triangle and a couple of UFO ones. They are Classics and have been out of print for decades. It was a great find! Cheers Nick!

First up after some introductions from Graham Birdsall was a one-minute silence in memory of the victims of the tragic 11 September terrorist attacks. During the minute they played some footage of still pictures of the World Trade Centre. It was a very moving display.

Following the one minute silence they played a short five minute video called "A Year in Profile" showing a few new UFO clips that have emerged and reviews of bits of UFO news that have occurred since the last conference a year ago.

The first speaker of the day, Dr John Mack, came next. Dr Mack is a psychiatrist at Harvard University and a winner of the much sought-after "Pulitzer Prize". He has written two books on the subject of alien abduction titled "Abduction" and "Passport to the Cosmos". He told us of how when he announced that he believed that aliens were abducting people; he came under investigation and close scrutiny from Harvard University. He also briefly discussed his views on abductions and then took some questions from the audience:

Q: Are there any similarities between the types of people abducted?

A: No, they come from all socio-economic groups.

Q: Can we hear of any positive or constructive encounters?

A: Yes, a common experience during abductions is the abductees been told about how we were destroying the world, pollution etc. Experiencers would be less negative if the worldview of abductions wasn't so much negative.

Q: What is your view on "channelled" information?

A: Not everything that is channelled is true and not everything that is true is channelled.

Following the one-hour luncheon interval, Graham Birdsall introduced two special visitors who had made the long journey all the way from S Korea to be with us at the conference!

First up in the afternoon was MOD (Ministry of Defence) employee and UFO book author Nick Pope and alleged abductee Brigette Grant. Instead of the usual lecture from the lectern, Nick and Brigette took a seat on some armchairs and Nick conducted a sort-of "interview" of Brigette, during which she recounted the various paranormal experiences that she experienced while she was growing up including several ghost and "fairy" sightings. These paranormal experiences culminated with an impressive UFO sightings and abduction in 1993 in Los Angeles, California, where she was living at the time, although she now lives in England.

Immediately following Nick and Brigette, Graham Birdsall, for the benefit of those who were absent on the Friday night, once again brought Martyn Stubbs out from behind the curtain! The

audience showed their appreciation for his attendance with a massive ovation of applause.

Following that it was the turn of Rendlesham Forest investigator and author of Rendlesham book "You can't tell the People", Georgina Bruni. Georgina's lecture cantered on a review of some new evidence, which has recently come to light, including the release of new MOD documents about the incident. These new documents are stamped "S/R 2025" which means they were not scheduled to be reviewed again until the year 2025. This indicates that the documents were recently given an early review and release by someone within the UK government or MOD. She also revealed that there are now five new written statements by USAF personnel confirming that the incident did occur as reported. These new witnesses confirm that they saw alien "humanoids" inside the craft, which allegedly landed in Rendlesham Forest. Georgina also announced that following extensive research she has discovered that UFOs landed in the forest in the late 1800s and even in the 1600s!! She is currently researching this for more information.

The last speaker of the day was New York abduction researcher Budd Hopkins. His presentation centred on a review of the 1989 Linda Cortile abduction. He showed us some photographs and x-rays of an object that was discovered in her nose. He also said that he is in contact with some of the secret service officers who allegedly witnessed Linda being floated out of her apartment window.

Sunday

First up on Sunday morning was the executive director of NARCAP (National Aviation Reporting Center on Anomalous Phenomena). His presentation focused on the risk posed to aircraft by UAPs (Unidentified Aerial Phenomena). Unfortunately, a lot of his presentation, which was based on a slide show, was a run-down of some statistics relating to UAP sightings and near air misses. He made the important point of "Primary issue should be aviation safety, not the probability of occurrence". He also told us of how there have been some sightings of UAPs "orbiting" aircraft! Which is very intriguing!

Following on from Ted Roe, he took a seat on the armchairs along with former British Airways pilot Graham Shepherd and pilot Malcolm Smith along with friend/researcher David Cayton. They took several questions from the audience and they also discussed the recent World Trade Center disaster. Graham Shepherd made the important statement "There is no way to prevent a catastrophic event from occurring on an aircraft event." and "All the new security measures are purely cosmetic.". Private pilot Malcolm Smith briefly told us of his 1997 sighting which involved a large "shadow" which appeared over his aircraft.

Following the luncheon interval, UFO Magazine editor and conference organiser Graham Birdsall took to the lectern and gave a presentation entitled "Origins". Although his presentation, which was about the links between SETI and the Vatican and their researcher into Ufology, was interesting, there was little new information, a lot of it was "old stuff" that he has already spoken about in the magazine and at previous conferences. Nevertheless, it was interesting stuff and it was nice to hear it all put together in a nice presentation. He also made the statement that he believes we have had technological "help along the way" from an ET source.

Straight after Graham came UFO Magazine's website manager and film specialist Russel Callaghan who showed us some impressive film footage of UFOs around England. He also discussed the claim made in the UK press earlier this year that a woman had been paid £20,000 for some UFO footage, he dismisses it as "crap"! One interesting piece of footage was shot from a police helicopter in Brighton and it shows a cylindrical object flying near the helicopter, it was certainly an impressive piece of footage which once again affirms my view that ET is visiting us!

Graham and Russell then took a seat on the armchairs with Martyn Stubbs who came out from behind the curtain for a chat with us. He told of how he had been making more progress with research into the "secret NASA transmissions" and he also told of how this could be his last visit to the UK due to the seriousness of his malignant brain tumour. I have to say that I could tell that

he was ill.

The final speaker of the day and of the conference was Mexican researcher Santiago Yturria Garza who I thought was a great guy!! His presentation was basically an hour-long movie of UFO footage/pictures, which he cleverly narrated over. The footage included classic Mexican footage of swarms of UFOs including some spheres, but the most interesting was that of "humanoids" in the air. The footage wasn't 100% clear but you could easily make out these strange humanoid figures just "floating" in the sky. I won't say anymore about it because I have my doubts about its authenticity and I don't want to comment on it!!

Conclusion

In conclusion... I would just like to say a big thank you to Graham Birdsall and his team at UFO Magazine (UK) for putting together a great conference. This year's conference was the best so far with good audience participation and some very interesting lectures and topics discussed.

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When you are true to yourself and open your heart and mind, the possibilities are endless.

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Clark

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:24:41 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:04:39 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Clark

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:22:24 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 08:58:40 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

John,

>>I have written many a UFO article, some have even been
>>published. I have also written a few Sci-Fi (sorry Kevin we
>>Brits prefer that term) stories which have never been published.

>This particular 'Brit' very strongly dislikes both "Sci-Fi" and
>"Brit". As the latter began as a derogatory term used by
>republicans in Northern Ireland I regard as an offensive racial
>epithet.

In deference to you, and of course speaking (well, actually
typing) strictly for myself and not for Sean, I will not use
"Brit" in any further posting.

But really, it should be no more offensive than "Yank" for
American (which doesn't offend any American of my acquaintance,
though I know it began as a term of ridicule used by British
troops during the, er, misunderstanding between our two
societies in the latter 18th Century), and it certainly is not a
"racial" epithet, Churchillian rhetorical flourishes about the
British "race" aside.

I suppose I should add that I speak -- er, type -- as a lifelong
Anglophile.

Jerry Clark

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On Much Maligned Fresh Pairs of Dimes

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 13:08:55 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:08:21 -0400
Subject: On Much Maligned Fresh Pairs of Dimes

Take me as I am or let me go. It's a song. Dylan sang it although I don't know if he writ it. Seems to me that people as a rule, don't do that. Most especially when it comes to such impossible beliefs, beliefs which decimate the "accepted" paradigm(s). Take as an example the germ. The lowly germ. In 1850 you really couldn't see the little sucker. But there was evidence of such a creature. A bug. Those who embraced this theory as being fact were literally peed on by their peers.

Another example. Take the issue of Alien Abduction. Laugh, laugh laugh. Up your sleeve, down your textbook, etc. I hope Lara doesn't mind my repeating this here, but the words ring true to me. She writes:

QUOTING:

"Hello,

Yesterday I sent a letter to CSICOP which spells a horrifying end to public opinion on so - called "expert" fundamentalist sceptics, who want us to believe that all things have been discovered and that the impossible can be made possible...

I told them that after sixty years, it was too late for the American Scientific Community to prevent negative public opinion, and that as a result, scientists who will in the future come to deny the UFO - coverup, the Holocaust and simular crimes against humanity, may be expelled from respected science - research organizations....

Knowing that I may sound too judgemental, it is a declaration of war against any person on the planet who cannot disprove subjects that so far have been claimed easy to be disproven by some other people, the majority of whom suffer from self - deception, grandiose ideas, and the like...

We want to believe that we are alone, but the sorry fact, is that this belief is generally considered no longer neccesary. Today, about 10 years ago a UFO book was published which said that for everuY UFO sceptic there are at least 10 UFO - believers..

Some of the things mentioned above were not said directly to CSICOP, but put in the form of a hidden message to the American scientific community, that it has lost in the UFO - debate....

Please put this forward on everybody on your lists.....

I can put you responses from CSICOP in the future....

matrixs@mi.is"

END QUOTE

My, my. Not too bad, Gutsy Lady. Well, I said you was high classed. And that was not a lie. (Sorry Bob, Elvis had it this time). Young Bob, take note. Disregard your (possible) disregard for the lady, and put her words in your mind. What's left of it after alien bashing so long you likely wore out more cells than

I have with my Gripple. This attitude of disbelief, of unbelief to something unusual, something new, counter to extant pairs of dimes - has been ongoing since men began thinking.

Happens every time some dimbulb thinks up something which is impossible to apply to the prevailing winds of hot paradigm air. Make that "stale" paradigm air. "Can't happen... impossible... no proof... where's the beef?..... Show me a rudder from one a them saucer thingies."

Eventually, ultimately, those old beliefs did not prevail. And most of us who perceive what we do, will. Whatever the cause, something is happening. It's just that we don't really know what it is. I don't. And dammit... neither do ANY of you!

Perhaps the problem is that we, the abductees, say it as if it were fact that we've been probed up our whatsis's and beamed aboard some flying gizmoid in the sky. Maybe we should just say... uh ... nah... never mind. That won't float needer. Truth is, I don't know what happens to me. It's just that what I perceive happens is so real, fraught with the emoticons of my very being, the physical sensations, the terror and the post trauma effects, that to believe anything but what I perceive is more insane than some of you guys think I am to believe it.

I know that I am going to draw lots of fire on this, on and off List, but I don't care. Never did care much for what people think or I would not have come out of my closet. You know, it may have been kinda lonely in there, but it was nice and comfy. Safe. Yeah.

I digress. I am inclined to study that portion of this phenomenon, which may be the guilty party. The spiritual element. That this phenom may be related to some spiritual paradigm, is beginning to sound more interesting. Ghosts and goblins? Maybe. I read in the NY Times (so it MUST be so) that in the City of New York, there have been numerous cases of people being inhabited by bad spirits. Too true. Only the spirits turned out NOT to be evil spirits, but the spirits of the dead.

Sounds interesting.

But then, so does a shot of DandyGrabrandy. Our newest creation. Freshly made Brandy from the vines of wines, stepped on by inebriants from the streets of Canal, critters and all. In fact, much like that Mexican brew with the Tequilla worm, DandyGrabrandy has all of our critters in colliodal suspension. Like milk. Never clear, never aged. Instant inebriation. Mouton LaFeet Du Rothchild, eat your hearts out.

Jim Mortellaro

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Young

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 15:39:43 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:10:29 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Young

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 14:13:24 +0000

>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 12:25:50 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<snip>

>>>But then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>>>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>>>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
>>>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>>>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

>>>And, I've never understood why we all say that 90% of the UFO
>>>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>>>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>>>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

>>I'm always doubtfull when somebody claims a simple explanation.

> You mean simple explanations like "swamp gas," "ball lightning,"
> "fireballs?"

Dick:

No, I probably could have said "Singular Explanations", which in
the case of this human phenomenon are much less likely than
Multiple Explanations. Or do you think that each and every
flying saucer report since 1947 has been caused by the Romulans?

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 12:45:45 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:13:48 -0400
Subject: Re: Strange Lights - Again! - Hatch

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:45:41 EDT
>Subject: Re: Strange Lights - Again!
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:58:43 EDT
>>Subject: Strange Lights - Again!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

><snip>

>>Then it starts moving. Erratically. Just the one star. Those
>>near it are not moving. Just this one object. OK? So it ain't me
>>eyes, Dudes and Dudesses. Because there are other stars nearby
>>not moving. And it moves with or without averted vision. In
>>fact, there were some occasions when with averted visions, I
>>would see even dimmer objects doing the same thing. But never
>>the stars in the neighborhood. And the displacement of this star
>>in it's erratic movement, is usually no more than a few arc
>>seconds or at most, a degree or so. Like the other night. Two or
>>three degrees of arc. The little guys are brave and gettin'
>>braver.

>Hi, Jim:

>Sounds like autokinetic motion of the eye muscles. I can see it
>in the planetarium, too. Pick out any known star, bright enough
>or low in the sky so that there aren't any nearby references and
>you'll see it. I have a little experiment in the planetarium
>when I turn out all lights and "stars", except for a small
>reostat bulb. Within seconds the kids see it "moving". This is
>identical to the classic experiment dome with a dim red light in
>a darkened room in the 1920's which documented this phenomenon.

>Sounds like you are appreciating the beautiful night sky. Keep
>looking up.

>Clear skies,

>Bob Young

Uh, Bob?

Jim was careful to note that nearby stars did stay put while
the dim lite in question moved. There could be any number of
mundane explanations, but over a period of say one hour, we
could safely rule out real stars, planets, even comets. If it
moved to and fro or "maneuvered", even meteors fall out of the
equation.

I would think in terms of aircraft first, and go from there.
This is another reason I don't catalog nite-lite sightings any
more.

Best

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Don Ledger <dledger@ns.sympatico.ca>
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 17:11:23 -0300
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:24:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:39:05 EDT
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

><snip>

>>Drudge says there were no witness reports of any military aircraft
>>at the time, although maybe even a jet flying low at Mach 5 could
>>go unnoticed in the chaos and terror.

>
>There was no chaos and terror prior to the approach of this
>hypothetical "Mach 5" military jet. In fact, maybe there wasn't
>any airliner crashes at all, but tens of thousands of windows
>just broken by the sound.

><snip>

>>The provenance of this footage appears to be well established.

><snip>

>>the video clip originally was posted by Fox News at:

>><http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,34238,00.html>

>This validates it? Oh, Lordy

Hi Lan,

Without knowing which news clip contained the footage of the two anomalies on the tape it would be hard to find it. The actual site is at:

<http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,34238,00.html>

Then go to:

Videos
Attack
and:
9/11/01: First Plane Hits World Trade Center Tower

And for Bob,

Validates what?

Don

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 17:45:13 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:27:49 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Randle

>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:57:16 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Good Evening, List, all -

>>I hadn't really planned to say anything about this, but what the hell,
>>it's Saturday and the football game is over.

>>>Source: Irondequoit Post, Rochester, N.Y.

>>>http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dep_t_id=121573&rifi=6

>>>Friday 28 September, 2001

>>>Aliens Among Us

>>>Christine C. Fien/Messenger Post Staff
>>>September 27, 2001

>.>SUNY Brockport Professor Discusses The Alien Abduction Experience

>Hello Mr. Randle, hi All,

>Kevin writes (out of boredom because there's not much to do in
>the mid-west on a Saturday night unless you want to get drunk or
>go cow tipping.....)

Hello John, List, all -

Actually, they go cow tipping farther west. No one really suggested boredom here, I was merely providing a time context, but once again, it proves that we have no sense of humor.

>>>Nearly one million Americans say they've had an alien abduction
>>>experience.

>>So, where did this number come from? Did the writer make it up,
>>did Dr. Appelle, or have we now gotten away from the 5 million
>>figure that came out of the first roper Poll...

>Maybe he used figures from the same "poll" that you and Mr.
>Estes got your (published) statistic that almost 50% of
>abductees are gay! I asked you the same question, "Where did
>this number come from?" when you published your equally
>'questionable' statistic.

Actually, I have published the information about our statistical analysis in The Anomalist, No. 9, Winter 2000/01. We interviewed more than 500 people and randomly selected 350 of those reports. The number was further reduced because of a lack of all data so that our analysis was based on 316 such reports.

We found an over representation of homosexuals in this abductee population and realized that this was much higher than it should have been. Depending on the study cited, between 2 and 10 percent of the general population describes itself as gay. Our sample found them represented between 6 and 30 times higher than they should have been. We thought it important to report this statistic.

We also suggest that other traits that are not readily visible such as political party affiliation, right or left-handedness, college education, blood type be examined to find out if any of these populations are over or under represented. These might provide some clues about alien abduction.

When we asked John Mack about this (yes, we interviewed him on video tape, contrary to popular belief) he said that he imagined gays would be represented the same as in the general population, which means, he never asked the question.

>>>Hypnosis can create false memories, Appelle said, and abductees >>>don't go to a hypnotist out of the blue. They go because they >>>have "missing time" - sometimes hours they can't account for - >>>or suspect they may have been abducted.

>>Or they have had vivid dreams and friends suggest they see >>someone, or they have experienced sleep paralysis and aren't >>sure what happened to them and friends suggest they see >>someone... Oh, yes, sleep paralysis doesn't count...

>For a tough guy who served time in the military you have a real >penchant for going after the 'easy meat'. I'm still waiting for >you to acknowledge that abduction cases involving (waking state) >fully conscious encounters cannot be explained by "sleep >paralysis" or any of the other simplistic explanations that you >are always holding 'out front' like a bar-b-que chef protecting >himself from grease spatter with a cotton apron.

Well, looking at Stuart Appelle's article, that appears on your web site. I notice that Dr. Appelle wrote, "Both sleep paralysis and hypnagogic/hypnopompic hallucinations occur in normal people [was that really the way he wanted to phrase that?] (Fukada, 1994; Roth, 1978 [sleep researchers who have published articles in psychological journals]), but they may also be symptomatic (in some cases the only overt symptom; Roth, 1978) of a sleep disorder called narcolepsy. A narcoleptic attack can occur during normal daytime activities or even while driving. During a narcoleptic attack a person may continue behavior associated with wakeful consciousness but later have no memory for what he did. The episodes can last hours' (Moorcraft, 1989, p. 262). This aspect of narcolepsy is reminiscent of missing time in abduction experiences."

Seems that he's suggesting a way that those in a waking state can experience "sleep paralysis..." The question that needs to be answered is "How many abductees are narcoleptics and is there a correlation here?" If I remember the statistics right, .02 percent of the population has been diagnosed as narcoleptic, but that would reflect only those cases in which narcolepsy would be a noticeable and debilitating disease. Mild cases probably wouldn't be reported at all.

Yes, at the end, Dr. Appelle wrote, "Despite the appeals of parsimony and analogy, as yet there have been no direct tests of a linkage between sleep anomalies and abduction experiences."

I think some of those linkages do exist, but too often they are in the form of anecdotal testimony (which in and of itself does not rule them out), but this is a larger question.

>>>While hypnosis may embellish the story, the core experience is >>>still there, Appelle said.

>>And in some cases there is no core story as evidenced by those >>claiming horrific Vietnam combat and which they told under >>hypnosis with all the proper emotion, only to have their stories >>exposed as untrue.

>So what about the ones that are true Kevin? Or, is it a simple >case of all abductees are lying? That thousands of ordinary >family folk worldwide have suddenly become deranged to the point

>where they are collectively telling elaborate lies about contact
>with alien beings. And the same elaborate lie yet! Giveth us a
>break please.

Never said that they were lying. Always said that the majority are sincere people reporting as accurately as they can experiences they remember. Merely am pointing out that this idea that the core experiences are real, even though embellished under hypnosis is not an accurate statement as demonstrated by these tales of horrific combat. I'm challenging, not the experiences of the abductees, but the statement about core beliefs and core memories.

>>>Sleep-paralysis as an explanation to debunk abduction accounts
>>>also falls short, he said. During an occurrence of
>>>sleep-paralysis, people wake up feeling like they can't move,
>>>can't speak, and sometimes sense a disturbing presence in the
>>>room. The problem is, Appelle said, that this theory doesn't
>>>explain highway abductions. Sleep-paralysis experiences also
>>>tend to be very vague, while accounts of alien abductions are
>>>rich in detail, he said.

>>And no one said that sleep paralysis explains all cases of alien
>>abduction, only that it explains some. Couple that to a
>>hypnotist who is poorly trained, and the rich detail can be
>>found.

>>Some sleep paralysis experiences are quite detailed. I'm
>>confused as to why Dr. Appelle would say something like this,
>>unless the writer got part of the quote wrong.

>Hmmm, you mean like those guys out in the mid-west that claim
>that half of those who report UFO abductions are homosexuals?

Not at all. And all we said was that our research, in our sample, revealed a statistic that we thought deserved further attention.

And I'm sure that both Russ Estes and Bill Cone, who live in California, would be quick to point out they live in the west.

>>>Appelle said he is "open-minded" on the subject of abductions.

>>>"I don't, like some people, think that it is inherently
>>>impossible, so I'm willing to entertain the idea that these
>>>experiences are exactly what they seem to be," he said. "It's a
>>>phenomena that does not yet have a documented explanation."

>>Well, he's correct here. There is no documented explanation. But
>>then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
>>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

>True. Which also means that if even one abductee out of all
>the many thousands reporting are telling the truth; then we're
>all in very deep poo-doo. But you keep ignoring that fact in
>favor of tackling the 'easily explained' reports. Aiming low,
>and only at the weak sisters seems to be your preferred
>approach. After you've taken down the weak ones, you can then
>surround the healthier, stronger ones and take them down by
>sheer force of numbers eh? You're a pip.

I would have thought that the Pat Roach case would meet your high standards. Here is a case that I believe can be explained in the mundane by sleep paralysis, poor investigative technique (for which I have to take some of the lumps) and the improper use of hypnotic regression. I thought, in our book, we took on some of those stronger cases.

>Or, maybe your intentions are noble and you seek to eliminate
>the easily explained cases so that you can then defend the
>strong cases and hold them up as examples of a genuine mystery.

>But 'somehow' I doubt the latter.

>>And, I've never understood why we all say that 90% of the UFO
>>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

>Could be caused by repeated anal penetration according to your
>statistics.

Could be that some don't want to look at all the data.

>Hey Kevin, if it's so 'boring' on a Saturday night where you
>are, so much so that it causes you to 'mess with the abductees
>on the UpDates List' for entertainment; you ought to consider
>moving here to New York! In spite of the disaster, we have a
>rich cultural and entertainment industry that is ever at the
>ready to wipe away your boredom.

Never said that I was bored, nor that I was going to mess with
the abductees. I just wanted to add a different voice to Dr.
Appelle's statements reported on the UpDates List.

And, in spite of what you think, there is a rich cultural and
entertainment industry here in Iowa that includes most of what
you see in New York. True, the Broadway shows are at Hancher for
only a couple of weeks rather than months, and true we're
limited to college football rather than pro, but we also talk in
terms of a murder rate for the state for the year, rather than
the city for the weekend. And even if we can't get out of the
house, we can be treated to the foul mouthed comics on HBO (who
film their specials in New York), or see Breakfast with the Arts
on A&E, and we have libraries, and art museums, and even river
boat gambling.

>Regards from the Heart of Humanity, and the center of the
>cultural world, New York.

>John Velez

And regards from the bread basket of the world and the center of
the United States, Iowa (though the actual, physical center is
in Kansas).

KRandle

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Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 17:05:17 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:41:02 -0400
Subject: Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings - Tonnies

>From: Nancy Karr <karr@home.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: 'Mechanical Alien' Drawings
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:03:09 -0700

>Hello Mac,

>Thanks for sharing your drawings...

>...I thought you might be interested in the two types that I
>have run into: ones that I call Barbie and Ken dolls.

>They have almost mask like faces and are all built the same in
>stature. They are always smiling very broadly no matter what is
>going on.

<snip>

Sounds like the people I see at Starbucks!

>BTW.. I was wondering if anyone knew of a good, trustworthy
>email support group for experiencers?

Not having had any "abduction" experiences, I hesitate to recommend support groups of any kind that might taint your own recall. (Posting speculative alien drawings on a UFO list is more science fiction than anything else; I made sure not to qualify them as forensic portraits!)

John Velez (a frequent poster of this list) would be my personal choice if I happened to get snatched by something I didn't understand and wanted a sympathetic ear.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 19:27:44 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:42:35 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:39:05 EDT
>Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:03:20 -0400
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

><snip>

>>Drudge says there were no witness reports of any military aircraft
>>at the time, although maybe even a jet flying low at Mach 5 could
>>go unnoticed in the chaos and terror.

>There was no chaos and terror prior to the approach of this
>hypothetical "Mach 5" military jet. In fact, maybe there wasn't
>any airliner crashes at all, but tens of thousands of windows
>just broken by the sound.

Well, thanks for your - um - thoughts. But I was kind of hoping
to hear from someone who could say something that made sense.

BTW: There are apparently very few military aircraft that can
reach Mach 5.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 21:53:49 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:44:56 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>The Drudge Report web site shows frames from a video reportedly
>taken 10 seconds after the second tower of the World Trade
>Center was struck on 9/11. It shows a dark object streaking
>downward at a shallow angle from the first tower, starting near
>the level of the impact. The frame sequence is at:>

><http://www.drudgereport.com/flash91.htm>

<snip>

>The provenance of this footage appears to be well established.
>It was taken by a news organization, not amateurs. The video
>clip originally was posted by Fox News at:

><http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,34238,00.html>

>I haven't been able to get my browser to display it properly,
>though.

>This may be something that one of the experts on the list (Bruce
>Maccabee?) should take a closer look at.

I did look. Would need better copy and video characteristics
(camera data) etc. to properly evaluate. Might be an object
propelled by explosion.

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Cydonian Imperative: 10-2-01 The Face on Mars and

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 22:08:10 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:47:50 -0400
Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 10-2-01 The Face on Mars and

The Cydonian Imperative
10-2-01

Face on Mars Conforms to Mathematically "Perfect"
Visage

by Mac Tonnies

Illustrations and links:

<http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html>

The Discovery Channel has produced a fascinating science news piece suggesting that an archetypal human face is "wetwired" into our brains, and that a given face's beauty (and hence its desirability) can be encoded using the Golden Ratio. The Golden Ratio is a mathematical device well-known for its applications in ancient architecture.

Former plastic surgeon Dr. Stephen Marquerdt has generated a 'wireframe-like' mask to illustrate the 'perfect' human face. In the graphic below, Chris Joseph has superimposed the Golden Ratio-derived face on the Face on Mars, using the Face's right "eyeball" as a reference point. As can be seen, there are several intriguing correlations that suggest that the Face, far from being a randomly eroded mesa, is in fact a deliberately sculpted humanoid visage.

[image]

Joseph's superimposition is a satisfactory confirmation of the rigorous aesthetic analysis of the Face conducted by James Channon twenty years ago, using Viking imagery. Working with the existing imagery of the time, Channon concluded that the Mars face was most likely artificial, based on properties such as proportion, expression and supposed cultural location.

The Face's apparent hominid/feline duality poses interesting hurdles for the straight-forward approach used by Joseph. Dr. Mark Carlotto, who pioneered the use of computer analysis for study of the Cydonia enigmas, will soon have an authoritative paper online addressing the first (and only) high-resolution full-frontal overhead photo of the Face.

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 01:08:48 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 01:53:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Mortellaro

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:41:52 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 14:05:25 EDT
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>Good Evening, List, all -

>>>I hadn't really planned to say anything about this, but what the hell,
>>>it's Saturday and the football game is over.

>>>>Source: Irondequoit Post, Rochester, N.Y.

>>>><http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2421069&BRD=1891&PAG=461&dep>>t_id=121573&rfti=6

>>>>Friday 28 September, 2001

>>>>Aliens Among Us

>>>>Christine C. Fien/Messenger Post Staff
>>>>September 27, 2001

>>>>SUNY Brockport Professor Discusses The Alien Abduction Experience

>>>>Nearly one million Americans say they've had an alien abduction
>>>>experience.

>><snip>

>>>>Hypnosis can create false memories, Appelle said, and abductees
>>>>don't go to a hypnotist out of the blue. They go because they
>>>>have "missing time" - sometimes hours they can't account for -
>>>>or suspect they may have been abducted.

>>>>Or they have had vivid dreams and friends suggest they see
>>>>someone, or they have experienced sleep paralysis and aren't
>>>>sure what happened to them and friends suggest they see
>>>>someone... Oh, yes, sleep paralysis doesn't count...

>>Dear Kevin, All, Errol,

>>You are missing a point, Kevin. Vivid dreams are distinguished
>>by most if not all abductees. I've had very vivid dreams.
>>However in my most sincere and accurate memory and knowledge,
>>there is a very significant difference between any dream and
>>the perceived abduction experience. Ask any abductee. This is

>>most true of those of us who have had spontaneous or other
>>recall. There is no doubt of the source of the recall, eh? No
>>Jacobs or Hoppy to blame for planting our seeds.

>No, I haven't missed the point. Dr. Appelle had asked for the
>ways people arrived at the idea that they had been abducted and
>I suggested, based on what Leah Haley had said about they way
>she came to the conclusion she had been abducted that her first
>recall was in the form of a very vivid dream. That does not mean
>that everyone else fell into that category, it just suggests
>another way that people enter into the abduction arena.

A good point. How do people come up with the idea that they've
been abducted... some from hypnosis... some from recall. I fit
into the latter category. Recall. It was a tough decision to
come to. I mean to come to the conclusion that I had been
abducted. Taken. Let me explain the degree of difficulty.

See, I was in bed. I was in this solid blue light. I was not in
bed. I was in this hospital which was over my house. Funny place
for a hospital, eh? Yeah, it sure was tough for me to conclude
some one or some things (little doctors) took me out of my bed.
Whilst attempting to scream bloody murder to awaken my mommy and
daddy, between whom I was placed in order not to be taken. (It
happend before many times).

Yeah. It sure was a tough call. (sigh) But someone had to figger
it out. Guess it was me.

>>>While hypnosis may embellish the story, the core experience is
>>>still there, Appelle said.

>>And in some cases there is no core story as evidenced by those
>>claiming horrific Vietnam combat and which they told under
>>hypnosis with all the proper emotion, only to have their
>>stories exposed as untrue.

>One never knows about truth. But you may single out many such
>stories. None of which impacts the truth of the abduction
>phenomenon. Each must be treated seperately. Besides, we who
>perceive ourselves to have had these experiences were largely
>not serving in Nam. Or had any traumatic experience with which
>to develope such trauma. In fact, it's the other way around. The
>experience produces our trauma.

>I was suggesting that Dr. Appelle's suggestion that even if
>there is hypnotic embellishment that the core experience is true
>is not necessarily an accurate statement. I used the example of
>those claiming horrific combat in Vietnam only because we have
>records that can be checked. If you say you were in Vietnam and
>exposed to combat, we can check the accuracy of those
>statements. Many of those with the most horrific stories were
>not in combat or even in Vietnam.

True there are no records of me or others who suffer a type of
post traumatic stress disorder, with further embellishments such
as physical illnesses which are real, and often shared by
perceived abductees. So much so that statistically, the numbers
point to further commonality than merely the post trauma.

>I could have used Satanic Ritual Abuse as well. These stories
>are told under hypnosis with all the "proper" emotions and yet,
>when many of the details are checked, they do not corroborate
>the "core" belief or core story. I was suggesting here that the
>core story might not be there and we need to check, as best we
>can, for that core report.

Perhaps the "core" report should be the acceptance of the
experiencers' story. After all the reports, the years of such
happening, the commonality of experiences and shared illnesses,
many sufferers of which never clearly knew of the others'
edxperiences, should be the core report. Anechdotal or
otherwise, the data keeps adding up in favor of the experiencer.
With respect.

>>>Sleep-paralysis as an explanation to debunk abduction accounts
>>>also falls short, he said. During an occurrence of
>>>sleep-paralysis, people wake up feeling like they can't move,
>>>can't speak, and sometimes sense a disturbing presence in the
>>>room. The problem is, Appelle said, that this theory doesn't
>>>explain highway abductions. Sleep-paralysis experiences also

>>>tend to be very vague, while accounts of alien abductions are
>>>rich in detail, he said.

>>And no one said that sleep paralysis explains all cases of
>>alien abduction, only that it explains some. Couple that to a
>>hypnotist who is poorly trained, and the rich detail can be
>>found.

>Only too true.

>>Some sleep paralysis experiences are quite detailed. I'm
>>confused as to why Dr. Appelle would say something like this,
>>unless the writer got part of the quote wrong.

>>>Appelle said he is "open-minded" on the subject of abductions.

>>>"I don't, like some people, think that it is inherently
>>>impossible, so I'm willing to entertain the idea that these
>>>experiences are exactly what they seem to be," he said. "It's a
>>>phenomena that does not yet have a documented explanation."

>>Well, he's correct here. There is no documented explanation. But
>>then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
>>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

>>And, I've never understood why we all say that 90% of the UFO
>>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

>Does this detract from those which are not? This is the heart of
>research is it not? To make the distinction. Listen, Kevin...
>I've not the heart to debate with anyone regarding the lameness
>of so many of the arguments against. Unless you've been there,
>it's nearly impossible to extrapolate. However I have one very
>stupid question. It must be very stupid, I can't for the life of
>me garner an answer.

>Hasn't anyone used the sort of drugs on people like us, sodium
>pentathol or any of it's ilk to help determine truth? Shucks, I
>see it in the movies all the time. Must be truth, eh? I mean,
>it's on the screen... on the toob.... inn't?

>There is a good reason why such an experiment had not been
>conducted in wide spread fashion... A licensed medical doctor
>would need to be involved to administer the drug. And, the
>subject would need to sign an informed consent.

So? I volunteer. Any other takers?

>However, the experiment has been conducted and the results were
>interesting. Under hypnosis, the subjects suggested reports of
>alien abduction that mirror those reports made by others. Under
>the influence of the drug there was no accompanying memories of
>abduction. The difference here, as I see it, is that under the
>hypnosis we believe the subject is in an altered state but can't
>really prove it. Under the influence of the drug, we know the
>altered state exists.

>And for those interested in numbers, the experiment was
>conducted with only a few people because of the medical and
>legal considerations. This is not something that can be done
>lightly and must be monitored by a medical doctor.

What experiment? Conducted by whom? Using what drug? How many
people? Etc. Etc. Etc. I am not familiar with such a test. But
then, I am a researcher of only my own experiences. I would like
the detail as it interests me. As a perceived experiencer I feel
an obligation to determine just what the hell has happened to me
over the years.

All of which above, by the way, does not explain squat about the
other senseless and literally stupid things which happen to
many of us. Lights winking out. Electronic issues. With me it's
clocks. Digital clocks.

Etc.

So, Kev, I guess what I am saying is that none of the above which you wrote explains anything. Which is not an indictment on you. Merely a basic "core" issue of this strange and often oxymoronic phenom.

Best,

Jim

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>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>I did look. Would need better copy and video characteristics
>(camera data) etc. to properly evaluate. Might be an object
>propelled by explosion.

A damage inspector on TV was showing off some sort of metal girder that had flown out of the WTC during the explosion and come to rest in what was left of a living room in an apartment across the street.

Whatever is in the mystery video is obviously much larger, but maybe it's a structural component. Can its trajectory be traced?

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EW 01-Oct-01: FBI's Top 20 Internet Security Risks

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Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 04:45:18 -0400
Subject: EW 01-Oct-01: FBI's Top 20 Internet Security Risks

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<http://www.electricwarrior.com/news/ewNews0030.htm>

» FBI's TOP 20 INTERNET SECURITY RISKS
technology news
by The Electric Warrior

*** The FBI's NIPC and a non-profit computer industry institute update their list of the most critical Internet security vulnerabilities. ***

All of the most successful Internet computer viruses took advantage of well-known network security holes, and might have been prevented by freely available software updates.

The National Infrastructure Protection Center (NIPC) and the SANS Institute have teamed up to help both professional and home Internet users avoid 20 of the most common computer threats.

A little over a year ago, the SANS Institute and the NIPC created a highly successful list, which summarized the Ten Most Critical Internet Security Vulnerabilities. That list was updated on October 1, and expanded to cover a broader range of issues.

There is no way to "tough it out" and ignore these common computer vulnerabilities, and security experts routinely advise computer users to download and install software fixes, called patches. But the practice is frequently overlooked by large companies, universities, and especially, home users.

"The challenge right now is that (home users) either go to a vendor, or they go to a site that's too techie for them, so they give up," Alan Paller told the Associated Press. Paller is research director for the SANS Institute, a cooperative education and research organization.

According to Paller "This is a site that's designed for people that are regular users, and it isn't trying to sell them anything."

DO IT YOURSELF

As reported by AP, "Many individual users are unaware of vulnerabilities in their computers and find installing software updates tedious and difficult."

According to the SANS Institute, "These few software vulnerabilities account for the majority of successful attacks, simply because attackers are opportunistic -- taking the easiest and most convenient route. They exploit the best-known flaws with the most effective and widely available attack tools."

Good news for "mere mortals", you don't have to read the whole list. The information is easy to read, and broken up into three categories: General Vulnerabilities, Windows Vulnerabilities,

and Unix Vulnerabilities.

Point-and-click Webmasters using Microsoft Internet Information Services (IIS) take note: The first two items on the Windows list explain the facts behind two recent computer worms, Nidma (Web Server Folder Traversal) and Code Red (ISAPI Extension Buffer Overflows).

KEEP IT SIMPLE SECURITY

The NIPC has also posted a list of seven computer security tips for small business and home computer users. Among the best:

"Do not open email attachments from strangers, regardless of how enticing the Subject Line or attachment may be. Be suspicious of any unexpected email attachment from someone you do know because it may have been sent without that person's knowledge from an infected machine."

RELATED RESOURCES

The Twenty Most Critical Internet Security Vulnerabilities
<http://www.sans.org/top20.htm>
(SANS Institute) - The SANS/FBI Top Twenty list is valuable because the majority of successful attacks on computer systems via the Internet can be traced to exploitation of security flaws on this list.

Seven Simple Computer Security Tips
<http://www.nipc.gov/warnings/computertips.htm>
(NIPC) - Use strong passwords ... Make regular backups of critical data ... Use virus protection software ... Use a firewall ... Do not keep computers online ... Do not open email attachments from strangers ... Download security patches

Computer Industry Takes on Viruses
<http://news.excite.com/news/ap/011001/16/computer-security>
(Excite News/AP) - The FBI is teaming with the computer industry to help American companies and regular Internet users prevent the 20 worst computer threats - from the Code Red worm to the Melissa virus.

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 04:48:49 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... Hatch

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:24:41 -0500

>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:22:24 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>>>I have written many a UFO article, some have even been
>>>published. I have also written a few Sci-Fi (sorry Kevin we
>>>Brits prefer that term) stories which have never been published.

>>This particular 'Brit' very strongly dislikes both "Sci-Fi" and
>>"Brit". As the latter began as a derogatory term used by
>>republicans in Northern Ireland I regard as an offensive racial
>>epithet.

>In deference to you, and of course speaking (well, actually
>typing) strictly for myself and not for Sean, I will not use
>"Brit" in any further posting.

>But really, it should be no more offensive than "Yank" for
>American (which doesn't offend any American of my acquaintance,
>though I know it began as a term of ridicule used by British
>troops during the, er, misunderstanding between our two
>societies in the latter 18th Century), and it certainly is not a
>"racial" epithet, Churchillian rhetorical flourishes about the
>British "race" aside.

>I suppose I should add that I speak - er, type - as a lifelong
>Anglophile.

Hello Jerry, John...

I was surprised (and a bit saddened) to hear that the term
"brit" was in any way pejorative, negative or whatever. I've
used it many a time, almost as a term of endearment; yes
something like "yank".

I wonder how many Americans realize this? Darn few I would
guess. How about the Canadians, Australians etc.?

I've called people "brits" right to their face and nobody seemed
to mind. Maybe they were just being polite. Is this general
knowledge in Britain itself? "Brit" certainly doesn't sound evil
to my innocent ears.

Best

- Larry

PS: Of course I swear a lot, so maybe I'm not the best judge of
such matters.

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Alfred's Odd Ode #353c

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 06:16:29 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 09:05:41 -0400
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c

UFOs? They're wound up in the taproots of our lives. They do not go away and, frankly, fill portentous skies.

As they are well outside of what we're fed through our TV's, we know they're outside *Law*, my friend; they instruct we're on our knees. Evidence presumes they're here; that we are not alone. The Evidence is parchment, ancient glyphs, and carved in stone. And we forget the photographs, forget the ones who see, and line up to be utilized by the ones with *greater* need.

Something is, yes, out there, but we shove it from our minds. We make them into make believe and we don't look - or find. All this (?) just crass instruction from a culture almost dead... a culture run on old ideas that look back and not ahead!

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.

<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001

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Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 12:39:18 +0100
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Subject: Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001

NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

Welcome to the October 2001 round-up of news, views and gossip from the world of ufology, the paranormal, the weird and the wonderful.

UFO Magazine Conference

UFO Magazine's annual conference took place in Leeds on 21, 22 and 23 September and was a complete sell out (715 seats) on each of the two main days. This makes it the most successful British UFO conference of all time. The material presented certainly lived up to everyone's expectations, and the feedback from attendees was very positive. Saturday was pretty much devoted to abductions, with presentations from Budd Hopkins and John Mack, widely regarded as the leading experts in this area of ufology. Budd presented some new material on the Linda Cortile case, concerning Linda's meetings with the late Cardinal O'Connor of New York, and the interest shown by the Catholic Church in Linda's experiences and the phenomenon more generally. John Mack views the alien contact phenomenon in a different way to Budd, and his presentation put the case for a more spiritual interpretation of what's happening.

Georgina Bruni was the only Saturday speaker not dealing with abduction, though her talk threw up some intriguing clues that some of the USAF witnesses did experience some missing time. Georgina also offered the audience some new information on the involvement of General Gordon Williams and General Charles Gabriel, and showed a series of USAF and MOD documents, drawings and photographs.

I gave a presentation with Brigitte Grant, an abductee who I've been working with for several years. Brigitte gave an overview of the various strange experiences that she's had, focusing on a few specific UFO and abduction experiences. For an audience more used to hearing from the abduction researchers, it was refreshing to hear about experiences first hand, from an abductee, and aside from being fascinated by her story, the audience very much appreciated Brigitte's courage for speaking out about her encounters in so public a forum. The Sunday speakers were equally impressive.

Ted Roe gave a fascinating insight into the work that NARCAP is doing with pilots who report UFOs, while Santiago Garza showed some truly extraordinary film footage of some sightings in Mexico which appear to show humanoid figures flying in an upright position, as if they were walking in the air. These so-called "Flying Little Men" sightings are something that I'm sure we'll be hearing more of in the future. There were also powerful presentations from Graham Birdsall and Russel Callaghan, the latter of whom showed some recent British video footage of UFO sightings. It was also great to hear from Martyn Stubbs, always a popular figure at Leeds. A full report on the conference, complete with photographs, will appear in the bumper November/December edition of UFO Magazine, which goes on sale on 25 October. Meanwhile check out www.ufomag.co.uk for the latest ufological news and views.

Operation Lightning Strike

The paperback edition of my latest book, Operation Lightning Strike, goes on sale on 1 October. So far as my publishers are aware, this book and my other novel, Operation Thunder Child, are the only two science fiction books ever to have been vetted by the Government prior to publication. Operation Lightning Strike is a speculative novel about alien invasion, drawing on my official Ministry of Defence research and investigation into UFOs, alien abduction and other strange phenomena. It's published by Pocket Books and costs 5.99.

Rendlesham Revelations

The October edition of UFO Magazine, on sale now, features an article I've written in the aftermath of Georgina Bruni's breaking of the story concerning the release of MOD documents on the Rendlesham Forest incident. This article follows up on some of the points raised in Georgina's article in the September edition, which also featured many of the key documents. As I wrote some of the documents that have been released, I've naturally been asked quite a lot about this, so thought it would be helpful if I offered some views. Much inaccurate material has been posted on certain websites and online discussion groups, often resulting from mistakes and misunderstandings on the part of researchers not familiar with the unique culture of the MOD. Sceptical researchers have talked about documents from "the DIS files", implying that the secretariat where I worked was not fully briefed on the work of the Defence Intelligence Staff. My article corrects such misunderstandings and shows that none of the DIS or Ops(GE) documents came from any file other than DS8/10/209 Part E or D/Sec(AS)/12/2/1. Far from being "out of the loop", the secretariat where I worked took the lead role, tasking the DIS and Ground Environment radar specialists to take forward certain parts of the investigation relating to their respective areas of expertise. My article also corrects the rather more widespread but equally incorrect view that the MOD documents implicate me in a cover-up. The documents released include several ones that I wrote, including material that I wrote for the MOD Press Office. This material states that the events were of no defence significance. I also suggest a PR strategy to help dispel accusations that there had been a cover-up. All this has prompted some researchers to believe that I've lied about the case, that I'm part of a cover-up and that I've been involved in the release of the Rendlesham documents to Georgina Bruni, as part of an MOD indoctrination or disinformation strategy. I can confirm that I no longer have any official role concerning the UFO subject and that the work I do now is in a private capacity. My article explains the distinction between opinions I gave while working officially on the UFO subject (when I had to follow the party line) and my personal views on the case. It also explains why I was unable to discuss or hint at the involvement of the DIS, and my work with them, until release of documents concerning their role had been authorised. The fact that there were (and still are) areas of my UFO work that I can't discuss should not be taken as proof that I'm part of a conspiracy. I still work for the MOD and even if I didn't, the Official Secrets Act is binding for life.

Extraterrestrial Encyclopedia

I've just received a copy of The Encyclopedia of Extraterrestrial Encounters, edited by Ronald Story. A detailed review will appear in next month's column, but if it's anywhere near as good as The Encyclopedia of UFOs, which Story edited in 1980, then this is a title that anyone with an interest in UFOs should read.

Nick Pope's four books, Open Skies, Closed Minds, The Uninvited, Operation Thunder Child and Operation Lightning Strike are available from most good bookshops and from all the usual Internet book sites. His British publishers are Simon & Schuster. In America, his first two books are published in hardback by The Overlook Press and in mass-market paperback by Dell Publishing.

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X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

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Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

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MSNBC Series

MSNBC is about to launch a 5-part series by Michael Moran titled: The Secret Empire: The U.S. Military in the 20th Century. www.msnbc.com/news/WARROOM_front.asp?0dm=V22AN

This is the first time that X-PPAC has seen this terminology, "The Secret Empire," used by a mainstream news entity to refer to the U.S. military/intel complex. Update recipients are strongly encourage to check out this series.

Event (note university venue)

Missouri MUFON, under the guidance of State Director Bruce Widaman, will present "Flying Saucers Hidden History 2001" on Nov. 3 at the University of Missouri at St. Louis. The program in the J. C. Penny Auditorium will get underway at 9 a.m. and conclude at 9: p.m. The theme of the all-day program is disclosure of the government cover-up of UFO information.

Speakers include Stanton Friedman, author of Crash at Corona and Top Secret/Majic; Richard Dolan, author of UFOs and the National Security State (reviewed in January, 2001, Journal); and Dr. Carol Rosin of ICIS.

Contact Widaman at 800-489-4UFO or P. O. Box 643, St. Charles, MO 63302.

Upcoming Media Appearances/Presentations (Bassett)

KWHL FM 106.5, Anchorage, October 3, 7:30 pm EDT
Webcast: www.kwhl.com

KTRS AM 550, St. Louis, October 12, 11 pm EDT
Webcast: www.550ktrs.com/pages/listenonline.htm

Baltimore, MD presentation, October 21, 1 pm EDT
For info e-mail: LightStarr00@aol.com

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"There is almost no limit to what you can accomplish,
if you are willing to give away the credit."

"The truth costs money. Lies, on the other hand,
will be provided to you for free."

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 09:35:28 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 16:58:06 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 19:27:44 -0600
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:39:05 EDT
>>Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:03:20 -0400
>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

<snip>

>BTW: There are apparently very few military aircraft that can
>reach Mach 5.

But No civilian. Oh, I forgot, the point of your post must
have been that one of George Adamski's little tinny saucers did
it.

Clear skies,

Bob Young

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World Trade Center Hoax

From: Royce J. Myers III <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 06:51:48 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 17:00:37 -0400
Subject: World Trade Center Hoax

For those of you that have received the infamous photo of the tourist on top of the WTC with an airplane in the background - ignore this piece of trash of a hoax. Here's the story on it:

<http://www.snopes2.com/rumors/crash.htm>

I've also updated my commentary on the maggots trying to take advantage of the WTC attacks... you know who you are. These people are an absolute disgrace and I think its high time Ufology started doing a lot of house cleaning. Something has to change...

<http://www.ufowatchdog.com/shameless.html>

Regards,

Royce J. Myers III

"Don't Trip On Your Open Mind... or your own ambition to exploit murder victims and show the world what a dirtbag vulture you really are..."

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Nick Pope Does Sport Radio UK

From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 14:51:30 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 17:02:25 -0400
Subject: Nick Pope Does Sport Radio UK

Worth a mention: Nick will be on the popular James Whale
Radio Show from 11pm Thursday 4 October. That's Sport Radio.

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

From: Donald Shevlin <donnieshevlin@hotmail.com>
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 10:28:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 17:04:40 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

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So, in conclusion, it's a chopper filming the tower destruction. A sad day in all lives, here and abroad. There is no UFO to be spotted.

Donnie Shevlin

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Lowe

From: Adam Lowe <nicap@blueyonder.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 13:17:52 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 07:59:41 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Lowe

>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:24:41 -0500

>>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:22:24 +0100
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

<snip>

>>>This particular 'Brit' very strongly dislikes both "Sci-Fi" and
>>>"Brit". As the latter began as a derogatory term used by
>>>republicans in Northern Ireland I regard as an offensive racial
>>>epithet.

>>In deference to you, and of course speaking (well, actually
>>typing) strictly for myself and not for Sean, I will not use
>>"Brit" in any further posting.

<snip>

>I was surprised (and a bit saddened) to hear that the term
>"brit" was in any way pejorative, negative or whatever. I've
>used it many a time, almost as a term of endearment; yes
>something like "yank".

<snip>

Hi Larry, list.

This is the first time I've heard that 'Brit' is in any way a
negative term for us.

Adam

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 08:20:56 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Velez

>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

Hello All,

I do wish to comment, in this forum, on statements made in the X-PPAC Update. Steve, please feel free to respond (or not) here on the UpDates List to any of my comments. I have teed-off and taken my best swing. Please feel welcome & free to do like-wise.

Steve wrote:

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Steve, this is what should have been done from the very beginning! It's one of the things that myself and others have been belly-aching about since day one. It's all being done bass-ackwards. The witnesses are being screened after they have been introduced and presented publicly. Consensus is being sought after the fact.

C'mon man.

If "consensus" had been sought from the start from the major UFO organizations and from the UFO community at large, the effort could have been backed by many more people. It could have been much more representative and as a direct result, more popular, coordinated, and bottom line 'effective' than it has been.

The problem with all that is; Greer would have had to give them some say so in how the thing would have been handled and presented. 'Who' represented the UFO community before our elected officials would have been put up for a general vote. I never would have voted for Greer. For example: put "Greer" and say "Richard Hall" or "Richard Haines" on the same ballot for the job. Tell me who you think gets to enjoy a landslide mandate to be our collective representative(s) before congress. It's no contest. (No lo contiende) And a 'no-brainer' for those voting.

A broad-based organization with strong consensus, internal unity, and backing by its members would have been the benefit of doing it democratically - as opposed to presenting the public with a monarch/dictator) from the very beginning. And that's

just some of the ways the whole thing should have gone down. But it didn't. Now, after the fact, you have to scurry around seeking the self-same "consensus" and strong popular backing which should have been the first thing on the need-to-do list. Not the tenth thing. Most, if not all, of this popular support that you seek should have already been in place.

To get the kind of "broad-based" backing you seek, you need to allow folks to have a say in things. To actively participate in the process. That's the 'American Way' Steve. A panel/group of bright, experienced individuals heading up this thing, who can nurture and direct it properly, would almost ensure its success on the front end. Folks who have been voted in to the positions by members of the UFO community and its many organizations would enjoy enormous popular support. It just will not go to a self-appointed "representative" with a personal political agenda. Much of which is unrelated to actual UFO disclosure anyway.

And while there is a break in the 'action'...

The witnesses also need to be thoroughly/properly screened by some of the best people available in ufology. For example: If you put guys like Kevin Randle, Stan Freidman, or a cop like Royce Myers on a job like this, I can promise you that whatever witnesses survive their screening process will be bullet-proof, air-tight-certifiable, and solid gold. That isn't the case now though is it?

Now is the time to start from scratch.

Seek broad-based consensus. Nominate representatives that folks can then vote for. Devise a plan of attack that will actually accomplish something - other than speaking tours and tape sales. Carefully screen the witnesses. Secure signatures/petitions via the Internet with thousands of subscribers all addressed to members of congress requesting open, public hearings. Dance naked in the pale moon light... do it all. But do it right.

With the strong backing and consensus of the all the people your problems will be solved. Before you send anybody to represent us all in front of our elected officials, ask us who we would like that person(s) to be. Start by making this a more democratic and representative process and watch how the numbers of supporters begins to swell. Before Gersten came along, the membership numbers in CAUS had been sky-rocketing. This whole process could enjoy that same kind of popular support too. But not as it presently exists.

I can't tell you how I long to throw my support behind a group-effort to secure hearings for total UFO information disclosure. Like many, many, others, I am still waiting for that kind of truly grass-roots representative movement to come along. In me, you have a potentially powerful, and vocal advocate. And I'm not just passing gas; I have a popular and busy website and I'm on the radio (50,000 Watt station with a big Internet following) twice a month. Haven't you ever asked yourself why guys like me, (and there are plenty,) are giving you all kinds of static - busting your chops - instead of throwing strong support behind you? Do you ever really listen to what is being said/expressed? I sometimes wonder if you dismiss it all as pure malcontent blather. If you do, you are committing a serious error in judgement about some good people.

Regards, respectfully submitted, a 'true' friend who cares,...

John Velez, speaking strictly for myself

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Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 18:24:17 -0400
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Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c - Checchini

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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<snip poem>

>Something is, yes, out there, but we shove it from our minds.
>We make them into make believe and we don't look - or find.
>All this (?) just crass instruction from a culture almost dead...
>a culture run on old ideas that look back and not ahead!

UFOs at night.
Invade my safe little world.
Be gone, demon spawn!

(it was time someone started a haiku thread...)

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WTC Hoax, Bell & Dames [was: World Trade Center]

From: Ron Cecchini <Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM>
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 19:42:46 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 08:38:23 -0400
Subject: WTC Hoax, Bell & Dames [was: World Trade Center]

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It's really hard for me to believe (but then again, no it isn't)
that anyone would actually believe that that photo is authentic.

I can't fathom the lack of brain cells necessary that would keep
a sane person from asking the plethora of obvious questions,
chief amongst them being: "After the ensuing apocalyptic inferno
and total annihilation of the World Trade Center, how did they
find this pristine photo?"

(never mind the fact that the guy in the photo is dressed
for winter, the "plane" is perfectly in focus, and perfectly
computer-rendered looking, etc, etc.)

I should post my WTC photos, 'cause I was there, on top of that
building, 2 days before the attack. And I live in Boston. And I
live and work near where some of the hijackers (may they rot in
hell) lived, and where they found a car with an Arabic flight
manual, etc.

Never have I said "surreal" so many times in my life...

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While I couldn't help chuckling at the imagery of a few dozen
passengers throwing Spam at a would-be hijacker whilst chanting
"Pig meat! Pig meat!", I totally agree.

(put 'em in a boat to Afghanistan with Falwell and Robertson?)

I barely have any "love" left for Art Bell, but I was listening
the other night when Dames was on, and I tried getting through
to ask him (Dames) what ever happened to the last dozen or so
catastrophes he predicted. Bell, who is getting stupider with
each passing day, never asked.

He also never called Dames to task for his lousy excuses in
response to listener questions about whether or not Dames & Co.
had used any of their great mental powers to help the government
find Bin Laden, et al. I can't remember exactly what he said,
but it wasn't important... stuff like "No" and "It's hard" and
"By the time we found them, they'd be gone." - the obvious
rebuttal to that being "Hey, moron, if you can 'remote view'
the future, how about finding out where Bin Laden is going
to be, and then let us know?"

Etc.

I'm sure Bell has more money than God at this point, but...

Hold on... I'm picking something up... whoa, strange...
it's from the... from the _future_!... message say:

In the Kingdom of Nye
a dumb ruler will die
He listened to many fools
talk about monsters and ghouls
He was very unwise
to help spread so many lies
Caused much panic and strife
Will pay with his life

Oh no! Someone call Cartman! We need some AUTHORITAAAH!

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>that the shadow is reflecting off of smoke closer to the camera
>than the buildings are in relationship. Thus giving the
illusion >of a greater speed.

>So, in conclusion, it's a chopper filming the tower
destruction. >A sad day in all lives, here and abroad. There is
no UFO to be >spotted.

>Donnie Shevlin

Good job, Donnie. Of course, I knew this to be so all along. I
was just testing the rest of yous.

Jim Mortellaro
As himself this time

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <lflaming5@houston.rr.com>
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 19:14:51 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:07:01 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 09:35:28 EDT
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

>>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 19:27:44 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 10:39:05 EDT
>>>Fwd Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 11:03:20 -0400
>>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

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>>BTW: There are apparently very few military aircraft that can
>>reach Mach 5.

>But No civilian. Oh, I forgot, the point of your post must
>have been that one of George Adamski's little tinny saucers did
>it.

I don't recall citing that as a likely explanation. I gave my reasons for tentatively concluding that the video showed an object travelling at a high rate of speed. I see you have nothing intelligent to say in response. That doesn't lead me to conclude my reasons can't be refuted, only that you can't do it.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 19:53:50 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:08:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 21:53:49 -0400
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

<snip>

>>This may be something that one of the experts on the list (Bruce
>>Maccabee?) should take a closer look at.

>I did look. Would need better copy and video characteristics
>(camera data) etc. to properly evaluate. Might be an object
>propelled by explosion.

Yes. I suppose that a proper evaluation would require, at the very least, verifying that the frame rate of the original video is what it appears to be on the available clips. Perhaps Fox News removed some frames to decrease the download time for the internet version of the clip. Information on the original video should be available from the news service that recorded it.

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Budd Hopkins' UFO Seminar Announcement - 10/13/01

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Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:13:56 -0400
Subject: Budd Hopkins' UFO Seminar Announcement - 10/13/01

Intruders Foundation Seminar Series Announcement

AN EVENING WITH ROBERT SWIATEK -
REPRESENTING THE FUND FOR UFO RESEARCH
AND THE UFO RESEARCH COALITION

Saturday, October 13, 2001

In a unique seminar program, Robert Swiatek will present two separate but equally important topics. As the most experienced researcher on the subject, Rob will open with a discussion of the world-famous 1952 Washington National Airport UFO sightings. During this series of reports from the last week in July, UFOs were sighted in proscribed air space over the Capitol building and the White House. These unknown craft were sighted visually and simultaneously tracked on radar. Jet interceptors were vectored in, and an atmosphere of crisis gripped many military and civilian authorities. On July 29, the Air Force held a tumultuous press conference at the Pentagon to address the UFO sightings, a meeting, which at the time was the most widely attended military press conference since World War II.

Robert's second subject will deal with an important and ongoing, but highly controversial affair, Dr. Steven Greer's "Disclosure Project." Rob and his wife Susan have been following Dr. Greer's activities for a number of years, observing "...the success of his often radical and unsupported pronouncements, as well as the considerable problems that they have created for serious, scientifically-inclined UFO and abduction researchers." Susan Swiatek attended Dr. Greer's recent "Disclosure Project" press conference at the Washington Hilton Hotel, which featured a number of witnesses to the UFO cover-up, and will add her personal observations.

A question and answer period will follow Robert Swiatek's two important presentations, in an evening no one interested in the history of the UFO phenomenon and its present complex state can afford to miss.

REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

The seminar will be held on October 13th at the meeting rooms of A.R.E., on the tenth floor of 150 W. 28th Street, New York, NY. The price of the seminar is \$30 for non-members and \$20 for members of IF, seniors, and students. Reservations must be made by telephone at 212-645-5278, and will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment must be made in advance to secure the reservation. Make checks payable to the Intruders Foundation, P.O. Box 30233, New York, NY 10011. Only 50 reservations will be accepted.

On-street parking is generally available in the neighborhood. The seminar will begin at 7:30 PM and end at 10:00PM. Doors open at 7:00 PM. There will be a one half-hour intermission, during which light complimentary refreshments will be served. A book table will offer books, videotapes, and other material for sale to those interested. For additional information, call IF at

212-645-5278.

Hope to see you there!

The Intruders Foundation Seminar Series is presented in the interests of open-minded scientific learning and the free exchange of research, ideas, and theories. IF makes no specific claims or endorsements regarding any materials, views, or subject matter presented by our guests.

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Kelly

From: Kelly <kellymcs@attcanada.ca>
Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 08:19:57 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:16:50 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Kelly

>From: Adam Lowe <nicap@blueyonder.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 13:17:52 +0100

>>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
>>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:24:41 -0500

>>>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 17:22:24 +0100
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

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>>>>This particular 'Brit' very strongly dislikes both "Sci-Fi" and
>>>>"Brit". As the latter began as a derogatory term used by
>>>>republicans in Northern Ireland I regard as an offensive racial
>>>>epithet.

>>>>In deference to you, and of course speaking (well, actually
>>>>typing) strictly for myself and not for Sean, I will not use
>>>>"Brit" in any further posting.

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>>I was surprised (and a bit saddened) to hear that the term
>>"brit" was in any way pejorative, negative or whatever. I've
>>used it many a time, almost as a term of endearment; yes
>>something like "yank".

><snip>

>Hi Larry, list.

>This is the first time I've heard that 'Brit' is in any way a
>negative term for us.

I asked on another List that has a lot of 'Brits' on it and basically they said no, it is not derogatory or racist. One guy, originally from Belfast, said the term is sometimes used to describe the Army by N. Ireland republicans, and others said that something to the effect that the person who posted this 'sounds like an uptight p----'.

So it's okay to call a Brit a Brit although the Scots and Welsh may prefer to be called 'Scots' and 'Welsh' depending on the circumstances.

Kelly

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Hatch

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Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:18:56 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Hatch

>From: Adam Lowe <nicap@blueyonder.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 13:17:52 +0100

>>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
>>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

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>Hi Larry, list.

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>negative term for us.

>Adam

Thanks Adam!

This Yank does not want to offend any B***s at all.

There are so many words one cannot use any more, for all sorts
of reasons. Its a shame really, and so unnecessary in many
cases.

Best

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c - Lehmborg

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 07:46:57 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 09:20:47 -0400
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c - Lehmborg

>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 18:24:17 -0400
>From: Ron Cecchini <Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM>
>Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #353c
>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 06:16:29 -0500

><snip poem>

>>Something is, yes, out there, but we shove it from our minds.
>>We make them into make believe and we don't look - or find.
>>All this (?) just crass instruction from a culture almost dead...
>>a culture run on old ideas that look back and not ahead!

> UFOs at night.
> Invade my safe little world.
> Be gone, demon spawn!

>(it was time someone started a haiku thread...)

Ironic that acceptance of the alleged ufological demons on August eleventh would have likely precluded the actions of fanatical demons a month later... Who acts up when they know a powerful stranger is watching?

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Filer's Files #40 10-03-01

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Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 22:33:41 -0400
Subject: Re: Filer's Files #40 10-03-01

Filer's Files #40 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern
October 3, 2001, Majorstar@aol.com.
Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

UFO sightings have picked up again in the US and continue in Norway. UFOs were observed in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Ohio, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Nebraska, Kansas, Arkansas, Colorado, Singapore, and Norway. Crop Circles were reported in Canada and the Netherlands.

US AND BRITAIN will likely launch attacks within Afghanistan in the next several days. Small teams of elite US forces, together with British commandos, have begun operating on the ground around key targets inside Afghanistan in the first phase of the US led military offensive. Specialized military reconnaissance units are focusing on primary targets for potential air and ground attacks, notably hideouts of the terrorist organization led by Osama bin Laden and vulnerable bases of Afghanistan's ruling Taliban militia. These forces are also attempting to obtain Afghan allies who hate the Taliban. Afghanistan is involved in a civil war with the Taliban controlling most of the country and the Northern Alliance holding about 10 percent of the country in the Northeast. The Northern Alliance will benefit from an airborne resupply route from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, to Bagram Air Base. It is likely we are already using some of their facilities. Uzbekistan and Tajikistan were once part of the Soviet Union, and with prodding from Russia, may offer bases for US forces. These countries operate Russian-built, twin-engine An-24s and An-32s transports fly in supplies and ammunition at night to the Northern Alliance. Surprisingly, India was the first country to offer the US air bases to fight the Taliban and also to send in supplies to support the Northern Alliance. Pakistan is unlikely to allow bombing attacks from its territory, but will probably allow aerial tankers and cargo aircraft to operate from there. Attacks will likely be launched from aircraft carriers at sea.

President George W. Bush said in a White House meeting with King Abdullah II of Jordan, "He and his military planners had studied the lessons learned by Russia in its losing struggle against Afghan rebels in the 1980s." US Special Forces have begun carrying out scouting missions to pave the way for air strikes followed by landings by helicopter-borne troops." These operations involve small teams of four to 12 men, that are secretly helicopter into Afghan territory. They hide during daylight and then use night vision equipment to pinpoint command posts, supply depots, training headquarters and other targets for US military strikes. At least 2,000 members of the US Special Forces, including the 75th Ranger Regiment, their command unit, have deployed during the last week in bases close to Afghan borders in Pakistan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan. Britain reportedly has its 250-man Special Air Service on secret missions in northern Afghanistan.

POSSIBLE BOMBING OF WORLD TRADE CENTER?

Lee Robertson, the project structural engineer who helped design the World Trade Center claims the twin towers were

designed to take the impact of a four engine 707 commercial jet aircraft. At 8:45 AM, Flight 11, a 767 aircraft crashed into the center of the North Tower exploding its jet fuel. The fires continue to burn for 1 hour 27 minutes, but only diminishing smoke is observed when at 10:30 AM the North Tower suddenly collapses. At 9:03 AM, Flight 175, a 757 aircraft slams into the South Tower near the corner of the building spraying most of the fuel outside the building. The fuel is burned away in seconds with a huge fireball explosion as most of you have seen on television. At 9:50 AM, only 47 minutes later the South Tower collapses. Both buildings successfully withstood the aircraft's impacts and their devastating explosions of jet fuel. People in the 80th floors remarked they hardly felt the impacts. I have spent a great deal of time looking at the video of the tragedy. Something seems wrong. The South Tower who took less of a hit and much less jet fuel collapses in half the time it takes the North Tower to collapse. I noticed that just prior to the collapse of either tower, debris is sent into the air like an explosion has just occurred.

The general wisdom is that the burning of the offices inside the towers eventually caused the failure of the steel structure. It is well known that steel eventually melts with high enough temperatures. Watching the impact of the aircraft on the towers, it is apparent that within seconds all or most of the jet fuel exploded and burned when the aircraft crashed. The highest temperatures occurred at this time, and this is when the steel was most likely to have melted. The secondary fires from the office furniture and supplies are very unlikely to have reached high enough temperatures to melt the steel. The steel came from Japan and was designed to withstand high temperatures and was protected by concrete insulation to withstand high temperatures.

The South Tower took a blow near the corner of the building spraying half the fuel that exploded outside the tower. Temperatures were at their greatest at this point within the corner of the building, and the steel should have lost its strength at this point toppling the building over on its side or at least dropping that part of the floor, but it stood up. Hundreds of expert rescue personnel entered the buildings and started conducting operations assuming the buildings were safe from collapse. Emergency sprinkler systems appeared to be functioning even on upper floors. After the initial impacts, little if any open flames are apparent as people conduct an orderly evacuation. Several people who had evacuated the buildings claimed they heard public address announcements that the fire was under control and they could return to their offices. Some people chose to return to work in the building rather than continue the evacuation, because it was thought the buildings were now safe. Suddenly without warning the South Tower collapses. Van Romero vice president for research at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology states, "The collapse of the towers resembled those of a controlled implosion caused by high explosives on buildings and other structures. The detonations could have been caused by a small amount of explosive put in more than two points in each of the towers. It could have been a relatively small amount of explosives placed in strategic points. The MIT faculty announced that "The structure was still good" after the planes hit"

The towers have exterior columns that were damaged by the aircraft, but the key to the buildings strength is its inner tubes. These may have eventually melted losing their strength, or explosives may have destroyed them? The towers steel cores were protected by several centimeters of cement-based insulation. It is my contention having worked for several engineering firms that the firemen's expertise was correct. The buildings should not have collapsed from the fire, that some other factors were involved. These could be faulty construction, failure to follow the fire codes, or that the World Trade Center was again attacked with high explosives like it had been several years before. Osama Bin Laden is an experienced structural engineer and terrorist. The aircraft attacks may have actually covered up the actual explosions that destroyed the buildings. The explosives may have been planted in the confusion. Two hundred and thirty firemen who came into the buildings and started fire and rescue operations were killed along with almost one hundred police officers. I watched several interviews with eight firemen who survived and none thought the Towers would collapse. Further investigation of the

catastrophe is warranted. Thanks to PsyOpNews.com.

UFOs ON THE WORLD TRADE CENTER VIDEOS

Peter Davenport NUFORC writes several people reported seeing UFOs in the video of the crashes into the World Trade Center. We have looked at many videos and still photos of the WTC attack, and we believe that none of the allegedly anomalous objects appears to us to be UFO-related. The tiny white object seen above Tower 1 at the time of the first impact appears to us to be a helicopter on the near side of the tower and resultant fireball, flying from left to right.

The fuzzy, indistinct object seen just to the right of the fireball erupting from Tower 2 (southern tower) is more difficult to ascribe to anything we are familiar with, but our suspicion is that the object(s) may be the engine(s) from UAL Flight 175/Boeing 767 which, because of their mass, penetrated through the building well ahead of the fireball and other parts of the aircraft. We express our profound sympathy to the many thousands of individuals whose loved ones perished in this tragedy. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director National Reporting Center.

PENNSYLVANIA DISK

GRANTVILLE -- My 12 year old daughter came home from school and said that she had to tell me something and that she thought I would not believe her. She proceeded to tell me that she saw two alien saucers approach our area on August 29, 2001, while waiting for the bus. She said, "One had a sparkly light that came out the bottom of one of the ships in a tubular shape, that went towards the ground and stayed there for about 15 seconds and came back up the ship. Then both ships left the area going away from our house." My daughter is not the imaginative type, and she is afraid that something will happen to her or her family. She prayed that whole day that nothing would happen, and she cannot sleep well ever since it happened.

OHIO TWO FLYING TRIANGLES

MARIETTA -- The witness reports, "I was traveling east towards my home on August 29, 2001, when I noticed an airplane from the local airport. I was nearing Wal-Mart at around 9:20 PM, when I noticed something just seemed out of place. The object was traveling very fast, and its shape just didn't look right. I realized it was not a routine flight, and it was coming from the wrong direction. It was now flying directly towards my car and had five lights on it, a blue light was on the very front of it, a white light just below the blue one, 2 white lights on either side, and a flashing light in the center of it. As it flew directly over my car, I slowed down, and I noticed other cars in front of mine slow down also, so I know I was not the only one who saw it. It finally passed over my car, and there was no sound. I could see the triangular shape very clearly and it was totally black against the moonlit sky. The back had no indications of exhaust or smoke. The back was concave in shape looking sort of like a boomerang but more triangular. I could now see only four lights, the three white ones, and the bluish white flashing light in the center. I was shocked when a second flying triangle quickly followed the first. They both were moving at the same speed and 1000 foot altitude. They were separated by about 1000 feet and were moving very fast probably above 300 to 400 mph. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

GEORGIA DISKS ON THE NIGHT OF THE CRASHES.

GRIFFIN -- I was getting home from band practice on September 11, 2001, the night that all the crashes happened and looking around I looked to the north and saw two disks with lights on the edge through some clouds at 8:45 PM. I was surprised because, I knew they were supposed to be grounded. They had lights on them that changed in Sync from blue to green. They darted around each other for about 10-15 seconds before I lost track of them. I was really freaked out and I felt like this needed to be shared. I am very serious about this report. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

INDIANA LOW HOVERING DISC

ZIONSVILLE -- The witnesses report seeing a saucer shaped craft

on September 1, 2001. It had solid white lights at the ends and bottom, flashing white light on the top. We approached by car at 9:30 PM, and the object appeared to be standing still and not moving. The object hovered low then disappeared completely as we got closer.

TERRE HAUTE -- The reports seeing an elongated off-white iridescent oval shaped object that appeared in the center of the clear sky, going silently to the west at 4:57 AM. I could make out an apparent dome-like structure on top before it went out of view about five seconds later. The object was two inches across at arm's length. Estimating 60 tangent at 500 feet away at ground level=866 feet high. The same witness reported a minute later seeing a faint light green sphere change direction towards the south, almost as if it noticed I was observing it. I say this for two reasons, as it shifted in direction directly between the trees in front of me, about 60 feet away, and in an instant stopped then accelerated three times, in about as many feet. Either it moved faster than my eyes could track it, or it seemed to vibrate or shimmer losing it's round shape while in motion. It then resumed course to the southeast. Even though it was very small for it's altitude. Using tangent at 65 degrees 50 feet away at ground level=107 feet high. The size was a thumbnail at arm's length. (Peter Davenport comments that both reports came from the same source. We do not understand how anyone would be able to determine distances, altitudes, and angles with the precision implied by this case.)

WISCONSIN FLYING TRIANGLE

GREENVILLE -- On September 23, 2001, the witness said, "I was traveling south on US 45 just south of the city of Greenville in Winnebago County. I noticed an aircraft flying south parallel to me that had its landing lights on at 10:00 PM. The aircraft made a sharp right turn and headed back to the north. As we approached the aircraft near the intersection of 150 and 45, it appeared the aircraft had stopped moving. As we got closer we could definitely see that it was not moving and that it was hovering at about 400-500 feet high. Other vehicles were traveling south on US 45 and were slowing down also because of what they were seeing. It appeared that it was no more than 1/4 mile away on the right side of the road hovering over farm fields. The aircraft was shaped like a triangle with three or four bright white lights on two sides and two red blinking lights. Thanks to UFOWisconsin by Duane W
http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2001_0923_winnebago.html for drawing

ILLINOIS UFO

CRETE -- On September 1, 2001, the witness reports seeing a UFO hovering over an open field at only 100 feet above the ground at 12:30 AM. The witness was driving his truck, when the UFO moved quickly upward and away from roadside. It was a dim yellowish white in color and the underbelly was brighter in color and definition. The object was the size of 1 1/2 buses in length. I did not believe in UFOs until this happened. I was in total awe of how an object of its size moved and changed direction so fast. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

NEBRASKA DAYLIGHT FLYING TRIANGLE

OMAHA -- The witness was traveling on Crown Point Road on August 29, 2001, near the Blair High Road intersection, when he saw a black shape moving through the air almost directly east. The witness has many years of Air Force experience and familiarity with the air traffic patterns of the area. He stated, "My immediate presumption was this had to be either a dark colored B1 or possibly B2 bomber heading in for a landing at Offutt AFB. Then, to my utter surprise, the object 'banked' giving me an edge on view; and what I now saw was a very long, narrow angled black triangle. Having seen number of 747s at that distance, I would estimate it at about that length of 231 feet. It was clearly not the shape of a B2, nor a B1, because the only time it's wings are back in a 'delta' type configuration is when it is flying at high speed (which this craft was not). Second, because the shape was way too narrow and triangular. I was going to stop and keep watching this craft, but I first! looked down to my Van's clock to see the exact time, and when I looked up, the craft was gone." Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

KANSAS ORBS

COLDWATER -- Pat Wells saw an amazing orb in the western sky with his 30-70 binoculars on October 1, 2001, at 4:26 AM. It stayed stationary for fifteen or so minutes then flew west. The light was intense. Pat says, "I was looking above the western horizon about 20 degrees and saw an orb with red white and yellowish flashing lights within and revolving it then moved west pretty dam fast." I would be interested in any other sightings. God bless America. Thanks to Pat pwells@rh.net

ARKANSAS FLYING LIGHTS

LITTLE ROCK -- Kaleeh Rodgers. E-mailed that, "My friend Kristen and I were outside around midnight on September 31, 2001, trying to get my telescope ready to look at the satellites. We heard you could see them then. Kristen screamed, "WHAT'S THAT?" I looked up and I saw these green, red and blue lights blinking green, red, and then blue. Then all the lights came on. Then they would all go off, and blink again, following the same pattern each time. This "craft" hovered over us for about 30 seconds to a minute, then flew off into the night sky faster than any plane, I have ever seen. One of my interests is planes. Thanks to Kaleeh Rodgers.

COLORADO MINI UFO FLAP

SALIDA -- Seems we are having a mini-flap of sightings here in the San Luis Valley, which, appears to have commenced with Tim Edwards' on September 10, 2001, with the sighting and videotaping of a triangular object cruising over Salida. On September 22, visiting Texas hunters at the San Luis Lakes observed a "huge moon-sized, glowing ball hovering to the north over head the Dollar Lakes. This is the supposed location of the sipapu or "place of emergence" for the Pueblo Indians. The object appeared to extend two bright beams of light into the lakes. Two other witnesses at the Great Sand Dunes Oasis Campground also reported seeing what was probably the same object. The following morning at 11:30 AM, another witness (while driving in the Baca development) reported two disc-shaped objects flying low over the Sangre de Cristos near Crestone Park. When a conventional plane flying at a higher altitude neared their location, both discs appeared to "vanish into thin air." I am investigating a number of other reports from this past week, which I will post after confirmation. Thanks to Tmv tmv@ctelco.net

CANADA NEW CROP CIRCLES

MIDALE, SASKATCHEWAN -- Three more Crop circle formations about 80 miles northeast of Midale, were formed in wheat and found September 26, 2001. Whether this is actually three circles in one formation or three separate formations is not known at this point. Thanks to CCCR NEWS psa@look.ca cccrnews@topica.com

NORWAY UFO LANDS

OSLO -- On September 25, 2001, police in Helgeland, north central Norway, have been getting a rash of reported UFO sightings, while a woman in the northern town of Bodø insists a small flying object landed in her garden. Tøgersen says several more people have come forward after news reports carried the account of three people in the town of Mosjøen who dove for cover when they saw a low-flying, whirling object hurtle through the night skies On September 23. "We also have several other witness observations of the same phenomenon in the same time frame on Sunday," Tøgersen said. Other people have reported sightings of additional UFOs that apparently resemble small, brightly lit balls. While the larger object over Mosjøen emitted no noise whatsoever, Tøgersen says the smaller objects are reported to have made a hissing sound. But the most remarkable reports came from the northern city of Bodø. There, a woman went out of her house and a flying object landed on her lawn, stood there awhile, and then lifted off and flew away. Two other separate individuals reported the same sighting, at the same time, on Saturday evening. One of the two was driving his car when he spotted it flying over Vefsnfjorden, while another saw it while out on a veranda. Both reported that it was brightly lit. Thanks to Frode Sætran and Gerry FarShores at www.100megsfree4.com/farshore

MARS TUNNELS

Bill Clark writes, "Thank you for all the information on the military buildup in Asia in Filer's Files." I think I will stop reading the newspapers and just wait for your report each week - it's concise, clear, and with some solid observations! I am a Ph.D. student of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin, where most of the Mars data is being analyzed (at the Center for Space Research). I have been in the middle of a big debate about Mars. About half of the scientific community believes that no water could ever have existed on Mars. The reasoning is not hard to follow.

One of the first objectives of any manned Mars mission will be to create an atmosphere. The planet's gravity is so small that this atmosphere would have to be constantly replenished to remain stable. Now, if there were ever water on the planet, it would not have remained for very long at all - it would quickly evaporate, then be lost into deep space because the gravity could not hold it there. So it is virtually impossible that water could ever have existed on Mars - especially not in a huge volume as we have on Earth, for eons; long enough to have caused all the land features we see now.

An alternate theory, which is presented in great detail on my web site at <http://www.inviticus.com>, is that there is a strong gravity flux in the neighborhood of Mars, sufficient to cause these patterns on the surface. It would also explain why the Russians never made it to Mars in six attempts, and why all three of our most recent missions to Mars have failed (two crashed, and the third lost half its solar panels in transit). It is certainly reason to be cautious in our (meaning the US) current Mars mission, and the UK's upcoming one. I have a trajectory optimization program on my web site -- with source code -- if anybody wants to see for himself or herself how tricky this mission is!

The problem is that, if you accept that the peculiar patterns on Mars could not have been caused by water, and that they were caused by this gravitational phenomenon - then it is necessary to say that this gravity flux may be strong but it is probably not capable of creating such fine features as we see on the planet surface. Thus people are even more hesitant to discard the water wash theory because of what it would mean in the interpretation of these surface features - i.e., they are not natural. Thanks to center4cm@earthlink.net (Bill Clark, P.E.)

NETHERLANDS CROP CIRCLE

Nancy Talbot phoned to inform me she had witnessed the formation of a Crop Circle in the early morning hours of August 21, 2001. Nancy had gone to Holland to visit an amazing young man called Robert. Nancy was reading in bed at 3:00 AM, when she heard cattle outside her room making noises. A few minutes later, they started again but stopped about 3:15 AM. Nancy noticed her room was brightening like a welders arc light. An intense column of light was above the field located behind her bedroom. There were two tubes of light about a foot in diameter shinning down on the field. The lights went out for a second and other came down. Nancy jumped out of bed and called for the young man she was visiting named Robert. He was also awake in the kitchen and also saw the lights shinning down about 85 feet away. They rushed outside and there was nothing in the sky or field. Everything was quiet with no sound, and no smells. They walked toward the field and just beyond the fence ! was a Crop Circle in the string beans. It was a 35 foot ellipse (stretched circle) with a twenty foot long off to one side with a crossbar at the end, forming a 'T' coming off the ellipse. Nancy thought she saw some steam rising from the Crop Circle. The next morning Nancy saw the field from her bedroom window. We wondered if the Crop Circle had been made so Nancy could see it. This observation seems more than a coincidence and infers intelligence at work. Thanks to Nancy Talbot and George Reynolds Maryland MUFON.

SINGAPORE SAUCER VIDEOTAPED

JURONG WEST -- Residents report seeing a UFO on September 22, 2001, that hovered for 15 minutes over some apartment flats. The UFO sparked excitement and speculation among the residents,

some of whom called the Channel NewsAsia hotline. Resident Benjamin Lee captured the object on a video in the distance. "Then the saucer was just hovering over the buildings, with a very bright light. "At first we thought it was a chopper, but the lights were running around the whole thing and it looks much more like a saucer." It was as wide as the flat window," Joanne Lee says, "I didn't believe it, so I used a toy telescope to look at it. It was very clear, like a plate, rounded, with blinker lights," another eyewitness, Mr. Tan, said. I saw it at 9.45 PM. I used a telescope. There were many lights on the bottom of the saucer. There were three windows. Fifteen minutes later, it flew off in another direction," Madam Yong added. A spokesperson from mobile phone company StarHub thought it could be their lightship, which flew over the Bukit Timah expressway that night. StarHub said the two 1,000-watt lights on the lightship are so bright it could have been mistaken for a UFO. Thanks to correspondent Christopher Lee ChannelNewsAsia.com / Singapore and Gerry@FarShores who notes the 'UFO' could have been an advertising lightship - - www.100megsfree4.com/farshores

The GREAT UFO/ET CONFERENCE on October 6 & 7, 2001, at the DAYS INN on Route 206 and NJTP Exit 7, Bordentown, NJ. Saturday 10:00 AM George Filer will be the leadoff speaker concerning the UFO Disclosure Project, Rick R. Hilberg - the First Three Decades, Jim Wilson - When UFOs Land, Diana Palmer Hoyt UFOs, Social Intelligence and Condon Committee, Donald LeeRose - Occultism in Ufology, Georgio Tsoukalos - Legacy of the Gods, Antonio Huneeus - UFO Chronicles From South America, Susan Swiatek - New Abduction Cases, James Moseley - Shockingly Close To the Truth, Ronald Story -The UFO Encyclopedia Project, Antonio Huneeus- UFO Chronicles from Europe, George Hansen - The Trickster and the Paranormal. Call Pat J. Marcattilio at 609 298-6100.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 14:28:05 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 22:43:55 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 19:53:50 -0600
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 21:53:49 -0400
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

>>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 13:06:58 -0600
>>>Subject: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>>>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

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>>>This may be something that one of the experts on the list (Bruce Maccabee?) should take a closer look at.

>>I did look. Would need better copy and video characteristics >>(camera data) etc. to properly evaluate. Might be an object >>propelled by explosion.

>Yes. I suppose that a proper evaluation would require, at the >very least, verifying that the frame rate of the original video >is what it appears to be on the available clips. Perhaps Fox >News removed some frames to decrease the download time for the >internet version of the clip. Information on the original video >should be available from the news service that recorded it.

The thing which bothers me most about all of these attempts to read UFO activity into the atrocity (and there are several), is that all the reports which I have come across (about five now) are made by people who saw the "anomalous objects" on video/TV - not one actual eyewitness report. It strikes me that people are looking for something that they have no cause to anticipate was there, and trying to bend the facts into their preconceived expectations.

Regards,

Joe

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

From: Joe McGonagle <joemcgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 14:41:33 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 22:47:25 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... -

>Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 05:15:37 -0700
>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

>>From: Adam Lowe <nicap@blueyonder.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 13:17:52 +0100

>>>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
>>>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...

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>>>I was surprised (and a bit saddened) to hear that the term
>>>"brit" was in any way pejorative, negative or whatever. I've
>>>used it many a time, almost as a term of endearment; yes
>>>something like "yank".

>>Hi Larry, list.

>>This is the first time I've heard that 'Brit' is in any way a
>>negative term for us.

>>Adam

>Thanks Adam!

>This Yank does not want to offend any B***s at all.

>There are so many words one cannot use any more, for all sorts
>of reasons. Its a shame really, and so unnecessary in many
>cases.

Hello, Larry &L List,

When I was in the British Army, many people were awarded nicknames according to where they came from. At one unit, I was "Paddy", there were many "Jocks" (Scotland), "Taffs" (Wales), "Scouses" (Liverpool) "Brummies" (Birmingham), "Geordies" (Newcastle), etc. In most cases, these were regarded as terms of endearment, though there were one or two sensitive people who didn't appreciate the titles as such.

The context also has major influence as to whether or not such terms should be regarded as diminutive, "Lousy Pom" is definitely not an Australian term of brotherly admiration for the Brits, whereas "Pom" in itself is inoffensive in my opinion. Anyway, how did we get onto this topic? Have the "Greys" made a complaint under the inter-galactic alien equal rights legislation?

Cheers,

Joe

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Re: Open Letter on Politically Correct Use of

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 10:09:08 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 22:49:23 -0400
Subject: Re: Open Letter on Politically Correct Use of

We are the "PC Society of America" and we are the watchdog of language, now focusing on the UFO community of crackpots and idiots who think they are (Ha!) interacting with (double Ha!) aliens.

We object to the use of the derogatory word, "UFO" on the basis of the fact that it offends those whose names begin and or end with the same letters. We also object to the use of the term "experiencers," as a result of the fact that many people "experience" many things and those who do not "experience" this abduction phenom do not wish to be associated with the phenom.

We also object to the use of the derogatory phrase, "UpDates" on the basis of the fact that many people are updated every day, so why should they be associated with this list of silly people studying this silly phenom? Huh?

It is suggested that Mr. Errol Bruce-Knapp develop a language similar to, say, the language that guy "woof" uses on the Startrek series. But of course, you must not offend the poor departed soul of Mr. Gene Rodenberry by actually using that language. Besides, Woof would also be offended, as he is a person of darker color persuasion.

Oh, and one last thing, I object, most strenuously, to the use of Dr. James Mortellaro's in-laws as objet d'art in his etchings. Unless of course, Mr. Tonnie pays Gesundt for the use of the images of his stupid inlaws. After all, it is an insult to Dr. and especially Mrs. Gesundt, to use her relations for sport.

Never mind. Uh, Mac, can I use your pix superimposed on a pistol target for use on the range?

Last: We object to the use of the English language when referring to any of these silly subjects. We suggest that you strange people invent another language which will not offend the rest of us.

Dr. K. Kreplock, Ph.D.
Fundamentally Correct and Politically Inoffensive

PS: We almost forgot. Mr. Mortellaro uses the word "Guinzoids" when reefering to his four bears. This is OK, as he is one. Thank you.

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Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 08:09:30 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 22:59:05 -0400
Subject: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'

>From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001
>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 12:39:18 +0100 NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

Dear Nick, Georgina, Listers,

Nick, I have several questions for you. I'm sure Georgina can clarify this, if you cannot. Did you have prior knowledge of the information Georgina Bruni presented at the the Leeds Conference? I am referring specifically to the the USAF reports of "humanoid" beings seen at the Rendlesham Forest incident? If so, how do you justify the statement you made in the MOD press report,

"...This material states that the events were of no defence significance. I also suggest a PR strategy to help dispel accusations that there had been a cover-up."?

If you had access to all of the files Georgina Bruni had, and had no prior knowledge, that strongly suggests that you and your team were 'out of the loop', doesn't it? Or is this avoidance of the issue in your reports evidence of a cover-up, or more misinformation or disinformation intended to squelch the public's knowledge and/or understanding of what really happened? See below.

<snip>

>From: Anthony Chippendale <anthony@ufon.org>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Leeds Conference Review
>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 16:47:10 +0100

>Review of 20th Leeds International UFO Conference
>Leeds University - 21 to 23 September 2001
>By Anthony Chippendale

>She also revealed that there are now five new written statements by
>USAF personnel confirming that the incident did occur as reported.
>These new witnesses confirm that they saw alien "humanoids"
>inside the craft, which allegedly landed in Rendlesham Forest.
>Georgina also announced that following extensive research she
>has discovered that UFOs landed in the forest in the late 1800s
>and even in the 1600s!! She is currently researching this for
>more information."

And, from your own synopsis of the Leeds Conference, you failed to illuminate the issue of the witnessed "humanoids," choosing to make reference instead to a possible abduction scenario (e.g., use of the term, "missing time"). I'd like to know more about that "missing time," as it relates to the USAF reports of the Rendlesham Forest incident, as I'm sure it will prove most interesting to all.

Another question. Were the USAF reports available to you, Nick,

while you were investigating this incident? If not, why not? Obviously, if Georgina has managed to obtain copies of these reports, they were (or are not now) considered a national security issue, so why was this information withheld from the public initially?

>...her talk threw up some intriguing clues that
>some of the USAF witnesses did experience some missing time.
>Georgina also offered the audience some new information on the
>involvement of General Gordon Williams and General Charles
>Gabriel, and showed a series of USAF and MOD documents, drawings
>and photographs.

As far as the Rendelsham Forest Incident is concerned, using the Official Secrets Act to justify your failure to disclose these most important aspects of the case, doesn't wash.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland

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Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Jones

From: Sean Jones <Sean.Jones@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 18:15:11 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 23:02:20 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From... - Jones

>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 16:41:19 -0700
>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From....

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: UFOs Cannot Possibly Originate From...
>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 11:24:41 -0500

>>In deference to you, and of course speaking (well, actually
>>typing) strictly for myself and not for Sean, I will not use
>>"Brit" in any further posting.

>Hello Jerry, John...

>I was surprised (and a bit saddened) to hear that the term
>"brit" was in any way pejorative, negative or whatever. I've
>used it many a time, almost as a term of endearment; yes
>something like "yank".

I am aghast that anyone, especially a Brit could take offence at the term Brit. I also agree with Jerry and Larry, neither is "Yank" a derogatory name. Methinks that John just takes offence at anything he likes just to stir things up? After all, I am positive that the term Brit has been used here before.

Heaven knows what John would read into the term "Limey"!

Regards

Sean

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USA: UFOS And National Security

From: Alfred Webre <EcoRadio@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 20:39:59 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 23:13:34 -0400
Subject: USA: UFOS And National Security

USA: UFOS AND NATIONAL SECURITY

By Leslie Kean

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Thank you.

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Re: Something Weird From Tennessee

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 23:23:27 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 23:23:27 -0400
Subject: Re: Something Weird From Tennessee

>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 04:07:07 -0400
>From: Kenny Young <ufo@FUUSE.NET>
>Subject: Something Weird From Tennessee
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>Enclosed is a strange report from Tennessee I received via email
>early this morning. I responded with a message asking for
>clarification of the word 'figure.' I could only imagine that
>his use of the word 'figure' was an effort to describe something
>difficult to put into words or might have been because of a
>regional dialect or something similar. I'll try to follow up on
>this Tennessee report.

>KY

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>I am from Wartrace, TN and am a student at Tennessee
>Technological University. On Sunday, September 23, 2001, at
>about 7:30 pm, I was passing through the outskirts of Machester,
>TN on my way to TTU. I saw a glowing figure in the sky but
>didn't really think anything about it. It was already dark
>outside. As I approached the figure I noticed that it was moving
>or should I say floating. It was close enough to the ground to
>where I could make out what it looked like. I looked like a
>fireball that had a sort of "cap" on top. The "cap" was like a
>cone with the tip cut off, it was flattened out at the top. The
>"cap" fit on the fireball like figure. The UFO had a yellowish
>orange glow to it. I watched it float over my truck and out into
>a field and away until I couldn't see it anymore. It never
>really shot away really fast, just kept a constant, yet quick
>speed. I didn't understand it because people haven't pictured a
>figure like this one before (to my knowledge). I guess it could
>have been something else, but I have never seen anything like
>it. Sorry I reported it so late but I didn't know exactly what
>to do. Maybe you'll know what I should do or maybe you are just
>the one to tell. Let me know what you think about this or what
>you can find out. E'mail me back at jva0542@tnech.edu as soon as
>possible. Thanks for your time and understanding. Maybe you can
>bring me to a better understanding of what I saw.

>Thanks again,

>(name and email address deleted for privacy)

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>Dear (name deleted),

>I am having trouble understanding your description and
>especially your use of the term 'figure' to describe this. For
>example: "the cap fit on the fireball like a figure" seems to
>have nothing that could make sense to me or illustrate an image
>workable from a basic framework to reference from. The word
>'figure' as is commonly used might indicate arms, body and legs,
>such as "stick figure." Could you kindly help out with a
>clarification of this?

>Thanks for taking the time to report this,

>Kenny Young

Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 00:12:42 -0400
From: Kenny Young <ufo@FUUSE.NET>
Subject: reply from the Tennessean
To: CURRENT-ENCOUNTERS@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

See earlier message and follow up question about the use of the word 'figure' -- KY

see: <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/2001/oct/m01-010.shtml>

===== REPLY PASTED BELOW =====

Sorry about the confusion. I guess 'object' would have been easier to understand rather than 'figure'. I was in middle Tennessee about 20 minutes north of Manchester when I saw the UFO. I know I said fireball, but it was probably more of a gassious ball than a fireball. This is sort of like what the 'cap' looked liked like that sat upon the gas ball.

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The gas ball sat right underneath the 'cap' and was almost the same width as the cap, maybe just a little larger. The gas ball was round also. Man I wished I had a camera or something that night. Thank you for your time.

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[lunascan] Objects Near Moon?

From: **Francis Ridge** <slk@evansville.net>
Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 19:24:41 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 23:26:10 -0400
Subject: [lunascan] Objects Near Moon?

FYI,

http://www.cyberspaceorbit.com/lunar_sightings.htm

Fran

<http://members.evansville.net/slk/lunascan.html>
<http://www.nicap.dabsol.co.uk/>

THE LUNASCAN PROJECT (TLP): An Earth-Based Telescopic Imaging (EBTI) program using live and recorded CCD technology to document and record Lunar Transient Phenomena (LTPs).

The Lunascan Project HomePage:
<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/lshomepage.html>

The Project's Mission Statement:
<http://www.evansville.net/~slk/miss.html>

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UFO Over Singapore

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 00:43:17 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 00:43:17 -0400
Subject: UFO Over Singapore

<http://sg.cna.mediacorpnews.com/articles/2001/09/24/singaporenews5205.htm>

24 September 2001 1540 hrs (GMT) 2340 hrs (SST)

'UFO' Sighted Over Jurong West
by Bridgette See

Residents in Jurong West saw a strange object in the sky on Saturday night, describing it an unidentified flying object that hovered for as long as 15 minutes over some blocks of flats.

The UFO sparked excitement and speculation among the residents, some of whom called the Channel NewsAsia hotline.

Resident Benjamin Lee captured the object on a video camera, but by the time the camera began rolling, it had moved some distance away.

"They were shouting and said some flying saucer over the place so I just came out and saw the thing," he said.

"They said, 'Take your view cam.' So I started taking down the picture. Then the saucer was just hovering over the top of the block, a very bright light.

"At first I thought it was a chopper. Everybody was saying it's a helicopter but after looking at the lights - the lights were running around the whole thing - it looks much more like a saucer." Mr Lee said.

"I was in the kitchen when I saw the saucer. It was as wide as the flat window," added Joanne Lee.

"I didn't believe it, so I used a toy telescope to look at it. It was very clear, like a plate, rounded, with blinker lights," another eyewitness, Mr Tan, said.

"I saw it at 9.45 pm. I used a telescope. There were many lights on the bottom of the saucer. There were three windows. Fifteen minutes later, it flew off in another direction," Madam Yong added.

A spokesperson from mobile phone company StarHub thought it could be their lightship, which flew over the Bukit Timah expressway that night.

StarHub said the two 1,000-watt lights on the lightship are so bright it could have been mistaken for a UFO.

Residents in Bukit Timah apparently saw a similar object but concluded that it was the back of the lightship.

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'UFO' Is Trash Bags With Glow Sticks

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 00:48:44 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 00:48:44 -0400
Subject: 'UFO' Is Trash Bags With Glow Sticks

<http://www.deseretnews.com/dn/view/0,1249,325007183,00.html?>

Utah News

Tuesday, October 02, 2001

'UFO' Is Trash Bags With Glow Sticks

TOOELE -- A glowing, unidentified flying object seen in Tooele's skies Saturday night was identified not as otherworldly, but as a hoax.

The 10-to-15-feet long, 4-to-5-feet wide cylinder was first spotted by a Tooele police officer at 12:59 p.m. about 800 feet in the air.

"From his vantage point, he thought it was over the (Tooele Army) Depot," Tooele Police Sgt. Lance Sutherland said. "You couldn't make it out through binoculars."

A second look, however, showed the object was flying over 900 South and 200 West. "It was definitely over Tooele," Sutherland said.

About 20 minutes later, the object lost some of its buoyancy and began to float down. Officers were able to determine it was several garbage bags filled with helium. Glow sticks were attached to the bottom.

"It must have been affixed to the ground at one point because it had some fishing line attached to it," Sutherland said. Officers grabbed the fishing line and reeled the object in, putting an end to the spectacle about 1:25 a.m.

"It was just a hoax," Sutherland said. There are no suspects in the case.

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Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Gates

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 23:45:45 EDT
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 09:51:33 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Gates

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Pope & Rendlesham
>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 08:09:30 -0600

>>From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001
>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 12:39:18 +0100 NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

>Dear Nick, Georgina, Listers,

>Nick, I have several questions for you. I'm sure Georgina can
>clarify this, if you cannot. Did you have prior knowledge of the
>information Georgina Bruni presented at the the Leeds
>Conference? I am referring specifically to the the USAF reports
>of "humanoid" beings seen at the Rendelsham Forest incident? If
>so, how do you justify the statement you made in the MOD press
>report,

As I recall the phraseology was 5 reports by USAF people.
We don't know if they were written at the time of the incident, or last
year.

>"...This material states that the events were of no
>defence significance. I also suggest a PR strategy to help
>dispel accusations that there had been a cover-up."?

I am curious what Nick has to say. If the reports were written
at the time it is very possible and perhaps likely that the
USAF reports were not "shared" with the British and visa-versa.
The bottom line may be that to Sue the fact that witnesses allegedly
saw "humanoids" in the craft still would not make it something
of "defense significance." But had the craft intruded into the
nuclear weapons bunker or flightline etc etc that may have justified
it to be of "defense significance." It also can be that the "party line"
is denial.

>If you had access to all of the files Georgina Bruni had, and
>had no prior knowledge, that strongly suggests that you and your
>team were 'out of the loop', doesn't it? Or is this avoidance of
>the issue in your reports evidence of a cover-up, or more
>misinformation or disinformation intended to squelch the
>public's knowledge and/or understanding of what really
>happened? See below.

The question boils down to when were the reports written,
where they in the so called British document release, or
were they statements that came about during the current
investigation?

><snip>

>>From: Anthony Chippendale <anthony@ufon.org>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Leeds Conference Review

>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 16:47:10 +0100

>>Review of 20th Leeds International UFO Conference
>>Leeds University - 21 to 23 September 2001
>>By Anthony Chippendale

>>She also revealed that there are now five new written statements by
>>USAF personnel confirming that the incident did occur as reported.
>>These new witnesses confirm that they saw alien "humanoids"
>>inside the craft, which allegedly landed in Rendlesham Forest.
>>Georgina also announced that following extensive research she
>>has discovered that UFOs landed in the forest in the late 1800s
>>and even in the 1600s!! She is currently researching this for
>>more information."

Obviously Nick wouldn't have a copy of those reports in the so called official file.

>And, from your own synopsis of the Leeds Conference, you failed
>to illuminate the issue of the witnessed "humanoids," choosing to
>make reference instead to a possible abduction scenario (e.g.,
>use of the term, "missing time"). I'd like to know more about
>that "missing time," as it relates to the USAF reports of the
>Rendlesham Forest incident, as I'm sure it will prove most
>interesting to all.

People highlight what strikes them. For example in one account the so called humanoids. In another account so called missing time. Perhaps in another account of the same story we will hear something else emphasized.

>Another question. Were the USAF reports available to you, Nick,
>while you were investigating this incident? If not, why not?
>Obviously, if Georgina has managed to obtain copies of these
>reports, they were (or are not now) considered a national
>security issue, so why was this information withheld from the
>public initially?

>>...her talk threw up some intriguing clues that >>some of the USAF witnesses did experience some missing time. >>Georgina also offered the audience some new information on the >>involvement of General Gordon Williams and General Charles >>Gabriel, and showed a series of USAF and MOD documents, drawings >>and photographs.

>As far as the Rendlesham Forest Incident is concerned, using
>the Official Secrets Act to justify your failure to disclose
>these most important aspects of the case, doesn't wash.

If folks truly understood how much trouble you can get into for disclosing classified information whether in the US under US law, or in UK under the official secrets act, you would understand Nicks comment. Once the documents are declassified, you can then talk about what has been declassified and or released publicly. Like people in the Stealth fighter program who didn't talk about it until it was officially disclosed.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: [lunascan] Objects Near Moon? - Cammack

From: **Diana Cammack** <cammack@eomw.net>
Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 09:08:38 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 09:58:29 -0400
Subject: Re: [lunascan] Objects Near Moon? - Cammack

>To: lunascan@yahoogroups.com
>From: Francis Ridge <slk@evansville.net>
>Date: Wed, 03 Oct 2001 19:24:41 -0700
>Subject: [lunascan] Objects Near Moon?

>FYI,

>http://www.cyberspaceorbit.com/lunar_sightings.htm

>Fran

List, the following is clipped off the above website:

"They are what I would call circular in shape and metallic. I know this because tonight at approx. 7:15 pm MDT (Mountain Daylight Time). I noticed a flap of these UFOs. Several flew the same direction, the rest flew somewhat independently. The seventh one seen actually slowed a little, I noticed a glint of sunlight off of its obvious disc-like shape, it made a sharp turn and kept going.

In all, I've so far seen a total of about 15. I saw seven (the flap) in about a timespan of only 30 seconds. It was, without doubt, the most amazing event I've witnessed in my life. The rest of my family has been hooked on the telescope and each has seen at least a few.

I should also mention that these objects 1) travel at different altitudes above the lunar surface, and many seem to travel at the same height as others (as in predefined flight patterns), 2) they all appear to be the same shape, apparently circular, but it is still unclear if they are all the same size, and 3) they have been seen to make intelligent maneuvers and course changes. "

My question, how would anyone be able to tell the altitude of any object crossing in front of the moon, let alone that several were at different altitudes?

Secondly (unless these objects were close to earth) any object and its (circular) shape and composition (metallic) would have to be huge to be seen if near the moon, right?

Can astronomers see things near the surface of the moon that clearly?

Please explain to this lay(wo)man...

Diana
In Malawi

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UFO-Like Sightings "Reflection Off Satellite"

From: Kelly <kellymcg@attcanada.ca>
Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 06:51:02 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 10:06:16 -0400
Subject: UFO-Like Sightings "Reflection Off Satellite"

National Post - Canada
Thursday, Oct. 4 2001
p. A15

UFO-like sightings blamed on reflection off satellite

OWEN SOUND - Flashing lights in the sky over southern Georgian Bay, Ontario, on Tuesday night were not a flying saucer, experts said yesterday. The sightings stopped traffic and drew dozens of calls to authorities. But Geoff Chester, of the U.S. Naval Observatory, said the lights were the sun reflecting from the dish antennas on a communications satellite.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 08:21:00 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 10:11:47 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 14:28:05 +0100
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>The thing which bothers me most about all of these attempts to
>read UFO activity into the atrocity (and there are several), is
>that all the reports which I have come across (about five now)
>are made by people who saw the "anomalous objects" on
>video/TV - not one actual eyewitness report.

Huh? Eyewitness reports are universally considered as
"anecdotal" evidence. Video recordings are documentary evidence.

>It strikes me that
>people are looking for something that they have no cause to
>anticipate was there, and trying to bend the facts into their
>preconceived expectations.

I certainly did not anticipate any such thing and I was not
looking for it.

A news video shows what appears to be an object moving at a
speed far too great for it to have been seen by anyone at the
time. Saying so is not "bending the facts;" it simply is stating
them.

If frames were removed from the available video clip to decrease
download time, then the actual elapsed time in the video
sequence would have been greater than it appears when measured
on the clip, making the speed of the object lower and therefore
less "anomalous". Whether or not that's what happened could be
determined only by more objective evaluation.

Foggy pontifications sure won't do it.

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:01:48 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Aldrich

>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
>UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 ->Velez

>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

John, you are a good-hearted person who thinks the best of everyone, a good quality in a person. A much ruder and cruder reponse to XPPAC is below.

>Hello All,

>I do wish to comment, in this forum, on>statements made in the
>X-PPAC Update. Steve, please feel free to>respond (or not) here
>on the UpDates List to any of my comments. I>have teed-off and
>taken my best swing. Please feel welcome & free>to do like-wise.

>Steve wrote:

>>Time to Coalition

>>With the drive for congressional hearings moved to the side by
>>world events, this is a time for organizations within the field to come
>>together with each other and possibly with receptive organizations
>>tangential to the issues at hand.

>>Only a broadbased structure with political clout will be able to
>>influence disclosure and post-disclosure government
>>policies and actions.

>Steve, this is what should have been done from the very
>beginning! It's one of the things that myself and others have
>been belly-aching about since day one. It's all being done
>bass-ackwards. The witnesses are being screened after they
>have been introduced and presented publicly. Consensus is being
>sought after the fact.

>C'mon man.

>If "consensus" had been sought from the start from the major
>UFO organizations and from the UFO community at large, the
>effort could have been backed by many more>people. It could have
>been much more representative and as a direct result, more
>popular, coordinated, and bottom line 'effective' than it has been.

>The problem with all that is; Greer would have had to give them
>some say so in how the thing>would have been handled and
>presented. 'Who' represented the UFO>community before our
>elected officials would have been put up for a general vote. I
>never would have voted for Greer. For example: put "Greer" and
>say "Richard Hall" or "Richard Haines" on the same ballot for
>the job. Tell me who you think>gets to enjoy a landslide
>mandate to be our collective representative(s) before congress.
>It's no contest. (No lo contiende) And a 'no->brainer' for

>those voting.

>A broad-based organization with strong consensus, internal
>unity, and backing by its members would have been the benefit of
>doing it democratically - as opposed to>presenting the public
>with a monarch/dictator) from the very beginning. And that's
>just some of the ways the whole thing should have gone down.
But it didn't. Now, after the fact, you have to scurry around
>seeking the self-same>"consensus" and strong popular backing
>which should have been the first thing on the need-to-do
>list. Not the tenth thing. Most, if not all, of this popular
>support that you seek should have>already been in place.

>To get the kind of "broad-based" backing you seek, you need to
allow folks to have a say in things. To actively participate in
the process.>That's the 'American Way' Steve. A panel/group of
>bright, experienced individuals heading up this thing, who can
>nurture and direct it properly,>would almost ensure its success
>on the front end.Folks who have been voted in to the
>positions by members of the UFO community and its many
>organizations would enjoy enormous popular support. It just will
>not go to a self-appointed "representative" with a personal
>political agenda. Much of which is unrelated to actual UFO
>disclosure anyway.

>And while there is a break in the 'action'...

>The witnesses also need to be>thoroughly/properly screened by
>some of the best people available in ufology. For example: If
>you put guys like Kevin Randle, Stan Freidman, or a cop like
>Royce Myers on a job like this, I can promise you that whatever
>witnesses survive their screening process will be bullet-proof,
>air-tight-certifiable, and solid gold. That isn't the case now
>though is it?

>Now is the time to start from scratch.

>Seek broad-based consensus. Nominate representatives that folks
>can then vote for. Devise a plan of attack that will actually
>accomplish something - other than speaking tours and tape
>sales. Carefully screen the witnesses. Secure
>signatures/petitions via the Internet with thousands of
>subscribers all addressed to members of
>congress requesting open, public hearings. Dance naked in the
>pale moon light... do it all. But do it right.

>With the strong backing and consensus of the all the people
>your problems will be solved. Before you send anybody to
>represent us all in front of our elected officials, ask us
>who we would like that person(s) to be. Start by making this a
>more democratic and representative process and watch how the
>numbers of supporters begins to swell. Before Gersten came
>along, the membership numbers in CAUS had been sky-rocketing.
>This whole process could enjoy that same kind of popular
>support too. But not as it presently exists.

>I can't tell you how I long to throw my support>behind a
>group-effort to secure hearings for total UFO information
>disclosure. Like many, many, others, I am still waiting for
>that kind of truly grass-roots representative movement>to come
>along. In me, you have a potentially powerful, and vocal
>advocate. And I'm not just passing gas; I have a popular and
>busy website and I'm on the radio (50,000 Watt>station with a
>big Internet following) twice a month. Haven't you ever asked
>yourself why guys like me, (and there are plenty,) are giving
>you all kinds of static - busting your chops - instead of
>throwing strong support behind you? Do you ever really listen
>to what is being said/expressed? I sometimes wonder if you
>dismiss it all as pure malcontent blather. If you do, you are
>committing a serious error in judgement about some good people.

>Regards, respectfully submitted, a 'true' friend>who cares,...

>John Velez, speaking strictly for myself

Speaking for myself, of course, I don't care if people have spit
on me and beat me up and stomped me in an alley way, if they
came up with some rational approach to Congress I would be
leading the charge, the first one over the top.

But not here and not now. There have been many words spoken and

written about The Disclosure Project some in ignorance, and some as mis-representation, and some as complete non-disclosure.

Ignorance first.

We were treated here to the Sheehan story according to Grant Cameron. Unfortunately, Cameron couldn't even get the Sheehan's story straight. Cameron had President Carter using the Congressional Research Office. When Richard Hall posed some rather modest demures, Cameron would hear nothing of these and even questioned how Hall would know anything at all about the subject. Cameron knew how government worked by gum, and who the hell was Richard Hall to tell him otherwise. In the end Sheehan didn't say Carter contacted the Congressional Research Office and many other things put forward by Cameron didn't match Sheehan's version. As with the supposed incident of the Air Force officer's alleged comment, "Go shit in your hat!" in answer to the question on Roswell, it seem that fact checking is not one of Cameron's strong suits, he would rather accept outright as fact anything that agrees with his particular world view. I don't find any apology to Richard Hall by Grant Cameron and any messages setting the record straight.

The whole-hearted endorsement by the Disclosure Project of his latest essay on the UFOs and the Clinton administration will, of course, cause problems in Congressional hearings. (More on this later.)

Some supporters of the Disclosure Project have stated the following, all of which are wrong:

1) There have never been Congressional hearings on UFOs before. Starting in at least in 1956, there were hearings held on the subject. Two public hearings were held by the 1960s, one by the House Armed Services Committee and the other, the Rouse symposium was widely published including in a book by John Fuller.

Even Bassett, supposedly ace lobbyist can't get it right: "The only Congressional hearings held previously were conducted in 1968 by the House Science and Astronautics Committee (90th Congress, 2nd Session, Committee Print No. 7. "Symposium Unidentified Flying Objects.";) " Not very good on fact checking are you, Steve?

2) "Greer is the only one doing something." No not at all true, a complete and total insult to Dick Hall who has worked on this aspect for decades. In fact, exactly who was it that came in and tried to pass off "The Best Available Evidence" as his? Greer only stopped when threaten by laywers. (No respect for other's property, but look at the copyright restrictions on the Disclosure Project. Highly restrictive!)

"Well, old experienced ufologists are just jealous." Emphasis on the old. No, they have been through this before and have an idea how things work. They also are able, from bitter experience, to spot frauds and yarn-spinners which seems to be beyond the ability of those running the Disclosure Project.

To nail down facts in cases takes time and money. Most of us, use our grocery money to try to get at the facts. I know that many of us work overtime so that we may take a few weeks out and go on the road and get corroboration of witnesses' statements - not just completely accepting any tall-tale that comes along.

"Collecting newspaper clippings is fine, but Greer is doing real work." Sorry, if I gave the impression, all I do is collect clippings. We are working on a number of cases which are important to understanding UFO history, UFOs and the government, and the UFO phenomenon (a) and a lot of this involves time consuming and expensive efforts.

Ignorance is strength for Disclosure Project supporters.

Misrepresentations:

1) One of the first misrepresentation was, of course, the misuse of the The Best Available Evidence by Greer.

2) In the Connecticut MUFON newsletter several years ago was a story about how Robert Dean, Steven Greer and Richard Hall of

FUFOR were working on a disclosure project. When I sent this to Dick Hall, he, of course, demanded a correction. Seems that this representation was not CT MUFON's at all, but rather just repeating what had been put out by the Disclosure Project associates.

3) Now if you look at the some of the videos in the Disclosure Project, you will find that they were not done by Greer at el, but are indeed archived films or done by others.

4) Senator Daniel Inouye is shown on the beginning of the Disclosure Video, his clip is just dropped in with all the UFO witnesses. Of course, he wasn't addressing anything to was remotely related to UFOs. A serious misrepresentation.

5) Many on the Disclosure Project have former affiliation with institutions such as Stanford Research Institute, but have not current affiliation. Advertisements purchased on Google and in representations elsewhere refer to such affiliations, but what is not mentioned is that these are in the past tense.

Outright NON-Disclosures.

1) Number One on this list is welding on a Far-Left political agenda item concerning missile defense. Was there any hint of such a thing prior to the press conference? Probably, but you couldn't find any such a thing on the CSETI website. Now maybe Steven Bassett will tell you different, but since a majority of congress are for missile defense, it seems rather daffy to connect this to a UFO hearing. (Many in Congress are opposed to Bush's missile defense, but still want a missile defense.)

2) Non-disclosure to the public and press at the Press Conference of the fact that Greer claims he can vector UFOs in for communication almost at will. (Now people are saying Greer did this in the past and all that was from his early days. Sorry, the CSETI site has now changed, such material was on there this year and well after the Disclosure Project Press Conference. Nice try to push this down a memory hole. (To harp on this once again, if you can vector in UFOs, they can be inspected by various instruments that would absolutely establish what they were. There would be no need for such a thing as a Disclosure Project, one could bring absolute proof to bear, not witnesses' statements.)

3) There was no Hunger Strike for Disclosure, it was Dieting for Disclosure. Trying to blame the UFO UpDates List for the failure of this fiasco is beyond belief.

Now to Congressional Hearings and a little war story. Many, including, apparently the Disclosure Project, think that Congressmen and Sentators are boobs. Maybe they are! But their staffs are not and are generally made up of highly competent and knowledgeable people.

When I was stationed at Fort Sill one of my tasks was to write enlisted Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) for meteorology. I had finished my SQT early, it was checked and we had tried it out using meteorological crewmen assigned to Fort Sill. The tests were at the printers.

SQTs had become an item of Congressional interest. One of the important questions was, "Were SQTs measuring soldiers' competence in their jobs?" The subcommittee concerned had thought not and wanted the Army to change the tests - now. The Army's interpretation of 'now' was the new tests could be phased in over a year or longer time frame. During a hearing on certain military subjects, the SQT issue was to be revisited, and among the briefers two captains, from Fort Sill, were sent to testify. Later, in a conference in the colonel's office, I heard the outcome as it specifically concerned me.

The two captains were only some of the officials to give testimony on the SQT subject, but they were up early. They related how behind one congressman, there was this extremely beautiful woman and went into the details of her physical perfection. They couldn't keep their eyes off her, and they thought she must be some congressmen's mistress. Also, seated next to her was a former Army captain. As the Fort Sill captains started their testimony, the woman and the former Army captain started producing documents from briefcases, writing notes to

Congressmen and whispering in their ears.

Many things the captains said were challenged, by the Congressmen who seemed to know more than the military men did about the SQT program. The captains remembered the icy stare from the woman researcher. The Army took some big hits that day, and the word went out that now meant now, not two years from now. I was ordered to get my tests from the printer and re-write them immediately in the new format.

So if the members of the Disclosure Project think they can bring some of the clowns and yarn-spinners they have on their witness list to Congress and they will pass muster at a Congressional hearing, they have another think coming. The Disclosure Project, despite protests to the contrary, did little in vetting their "witnesses". There are some good ones like Salas, but these will be lost in the silliness of "38 levels above Top Secret," etc.

Here is my own conspiracy theory on the Disclosure Project - it is not about disclosure at all. The purpose is to discredit the UFO phenomenon so badly that no serious person will ever consider it again. It is constructed so poorly that Congressmen and Senators will remember how silly some of the claims were and will never, ever, take up the subject again.

Some of the people on the project are obviously good-hearted, some may have other motives, but many are obviously duped by people who think you can mix bad witnesses and good together and when the dust settles, the Truth will come out. Sorry, you better bring your best team, and they better be checked six ways from Thursday, or you will be the laughing stock.

As I said before about people who seem to believe the most outlandish claims:

"The people who want to believe this sort of thing will never check dates, or facts, or history, they will just believe any provocative thing placed in front of them. The hunger for this sort of thing is insatiable, that why there are hundreds of UFO conspriacy theories, most contradicting all the others. That doesn't seem to matter. What matters is they explain things in nice little neat packages."

Jan Aldrich

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Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:03:48 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Strickland

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>Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Pope & Rendlesham
>>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 08:09:30 -0600

>>>From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001
>>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 12:39:18 +0100 NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

Dear Nick, Georgina, Listers,

Another question to Nick and Georgina. What is the written date shown on the 5 USAF reports outlining the Rendlesham Forest incident? The other questions still stand as asked and awaiting answers.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

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Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 17:34:30 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:17:46 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 08:21:00 -0600
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
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Here is an extract from a post that I made to another list on the same topic on the 18/9/01:

1. Prior to the attack, NY skies will have been busy with scheduled aircraft, and helicopter traffic. Many of these will still have been airborne at the time and shortly after the incident.
2. At the point of impact, debris will have been thrown out in all directions.
3. After the impact, any light debris, eg tarpaulins, plastic carrier bags, paper etc will still have been floating around for some time.
4. The video images are generally focussed on the towers, not on any of the several reported objects. This fact, coupled with the small size of the objects, makes it virtually impossible to identify them.
5. I have not heard of anyone actually reporting having seen a UFO at the time—all the "reports" that I have come across are people observing "something" on the television.
6. Objects that have been identified so far include paper, and a US fighter which was scrambled in an attempt to intercept the second aircraft (unfortunately too late).

All of this leads me to the conclusion that there was nothing of any ufological interest in the sky at the time, and if there was, the situation is too chaotic to eliminate the other causes of reports.

>Huh? Eyewitness reports are universally considered as
>"anecdotal" evidence. Video recordings are documentary evidence.

Even if a still from the video clearly showed a Ventubian intergalactic reconnaissance craft Mk.IV, without any eyewitness reports (of which I would expect many, in daylight hours, over a busy city), the video would be regarded as highly suspicious, and not as any kind of evidence.

People do not generally check videos of, for example, scheduled tower block demolitions in order to identify every piece of debris that is thrown out from the demolition - such objects are simply regarded as the sort of debris that you would normally expect from such an operation.

In my opinion, no matter how hard you study video footage taken from any angle of view, it will not be possible to eliminate debris as the origin of any unidentified object. (Other objects, such as birds/helicopters etc may be identifiable, depending on

the quality of the footage).

What reason is there to suppose that anything in this case is not debris/conventional objects? Is it a case that people refuse to believe that humans could inflict such horror on humans, and are looking for something non-human to blame?

In my view, all this speculation about UFO's being at the scene detract from the real issues involved.

Regards,

Joe

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Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us - Velez

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Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:20:02 -0400
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>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 15:39:43 EDT
>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>Date: Mon, 01 Oct 2001 14:13:24 +0000

>>>From: Bob Young <YoungBob2@aol.com>
>>>Date: Sun, 30 Sep 2001 12:25:50 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>>>>Date: Sat, 29 Sep 2001 20:22:03 EDT
>>>>Subject: Re: Appelle - Aliens Among Us
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>>>>But then, we shouldn't reject part of the solution because it
>>>>doesn't cover every case. Kind of like suggesting that aircraft
>>>>haven't been misidentified as a UFO because some were really
>>>>weather balloons. Like all aspects of the UFO phenomena, I don't
>>>>think there is a single explanation that covers everything.

>>>>And, I've never understood why we all say that 90% of the UFO
>>>>sightings are explained in the mundane, but all of the
>>>>abductions must be alien. Couldn't it be that some are, in fact,
>>>>explainable in terrestrial terms? Not all, but some?

>>>I'm always doubtfull when somebody claims a simple explanation.

>>You mean simple explanations like "swamp gas," "ball lightning,"
>>"fireballs?"

>Dick:

>No, I probably could have said "Singular Explanations", which in
>the case of this human phenomenon are much less likely that
>Multiple Explanations. Or do you think that each and every
>flying saucer report since 1947 has been caused by the Romulans?

Hi Bob, hi All,

Speaking of things "Romulan."

I would like to see a nekkid fight scene between Seven-of-Nine
and Vulcan Sub-Commander T'Pol... in Romulan Jello. (Or Klingon
mud.) Now_that_would be a 'sighting' worth reporting and
investigating.

Just my two cents.

John Velez ;)

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: UFO-Like Sightings "Reflection Off Satellite"

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 10:40:27 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:22:37 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO-Like Sightings "Reflection Off Satellite"

>Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 06:51:02 -0400
>From: Kelly <kellymcc@attcanada.ca>
>Subject: UFO-Like Sightings "Reflection Off Satellite"
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>National Post - Canada
>Thursday, Oct. 4 2001
>p. A15

>UFO-like sightings blamed on reflection off satellite
>OWEN SOUND - Flashing lights in the sky over southern Georgian
>Bay, Ontario, on Tuesday night were not a flying saucer, experts
>said yesterday. The sightings stopped traffic and drew dozens
>of calls to authorities. But Geoff Chester, of the U.S. Naval
>Observatory, said the lights were the sun reflecting from the
>dish antennas on a communications satellite.

Dear EBK, Listers,

This is exactly where I draw the line between being a believer and being a skeptic. Coming from an abductee, these questions will seem more in keeping with Dennis Stacy's questioning mind. So be it.

What time of day was this sighting made, and what compass direction was the object reported to have been seen and in which direction was it moving? I've lived, worked, played in that area, a lot. I've seen the Northern Lights right above my head, the Milky Way sprayed like window cleaner encrusted with diamonds, meteor showers so heavy and close, you duck to avoid "getting hit," and can track all kinds of satellites crossing without the aid of a telescope. Never once have I seen lights "flashing" off of a satellite in pitch dark, (supposedly due to reflection of the sun's rays). Therein lies the reason for my question concerning the time of day or night?

Unless you can tell me which specific satellite can be seen on a regular basis along Georgian Bay during the early summer, evening hours with the naked eye, the direction in which it is consistently moving, and can repeat this scenario, I will continue to doubt the "experts" "light reflection" theory. I'd like to witness a repeat of that incident myself. And, I wasn't even on Georgian Bay that particular day.

Thanks for your answers, in advance.

Sue

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Re: Filer's Files #40 10-03-01

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Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:25:33 -0400
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Filer's Files #40 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern
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UFO sightings have picked up again in the US and continue in Norway. UFOs were observed in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Ohio, Wisconsin, Indiana, Illinois, Nebraska, Kansas, Arkansas, Colorado, Singapore, and Norway. Crop Circles were reported in Canada and the Netherlands.

US AND BRITAIN will likely launch attacks within Afghanistan in the next several days. Small teams of elite US forces, together with British commandos, have begun operating on the ground around key targets inside Afghanistan in the first phase of the US led military offensive. Specialized military reconnaissance units are focusing on primary targets for potential air and ground attacks, notably hideouts of the terrorist organization led by Osama bin Laden and vulnerable bases of Afghanistan's ruling Taliban militia. These forces are also attempting to obtain Afghan allies who hate the Taliban. Afghanistan is involved in a civil war with the Taliban controlling most of the country and the Northern Alliance holding about 10 percent of the country in the Northeast. The Northern Alliance will benefit from an airborne resupply route from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, to Bagram Air Base. It is likely we are already using some of their facilities. Uzbekistan and Tajikistan were once part of the Soviet Union, and with prodding from Russia, may offer bases for US forces. These countries operate Russian-built, twin-engine An-24s and An-32s transports fly in supplies and ammunition at night to the Northern Alliance. Surprisingly, India was the first country to offer the US air bases to fight the Taliban and also to send in supplies to support the Northern Alliance. Pakistan is unlikely to allow bombing attacks from its territory, but will probably allow aerial tankers and cargo aircraft to operate from there. Attacks will likely be launched from aircraft carriers at sea.

President George W. Bush said in a White House meeting with King Abdullah II of Jordan, "He and his military planners had studied the lessons learned by Russia in its losing struggle against Afghan rebels in the 1980s." US Special Forces have begun carrying out scouting missions to pave the way for air strikes followed by landings by helicopter-borne troops." These operations involve small teams of four to 12 men, that are secretly helicopter into Afghan territory. They hide during daylight and then use night vision equipment to pinpoint command posts, supply depots, training headquarters and other targets for US military strikes. At least 2,000 members of the US Special Forces, including the 75th Ranger Regiment, their command unit, have deployed during the last week in bases close to Afghan borders in Pakistan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan. Britain reportedly has its 250-man Special Air Service on secret missions in northern Afghanistan.

POSSIBLE BOMBING OF WORLD TRADE CENTER?

Lee Robertson, the project structural engineer who helped design the World Trade Center claims the twin towers were

designed to take the impact of a four engine 707 commercial jet aircraft. At 8:45 AM, Flight 11, a 767 aircraft crashed into the center of the North Tower exploding its jet fuel. The fires continue to burn for 1 hour 27 minutes, but only diminishing smoke is observed when at 10:30 AM the North Tower suddenly collapses. At 9:03 AM, Flight 175, a 757 aircraft slams into the South Tower near the corner of the building spraying most of the fuel outside the building. The fuel is burned away in seconds with a huge fireball explosion as most of you have seen on television. At 9:50 AM, only 47 minutes later the South Tower collapses. Both buildings successfully withstood the aircraft's impacts and their devastating explosions of jet fuel. People in the 80th floors remarked they hardly felt the impacts. I have spent a great deal of time looking at the video of the tragedy. Something seems wrong. The South Tower who took less of a hit and much less jet fuel collapses in half the time it takes the North Tower to collapse. I noticed that just prior to the collapse of either tower, debris is sent into the air like an explosion has just occurred.

The general wisdom is that the burning of the offices inside the towers eventually caused the failure of the steel structure. It is well known that steel eventually melts with high enough temperatures. Watching the impact of the aircraft on the towers, it is apparent that within seconds all or most of the jet fuel exploded and burned when the aircraft crashed. The highest temperatures occurred at this time, and this is when the steel was most likely to have melted. The secondary fires from the office furniture and supplies are very unlikely to have reached high enough temperatures to melt the steel. The steel came from Japan and was designed to withstand high temperatures and was protected by concrete insulation to withstand high temperatures.

The South Tower took a blow near the corner of the building spraying half the fuel that exploded outside the tower. Temperatures were at their greatest at this point within the corner of the building, and the steel should have lost its strength at this point toppling the building over on its side or at least dropping that part of the floor, but it stood up. Hundreds of expert rescue personnel entered the buildings and started conducting operations assuming the buildings were safe from collapse. Emergency sprinkler systems appeared to be functioning even on upper floors. After the initial impacts, little if any open flames are apparent as people conduct an orderly evacuation. Several people who had evacuated the buildings claimed they heard public address announcements that the fire was under control and they could return to their offices. Some people chose to return to work in the building rather than continue the evacuation, because it was thought the buildings were now safe. Suddenly without warning the South Tower collapses. Van Romero vice president for research at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology states, "The collapse of the towers resembled those of a controlled implosion caused by high explosives on buildings and other structures. The detonations could have been caused by a small amount of explosive put in more than two points in each of the towers. It could have been a relatively small amount of explosives placed in strategic points. The MIT faculty announced that "The structure was still good" after the planes hit"

The towers have exterior columns that were damaged by the aircraft, but the key to the buildings strength is its inner tubes. These may have eventually melted losing their strength, or explosives may have destroyed them? The towers steel cores were protected by several centimeters of cement-based insulation. It is my contention having worked for several engineering firms that the firemen's expertise was correct. The buildings should not have collapsed from the fire, that some other factors were involved. These could be faulty construction, failure to follow the fire codes, or that the World Trade Center was again attacked with high explosives like it had been several years before. Osama Bin Laden is an experienced structural engineer and terrorist. The aircraft attacks may have actually covered up the actual explosions that destroyed the buildings. The explosives may have been planted in the confusion. Two hundred and thirty firemen who came into the buildings and started fire and rescue operations were killed along with almost one hundred police officers. I watched several interviews with eight firemen who survived and none thought the Towers would collapse. Further investigation of the

catastrophe is warranted. Thanks to PsyOpNews.com.

UFOs ON THE WORLD TRADE CENTER VIDEOS

Peter Davenport NUFORC writes several people reported seeing UFOs in the video of the crashes into the World Trade Center. We have looked at many videos and still photos of the WTC attack, and we believe that none of the allegedly anomalous objects appears to us to be UFO-related. The tiny white object seen above Tower 1 at the time of the first impact appears to us to be a helicopter on the near side of the tower and resultant fireball, flying from left to right.

The fuzzy, indistinct object seen just to the right of the fireball erupting from Tower 2 (southern tower) is more difficult to ascribe to anything we are familiar with, but our suspicion is that the object(s) may be the engine(s) from UAL Flight 175/Boeing 767 which, because of their mass, penetrated through the building well ahead of the fireball and other parts of the aircraft. We express our profound sympathy to the many thousands of individuals whose loved ones perished in this tragedy. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director National Reporting Center.

PENNSYLVANIA DISK

GRANTVILLE -- My 12 year old daughter came home from school and said that she had to tell me something and that she thought I would not believe her. She proceeded to tell me that she saw two alien saucers approach our area on August 29, 2001, while waiting for the bus. She said, "One had a sparkly light that came out the bottom of one of the ships in a tubular shape, that went towards the ground and stayed there for about 15 seconds and came back up the ship. Then both ships left the area going away from our house." My daughter is not the imaginative type, and she is afraid that something will happen to her or her family. She prayed that whole day that nothing would happen, and she cannot sleep well ever since it happened.

OHIO TWO FLYING TRIANGLES

MARIETTA -- The witness reports, "I was traveling east towards my home on August 29, 2001, when I noticed an airplane from the local airport. I was nearing Wal-Mart at around 9:20 PM, when I noticed something just seemed out of place. The object was traveling very fast, and its shape just didn't look right. I realized it was not a routine flight, and it was coming from the wrong direction. It was now flying directly towards my car and had five lights on it, a blue light was on the very front of it, a white light just below the blue one, 2 white lights on either side, and a flashing light in the center of it. As it flew directly over my car, I slowed down, and I noticed other cars in front of mine slow down also, so I know I was not the only one who saw it. It finally passed over my car, and there was no sound. I could see the triangular shape very clearly and it was totally black against the moonlit sky. The back had no indications of exhaust or smoke. The back was concave in shape looking sort of like a boomerang but more triangular. I could now see only four lights, the three white ones, and the bluish white flashing light in the center. I was shocked when a second flying triangle quickly followed the first. They both were moving at the same speed and 1000 foot altitude. They were separated by about 1000 feet and were moving very fast probably above 300 to 400 mph. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

GEORGIA DISKS ON THE NIGHT OF THE CRASHES.

GRIFFIN -- I was getting home from band practice on September 11, 2001, the night that all the crashes happened and looking around I looked to the north and saw two disks with lights on the edge through some clouds at 8:45 PM. I was surprised because, I knew they were supposed to be grounded. They had lights on them that changed in Sync from blue to green. They darted around each other for about 10-15 seconds before I lost track of them. I was really freaked out and I felt like this needed to be shared. I am very serious about this report. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

INDIANA LOW HOVERING DISC

ZIONSVILLE -- The witnesses report seeing a saucer shaped craft

on September 1, 2001. It had solid white lights at the ends and bottom, flashing white light on the top. We approached by car at 9:30 PM, and the object appeared to be standing still and not moving. The object hovered low then disappeared completely as we got closer.

TERRE HAUTE -- The reports seeing an elongated off-white iridescent oval shaped object that appeared in the center of the clear sky, going silently to the west at 4:57 AM. I could make out an apparent dome-like structure on top before it went out of view about five seconds later. The object was two inches across at arm's length. Estimating 60 tangent at 500 feet away at ground level=866 feet high. The same witness reported a minute later seeing a faint light green sphere change direction towards the south, almost as if it noticed I was observing it. I say this for two reasons, as it shifted in direction directly between the trees in front of me, about 60 feet away, and in an instant stopped then accelerated three times, in about as many feet. Either it moved faster than my eyes could track it, or it seemed to vibrate or shimmer losing it's round shape while in motion. It then resumed course to the southeast. Even though it was very small for it's altitude. Using tangent at 65 degrees 50 feet away at ground level=107 feet high. The size was a thumbnail at arm's length. (Peter Davenport comments that both reports came from the same source. We do not understand how anyone would be able to determine distances, altitudes, and angles with the precision implied by this case.)

WISCONSIN FLYING TRIANGLE

GREENVILLE -- On September 23, 2001, the witness said, "I was traveling south on US 45 just south of the city of Greenville in Winnebago County. I noticed an aircraft flying south parallel to me that had its landing lights on at 10:00 PM. The aircraft made a sharp right turn and headed back to the north. As we approached the aircraft near the intersection of 150 and 45, it appeared the aircraft had stopped moving. As we got closer we could definitely see that it was not moving and that it was hovering at about 400-500 feet high. Other vehicles were traveling south on US 45 and were slowing down also because of what they were seeing. It appeared that it was no more than 1/4 mile away on the right side of the road hovering over farm fields. The aircraft was shaped like a triangle with three or four bright white lights on two sides and two red blinking lights. Thanks to UFOWisconsin by Duane W
http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2001_0923_winnebago.html for drawing

ILLINOIS UFO

CRETE -- On September 1, 2001, the witness reports seeing a UFO hovering over an open field at only 100 feet above the ground at 12:30 AM. The witness was driving his truck, when the UFO moved quickly upward and away from roadside. It was a dim yellowish white in color and the underbelly was brighter in color and definition. The object was the size of 1 1/2 buses in length. I did not believe in UFOs until this happened. I was in total awe of how an object of its size moved and changed direction so fast. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

NEBRASKA DAYLIGHT FLYING TRIANGLE

OMAHA -- The witness was traveling on Crown Point Road on August 29, 2001, near the Blair High Road intersection, when he saw a black shape moving through the air almost directly east. The witness has many years of Air Force experience and familiarity with the air traffic patterns of the area. He stated, "My immediate presumption was this had to be either a dark colored B1 or possibly B2 bomber heading in for a landing at Offutt AFB. Then, to my utter surprise, the object 'banked' giving me an edge on view; and what I now saw was a very long, narrow angled black triangle. Having seen number of 747s at that distance, I would estimate it at about that length of 231 feet. It was clearly not the shape of a B2, nor a B1, because the only time it's wings are back in a 'delta' type configuration is when it is flying at high speed (which this craft was not). Second, because the shape was way too narrow and triangular. I was going to stop and keep watching this craft, but I first! looked down to my Van's clock to see the exact time, and when I looked up, the craft was gone." Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

KANSAS ORBS

COLDWATER -- Pat Wells saw an amazing orb in the western sky with his 30-70 binoculars on October 1, 2001, at 4:26 AM. It stayed stationary for fifteen or so minutes then flew west. The light was intense. Pat says, "I was looking above the western horizon about 20 degrees and saw an orb with red white and yellowish flashing lights within and revolving it then moved west pretty dam fast." I would be interested in any other sightings. God bless America. Thanks to Pat pwells@rh.net

ARKANSAS FLYING LIGHTS

LITTLE ROCK -- Kaleeh Rodgers. E-mailed that, "My friend Kristen and I were outside around midnight on September 31, 2001, trying to get my telescope ready to look at the satellites. We heard you could see them then. Kristen screamed, "WHAT'S THAT?" I looked up and I saw these green, red and blue lights blinking green, red, and then blue. Then all the lights came on. Then they would all go off, and blink again, following the same pattern each time. This "craft" hovered over us for about 30 seconds to a minute, then flew off into the night sky faster than any plane, I have ever seen. One of my interests is planes. Thanks to Kaleeh Rodgers.

COLORADO MINI UFO FLAP

SALIDA -- Seems we are having a mini-flap of sightings here in the San Luis Valley, which, appears to have commenced with Tim Edwards' on September 10, 2001, with the sighting and videotaping of a triangular object cruising over Salida. On September 22, visiting Texas hunters at the San Luis Lakes observed a "huge moon-sized, glowing ball hovering to the north over head the Dollar Lakes. This is the supposed location of the sipapu or "place of emergence" for the Pueblo Indians. The object appeared to extend two bright beams of light into the lakes. Two other witnesses at the Great Sand Dunes Oasis Campground also reported seeing what was probably the same object. The following morning at 11:30 AM, another witness (while driving in the Baca development) reported two disc-shaped objects flying low over the Sangre de Cristos near Crestone Park. When a conventional plane flying at a higher altitude neared their location, both discs appeared to "vanish into thin air." I am investigating a number of other reports from this past week, which I will post after confirmation. Thanks to Tmv tmv@ctelco.net

CANADA NEW CROP CIRCLES

MIDALE, SASKATCHEWAN -- Three more Crop circle formations about 80 miles northeast of Midale, were formed in wheat and found September 26, 2001. Whether this is actually three circles in one formation or three separate formations is not known at this point. Thanks to CCCR NEWS psa@look.ca cccrnews@topica.com

NORWAY UFO LANDS

OSLO -- On September 25, 2001, police in Helgeland, north central Norway, have been getting a rash of reported UFO sightings, while a woman in the northern town of Bodø insists a small flying object landed in her garden. Tøgersen says several more people have come forward after news reports carried the account of three people in the town of Mosjøen who dove for cover when they saw a low-flying, whirling object hurtle through the night skies On September 23. "We also have several other witness observations of the same phenomenon in the same time frame on Sunday," Tøgersen said. Other people have reported sightings of additional UFOs that apparently resemble small, brightly lit balls. While the larger object over Mosjøen emitted no noise whatsoever, Tøgersen says the smaller objects are reported to have made a hissing sound. But the most remarkable reports came from the northern city of Bodø. There, a woman went out of her house and a flying object landed on her lawn, stood there awhile, and then lifted off and flew away. Two other separate individuals reported the same sighting, at the same time, on Saturday evening. One of the two was driving his car when he spotted it flying over Vefsnfjorden, while another saw it while out on a veranda. Both reported that it was brightly lit. Thanks to Frode Sætran and Gerry FarShores at www.100megsfree4.com/farshore

MARS TUNNELS

Bill Clark writes, "Thank you for all the information on the military buildup in Asia in Filer's Files." I think I will stop reading the newspapers and just wait for your report each week - it's concise, clear, and with some solid observations! I am a Ph.D. student of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin, where most of the Mars data is being analyzed (at the Center for Space Research). I have been in the middle of a big debate about Mars. About half of the scientific community believes that no water could ever have existed on Mars. The reasoning is not hard to follow.

One of the first objectives of any manned Mars mission will be to create an atmosphere. The planet's gravity is so small that this atmosphere would have to be constantly replenished to remain stable. Now, if there were ever water on the planet, it would not have remained for very long at all - it would quickly evaporate, then be lost into deep space because the gravity could not hold it there. So it is virtually impossible that water could ever have existed on Mars - especially not in a huge volume as we have on Earth, for eons; long enough to have caused all the land features we see now.

An alternate theory, which is presented in great detail on my web site at <http://www.inviticus.com>, is that there is a strong gravity flux in the neighborhood of Mars, sufficient to cause these patterns on the surface. It would also explain why the Russians never made it to Mars in six attempts, and why all three of our most recent missions to Mars have failed (two crashed, and the third lost half its solar panels in transit). It is certainly reason to be cautious in our (meaning the US) current Mars mission, and the UK's upcoming one. I have a trajectory optimization program on my web site -- with source code -- if anybody wants to see for himself or herself how tricky this mission is!

The problem is that, if you accept that the peculiar patterns on Mars could not have been caused by water, and that they were caused by this gravitational phenomenon - then it is necessary to say that this gravity flux may be strong but it is probably not capable of creating such fine features as we see on the planet surface. Thus people are even more hesitant to discard the water wash theory because of what it would mean in the interpretation of these surface features - i.e., they are not natural. Thanks to center4cm@earthlink.net (Bill Clark, P.E.)

NETHERLANDS CROP CIRCLE

Nancy Talbot phoned to inform me she had witnessed the formation of a Crop Circle in the early morning hours of August 21, 2001. Nancy had gone to Holland to visit an amazing young man called Robert. Nancy was reading in bed at 3:00 AM, when she heard cattle outside her room making noises. A few minutes later, they started again but stopped about 3:15 AM. Nancy noticed her room was brightening like a welders arc light. An intense column of light was above the field located behind her bedroom. There were two tubes of light about a foot in diameter shinning down on the field. The lights went out for a second and other came down. Nancy jumped out of bed and called for the young man she was visiting named Robert. He was also awake in the kitchen and also saw the lights shinning down about 85 feet away. They rushed outside and there was nothing in the sky or field. Everything was quiet with no sound, and no smells. They walked toward the field and just beyond the fence ! was a Crop Circle in the string beans. It was a 35 foot ellipse (stretched circle) with a twenty foot long off to one side with a crossbar at the end, forming a 'T' coming off the ellipse. Nancy thought she saw some steam rising from the Crop Circle. The next morning Nancy saw the field from her bedroom window. We wondered if the Crop Circle had been made so Nancy could see it. This observation seems more than a coincidence and infers intelligence at work. Thanks to Nancy Talbot and George Reynolds Maryland MUFON.

SINGAPORE SAUCER VIDEOTAPED

JURONG WEST -- Residents report seeing a UFO on September 22, 2001, that hovered for 15 minutes over some apartment flats. The UFO sparked excitement and speculation among the residents,

some of whom called the Channel NewsAsia hotline. Resident Benjamin Lee captured the object on a video in the distance. "Then the saucer was just hovering over the buildings, with a very bright light. "At first we thought it was a chopper, but the lights were running around the whole thing and it looks much more like a saucer." It was as wide as the flat window," Joanne Lee says, "I didn't believe it, so I used a toy telescope to look at it. It was very clear, like a plate, rounded, with blinker lights," another eyewitness, Mr. Tan, said. I saw it at 9.45 PM. I used a telescope. There were many lights on the bottom of the saucer. There were three windows. Fifteen minutes later, it flew off in another direction," Madam Yong added. A spokesperson from mobile phone company StarHub thought it could be their lightship, which flew over the Bukit Timah expressway that night. StarHub said the two 1,000-watt lights on the lightship are so bright it could have been mistaken for a UFO. Thanks to correspondent Christopher Lee ChannelNewsAsia.com / Singapore and Gerry@FarShores who notes the 'UFO' could have been an advertising lightship - - www.100megsfree4.com/farshores

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UFOs And The NOSS [Naval Ocean Surveillance System] Problem

by Anthony Eccles

On Thursday 29th June The Guardian newspaper presented a feature on sun storm satellites.(1) The European Space Agency is about to launch Cluster, a set of four satellites that are designed to orbit the sun in a tight formation. In 1996, the test flight launcher 'Ariane V,' which carried the first Cluster payload, blew up. In that same year a Canadian newspaper reports that observers of the Perseid meteor shower were surprised to see a triangular formation of three lights above them in the sky. For the first time people were becoming aware that satellites travelling in formation were in existence.

The case that follows has, over recent months, brought to light a number of important points to my attention. Thanks to Strange Daze, I have been able to update this investigative article into artificial satellite systems which continues to be responsible for a large number of UFO sightings. Two things comes to light from this case; firstly, that many ufologists fail to identify reported UFO sightings probably due to deep cultural belief systems, and secondly, that the security of the United States is continuously being threatened by the technological development of other countries. I shall explain more about the latter point later on, but first of all I would like to start at the beginning and explain how I have come to the above conclusions.

During October of 1999, a UFO case had come to my attention from the Thingwall area of Wirral on Merseyside. A fifty five year old sales engineer called John was walking his dog in the fields on the Tuesday night of the 5th of October. John and his dog were located to the north of Prenton Brook, and to the east of far Lower Thingwall Lane. It was ten o'clock at night and the sky was slightly covered with cloud, it was not raining and there was no wind. In fact, John could see a clear night sky. A slow moving point of light had caught his attention, and it appeared to pass through the constellation of Cassiopeia. The man believed that what he was looking at was a satellite. However, another detail had caught his eye, he noticed a second light and then a third appearing together to form a triangular formation, with one light being the lead light and the others forming a base line, an isosceles triangle formation. All three lights were moving together simultaneously. Satellites? Moving in formation? His initial thought was that he was observing three individual objects and not three lights that were fixed onto a single solid body. They appeared to move at the correct speed for a satellite and at the correct height. The lights disappeared from view "as they entered the Earth's shadow". Normally, most investigators, like myself, would probably connect the sighting of triangular lights with suspect prototype military aircraft. However, because the witness had submitted a number of important observational details on his sighting form, I was able to focus the investigation on astronomical phenomena.

My first point of call was my computer skymap and reference

books of the Merseyside night skies, which are published by the Liverpool Astronomical Society. With this in hand I was able to locate Cassiopeia. From John's description of the lights the witness had observed them travelling from the west to the east. I had never heard of satellites travelling in formation before so my next move was to contact the British Astronomical Association - Artificial Satellite Section, and also to look on the Internet for a satellite tracking site called Heavens-Above.Com, which is based in Germany. From this website I was able to pinpoint a satellite called Cosmos 1943 rocket which was close to the estimated object altitude and location. It is a single object which passes at 22:03:05 at a magnitude of 3.9 and first appears in the south west. This object fails to account for the lights witnessed, firstly because it produces a singular light in the sky, secondly because it appears below Cassiopeia and not through it, and finally because it moves in the opposite direction, from the south west to the north east.

Not the right solution, I know, but I was certain I was on the right track. Soon after, on the 25th October 1999, I received an email from the British Astronomical Association with an explanation that it could well be NOSS. The email carried with it the following information:

"A couple of summers ago, meteor observers certainly became familiar with the 'NOSS Trio' of satellites, which were in an equilateral pattern. Onboard sensors apparently allowed researchers to measure precise distances between these, and how they were affected by gravitational perturbations over time. The NOSS satellites were also comparatively faint - visual mag. +3 or thereabouts."

Searching carefully on the Internet I discovered a piece that had been written by CNI News, it was continuing a story that had appeared on the 1st September 1996 in the Toronto Star newspaper regarding the annual Perseid meteor shower. During the nights of the 8th, 9th and 10th of August of that year a set of three "unblinking" lights in triangular formation had "cruised across the star fields." These lights had never been seen before and were described as being fainter than the constellation of Ursa Major. The article goes on to say that Ted Molczan, a satellite orbit expert based in Toronto had figured out what the three lights were...they were NOSS, and there was not just one set but there were actually three sets of satellites travelling in formation. They were code named Parcae, after the three daughters of Zeus, and were a part of the US Navy's spaceborne electronic intelligence system (ELINT). NOSS was the name given to these satellites by non military satellite specialists and stood for Naval Ocean Surveillance System. Until 1996, the US Government had denied all knowledge of these satellites ever existing.

Each group of satellites, apparently, fly at an altitude of 1100km and in formation approximately 100km across. The satellites are meant to track the position, speed, and direction of all military ships at sea. This is done by detecting communication, navigation and weapons control signals that are emitted almost continuously by naval ships. Three satellites can track these ships more accurately than a singular satellite could by measuring the time difference of signal receipt. According to this CNI News article three sets of satellites were launched in 1990, 1991 and 1996. Each satellite measures approximately three meters in length, larger than the earlier versions of this system.(2)

This sounded fascinating to me because it indicated that any ship belonging to any nationality could be identified and located anywhere in the world. It has some interesting implications with the use of satellite technology. Furthermore I was surprised that I had not come across these in the UFO literature as an explanation for some UFO reports. I conducted a further search and found a number of question and answer pages from satellite enthusiasts. They inquire as to whether these satellites can remain in tight formation and ask how they can maneuver in orbit. These satellites move with a leading satellite first and the remaining two following behind, they are not capable of remaining in a tight formation but will appear in a triangular formation as well as a formation of lights travelling in a straight line. This actually ties in with a couple of other UFO cases that I have which fit just that description. One of the answers given by a satellite observer

stated the following;

"The NOSS constellations consist of three visible satellites, each of which moves in a roughly geocentric orbit. The shape of the triangle formed cannot be maintained because the orbits must intersect one another when viewed from Earth's center. Thus from time to time the satellites will even appear to be in a straight line from that point of view. All other times they form some sort of triangle, but its shape must vary continuously. I tried viewing them from above in simulation in Starry Night. It is possible to do so, but it is very difficult."(3)

Out of curiosity I wanted to know a bit more and fortunately found a few pages from FAS, Space Policy Agency: Military Space Programs. From here were pages which described White Cloud (NOSS). Its opening sentence begins:

"The White Cloud Naval Ocean Surveillance System (NOSS) performed wide area ocean surveillance, primarily for the Navy White Cloud which is used to determine the location of radio and radars transmissions using triangulation. The identity of naval units can be deduced by analysis of the operating frequencies and transmission patterns of the emitters.

Each NOSS launch placed a cluster of one primary satellite and three smaller sub-satellites (that trail along at distances of several hundred kilometers) into low polar orbit. This satellite array can determine the location of radio and radars transmitters, using triangulation, and the identity of naval units, by analysis of the operating frequencies and transmission patterns.

NOSS used the ELINT (Electronic Intelligence) technique called "time difference of arrival", TDOA, rather than true interferometry. Conceptually, TDOA and interferometry are very similar, though distinct, techniques. They may also use the frequency-domain version of TDOA, FDOA, which exploits Doppler shifts somewhat in the way the COSPAS/SARSATs do."

The initial phase of Operation White Cloud was reported to be in operation from 1976 right through to 1987 when 9 satellites were sent into orbit. This phase used one main and three sub-satellites and used Atlas F rockets to project them into orbit. It is not explained how these satellites remained in formation flight, it is suggested that extremely long wires held them together but that these would have had to have been several hundreds of kilometers long! From 1983 to 1987 a total of five groups of modernized SSU-1A satellites with upgraded stabilization and data transmission systems were launched to replace failed satellites. By 1990, these satellites were launched using only three bodies. A number of infrared sensors were incorporated into these, and these had been manufactured by a company called Martin Marietta. By 1996 these satellites were using a stronger and more reliable Titan 4#17 rockets.(4) (NOSS satellites are really known collectively as Space-Based Wide Area Surveillance System - a joint US Navy and Air Force program.)

There is a paper given by a Russian military advisor called Major A. Andronov entitled "The U.S. Navy's 'White Cloud' Spaceborne ELINT System." This gives an excellent explanation as to why three satellites are used. The first has a wide observation swath, but by itself cannot determine the co-ordinates of radio emitters. The second satellite, with the first, gets a fix on the shipborne emitters, the position of the ship is obtained, but with some ambiguity. The third body gets the fix of the emitters' signals, enables their co-ordinates to be determined precisely and then transmits the information to Navy ships for weapons employment. You can therefore take out an enemy surface craft long before it appears on Radar.(5) The targeted information is not only relayed to US Navy ships but also to land stations such as Blossom Point in Maryland, Winter Harbor in Maine, Edsel in Scotland, and smaller stations in the Pacific such as Guam and Adak ,(6) which were receiver stations before they were closed down.(7)

Major Andronov states that a satellite group is able to receive signals from a zone with a radius of about 3500km on the surface of the Earth, and under clear conditions can monitor the same object 108 minutes later. A system of four satellite groups enables any region at a latitude of 40 to 60 degrees to be

monitored more than 30 times a day. This spaced based ELINT system is one of the basic means for over-the-horizon targeting for warships equipped with Tomahawk cruise missiles. Today, these information receiver systems are employed by nuclear submarines.(8)

Recently, I came across a feature on page 34 of UFO Magazine regarding one man's observation of such satellites.(9) At the close of his writing he asks "Do satellites orbit in symmetrical formation, perhaps?" This is followed by a very small entry at the bottom of the page which states that "James Oberg claims that three top secret DoD satellites are orbiting the Earth in triangular formation". There did not appear to be any research done by the magazine to support or correct this statement, in fact nothing further had been reported since then. A colleague of mine, Bill Bimson, had contacted UFO Magazine with the contents of the article you are reading now. Their reply was that NOSS satellites could not account for the witness's initial sighting back in 1975, and according to my own notes NOSS was first launched in 1976. Could this be right? I began to scour the Internet for more information.

What I then discovered answered my question. Was it possible that formation satellites could have been launched, tried and tested at an earlier date. According to a reliable source the first launch of ELINT Naval reconnaissance satellites code named Parcae took place at Vandenberg Launch Site(10) 14 December 1971 and were launched using an LT Thor Agena D rocket.(11) What I realized was that there were different ELINT systems that were being used by the US Air Force and US Navy. Remember that NOSS is only a civilian term for the satellites, their name, type, and operational function will vary so there will be a number of dates for their initial launches. To further confuse interested parties rocket launches designated as NOSS were a cover for other military satellites.

Over the years through the 1980s and 90s the satellites were launched on powerful rockets from the Atlas F, Atlas H and the Titan 4. These were designed to carry a payload of several satellites which would be individually deployed in Low Earth Orbit (using Altitude Control Electronics or ACE), this would not only be cheaper but also a more effective way of deploying satellites. However, there do appear to be a number of discrepancies, normally the rocket being used as a launcher would determine the type of satellite being sent up. If we look at the weight being carried by the launchers today we know that they can carry a payload of 8 tonnes in orbit, but the SB-Wass (NOSS) satellites weigh a total of 1.5 tonnes, what we do not know is what other type of equipment is contained within the rocket payload. The extra mass appears to be consistent with the presence of advanced scanning infra-red sensor on the sub-satellites.(12) Another example of existing misinformation involves the Titan 2 and Titan 4 booster rockets that were used in 1988, 1989 and 1992 which had a payload similar to NOSS but were in fact, as stated previously, singular spacecraft. These were deployed at a higher orbit around the Earth to function for Signal Intelligence (SIGINT) instead of Electronic Intelligence (ELINT).

For the Twenty First century satellites will be of a smaller construction, produced economically and will encompass tasks such as space based radar that the present Discoverer II program (joint US Air Force, DARPA and NRO technology) is tasked to do will cost an estimated \$60 million. Discoverer II's goal will be to launch two research and development satellites which will be capable of detecting and tracking targets on the Earth's surface! (Did you know that the NAVSPASUR surveillance system - surveillance of space - uses a Doppler shift to detect objects as small as 10cm in diameter at orbital heights of up to 15,000 nautical miles and accurately keep track of them?) They will produce high-resolution and imagery and collect high-resolution, digital terrain mapping data. It will be able to do this day or night and in all weather. But why the development of multiple formation satellite systems?

Since the end of the Cold War the United States has had to refocus its military planning and strategy. Second and Third World countries have quickly increased their technological development. The conflict in the Gulf War had demonstrated the superior reconnaissance ability of surveillance satellites and the US military has depended upon it. The US Air Force believed

that space based programs will make ground based and air based radars redundant. To do this there has to be found a cheaper way of producing a new security. In the Draft Roles and Missions Report of the Joints Chief of Staff it notes that;

"The newest national space satellite system will consolidate the missions, facilities and infrastructure of two existing satellites. This will facilitate the closure of six ground stations and consolidate operations at one site, eliminating significant facility expenses."

An important threat is the vulnerability of Low Earth Orbit satellites to anti satellite attack, or ATAS, Satellites(13) can be seen during clear nights but also on rare occasions affordable telescopes can detect faint objects in the daytime sky! (Accompanied by rare atmospheric effects e.g. mirages, we might even have satellites creating daylight UFOs.) It is also relatively easy to track satellites, amateur astronomers have demonstrated this already. Second and Third World countries hoping to develop techniques of countering satellite surveillance only have to find a means of being able to identify, track and either mask ground based targets (such as mobile missile launchers) or disable the satellite itself. It is a misconception that satellites can operate today in a totally covert manner. The technology needed to track and counter/disable is available and inexpensive. There is easy access to a worldwide network of amateur satellite observers, complete with a skymap and a PC anyone can plot and predict the movement of satellites. To detect and track means that the hardware has to be available, for a technology that is being constantly produced it is easily available if a nation can afford the cost. Most Third World nations can, e.g. India.

A wonderful example is this of a Lacrosse I surveillance satellite over Tehran being targeted for the 16 March 1992 and again on the 22 March 1992. With the knowledge of the satellite's trajectory, elevation, and height it would have been possible for Iran to fire a missile to knock out the satellite. Such anti satellite measures are a growing security threat to the US and there is a need for projects to involve formations of satellites so as to prevent any attack on the satellites from rendering their work useless. Another added problem here is that there is a need for a rapid satellite replacement, so that surveillance and intelligence gathering can continue, of which the US has none employed.

My interest in the field of UFOs entails the possible identification of satellites as an origin of the sighting. With this case, I feel that I have done so. I am now aware that certain satellites do travel in formation and they also create different shapes of lights. We have NOSS travelling in threes and also the Lacrosse satellites travelling in twos. For me in Merseyside it also means solving a number of other cases which have been previously labeled as insufficient data (IFO-ID). However, what I became bothered by was the fact that these satellites had been observed by amateur astronomers in 1996 yet no one in ufology had picked this up! I was unable to locate any of this from the available UFO literature!

This was very unusual as it clearly provides a solution for a number of sightings. I realized that few so called 'ufologists' actually like to hear of solutions, in fact, I know that there are some who enjoy the mere mystery of the subject but refuse to pay attention to the fact that unsolved cases only represent approximately 1 in 10 of reported sightings. We know that from the equipment on board these surveillance satellites, and their appearance, that they will emit a bright white color with a blue tinge, and may be accompanied with smaller lights about their body, the light may also appear to flicker possibly due to the reflector radar antenna as they turn in orbit. The formation of lights will also vary from triangular, to a straight line to even appear to intercept one another and then disappear. This description is not at all definitive but reflects what satellite observers have reported seeing.

The first time I had produced this article I actually thought I was going to receive mail from readers telling me that this was nothing new, how wrong I was! I received confirmation of this from someone who contacted the British UFO Research Association who actually told me that the NOSS satellites actually describe what he had seen in the night sky a few years ago. I wonder how

many reported observations from the British public have been interpreted by ufologists as the famed Flying Triangle? I also wonder about NASA film footage, such as STS-80 and STS-48, of objects that appear to be intelligently controlled orbiting the Earth and is interpreted by some to be footage of extra-terrestrial craft rather than, say for argument's sake, a military project to see if it is possible to shoot down satellites with ground based missiles. Remember that a number of UFO stories put around in the 1960s were cover stories for the CIA when top secret high altitude aircraft were being flown, such as the U2 spyplane. Space footage of apparently unusual and intelligently controlled craft could also be a cover for necessary security satellite operations.

Endnotes

- (1) Guardian newspaper Thursday June 29 2000, p.9
- (2) You can look at this page if you go to its original file name which is CNI: Triangle of Stars??
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<http://www.satellite.eu.org/sat/seesat/Aug-1997/0303.html>
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- (6) These places are where Classic Wizard, the satellite control system, is located.
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"Satellite Vulnerability: a post-Cold War issue?"

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Re: Unidentified Object At World Trade Center? -

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Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 17:57:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object At World Trade Center? -

I originally wrote this last week. Sent it to the wrong thread.

Hi Errol, and all who are concerned,

I was asked to look over this video shot of the second crash. At first I thought as everyone else did, "What was that?", but on further review on the actual video footage I found that it was a helicopter. It's passing just above and behind the position of where the camera is located during this video shot.

If you look at the video just as the second jet hits the tower, you can just barely see the shadow move over the upper corner of the second tower closet to the camera. Then on closer review, you could see the shadow for a brief moment in the smoke just before the shadow passes over the second tower corner.

The reason it looks as if the shadow is moving so quickly is that the shadow is reflecting off of smoke closer to the camera than the buildings are in relationship. Thus giving the illusion of a greater speed.

So, in conclusion, it's a chopper filming the tower destruction. A sad day in all lives, here and abroad. There is no UFO to be spotted.

Donnie Shevlin

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Calama - "My Wife And I Saw It!"

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Subject: Calama - "My Wife And I Saw It!"

Chupacabras in Chile

<http://www.geocities.com/ufomiami.geo/Chupacabras/Chupacabras.html>

"My Wife And I Saw It!"

A recent eyewitness account in the Chilean city of Calama has corroborated previous descriptions of a possible blood predator entity. It was approximately 22:30 on the 28 of August of 2001. The eyewitness, who did not want to us to mention his last name, was driving back to his residence. His wife was in the passenger seat. They had just attended a church meeting.

A few meters before they arrived at their residence, 'Mr. Martin' saw a strange figure on the side of the road. To his surprise, he later recalled that the creature was suspended about 20 centimeters from the ground. The creature was moving very rapidly; in fact, it was too fast for any ordinary animal. The entity rapidly crossed the road in a straight line flight. As they watched the strange creature, Mr. Martin and his wife began feeling very unusual physical sensations.

Calama UFO Center looked into the credibility of both witnesses and determined that there is absolutely no reason for them to create a false story. Mr. Martin is a security guard at a local school. He's been faithfully married for ten years and he lives an ordinary life with his wife and his three children.

EYEWITNESS TESTIMONY - IN HIS OWN WORDS

I remember that we were driving on a small hill about 35 meters from my house. Suddenly, it came out of the bushes on the side of the road.

Immediately, I turned on the high beams. At first, I though it was my brother-in-law because he lives with us; nevertheless, after clearly noticing that it moved at a surprising speed and stood about 20 centimeters from the ground, I was absolutely sure that it was not a human being or an animal because it did not touch the ground!

The creature appeared to be very rigid, with its arms stuck to the body in a very strange way, like defying all laws of physics. It had a ghostly and grotesque aspect. It was gray and white in color and had lots of hair. It almost looked like a hairy coat or a blanket!

As I saw it, I asked my wife if she was seeing the same thing that I was. She said yes, so it was not just me. But perhaps the most unusual thing we experienced was a strange fear and an inexplicable cold sensation. Nevertheless, I tried to remain calm and decided to continue driving towards it.

I finally reached the house. The gate was open, so I did not hesitate to access my driveway. I kept the headlights on so I could see everything in front of us.

When we finally accessed our property, we were able to see it again. Then it jumped and disappeared into thin air. We remained inside the car for a few more moments because we were still feeling fear and cold sensations.

End of testimony

Mr. Martin is no stranger to these phenomena. After revealing his testimony, Mr. Martin told us that ten years ago, he saw a strange looking bird, making weird sounds, at a farm owned by his father. The bird was about one meter in height. When he pointed the flashlight at it, the creature reacted very violently and tore up the wire fence, which is not ordinary for any bird.

He also claims that in June of 2000, when his father-in-law and brother-in-law were going to feed their animals at a cattle ranch, a strange ball of light, greenish blue in color and about 35 centimeters in diameter, appeared out of nowhere and, incredibly, began to float between the legs of the cows. They quickly ran out of there.

After searching the Martin property and the surrounding areas, we found some very familiar tracks. They were the typical tracks found in places where these entities appear.

His brother-in-law admits that during his encounter, he was so scared that he urinated himself. Although it may be unpleasant to mention, I think it is important to emphasize that frequently, eyewitnesses loose control of their bladders or rectal sphincter during these encounters. These are only a few among many symptoms that they experience. The entities appear to cause their victims to loose physiological control of their bodies.

Mr. Martin also told us that about a month and a half ago, his dog died shortly after giving birth. It had a strange looking hole in the neck area. Apparently, it survived an attack but it lost a lot of blood. It turned almost into "skin and bones" before it died a few days after the attack.

His children have also seen strange looking creatures. One time, one of the young children was paralyzed in front of his house after seeing what he described as a "red-eyed creature".

Finally, I would like to remind everyone that these phenomena continue to happen very frequently in Northern Chile. The eyewitness accounts, the descriptions and the symptoms that they mention are amazingly similar.

I do not believe that all of this is coincidence. This is very real.

Jaime Ferrer
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Translation by Mario Andrade

Photos at: <http://www.geocities.com/ufomiami.geo/MyWife/MyWife.html>

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Re: UFOs And The NOSS Problem - Oberg

From: James Oberg <joberg@houston.rr.com>
Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 17:26:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 19:02:42 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs And The NOSS Problem - Oberg

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>To: <- UFO UpDates Subscribers - :;>
>Date: Thursday, October 04, 2001 4:55 PM
>Subject: UFOs And The NOSS [Naval Ocean Surveillance System] Problem

>Source: The Anomalist
><http://www.anomalist.com/features/Noss.html>
>10-04-01

I'm sorry his internet search didn't find the site where my own identical conclusions were posted,

http://www.space.com/sciencefiction/phenomena/triangle_ufo_noss_000114.html

Jim Oberg

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett

From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 09:07:33 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
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>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 ->Velez

>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>John, you are a good-hearted person who thinks the best of
>everyone, a good quality in a person. A much ruder and cruder
>reponse to XPPAC is below.

>>Hello All,

>>I do wish to comment, in this forum, on>statements made in the
>>X-PPAC Update. Steve, please feel free to>respond (or not) here
>>on the UpDates List to any of my comments. I>have teed-off and
>>taken my best swing. Please feel welcome & free>to do like-wise.

>>Steve wrote:

>>>Time to Coalition

>>>With the drive for congressional hearings moved to the side by
>>>world events, this is a time for organizations within the field to come
>>>together with each other and possibly with receptive organizations
>>>tangential to the issues at hand.

>>>Only a broadbased structure with political clout will be able to
>>>influence disclosure and post-disclosure government
>>>policies and actions.

>>Steve, this is what should have been done from the very
>>beginning! It's one of the things that myself and others have
>>been belly-aching about since day one. It's all being done
>>bass-ackwards. The witnesses are being screened after they
>>have been introduced and presented publicly. Consensus is being
>>sought after the fact.

>>C'mon man.

>>If "consensus" had been sought from the start from the major
>>UFO organizations and from the UFO community at large, the
>>effort could have been backed by many more>people. It could have
>>been much more representative and as a direct result, more
>>popular, coordinated, and bottom line 'effective' than it has been.

>>The problem with all that is; Greer would have had to give them
>>some say so in how the thing>would have been handled and
>>presented. 'Who' represented the UFO>community before our
>>elected officials would have been put up for a general vote. I
>>never would have voted for Greer. For example: put "Greer" and

>>say "Richard Hall" or "Richard Haines" on the same ballot for
>>the job. Tell me who you think>gets to enjoy a landslide
>>mandate to be our collective representative(s) before congress.
>>It's no contest. (No lo contiende) And a 'no->brainer' for
>>those voting.

>>A broad-based organization with strong consensus, internal
>>unity, and backing by its members would have been the benefit of
>>doing it democratically - as opposed to>presenting the public
>>with a monarch/dictator) from the very beginning. And that's
>>just some of the ways the whole thing should have gone down.
>>But it didn't. Now, after the fact, you have to scurry around
>>seeking the self-same>"consensus" and strong popular backing
>>which should have been the first thing on the need-to-do
>>list. Not the tenth thing. Most, if not all, of this popular
>>support that you seek should have>already been in place.

>>To get the kind of "broad-based" backing you seek, you need to
>>allow folks to have a say in things. To actively participate in
>>the process.>That's the 'American Way' Steve. A panel/group of
>>bright, experienced individuals heading up this thing, who can
>>nurture and direct it properly,>would almost ensure its success
>>on the front end.Folks who have been voted in to the
>>positions by members of the UFO community and its many
>>organizations would enjoy enormous popular support. It just will
>>not go to a self-appointed "representative" with a personal
>>political agenda. Much of which is unrelated to actual UFO
>>disclosure anyway.

>>And while there is a break in the 'action'...

>>The witnesses also need to be>thoroughly/properly screened by
>>some of the best people available in ufology. For example: If
>>you put guys like Kevin Randle, Stan Freidman, or a cop like
>>Royce Myers on a job like this, I can promise you that whatever
>>witnesses survive their screening process will be bullet-proof,
>>air-tight-certifiable, and solid gold. That isn't the case now
>>though is it?

>>Now is the time to start from scratch.

>>Seek broad-based consensus. Nominate representatives that folks
>>can then vote for. Devise a plan of attack that will actually
>>accomplish something - other than speaking tours and tape
>>sales. Carefully screen the witnesses. Secure
>>signatures/petitions via the Internet with thousands of
>>subscribers all addressed to members of
>>congress requesting open, public hearings. Dance naked in the
>>pale moon light... do it all. But do it right.

>>With the strong backing and consensus of the all the people
>>your problems will be solved. Before you send anybody to
>>represent us all in front of our elected officials, ask us
>>who we would like that person(s) to be. Start by making this a
>>more democratic and representative process and watch how the
>>numbers of supporters begins to swell. Before Gersten came
>>along, the membership numbers in CAUS had been sky-rocketing.
>>This whole process could enjoy that same kind of popular
>>support too. But not as it presently exists.

>>I can't tell you how I long to throw my support>behind a
>>group-effort to secure hearings for total UFO information
>>disclosure. Like many, many, others, I am still waiting for
>>that kind of truly grass-roots representative movement>to come
>>along. In me, you have a potentially powerful, and vocal
>>advocate. And I'm not just passing gas; I have a popular and
>>busy website and I'm on the radio (50,000 Watt>station with a
>>big Internet following) twice a month. Haven't you ever asked
>>yourself why guys like me, (and there are plenty,) are giving
>>you all kinds of static - busting your chops - instead of
>>throwing strong support behind you? Do you ever really listen
>>to what is being said/expressed? I sometimes wonder if you
>>dismiss it all as pure malcontent blather. If you do, you are
>>committing a serious error in judgement about some good people.

>>Regards, respectfully submitted, a 'true' friend>who cares,...

>>John Velez, speaking strictly for myself

>Speaking for myself, of course, I don't care if people have spit
>on me and beat me up and stomped me in an alley way, if they

>came up with some rational approach to Congress I would be
>leading the charge, the first one over the top.

>But not here and not now. There have been many words spoken and
>written about The Disclosure Project some in ignorance, and some
>as mis-representation, and some as complete non-disclosure.

>Ignorance first.

>We were treated here to the Sheehan story according to Grant
>Cameron. Unfortunately, Cameron couldn't even get the Sheehan's
>story straight. Cameron had President Carter using the
>Congressional Research Office. When Richard Hall posed some
>rather modest demures, Cameron would hear nothing of these and
>even questioned how Hall would know anything at all about the
>subject. Cameron knew how government worked by gum, and who the
>hell was Richard Hall to tell him otherwise. In the end Sheehan
>didn't say Carter contacted the Congressional Research Office
>and many other things put forward by Cameron didn't match
>Sheehan's version. As with the supposed incident of the Air
>Force officer's alleged comment, "Go shit in your hat!" in
>answer to the question on Roswell, it seem that fact checking is
>not one of Cameron's strong suits, he would rather accept
>outright as fact anything that agrees with his particular world
>view. I don't find any apology to Richard Hall by Grant Cameron
>and any messages setting the record straight.

>The whole-hearted endorsement by the Disclosure Project of his
>latest essay on the UFOs and the Clinton administration will, of
>course, cause problems in Congressional hearings. (More on this
>later.)

>Some supporters of the Disclosure Project have stated the
>following, all of which are wrong:

>1) There have never been Congressional hearings on UFOs before.
>Starting in at least in 1956, there were hearings held on the
>subject. Two public hearings were held by the 1960s, one by the
>House Armed Services Committee and the other, the Rouse
>symposium was widely published including in a book by John
>Fuller.

>Even Bassett, supposedly ace lobbyist can't get it right: "The
>only Congressional hearings held previously were conducted in
>1968 by the House Science and Astronautics Committee (90th
>Congress, 2nd Session, Committee Print No. 7. "Symposium
>Unidentified Flying Objects.;"") Not very good on fact checking
>are you, Steve?

The excerpt you show here is from a Disclosure Project press
release, and, yes it is incorrect. It was republished as is by
X-PPAC. In retrospect, had there been more time, I would have
tried to get back to the DP and get that corrected. I am well
aware of the 1966 hearing. When referring to the hearing process
myself, I usually say "there have been no formal hearings in
Congress on the UFO/ET issue since 1966/68." You referred to a
formal hearing in 1956 and others. I would love to have a list
of any formal hearings prior to 1966 with the title of the
hearing and the committee. It would be useful, and if you have
such a list handy, could you provide it? Thanks.

>2) "Greer is the only one doing something." No not at all true,
>a complete and total insult to Dick Hall who has worked on this
>aspect for decades. In fact, exactly who was it that came in and
>tried to pass off "The Best Available Evidence" as his? Greer
>only stopped when threaten by lawyers. (No respect for other's
>property, but look at the copyright restrictions on the
>Disclosure Project. Highly restrictive!)

>"Well, old experienced ufologists are just jealous." Emphasis on
>the old. No, they have been through this before and have an idea
>how things work. They also are able, from bitter experience, to
>spot frauds and yarn-spinners which seems to be beyond the
>ability of those running the Disclosure Project.

>To nail down facts in cases takes time and money. Most of us,
>use our grocery money to try to get at the facts. I know that
>many of us work overtime so that we may take a few weeks out and
>go on the road and get corroboration of witnesses' statements -

>not just completely accepting any tall-tale that comes along.

>"Collecting newspaper clippings is fine, but Greer is doing real
>work." Sorry, if I gave the impression, all I do is collect
>clippings. We are working on a number of cases which are
>important to understanding UFO history, UFOs and the government,
>and the UFO phenomenon (a) and a lot of this involves time
>consuming and expensive efforts.

>Ignorance is strength for Disclosure Project supporters.

>Misrepresentations:

>1) One of the first misrepresentation was, of course, the misuse
>of the The Best Available Evidence by Greer.

>2) In the Connecticut MUFON newsletter several years ago was a
>story about how Robert Dean, Steven Greer and Richard Hall of
>FUFOR were working on a disclosure project. When I sent this to
>Dick Hall, he, of course, demanded a correction. Seems that this
>representation was not CT MUFON's at all, but rather just
>repeating what had been put out by the Disclosure Project
>associates.

>3) Now if you look at the some of the videos in the Disclosure
>Project, you will find that they were not done by Greer at el,
>but are indeed archived films or done by others.

>4) Senator Daniel Inouye is shown on the beginning of the
>Disclosure Video, his clip is just dropped in with all the UFO
>witnesses. Of course, he wasn't addressing anything to was
>remotely related to UFOs. A serious misrepresentation.

>5) Many on the Disclosure Project have former affiliation with
>institutions such as Stanford Research Institute, but have not
>current affiliation. Advertisements purchased on Google and in
>representations elsewhere refer to such affiliations, but what
>is not mentioned is that these are in the past tense.

>Outright NON-Disclosures.

>1) Number One on this list is welding on a Far-Left political
>agenda item concerning missile defense. Was there any hint of
>such a thing prior to the press conference? Probably, but you
>couldn't find any such a thing on the CSETI website. Now maybe
>Steven Bassett will tell you different, but since a majority of
>congress are for missile defense, it seems rather daffy to
>connect this to a UFO hearing. (Many in Congress are opposed to
>Bush's missile defense, but still want a missile defense.)

It's "Stephen" with a "ph," and I mention that only
because I am often confused with Greer and it helps to
make the distinction.....

It is X-PPAC's position that the matters of SDI, ABM and space
weaponization are very significant policy decisions which should
be vigorously debated in the open, and that key information with
potential impact on such debates, which would certainly include
the presence of extraterrestrials in earth air space, should not
be withheld from the Congress or the public. The principal focus
of X-PPAC has been and will continue to be the end to the
government embargo on the truth regarding an extraterrestrial
presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional
hearings to address government employee testimony. How other
organizations choose to address the numerous political questions
which are tangential to the UFO/ET issue, is of course, their
prerogative.

>2) Non-disclosure to the public and press at the Press
>Conference of the fact that Greer claims he can vector UFOs in
>for communication almost at will. (Now people are saying Greer
>did this in the past and all that was from his early days.
>Sorry, the CSETI site has now changed, such material was on
>there this year and well after the Disclosure Project Press
>Conference. Nice try to push this down a memory hole. (To harp
>on this once again, if you can vector in UFOs, they can be
>inspected by various instruments that would absolutely establish
>what they were. There would be no need for such a thing as a
>Disclosure Project, one could bring absolute proof to bear, not

>witnesses' statements.)

>3) There was no Hunger Strike for Disclosure, it was Dieting for
>Disclosure. Trying to blame the UFO UpDates List for the failure
>of this fiasco is beyond belief.

>Now to Congressional Hearings and a little war story. Many,
>including, apparently the Disclosure Project, think that
>Congressmen and Senators are boobs. Maybe they are! But their
>staffs are not and are generally made up of highly competent and
>knowledgeable people.

>When I was stationed at Fort Sill one of my tasks was to write
>enlisted Skill Qualification Tests (SQT) for meteorology. I had
>finished my SQT early, it was checked and we had tried it out
>using meteorological crewmen assigned to Fort Sill. The tests
>were at the printers.

>SQTs had become an item of Congressional interest. One of the
>important questions was, "Were SQTs measuring soldiers'
>competence in their jobs?" The subcommittee concerned had
>thought not and wanted the Army to change the tests - now. The
>Army's interpretation of 'now' was the new tests could be phased
>in over a year or longer time frame. During a hearing on certain
>military subjects, the SQT issue was to be revisited, and among
>the briefers two captains, from Fort Sill, were sent to testify.
>Later, in a conference in the colonel's office, I heard the
>outcome as it specifically concerned me.

>The two captains were only some of the officials to give
>testimony on the SQT subject, but they were up early. They
>related how behind one congressman, there was this extremely
>beautiful woman and went into the details of her physical
>perfection. They couldn't keep their eyes off her, and they
>thought she must be some congressman's mistress. Also, seated
>next to her was a former Army captain. As the Fort Sill captains
>started their testimony, the woman and the former Army captain
>started producing documents from briefcases, writing notes to
>Congressmen and whispering in their ears.

>Many things the captains said were challenged, by the
>Congressmen who seemed to know more than the military men did
>about the SQT program. The captains remembered the icy stare
>from the woman researcher. The Army took some big hits that day,
>and the word went out that now meant now, not two years from
>now. I was ordered to get my tests from the printer and re-write
>them immediately in the new format.

>So if the members of the Disclosure Project think they can bring
>some of the clowns and yarn-spinners they have on their witness
>list to Congress and they will pass muster at a Congressional
>hearing, they have another think coming. The Disclosure Project,
>despite protests to the contrary, did little in vetting their
>"witnesses". There are some good ones like Salas, but these will
>be lost in the silliness of "38 levels above Top Secret," etc.

>Here is my own conspiracy theory on the Disclosure Project - it
>is not about disclosure at all. The purpose is to discredit the
>UFO phenomenon so badly that no serious person will ever
>consider it again. It is constructed so poorly that Congressmen
>and Senators will remember how silly some of the claims were
>and will never, ever, take up the subject again.

>Some of the people on the project are obviously good-hearted,
>some may have other motives, but many are obviously duped by
>people who think you can mix bad witnesses and good together and
>when the dust settles, the Truth will come out. Sorry, you
>better bring your best team, and they better be checked six ways
>from Thursday, or you will be the laughing stock.

>As I said before about people who seem to believe the most
>outlandish claims:

>"The people who want to believe this sort of thing will never
>check dates, or facts, or history, they will just believe any
>provocative thing placed in front of them. The hunger for this
>sort of thing is insatiable, that why there are hundreds of UFO
>conspiracy theories, most contradicting all the others. That
>doesn't seem to matter. What matters is they explain things in
>nice little neat packages."

The Disclosure Project is a complex and significant political initiative trying to impact congressional intransigence to properly address the UFO/ET reality. X-PPAC supports this effort. The DP is certainly not without flaws. It could be improved.

X-PPAC and PRG fully support a working alliance between the "old guard" ufologists with roots dating back even to the 1950s and the newer activists and researchers. Such an alliance could be powerful, but will require a serious effort to understand each other's approach and viewpoint. Compromise will be necessary. It always is. No one in this field has a monopoly on the truth or is in sole possession of the answer to the political impasse.

If another significant political initiative emerges from an organization or coalition to press for congressional hearings and an end to the cover-up, X-PPAC and PRG will assist it as well.

Also, X-PPAC supports the efforts of a number of activists. That includes Grant Cameron. He has done some excellent work. If there are flaws in that work, I believe Grant would welcome any assistance offered in good faith to correct those mistakes.

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SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 4, 2001

** DISCLOSURE OF AGENT IDENTITIES CALLED "TERRORISM"
** SENATE EASES DOE POLYGRAPH POLICY

DISCLOSURE OF AGENT IDENTITIES CALLED "TERRORISM"

Can even the vilest form of speech be considered "terrorism"?

One wouldn't think so, but that is the upshot of the expanded definition of terrorism in a bill now pending before Congress.

Specifically, the bill defines the unauthorized disclosure of the identities of clandestine intelligence agents as terrorism if it is intended to influence the conduct of government behavior or retaliate against the government.

There is of course a consensus that the disclosure of "covert agents," particularly with intent to harm the United States, is a bad thing to do. That is why there is already a law that prohibits it, which is called the Intelligence Identities Protection Act.

But the relation between unauthorized disclosures of agent names and terrorism is hard to discern.

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From: Boris Shurinov <shurinov@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 01:21:44
Fwd Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 13:35:04 -0400
Subject: Re: Leeds Conference Review - Shurinov

To the List,

I would like to add a different voice to Anthony Chippendale's "Leeds Conference Review" and to Georgina Bruni's "Nick Pope's Weird World October 2001". (Fwd Date: 02 Oct 2001.)

This year's conference was the best, they say. OK. But Chippendale's last paragraph about Mexican researcher Santiago Yturria Garza is the best of the best.

"The final speaker of the day and of the conference was Mexican researcher Santiago Yturria Garza... His presentation was basically an hour-long movie of UFO footage/pictures... but the most interesting was that of "humanoids" in the air. The footage wasn't 100% clear but you could easily make out these strange humanoid figures just "floating" in the sky. I won't say anymore about it because I have my doubts about its authenticity and I don't want to comment on it!!"

What is necessary to reduce all speaker's arguments to nonsense? Not too much, just one footage with "humanoids" floating in the sky. Especially, at the end of the conference.

Best to all (and to our ufology),

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Fwd Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 13:43:38 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
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>Here is an extract from a post that I made to another list on the
>same topic on the 18/9/01:

>1. Prior to the attack, NY skies will have been busy with
>scheduled aircraft, and helicopter traffic. Many of these will
>still have been airborne at the time and shortly after the
>incident.

>2. At the point of impact, debris will have been thrown out in
>all directions.

Hi Joe, List, Errol ...

Not necessarily. Having been to the WTC and sold them some high technology safety products after the first blast. I got a look at the construction. Heavy duty. Really heavy. Sidebar, I am convinced that there were people in the subasements, alive and well until they starved to death. Even with a hundred ten floors on top of them.

However my thinking was that possibly, there was an explosion which was restricted in it's escape, to a small area, perhaps one floor or several floors. The explosion contained a goodly amount of gases and debris, which like liquid thru a pipe, got up to pretty high velocities on the way out.

The problem with that theory is that the angle of the plane's ungainly entrance into the WTC was all wrong for this angle of pressurized detritous.

>3. After the impact, any light debris, eg tarpaulins, plastic
>carrier bags, paper etc will still have been floating around
>for some time.

Having been to the site that first night, I can assure you that because of (1) the aircrafts' speed and fuel load, there was little thrown out which was large, intact and unburned. And (2), the concrete was, at the time of the impact itself, so powerfull, that everything was litterally pulverized. This material was largely small in size. Except for the large chunks of what was formerly humanity, here and there on the ground. It looked like chunks of concrete but it was not. The reason this was so, is because it was all covered in that powdered concrete. Pulverized. Was likely close to what it must have been like to walk on the moon.

>4. The video images are generally focussed on the towers, not on

>any of the several reported objects. This fact, coupled with the
>small size of the objects, makes it virtually impossible to
>identify them.

>5. I have not heard of anyone actually reporting having seen a
>UFO at the time-all the "reports" that I have come across are
>people observing "something" on the television.

>6. Objects that have been identified so far include paper, and a
>US fighter which was scrambled in an attempt to intercept the
>second aircraft (unfortunately too late).

>All of this leads me to the conclusion that there was nothing of
>any ufological interest in the sky at the time, and if there
>was, the situation is too chaotic to eliminate the other causes
>of reports.

>>Huh? Eyewitness reports are universally considered as
>>"anecdotal" evidence. Video recordings are documentary evidence.

>Even if a still from the video clearly showed a Ventubian
>intergalactic reconnaissance craft Mk.IV, without any eyewitness
>reports (of which I would expect many, in daylight hours, over a
>busy city), the video would be regarded as highly suspicious,
>and not as any kind of evidence.

Wrong. From Mongo. And it was a scout craft. With cha cha balls
on the rear deck.

>People do not generally check videos of, for example, scheduled
>tower block demolitions in order to identify every piece of
>debris that is thrown out from the demolition - such objects are
>simply regarded as the sort of debris that you would normally
>expect from such an operation.

>In my opinion, no matter how hard you study video footage taken
>from any angle of view, it will not be possible to eliminate
>debris as the origin of any unidentified object. (Other objects,
>such as birds/helicopters etc may be identifiable, depending on
>the quality of the footage).

>What reason is there to suppose that anything in this case is
>not debris/conventional objects? Is it a case that people refuse
>to believe that humans could inflict such horror on humans, and
>are looking for something non-human to blame?

>In my view, all this speculation about UFO's being at the scene
>detract from the real issues involved.

Well said.

Morty

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 11:51:19 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 13:46:25 -0400
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>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>The Disclosure Project is a complex and significant political
>initiative trying to impact congressional intransigence to
>properly address the UFO/ET reality.

My first problem comes with the words "congressional intransigence". Yes, Congress isn't inclined to hold the hearings Steven and others would like. But that's not because it's intransigent, in the sense of unreasonably stubborn. It just mirrors the attitude generally found among political people in America (and, I bet, most other countries). That's the same attitude you find among opinion leaders in all fields (journalists, educators, intellectuals, you name it; maybe everywhere except in the entertainment world).

So, given the context, congress isn't being unreasonable at all. Wrong, maybe. But you, of all people, need to be realistic about why disclosure (assuming, of course, that there's anything to disclose) isn't getting anywhere.

Here's a comparison. You're not going to get far urging Congress to hold hearings on a national system of free health care. That's just not on the political agenda in the United States - even though it's taken for granted throughout the western world. Congress isn't being "intransigent" on this issue. It just mirrors public opinion here in the US.

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The same map is shown on George Filer's website.

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George was kind enough to have the map image color-enhanced for clarity.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Dick

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Alfred's Odd Ode #353d

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Fwd Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 15:41:23 -0400
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #353d

It's down to us, Rebecca, it's how we see OUR stars. As tiny points of distant light, or 'them' more near than far.

It's what WE thought that mattered as we made our feelings known. Would we improve our lots in life believing we're alone?

Alone in all the cosmos? Alone to contemplate? Alone to go unwitnessed as we sought some pointless fate? Alone in sad indifference? Alone to count our beads, alone to be . . . oh, good or bad -- or something in between...

...Alone to count our blessings? Alone to feel cursed? Alone to be respected, glad, or disrespected -- hurt? Alone in satisfaction, or alone to do without? Alone in suffered silence, or alone to scream and shout?

We're not alone, Rebecca. We're mired in denial. Around us breaths a multiverse filled with promise, grace, and style. We deny the future, we're distracted by the past, and the present is a fantasy to make that madness last...

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
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JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

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Lan, Group, Hi y'all

I think that you missed the point here, Lan. It's a SHADOW of the chopper that was above and behind the position of the camera filming the event in question. It's not an actual object at all but a shadow of it. If you watch the film in it's entirety, just focus on the corner of the soon to be hit building, the closes to the camera. That would be the upper right. Just at the tip. Keep your eyes there and watch, you will see the shadow move over that spot. It bends and changes to the shape of the building.

The reason it moves so quickly is that the shadow is being displayed in some smoke or mist extending from the building out towards the camera. The closer the shadow moves towards the camera, the faster that it becomes. And you'll note that the smoke or mist is not in a straight line and even with the camera, the shadow or mist angles downward and away.

All due respect,

Donnie Shevlin

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Re: New *U* Map - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 14:12:51 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:22:02 -0400
Subject: Re: New *U* Map - Hatch

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: New *U* Map
>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 18:06:12 +0000

>>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 03:06:30 -0700
>>From: Larry Hatch
>>To: UFO UpDates
>>Subject: New *U* Map

>>Hello all:

>>I have put up a new UFO map on the *U* Website.

>>This one is different from the others, it is an overlay of
>>three UFO wave years in the USA (1947, 1957, 1973)
>>layered as separate colored sightings-dots.

>>Each of those waves taken alone seems to favor certain US
>>regions over others. What seems new, is that the three years
>>taken together, and excluding all other years, seem to blanket
>>the USA almost completely.

>>Please click on:

>><http://www.larryhatch.net/WAVLAYER.html>

>>The only blank spots are where population density is sparse to
>>non-existent, almost like some sort of plan.

>Larry,

>I have done several large-scale map plottings in the past,
>showing trends counter to population density. Your map confirms
>this for at least two states: New Mexico (far too many
>sightings) and Florida (far too few sightings). I wish you could
>plot the 1967 wave. I have data on all the waves and "flaps" into
>the 1980s.

Hello Dick:

I'm off to work now. In about 10 hours I can run off some data
and a map for 1967. That is not my busiest year by a long shot.
It might show some interesting geographical distribution
however.

If its striking enough, I might squeeze it onto the maps menu on
the website, that menu is bulging at the seams. In any case I
can send you images and data; ditto for anyone else interested.

Best!

- Larry

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To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It

From: Richard Hall" <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 21:34:47 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:25:21 -0400
Subject: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It

Stephen Bassett et al.,

You neatly skip around the substantive arguments and issues raised by Jan Aldrich (and others) to insist that yours is a serious initiative, and claim that you wish to embrace old f---s like me into the fold if we would only bury our differences in a common cause. Sorry! You have it all wrong. Your cause and Steven Greer's cause are not my cause, nor the cause of anyone who values careful, factual, scientific presentation of data. It will be a cold day in hell before I embrace your (Greer's) cause. Do you or do you not agree with him and his approach? You weasel around about that as you do on the entire issue of arbitrarily including highly controversial political issues in the "disclosure" movement approach to Congress.

Also, very pertinent to your wish to "embrace" everyone, am I to assume that you agree with, approve of, and/or condone the truly wild-eyed extremist political views expressed by Alfred L. Webre on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges? If you are not aware of them, I suggest that you become aware of them. He is, after all, a major spokesperson for your treasured project. Or is this simply another example of the extremely strange position you, Greer and Co. have taken that facts, honesty, truth, and integrity don't matter? The end justifies the means?

Dick Hall

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 18:35:04 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:26:59 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 17:34:30 +0100
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

<snip>

>Even if a still from the video clearly showed a Ventubian
>intergalactic reconnaissance craft Mk.IV, without any eyewitness
>reports (of which I would expect many, in daylight hours, over a
>busy city), the video would be regarded as highly suspicious,
>and not as any kind of evidence.

Only someone who hasn't actually looked at the video could seriously make such an assertion. The object appears in 5 video frames, presumably spaced 1/60 of a second apart. It is visible for less than 1/10 of a second. If the object was traveling at the rate of speed the video suggests, it would not have been visible long enough to consciously register with most people who might have seen it. Why should any eye witness reports be expected for an object moving so fast it could scarcely be noticed? Even the Gamma Press cameraman who took the video apparently didn't notice it.

>In my view, all this speculation about UFO's being at the scene
>detract from the real issues involved.

I haven't engaged in speculation. As far as I'm concerned, this is a "UFO" only because it is unidentified and because the evidence indicates it is moving at an unusually high speed. All of the purported UFO footage from the incident I've seen except this one seem amenable to prosaic explanations. But I hardly think speculation detracts from the "real issues" any more than does unreasoning emotionalism, although it's an understandable human reaction to an event of this enormity.

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:33:24 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Aldrich

>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
>>>UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

Steve/Stephen please see my response to your comments below.

<snip>

>>Even Bassett, supposedly ace lobbyist can't get it right: "The
>>only Congressional hearings held previously were conducted in
>>1968 by the House Science and Astronautics Committee (90th
>>Congress, 2nd Session, Committee Print No. 7. "Symposium
>>Unidentified Flying Objects.";) " Not very good on fact checking
>>are you, Steve?

>The excerpt you show here is from a Disclosure Project press
>release, and, yes it is incorrect. It was republished as is by
>X-PPAC. In retrospect, had there been more time, I would have
>tried to get back to the DP and get that corrected. I am well
>aware of the 1966 hearing. When referring to the hearing process
>myself, I usually say "there have been no formal hearings in
>Congress on the UFO/ET issue since 1966/68." You referred to a
>formal hearing in 1956 and others. I would love to have a list
>of any formal hearings prior to 1966 with the title of the
>hearing and the committee. It would be useful, and if you have
>such a list handy, could you provide it? Thanks.

Not all hearing were devoted to solely UFOs. However, the 1956
Moss Subcommittee hearing touched on Project Blue Book Special
Report #14. Dr. Leon Davidson had requested a full copy of the
report had difficulties with the Air Force. While Davidson and
CSI NY officials were at the hearings, they did not testify, but
the Air Force received some sharp questioning from the
Subcommittee members. I think this success caused the interest
in further political action involving Congress.

>>Outright NON-Disclosures.

>>1) Number One on this list is welding on a Far-Left political
>>agenda item concerning missile defense. Was there any hint of
>>such a thing prior to the press conference? Probably, but you
>>couldn't find any such a thing on the CSETI website. Now maybe
>>Steven Bassett will tell you different, but since a majority of

>>congress are for missile defense, it seems rather daffy to
>>connect this to a UFO hearing. (Many in Congress are opposed to
>>Bush's missile defense, but still want a missile defense.)

>It's "Stephen" with a "ph," and I mention that only
>because I am often confused with Greer and it helps to
>make the distinction.....

Okay, Steve, sorry for the murdering your name.

>It is X-PPAC's position that the matters of SDI, ABM and space
>weaponization are very significant policy decisions which should
>be vigorously debated in the open, and that key information with
>potential impact on such debates, which would certainly include
>the presence of extraterrestrials in earth air space, should not
>be withheld from the Congress or the public. The principal focus
>of X-PPAC has been and will continue to be the end to the
>government embargo on the truth regarding an extraterrestrial
>presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional
>hearings to address government employee testimony. How other
>organizations choose to address the numerous political questions
>which are tangential to the UFO/ET issue, is of course, their
>prerogative.

Again, I don't understand how an anti-ballistic missile which
operates in a gravity well has anything to do with ETs. If in
fact, the observed maneuvers reported are correct, no missile
can do anything to them.

>>2) Non-disclosure to the public and press at the Press
>>Conference of the fact that Greer claims he can vector UFOs in
>>for communication almost at will. (Now people are saying Greer
>>did this in the past and all that was from his early days.
>>Sorry, the CSETI site has now changed, such material was on
>>there this year and well after the Disclosure Project Press
>>Conference. Nice try to push this down a memory hole. (To harp
>>on this once again, if you can vector in UFOs, they can be
>>inspected by various instruments that would absolutely establish
>>what they were. There would be no need for such a thing as a
>>Disclosure Project, one could bring absolute proof to bear, not
>>witnesses' statements.)

>>3) There was no Hunger Strike for Disclosure, it was Dieting for
>>Disclosure. Trying to blame the UFO Updates List for the failure
>>of this fiasco is beyond belief.

>>Now to Congressional Hearings and a little war story. Many,
>>including, apparently the Disclosure Project, think that
>>Congressmen and Senators are boobs. Maybe they are! But their
>>staffs are not and are generally made up of highly competent and
>>knowledgeable people.

<snip>

>>Here is my own conspiracy theory on the Disclosure Project - it
>>is not about disclosure at all. The purpose is to discredit the
>>UFO phenomenon so badly that no serious person will ever
>>consider it again. It is constructed so poorly that Congressmen
>>and Senators will remember how silly some of the claims were
>>and will never, ever, take up the subject again.

>>Some of the people on the project are obviously good-hearted,
>>some may have other motives, but many are obviously duped by
>>people who think you can mix bad witnesses and good together and
>>when the dust settles, the Truth will come out. Sorry, you
>>better bring your best team, and they better be checked six ways
>>from Thursday, or you will be the laughing stock.

>>As I said before about people who seem to believe the most
>>outlandish claims:

>>"The people who want to believe this sort of thing will never
>>check dates, or facts, or history, they will just believe any
>>provocative thing placed in front of them. The hunger for this
>>sort of thing is insatiable, that why there are hundreds of UFO
>>conspiracy theories, most contradicting all the others. That
>>doesn't seem to matter. What matters is they explain things in
>>nice little neat packages."

>The Disclosure Project is a complex and significant political
>initiative trying to impact congressional intransigence to

>properly address the UFO/ET reality. X-PPAC supports this
>effort. The DP is certainly not without flaws. It could be
>improved.

>X-PPAC and PRG fully support a working alliance between the "old
>guard" ufologists with roots dating back even to the 1950s and
>the newer activists and researchers. Such an alliance could be
>powerful, but will require a serious effort to understand each
>other's approach and viewpoint. Compromise will be necessary. It
>always is. No one in this field has a monopoly on the truth or
>is in sole possession of the answer to the political impasse.

>If another significant political initiative emerges from an
>organization or coalition to press for congressional hearings
>and an end to the cover-up, X-PPAC and PRG will assist it as
>well.

Speaking for myself only, again, I would say if you want such a coalition you must be prepared to leave behind a lot of baggage. Here is what I think should happen as a minimum:

1) The spokespersons should be people without, shall we say, colorful ufological pasts.

2) All witnesses would be vetted. The credentials would be checked by a committee who were familiar with government/military personnel procedures. They would document the witnesses careers and establish that they were indeed who they represent themselves to be.

3) This "Coalition" would be an ad hoc body and as such the subject would be UFOs, other political philosophy from the right or left would have to be left behind as would anti-ABM action. You can be against it all you want, but for the Coalition such links would have to be broken.

4. Damp down hype about how evil the government is, you want cooperation not confrontation.

5. An agenda and goals which all would agree on and okayed and sign as binding agreement.

I suggest that John Velez, Steven Kaeser, Francis Ridge, Jim Klotz and Dick Hall as the initial negotiators with the DP for any such coalition. (I just volunteered these people without consulting them so some might not want to touch this with a ten foot pole.) There needs to have a lot of confidence building here.

>Also, X-PPAC supports the efforts of a number of activists. That
>includes Grant Cameron. He has done some excellent work. If
>there are flaws in that work, I believe Grant would welcome any
>assistance offered in good faith to correct those mistakes.

I think a good faith action on Grant Cameron's part would be to reconcile his version of the Sheehan saga as posted by him here on UFO Updates with the transcript of Sheehan's comments on Errol's 'Strange Days....Indeed'.

My own experience shows that officials have obfuscated important cases and have not been forthcoming with records. I think the above represents important matters which should be taken up by members of Congress.

Also, most ufologists, activists or whatever do not realize the extent of record keeping in the government. It might be said that the government answered questions and FOIA requests in what might be termed a proper manner, but it has not certainly not volunteered information from the above mentioned sources.

It is possible to produce a number of witnesses that support each others stories and who are in turn supported by official document currently available to the public. Such witnesses are more convincing than just one person telling a story, especially when "little" enhancements creep into the tale.

I personally doubt that anything will come from this because I suspect powerful hidden personal and "commercial" agendas are involved here.

Again speaking for myself.

Jan Aldrich

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Research Update AFM 200-3

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:37:11 -0400
Subject: Research Update AFM 200-3

Greetings to the List Members:

An original copy of AFM 200-3, dated May 1953, has been obtained. The title of this document is, 'Handbook for Air Intelligence Officers', with a security classification of Restricted.

This is the document of the infamous illustration of an Air Force B-47 bomber being attacked by three flying saucers and taking evasive action.

The caption with this illustration reads:

"The Air Technical Intelligence Center is responsible for the prevention of technological surprise."

The section detailing Air Technical Intelligence is comprised of six pages, but there is no mention directly of crypto-aeronautic issues. However, it does give an excellent overview of the mission of Air Technical Intelligence.

The manual is 100 pages, illustrated with Appendicies, Bibliography, Index and comprising the following sections:

01. Introduction to Air Intelligence
02. Operational Intelligence
03. Pre & Post Mission Activities
04. Maps, Charts and Grid Systems
05. Electronics Intelligence
06. Aerial Reconnaissance
07. Photo Intelligence
08. Photo-Radar Intelligence
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Circles Grow More Complex

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:50:12 -0400
Subject: Circles Grow More Complex

http://www.producer.com/current_news/this_week/contact.html

this document web posted: Thursday October 4, 2001

Circles Grow More Complex

By Ed White
Winnipeg bureau

Mysterious craft have been passing over fields this harvest season.

A few times this summer, the craft have circled farmers' fields, which then were discovered to contain crop circles. When the beings alight from these aircraft, they dash off to inspect the crop circles before other human beings have a chance.

They are part of Crop Watch 2001, an effort of the Vancouver-based Canadian Crop Circle Research Network.

"We're still getting reports coming in," said network director Paul Anderson, who scoured Alberta and Saskatchewan for crop circles in late summer.

"There have been 17 so far this year."

Anderson's journey was an attempt to capture as much information as possible about the mysterious circles, which have begun appearing with greater regularity in North America and England since first being spotted near Stonehenge, England, in the 1970s.

Anderson wanted to examine the circles before farmers, tourists, reporters and circle chasers got into them and contaminated the evidence.

Some of the ones Anderson found this year had no evidence of human manufacture, a key requirement for a circle to be considered a mystery.

"We're still convinced this is a genuine phenomenon," said Anderson, who has seen a number made by human hoaxers.

"In being able to separate the fake ones from the still unexplained ones, we're making progress."

Anderson doesn't like to speculate on the origin of the circles. Some people have suggested that space aliens have caused the circles.

"I don't want to jump to conclusions," said Anderson.

"What is actually causing them, we don't know."

Anderson was lucky this summer when he visited the crop circle hotbed of Midale, Sask.

It was the site of a series of crop circles in 1999. More were found this year. So Anderson paid a visit to the town.

He rented a plane to observe the reported circles from the air. On a flight a couple of days later he discovered, to his excitement, more circles had appeared. He got there before any other people to record the phenomenon.

Last week a gigantic, 91-metre-wide crop circle collection was reported outside Red Deer.

Anderson said this phenomenon is interesting to study because it keeps developing. The first crop circles found in England were quite simple, but over the years they have become more complex.

In Canada, which began experiencing crop circling a few years later, the circles have tended to lag behind the English ones. But Anderson said they are evolving here too.

"Some of the ones in Saskatchewan are more complex than we're used to seeing. They're up a notch or two."

Anderson said British crop circle researchers are frustrated by the number of fake crop circles being made by human jokesters.

There's less hoaxing in Canada, Anderson said. He is convinced there is something more than human pranksters behind some crop circles. He just wants to know what it is.

"With most mysteries - UFOs, Bigfoot - it's a question of do they exist. With this, there's no doubt they exist. What's causing them?"

Pictures of some of the Canadian crop circles this year can be found at www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada.

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett

From: **Stephen G. Bassett** <SGBList2@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 02:55:58 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett

>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 11:51:19 -0400

>>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Bassett
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>The Disclosure Project is a complex and significant political
>>initiative trying to impact congressional intransigence to
>>properly address the UFO/ET reality.

>My first problem comes with the words "congressional
>intransigence". Yes, Congress isn't inclined to hold the
>hearings Steven and others would like. But that's not because
>it's intransigent, in the sense of unreasonably stubborn. It
>just mirrors the attitude generally found among political people
>in America (and, I bet, most other countries). That's the same
>attitude you find among opinion leaders in all fields
>(journalists, educators, intellectuals, you name it; maybe
>everywhere except in the entertainment world).

>So, given the context, congress isn't being unreasonable at all.
>Wrong, maybe. But you, of all people, need to be realistic about
>why disclosure (assuming, of course, that there's anything to
>disclose) isn't getting anywhere.

>Here's a comparison. You're not going to get far urging Congress
>to hold hearings on a national system of free health care.
>That's just not on the political agenda in the United States -
>even though it's taken for granted throughout the western world.
>Congress isn't being "intransigent" on this issue. It just
>mirrors public opinion here in the US.

>Greg Sandow

That is an interesting analogy. Let's examine it. Health care is a major issue in the country. It affects tens of millions. It is openly debated nationwide. There have been many hearings in the Congress on health care. You would not go to Congress and press for "free health care hearings" - you wouldn't have to. You would approach committees with already planned hearings on health care and request the opportunity to make the case for this or that approach.

The presence of extraterrestrials is a major issue. Numerous polls have shown that tens of millions of Americans are convinced they are here. A similar amount believe the government is withholding the truth. Yet, there hasn't been a hearing on this major issue since 1968, and the 1966/1968 hearings were less than satisfactory. That's 33 years. The UFO/ET issue has been in play world wide. Since 1968, from Congress - nothing. If that isn't intransigence, what is?

The demand is not for "ETs are real" hearings or "ETs are here to save us" hearings or "UFO technology is hidden" hearings. It

is for hearings to take testimony from government employees who have extraordinary information. The Congress is not being asked to take a position. It is asked to fact find a major issue which Congress has run from for three decades. Let the testimony speak for itself.

The UFO reality is not the only issue the Congress is running from, and as long as citizens give it license it will run away from all it can.

The problem is not that the demand for hearings is an unreasonable request - the problem is not enough people and organizations will come together behind the demand and make it so. They are too busy nailing opinions to trees to climb up to the top of one and see the forest.

SB

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 14:59:18 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 20:23:10 -0600
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Donnie Shevlin <dshevlin@charter.net>
>>Date: Thu, 04 Oct 2001 16:26:56 +0000
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object At World Trade Center?

>>I was asked to look over this video shot of the second crash. At
>>first I thought as everyone else did, "What was that?", but on
>>further review on the actual video footage I found that it was a
>>helicopter. It's passing just above and behind the position of
>>where the camera is located during this video shot.

>I assume that you mean the object was passing between the camera
>and the building. If it was behind the camera, it wouldn't be in
>the picture at all.

>>So, in conclusion, it's a chopper filming the tower destruction.

>That is quite impossible, assuming the frame rate shown in the
>video clip is 60 frames per second. If the object was at the
>same distance from the camera as the building, it was traveling
>at a rate of 3800 mph (again, assuming that the elapsed time
>between frames on the video clip is 1/60 of a second). A
>reasonable height for a helicopter cabin is 5 feet, or .03 times
>the width of the buildings (170 feet). A reasonable speed for a
>helicopter might be 190 miles per hour (although that seems
>pretty fast for a copter flying around between tall buildings in
>a city). A speed of 190 mph is 1/20 of the speed the object
>would have had if it were at the same distance from the camera
>as the building (3800 mph).

Lan,

Can I throw in a corrective technical point, NTSC like our PAL
TV standard here in Europe uses a line interlace technique which
means that although each picture is scanned 60 times a sec in
the US system (50 times a second in Europe), each individual scan
only records either odd or even numbered picture lines, these
are then sequentially overlaid to produce the resulting full
frame of 525 or 625 lines.

Because of this line interlacing the actual full frame rate
finally produced is half the field scanning frequency, ie 30fps
in the US and 25fps in Europe.

Neil

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Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Bruni

From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 13:55:33 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:00:51 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Bruni

>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 23:45:45 EDT
>Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Dear Nick, Georgina, Listers,

>Another question to Nick and Georgina. What is the written date
>shown on the 5 USAF reports outlining the Redelsham Forest
>incident? The other questions still stand as asked and awaiting
>answers.

Lieutenant Fred Buran's statement is dated 2 January 1981

Master Sergeant J.D. Chandler's statement is dated 2 January
1981

Staff Sergeant Jim Penniston's statement is undated, but he told
me that he wrote it approximately a week after the events. He
claims the typed statement is a watered down (summary) version
of his testimony, which he initially penned in ink.

John Burroughs said he wrote his statement after the third night
(his statement is undated).

Airman Edward Cabansag's statement was signed (according to him)
the morning after the event. He claims he did not read the
statement because he was so nervous , he just signed it.

Hope that helps

Georgina Bruni

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From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 13:55:35 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:02:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Bruni

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Pope & Rendlesham
>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 08:09:30 -0600

>Dear Nick, Georgina, Listers,

>Nick, I have several questions for you. I'm sure Georgina can
>clarify this, if you cannot. Did you have prior knowledge of the
>information Georgina Bruni presented at the the Leeds
>Conference? I am referring specifically to the the USAF reports
>of "humanoid" beings seen at the Rendlesham Forest incident? If
>so, how do you justify the statement you made in the MOD press
>report,

What statements concerning "humanoids" are you referring to?
There are no official USAF statements referring to humanoids.

>Another question. Were the USAF reports available to you,
>Nick, while you were investigating this incident?

In Nick's UFO Magazine statement he points out that the USAF
witness statements were not in the Rendlesham MOD file.

>If not, why not?

You may also wish to know that taped evidence was handed to
General Charles Gabriel, the Chief of USAFE, and allegedly this
was not shared with the MOD.

>Obviously, if Georgina has managed to obtain copies of these
>reports, they were (or are not now) considered a national
>security issue, so why was this information withheld from the
>public initially?

You must consider that both the MOD and USAF have withheld
evidence on this case. Clearly this proves that there was a
cover-up. The only reason the MOD file has been released is
because Lord Hill-Norton and myself have been pushing Parliament
for a release of information.

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 14:23:43 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:04:10 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 18:35:04 -0600
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?
>From: Lan Fleming <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 17:34:30 +0100
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

><snip>

>>Even if a still from the video clearly showed a Ventubian
>>intergalactic reconnaissance craft Mk.IV, without any eyewitness
>>reports (of which I would expect many, in daylight hours, over a
>>busy city), the video would be regarded as highly suspicious,
>>and not as any kind of evidence.

>
>Only someone who hasn't actually looked at the video could
>seriously make such an assertion. The object appears in 5 video
>frames, presumably spaced 1/60 of a second apart. It is visible
>for less than 1/10 of a second. If the object was traveling at
>the rate of speed the video suggests, it would not have been
>visible long enough to consciously register with most people who
>might have seen it. Why should any eye witness reports be
>expected for an object moving so fast it could scarcely be
>noticed? Even the Gamma Press cameraman who took the video
>apparently didn't notice it.

You are correct, I haven't looked at it. After looking at the first two clips with reported UFO's, I decided that nothing lay behind the reports.

My point really is why, if nothing has been reported by eyewitnesses, are people carrying out frame by frame studies of these tapes? I am sure that if such studies were carried out on every piece of video, many more such "UFO's" would be uncovered, not because they are alien spacecraft, but because they are things that we normally wouldn't notice, eg insects/dust passing in front of the lens etc.

If it makes any difference, call it a "Rod". It still brings us no closer to identifying the objects that most people would classify as a UFO.

As for the estimated speed, if it was a solid object, where are all the sonic boom reports? If it was only supersonic at the exact moment of the atrocity then why didn't people see it before or after? Also, it could well have been visible to people at a greater distance from the site at the time the video was taken.. By all means, if it interests you, get it analysed, but I am sure that nothing of any substance will be learned from it.

>>In my view, all this speculation about UFO's being at the scene
>>detract from the real issues involved.

>I haven't engaged in speculation. As far as I'm concerned, this
>is a "UFO" only because it is unidentified and because the
>evidence indicates it is moving at an unusually high speed. All

>of the purported UFO footage from the incident I've seen except
>this one seem amenable to prosaic explanations. But I hardly
>think speculation detracts from the "real issues" any more than
>does unreasoning emotionalism, although it's an understandable
>human reaction to an event of this enormity.

I think we are just going to have to agree to disagree here, I
don't think that I will be able to convince you that further
analysis is futile, and unless you do come up with some
interesting results, you won't be able to convince me that it is
worth spending time on.

Best wishes,

Joe

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 08:31:07 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:07:20 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Strickland

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

>>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
>>>>UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

Dear Stephen, John, Jan, Listers,

I'm glad this debate is on-going. It's important and vital to all of us if we are to form a "broad-based", cooperative coalition. Whew! That would be a milestone, wouldn't it!? What remains unclear to many are the specific goals both of these organizations wish to achieve, mostly because the methods used seem to negate the stated purposes.

It is my humble opinion that if Jan Aldrich and Richard Hall have trouble defining exactly what the objective purposes are behind the Disclosure Project and X-PPAC, your organizations have a major communication problem.

You're not communicating a clear, well-defined message.

If these 2 people have a problem with understanding your motives, much less your organization's methods, you and Greer should take a hint. They have more individual brain-power and analytical acuity than all of the so-called experts sitting on the Disclosure Project's politically-military-based panel put together.

If you want to succeed... listen to them. Take their advice. Otherwise, you're shooting yourselves in the feet.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - McCoy

From: **GT McCoy** <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 07:43:13 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:13:03 -0400
Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - McCoy

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 21:34:47 +0000

>Stephen Bassett et al.,

>You neatly skip around the substantive arguments and issues
>raised by Jan Aldrich (and others) to insist that yours is a
>serious initiative, and claim that you wish to embrace old f---s
>like me into the fold if we would only bury our differences in a
>common cause. Sorry! You have it all wrong. Your cause and
>Steven Greer's cause are not my cause, nor the cause of anyone
>who values careful, factual, scientific presentation of data. It
>will be a cold day in hell before I embrace your (Greer's)
>cause. Do you or do you not agree with him and his approach? You
>weasel around about that as you do on the entire issue of
>arbitrarily including highly controversial political issues in
>the "disclosure" movement approach to Congress.

>Also, very pertinent to your wish to "embrace" everyone, am I to
>assume that you agree with, approve of, and/or condone the truly
>wild-eyed extremist political views expressed by Alfred L. Webre
>on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges? If you are not
>aware of them, I suggest that you become aware of them. He is,
>after all, a major spokesperson for your treasured project. Or
>is this simply another example of the extremely strange position
>you, Greer and Co. have taken that facts, honesty, truth, and
>integrity don't matter? The end justifies the means?

Hello, all Dick.

Well said Dick, I like the "cold day" remark. You are right, Congress isn't going to give the time of day to most of these Klowns, even if they drop the politics. Just how are they supposed to be taken seriously if the main agenda is: "Our space bro. are not happy with your missile defence, position on peace, love and Terrorisum. etc." How do the Klowns know? There are some folks on the List who have had some very unpleasant things done to them by our "brothers" hardly something to encourage intra-Galactic harmony (Cheer up, only 150 years till we go kick some alien butt - if the "Enterprise" saga holds up<G>.)

Levity aside, there is a need for real reasearch, real questions by real people, (yes include sceptics too) folks who do not have an 'agenda' or are driven by politics, like so many of my generation.

What is frustrating to me is the Klowns get the media because they know that they are getting their fifiteen minutes even though they make fools of themselves.

There were some good witnesses mixed in, but the media loves the wackos - and the lack of fact-checking for the sake of "inclusion" does great harm to any serious people who are trying to say something above cacophony of the center ring. Maybe that's the purpose - think about it.

GT McCoy

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Re: Research Update AFM 200-3 - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 09:50:28 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:14:08 -0400
Subject: Re: Research Update AFM 200-3 - Connors

The following is an excerpt from AFM 200-3.

AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE

Air technical intelligence may be defined as the knowledge of scientific and technological developments of foreign powers as these developments affect the enemy's ability to conduct both offensive and defensive air warfare.

Ever since aircraft and air weapons were first introduced as implements of war, there has been an inherent need for such knowledge to insure our national security. As military aviation has developed, the need for air technical intelligence has grown in direct proportion.

If this requirement was not recognized widely before World War II, it was demonstrated most clearly in that conflict when the enemy began to use new air weapons against the United States and our allies with the crippling impact of technological surprise.

At the end of World War II, the United States Strategic Bombing Survey recorded some of the lessons that had been learned with bitter experience since 1941, and restated, as follows, the mandatory requirement for air technical intelligence.

"The air war in Europe was marked by continuous developments and evolution. This process did not stop with VE Day; great strides have been made since in machines, weapons, and techniques. No greater or more dangerous mistake could be made than to assume that the same policies and practices that won the war in Europe will be sufficient to win the next one."

MISSION OF AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE

The Strategic Bombing Survey also recommended "continuous and active scientific research and technical development on a national scale." accompanied by "a more adequate and integrated system for the collection and evaluation of intelligence information." In this way the United States could keep pace with the evaluation of military aviation throughout the world.

Today the intelligence organizations in the United States Air Force and Navy is based on a recognition of the needs cited by this survey. The over-all intelligence missions of the Air Force, as set forth in Air Force Regulation 200-5, includes the prevention of "strategic, tactical or technological surprise from any source." In other words, the mission of air technical intelligence is to guard this nation against such surprises as those encountered in World War II.

[Wendy's comment: The above statement is probably the root of using flying saucers against a B-47 in the illustration on the following page. It is obvious that the UFO phenomenon was taken seriously as a minute probability/possibility, but also representative of other nations developing advanced aircraft based on lenticular designs, etc. Thus, the impetus for AVRO funding, etc.]

The responsibility for prevention of technological surprise has

been assigned to the Air Technical Intelligence Center, within the Directorate of Intelligence, Headquarters, USAF; and to the Office of Naval Intelligence, U.S. Navy. Other components of USAF and USN Intelligence are responsible for security against strategic and tactical surprise, with all of the above components working together in an attempt to fulfill the over-all mission.

[Wendy's comment: Here we have the second definitive documentation that ATIC was not a component of AMC and answered directly to DI USAF Hqs. Thus, I was correct in my statement that T-2 was not answerable to AMC, but was rather an intelligence component assigned to Wright-Patterson from September 1947 onwards. Also, that the ONI had definitive roles entwined with ATIC.]

Success in this attempt depends in large measure on our discovery of reliable information concerning the technical capabilities of air weapons or weapons systems which have been produced or are under developments in foreign countries. We need all the technical information that we can obtain on all the equipment that any potential enemy may be able to use against us or against our own air power in the event of war.

[Wendy's comment: Thus, the probability that UFOs were seriously considered important intelligence material, cannot be disputed in any meaningful manner for the times.]

Wendy Connors

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Re: Research Update AFM 200-3 - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 10:50:56 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:15:11 -0400
Subject: Re: Research Update AFM 200-3 - Connors

Part Two

The following excerpt is from AFM 200-3 dated May 1953

COLLECTION and EVALUATION of AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION

The bits of information used in piecing together the whole picture of foreign air warfare potentials are collected by air technical liaison officers (ATLOs), who work overseas on the staffs of major commands or in the offices of Air and Naval Attaches. Information is also collected by air technical intelligence (ATI) teams, who are trained to collect items of enemy equipment in theatres of war. Other valuable sources of information are military observers, agents, overt and covert sources in foreign countries, industrial representatives, aerial reconnaissance units, and military combat units.

[Wendy's comment: Thus, it appears that during the SIGN investigation, UFOs may well have been perceived as a possible immediate threat, but as time passed, this possibility of immediate threat was discounted, but placed on the back burner of future possibility. Thus, the divisionary processes in motion between intelligence officers themselves as to just how the phenomena was to be further perceived.]

To assist in the collection of the required medical intelligence, flight surgeons have been placed in the field as assistant air attaches (medical) at strategically important posts. The number of flight surgeons serving in this capacity is small, but the background and training of these officers have made them keenly aware of the information and intelligence that is required to preserve our national safety.

[Wendy's comment: A very cryptic paragraph, but seems to give credence and documentation to the work of Keith Chester in this area. Exactly why this is commented upon within AFM 200-3 seems rather strange. Some possibilities for inclusion may be taken as a pointer for the research into atomic engines, etc., which would have far reaching importance on health issues related to pilots and crews and the population as a whole, in any event of engine failure or aircraft crash. Taking this a step further into speculation, it might be considered important from the aspect of unknown crash retrieval specimens...i.e., Roswell incident implications without documentation.]

ATI operations date back to the days of World War II, when the United States, lacking detailed information about the enemy's aircraft and air weapons, sent collection teams out into the battlefields to pick up crashed aircraft and other pieces of abandoned enemy equipment. From a study of these samples, air technical intelligence analysts discovered valuable facts about the equipment, how it was made, and how it worked. In some cases they even found where it was made. This information on enemy aircraft and equipment, incidentally, furnished new strategic bombing targets for the allied air forces and thus contributed materially to the neutralization of the sources of the weapons that were being used against us.

[Wendy's comment: It is therefore documented that ATIC did, in fact, work in the field and this leads credence to Col. Hemstreet's, Major Bilek, George Towels and Alfred Loedding assertion that T-2 did send a person(s) to Roswell in July 1947, as it was the mission of T-2 / ATIC to do so and would have been mandatory. Again, implications without documentation in regards to Roswell incident specimens.]

ATI teams of World War II made a substantial contribution to the winning of the war, and there is no intention to permit in the future the loss of the lessons that have been learned from the experience of ATI collectors on the fields of battle.

Air technical liaison officers study continuing peacetime developments in the science and technology of foreign air power. These officers, trained to spot significant facts in such developments, report the information through official channels to air technical intelligence analysts. These analysts, who receive bits of information from ATLOs throughout the world, compare, examine, and evaluate the information in the light of growing files of technical data and in consideration of the findings of specific investigations, including laboratory tests. From this fund of evaluated data, the analysts produce the over-all picture of foreign capabilities to wage air warfare.

There is no pretense that the picture of these current capabilities - not to mention the future capabilities of any potential army - is now complete. There is no pretense that air technical intelligence now has all the information that is required for the prevention of technological surprise, today or tomorrow. Much information that is required for this purpose is closely guarded by foreign powers, just as military information about our own developments is closely guarded by our own military establishment. Much of the information that is needed for the completion of the picture of foreign capabilities must be deduced from the scattered bits of data that are obtained from various sources, i.e., from the analysis of specific pieces of foreign equipment and from the air technical liaison offers' continuing exploitation of source materials which they can discover and develop.

[Wendy's comment: From the perspective of crypto-aeronautics, Project Blue Book was used in the "over-all picture" scenario by collecting sighting data, but not directly involved in obtaining field specimens, except on rare events. Thus, the samplings from field work would have been turned over to higher authority or to the ONI for analysis, etc.]

Because of the difficulties of collection and because of the difficulties which are obviously involved in this required process of deduction, there are, admittedly, gaps in the total picture of foreign capabilities. These gaps must be filled in as quickly and as carefully as possible to provide adequate safeguards for this nation against sudden, devastating technological surprise.

[Wendy's comment: Thus, the investigations of the UFO phenomenon is interlaced with other branches of the armed forces and in contractual projects within scientific and public institutions.]

Wendy Connors

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 13:11:41 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:17:34 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Sandow

>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 01:02:14 EDT
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Here's a comparison. You're not going to get far urging Congress
>>to hold hearings on a national system of free health care.
>>That's just not on the political agenda in the United States -
>>even though it's taken for granted throughout the western world.
>>Congress isn't being "intransigent" on this issue. It just
>>mirrors public opinion here in the US.

>That is an interesting analogy. Let's examine it. Health care is
>a major issue in the country. It affects tens of millions. It is
>openly debated nationwide. There have been many hearings in the
>Congress on health care. You would not go to Congress and press
>for "free health care hearings" - you wouldn't have to. You
>would approach committees with already planned hearings on
>health care and request the opportunity to make the case for
>this or that approach.

This makes my point even stronger. Congress is already
interested in health care. So anyone wanting to propose a new
approach - new in this country, anyway - already has a way of
doing it. No need to wave flags and accuse Congress of
intransigence. That approach would be bound to fail.

Clarification, since after all I'm an old '60s radical: I don't
mean that confrontation is never a reasonable tactic. But it's
not the same as political action within the system. I gather
that Stephen's push for congressional hearings is supposed to
be a move within the system.

>The presence of extraterrestrials is a major issue. Numerous
>polls have shown that tens of millions of Americans are
>convinced they are here. A similar amount believe the government
>is withholding the truth. Yet, there hasn't been a hearing on
>this major issue since 1968, and the 1966/1968 hearings were less
>than satisfactory. That's 33 years. The UFO/ET issue has been in
>play world wide. Since 1968, from Congress - nothing. If that
>isn't intransigence, what is?

In other words: If Congress doesn't do something you think is
important, then they're being unreasonably stubborn. Millions
upon millions of people believe in astrology. Does that mean
Congress should hold hearings? It's a scandal, right? Here's
this method which could improve the efficiency of government!
All we'd have to do is make sure important government activities
were launched on favorable days. And Reagan already did that, so
there's a precedent. (Well, OK, he didn't do it openly, and it
was more Nancy's idea than his, but still he did it.)

Of course, you think UFOs are more important than astrology, and
have better evidence. But that's only your opinion. Maybe it's
mine, too. But the most important thing here is what Congress's
opinion might be. And there, I'm afraid, we come against an
uncomfortable reality: Many, maybe most people in Congress may
well think UFOs are as silly as astrology. So if you loudly call
them intransigent, they'll just think you're silly, too.

At this stage of the political game, I'd think we'd do better to mobilize public opinion. If there were large demonstrations around the country in favor of UFO disclosure, Congress might well act. Or, for that matter, if UFOs seemed as hot a current topic as they did in the '60s.

This could be combined with careful behind the scenes activity, designed to show members of Congress that there were serious reasons to be concerned. Though careful - as Jan, Dick, and others have been showing - is not exactly what the Greer project has been.

Greg Sandow

(Another comparison might be with alternative medicine. The government has acted in this area, for instance by setting up a project within the NIH, because many medical people are interested. If as many scientists were publicly interested in UFOs, Congress might be more willing to do something.)

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 15:07:06 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:23:07 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Velez

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

>>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
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>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>Steve/Stephen please see my response to your comments below.

><snip>

>>>Even Bassett, supposedly ace lobbyist can't get it right: "The
>>>only Congressional hearings held previously were conducted in
>>>1968 by the House Science and Astronautics Committee (90th
>>>Congress, 2nd Session, Committee Print No. 7. "Symposium
>>>Unidentified Flying Objects.;") Not very good on fact checking
>>>are you, Steve?

>>The excerpt you show here is from a Disclosure Project press
>>release, and, yes it is incorrect. It was republished as is by
>>X-PPAC. In retrospect, had there been more time, I would have
>>tried to get back to the DP and get that corrected. I am well
>>aware of the 1966 hearing. When referring to the hearing process
>>myself, I usually say "there have been no formal hearings in
>>Congress on the UFO/ET issue since 1966/68." You referred to a
>>formal hearing in 1956 and others. I would love to have a list
>>of any formal hearings prior to 1966 with the title of the
>>hearing and the committee. It would be useful, and if you have
>>such a list handy, could you provide it? Thanks.

>Not all hearing were devoted to solely UFOs. However, the 1956
>Moss Subcommittee hearing touched on Project Blue Book Special
>Report #14. Dr. Leon Davidson had requested a full copy of the
>report had difficulties with the Air Force. While Davidson and
>CSI NY officials were at the hearings, they did not testify, but
>the Air Force received some sharp questioning from the
>Subcommittee members. I think this success caused the interest
>in further political action involving Congress.

>>>Outright NON-Disclosures.

>>>1) Number One on this list is welding on a Far-Left political
>>>agenda item concerning missile defense. Was there any hint of
>>>such a thing prior to the press conference? Probably, but you
>>>couldn't find any such a thing on the CSETI website. Now maybe
>>>Steven Bassett will tell you different, but since a majority of
>>>congress are for missile defense, it seems rather daffy to
>>>connect this to a UFO hearing. (Many in Congress are opposed to
>>>Bush's missile defense, but still want a missile defense.)

>>It's "Stephen" with a "ph," and I mention that only
>>because I am often confused with Greer and it helps to
>>make the distinction.....

>Okay, Steve, sorry for the murdering your name.

>>It is X-PPAC's position that the matters of SDI, ABM and space
>>weaponization are very significant policy decisions which should
>>be vigorously debated in the open, and that key information with
>>potential impact on such debates, which would certainly include
>>the presence of extraterrestrials in earth air space, should not
>>be withheld from the Congress or the public. The principal focus
>>of X-PPAC has been and will continue to be the end to the
>>government embargo on the truth regarding an extraterrestrial
>>presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional
>>hearings to address government employee testimony. How other
>>organizations choose to address the numerous political questions
>>which are tangential to the UFO/ET issue, is of course, their
>>prerogative.

>Again, I don't understand how an anti-ballistic missile which
>operates in a gravity well has anything to do with ETs. If in
>fact, the observed maneuvers reported are correct, no missile
>can do anything to them.

>>>2) Non-disclosure to the public and press at the Press
>>>Conference of the fact that Greer claims he can vector UFOs in
>>>for communication almost at will. (Now people are saying Greer
>>>did this in the past and all that was from his early days.
>>>Sorry, the CSETI site has now changed, such material was on
>>>there this year and well after the Disclosure Project Press
>>>Conference. Nice try to push this down a memory hole. (To harp
>>>on this once again, if you can vector in UFOs, they can be
>>>inspected by various instruments that would absolutely establish
>>>what they were. There would be no need for such a thing as a
>>>Disclosure Project, one could bring absolute proof to bear, not
>>>witnesses' statements.)

>>>3) There was no Hunger Strike for Disclosure, it was Dieting for
>>>Disclosure. Trying to blame the UFO UpDates List for the failure
>>>of this fiasco is beyond belief.

>>>Now to Congressional Hearings and a little war story. Many,
>>>including, apparently the Disclosure Project, think that
>>>Congressmen and Senators are boobs. Maybe they are! But their
>>>staffs are not and are generally made up of highly competent and
>>>knowledgeable people.

><snip>

>>>Here is my own conspiracy theory on the Disclosure Project - it
>>>is not about disclosure at all. The purpose is to discredit the
>>>UFO phenomenon so badly that no serious person will ever
>>>consider it again. It is constructed so poorly that Congressmen
>>>and Senators will remember how silly some of the claims were
>>>and will never, ever, take up the subject again.

>>>Some of the people on the project are obviously good-hearted,
>>>some may have other motives, but many are obviously duped by
>>>people who think you can mix bad witnesses and good together and
>>>when the dust settles, the Truth will come out. Sorry, you
>>>better bring your best team, and they better be checked six ways
>>>from Thursday, or you will be the laughing stock.

>>>As I said before about people who seem to believe the most
>>>outlandish claims:

>>>"The people who want to believe this sort of thing will never
>>>check dates, or facts, or history, they will just believe any
>>>provocative thing placed in front of them. The hunger for this
>>>sort of thing is insatiable, that why there are hundreds of UFO
>>>conspriacy theories, most contradicting all the others. That

>>>doesn't seem to matter. What matters is they explain things in
>>>nice little neat packages."

>>The Disclosure Project is a complex and significant political
>>initiative trying to impact congressional intransigence to
>>properly address the UFO/ET reality. X-PPAC supports this
>>effort. The DP is certainly not without flaws. It could be
>>improved.

>>X-PPAC and PRG fully support a working alliance between the "old
>>guard" ufologists with roots dating back even to the 1950s and
>>the newer activists and researchers. Such an alliance could be
>>powerful, but will require a serious effort to understand each
>>other's approach and viewpoint. Compromise will be necessary. It
>>always is. No one in this field has a monopoly on the truth or
>>is in sole possession of the answer to the political impasse.

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>>If another significant political initiative emerges from an
>>organization or coalition to press for congressional hearings
>>and an end to the cover-up, X-PPAC and PRG will assist it as
>>well.

>Speaking for myself only, again, I would say if you want such a
>coalition you must be prepared to leave behind a lot of baggage.
>Here is what I think should happen as a minimum:

>1) The spokespersons should be people without, shall we say,
>colorful ufological pasts.

>2) All witnesses would be vetted. The credentials would be
>checked by a committee who were familiar with
>government/military personnel procedures. They would document
>the witnesses careers and establish that they were indeed who
>they represent themselves to be.

>3) This "Coalition" would be an ad hoc body and as such the
>subject would be UFOs, other political philosophy from the right
>or left would have to be left behind as would anti-ABM action.
>You can be against it all you want, but for the Coalition such
>links would have to be broken.

>4. Damp down hype about how evil the government is, you want
>cooperation not confrontation.

>5. An agenda and goals which all would agree on and okayed and
>sign as binding agreement.

>I suggest that John Velez, Steven Kaeser, Francis Ridge, Jim
>Klotz and Dick Hall as the initial negotiators with the DP for
>any such coalition. (I just volunteered these people without
>consulting them so some might not want to touch this with a ten
>foot pole.) There needs to have a lot of confidence building
>here.

>>Also, X-PPAC supports the efforts of a number of activists. That
>>includes Grant Cameron. He has done some excellent work. If
>>there are flaws in that work, I believe Grant would welcome any
>>assistance offered in good faith to correct those mistakes.

>I think a good faith action on Grant Cameron's part would be to
>reconcile his version of the Sheehan saga as posted by him here on
>UFO Updates with the transcript of Sheehan's comments on Errol's
>'Strange Days....Indeed'.

>My own experience shows that officials have obfuscated important
>cases and have not been forthcoming with records. I think the
>above represents important matters which should be taken up by
>members of Congress.

>Also, most ufologists, activists or whatever do not realize the
>extent of record keeping in the government. It might be said
>that the government answered questions and FOIA requests in what
>might be termed a proper manner, but it has not certainly not
>volunteered information from the above mentioned sources.

>It is possible to produce a number of witnesses that support
>each others stories and who are in turn supported by official
>document currently available to the public. Such witnesses are
>more convincing than just one person telling a story, especially
>when "little" enhancements creep into the tale.

>I personally doubt that anything will come from this because I
>suspect powerful hidden personal and "commercial" agendas are
>involved here.

>Again speaking for myself.

Hi Jan,

We're beating a dead horse here Jan. I'm sure you've been reading Stephen's "responses." (if they can properly be called that) And just in case you haven't noticed, he's giving us the back of his hand. There is no 'meaningful' dialog taking place. We're expressing our honest thoughts and opinions about the DP, and Stephen is fending it all off and defending it along with everyone connected to it. He's not listening. He doesn't want to hear what we have offer, and he's acting as if he's 'protecting' something.

Stephen Bassett's interest in maintaining the status quo (concerning the DP) as well as his defense of Greer and people like Grant Cameron is becoming more and more suspicious to me. What is the nature of the bond/relationship I wonder that causes him to responds like a paid 'front man' (public relations officer) for Greer.

Who are these people? Why are we even dignifying them with our time and attention. Maybe what we really need to do first is clean house.

Something really stinks here Jan. As 'fishy' as the Fulton Fish Market on any week night.

Listen man, it's cards on the table time. "Lobbyists" represent "special interests". Judging by all appearances Stephen Bassett "represents" Greer and whatever "Greer's" agenda and 'special interests' are. Staunch (and blind) supporters of that agenda whether they are credible people or not (eg: Grant Cameron) get promoted in public while anyone daring to take umbrage at their shameful displays and machinations are either ignored out of hand, or dismissed as splitters or malcontents.

We all, myself, Dick Hall, yourself, and many others, continue to try to 'dialog' (interact) with this crew to no avail. They're simply not listening. They're not "representing" us. The only thing they care about is advancing their own agenda(s.) Unless there is 'special interest' money involved somewhere, I cannot fathom the insistence on tying issues like 'space based weapons' and 'free-energy technology' to the base issue of UFO information disclosure. Nothing else makes any sense. I don't know 'where' but 'somewhere' in this Samba-line money is involved.

Think about it Jan. What else could it possibly be?

Time to dump the lot, and take on the work ourselves. To do whatever we have to do to make open hearings (actually) happen. I am willing to dedicate time, effort, and what little resources I can muster to such an effort. As long as it's practical, 'grass-roots' based, and democratic, I'm down.

The question is; is anybody else game?

"Dialoging" with Stephen Bassett, Dr. Greer, or even Grant Cameron is like talking to a little kids that have their hands up to their ears and shouting "blah, blah, blah," to block out the sound of whatever you are saying. I say it's high time we show the lot of em our backs. Ignore them the same way you would any child who is being intentionally belligerent.

We have the people, the access to the major groups, organizations, and individuals that comprise the "UFO community." (whatever that is.) All that needs to be done is to put our melons together and organize ourselves. The simple truth is; we don't need no stinking badges, no "Greer's" no "Bassetts" no "Cameron's" to do what really needs to be done. They haven't accomplished s**t anyway. We've nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Again, I am ready, willing, and able to throw my time, effort, and support behind an organized, practical, grass-roots

movement, which is democratic both in theory and in practice, and that has as its single goal and sole purpose the securing of open, public, congressional hearings on the question of total UFO related information disclosure.

For the love of Ghod, let's stop banging our heads against this wall that Greer and Bassett have set-up and do the thing ourselves. We don't need them! The witnesses are all 'on tape,' and I'm sure they'll be willing to testify before congress regardless of whether it's "Greer" or a grass-roots organization that got them there. All any of them will care about is that they are sitting before the congress giving testimony. We'll have our best guys take care of vetting the witnesses. I'm certain there is enough 'solid gold' in the ranks of those hundreds of willing witnesses to 'win the day' for all of us before congress.

We have an awful lot of good people right here Jan. Let's see who's willing to 'put up.' If we don't do this thing ourselves, it isn't going to get done. Period. Forget about Greer and Bassett. That's one dead horse my arms are completely tired of flogging.

Regards,

John Velez

PS - BTW, Jan, I enjoyed your first response to my post to Stephen Bassett. I was telling Errol that you used my 'diplomatically' worded post like an Olympian would use a springy diving board in serious competition. I 'wanted' to say it like you said it. Next time I won't hold back. It turns out that some folks are simply not worthy of such gentile considerations. ;)

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

From: **Lan Fleming** <LanFleming@houston.rr.com>
Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 15:18:29 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 17:54:07 -0400
Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center? -

>From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 13:23:46 +0100
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Unidentified Object at World Trade Center?

<snip>

>Because of this line interlacing the actual full frame rate
>finally produced is half the field scanning frequency, ie 30fps
>in the US and 25fps in Europe.

>Neil

Thanks. I was hoping there would be some technical discussion from someone more knowledgeable than I am about video equipment.

A frame rate of 30 per second would cut the apparent speed of the object on the video to half of what I originally estimated, from 3800 miles per hour to 1900 miles per hour - supersonic rather than hypersonic. The lower speed would probably be within the capabilities of US military aircraft. However, I don't know if existing operational aircraft can achieve that speed at the low altitude suggested by the video, especially without producing any sonic boom.

There has been some research into reduction of sonic boom, presumably to improve the stealth capabilities of supersonic jets. Perhaps this was some relatively experimental craft sent up in a desperate attempt to intercept the second airliner before it reached the Trade Center.

The government couldn't be faulted for trying just about any means of stopping the other hijacked planes once they knew the terrorists were using them as weapons of mass destruction.

BTW: The video clip showing the object seems to have been removed from the Fox News web site, although all the other clips from 9/11 are still there.

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Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 17:33:50 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 17:57:04 -0400
Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Aldrich

>From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 07:43:13 -0700

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 21:34:47 +0000

>>Stephen Bassett et al.,

>>You neatly skip around the substantive arguments and issues
>>raised by Jan Aldrich (and others) to insist that yours is a
>>serious initiative, and claim that you wish to embrace old f---s
>>like me into the fold if we would only bury our differences in a
>>common cause. Sorry! You have it all wrong. Your cause and
>>Steven Greer's cause are not my cause, nor the cause of anyone
>>who values careful, factual, scientific presentation of data. It
>>will be a cold day in hell before I embrace your (Greer's)
>>cause. Do you or do you not agree with him and his approach? You
>>weasel around about that as you do on the entire issue of
>>arbitrarily including highly controversial political issues in
>>the "disclosure" movement approach to Congress.

>>Also, very pertinent to your wish to "embrace" everyone, am I to
>>assume that you agree with, approve of, and/or condone the truly
>>wild-eyed extremist political views expressed by Alfred L. Webre
>>on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges? If you are not
>>aware of them, I suggest that you become aware of them. He is,
>>after all, a major spokesperson for your treasured project. Or
>>is this simply another example of the extremely strange position
>>you, Greer and Co. have taken that facts, honesty, truth, and
>>integrity don't matter? The end justifies the means?

>Hello, all Dick.

>Well said Dick, I like the "cold day" remark. You are right,
>Congress isn't going to give the time of day to most of these
>Klowns, even if they drop the politics. Just how are they
>supposed to be taken seriously if the main agenda is: "Our space
>bro. are not happy with your missile defence, position on peace,
>love and Terrorism. etc." How do the Klowns know? There are
>some folks on the List who have had some very unpleasant things
>done to them by our "brothers" hardly something to encourage
>intra-Galactic harmony (Cheer up, only 150 years till we go
>kick some alien butt - if the "Enterprise" saga holds up<G>.)

>Levity aside, there is a need for real reasearch, real questions
>by real people, (yes include sceptics too) folks who do not
>have an 'agenda' or are driven by politics, like so many of my
>generation.

>What is frustrating to me is the Klowns get the media because
>they know that they are getting their fifiteen minutes even
>though they make fools of themselves.

>There were some good witnesses mixed in, but the media loves the
>>wackos - and the lack of fact-checking for the sake of "inclusion"

>does great harm to any serious people who are trying to say
>something above cacophony of the center ring. Maybe that's the
>purpose - think about it.

GT, I agree, some people can't recognize quality.

Recently, Loren Gross and I were in Miami to visit Dr. Willy Smith. Dr. Smith invited us to go to local MUFON meeting which was to deal with the Disclosure Project. Here Loren Gross walks into a local meeting, and no one recognizes him even after he introduces himself. To me this was so ironic, to be almost beyond belief!

Loren Gross hardly goes to any such events, but here he walks in out of the blue to a local MUFON meeting. The poor people there didn't know who he was. Ten years ago, if I could get Loren to answer one of my letters, I thought myself fortunate, but these people didn't have the foggiest who he was. No wonder, the Disclosure Project gets along so well, people don't know the good stuff when it is right in front of their faces.

Maybe one day someone will explain to these folks that they a probably had a once in a life time opporunity to question one of the most knowledgeable researchers in ufology, and they blew it!

Jan Aldrich

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Working The Congress

From: **Richard Hall** <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 19:08:03 -0400
Subject: Working The Congress

Appropo of the "Disclosure Project" and how we should go about trying to persuade the U.S. Congress to hold meaningful hearings on UFOs, I must say (with all due immodesty) that I have been there, done that.

Not only did I head the NICAP organization in the only successful effort to obtain hearings, I then worked for and retired from Congressional Information Service after a 10+ year career. But what do I know?

Daniel Sheehan and his would-be interpreter Grant Cameron, while displaying ignorance of many well-known facts, pretend to have "inside" knowledge that has escaped all the rest of us. Not!

This whole escapade has become quite silly. I am strongly convinced that most people on this List don't have a clue about how ridiculous the entire "pro-UFO" movement looks to influential people who matter.

I have beat my gums for years trying to point out the necessity of (a) avoiding constant speculation, (b) disowning and unequivocally separating ourselves from the "crazies" and (c) presenting hardcore well-established facts in order to persuade people who matter to take a new look at UFOs.

My UFO Evidence: Volume II makes a very strong case for UFOs being something well worth scientific (and political) attention. If we can't rally around that or equivalent presentations of evidence, then you might as well forget it.

Dick Hall

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Re: Working The Congress - Felder

From: **Bobbie Felder** <jilain@ebicom.net>
Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 19:59:20 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 22:57:56 -0400
Subject: Re: Working The Congress - Felder

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Working The Congress
>Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 22:32:06 +0000

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>unequivocally separating ourselves from the "crazies" and (c)
>presenting hardcore well-established facts in order to persuade
>people who matter to take a new look at UFOs.

I just wanted to throw in my two cents into this discussion.

I have to agree with Dick.

Whether we like it or not, whether it hurts or not, whether it
angers us or not, the simple reality of life is that the
majority of people outside the 'UFO Community' are laughing
their collective asses off at the antics of the lunatics that
have attached themselves to the general theme of 'UFO stuff'.

Yes, polls have shown that the majority of the American public
think we are not alone in the universe. I think we can attribute
that more to the influence of "Star Trek" more than we can
attribute it to the efforts of Ufology.

It is my firm belief that until Ufology pays more attention to
the company it keeps, the field will not be taken seriously in
any 'mainstream' venue.

My opinion on the matter.

Bobbie

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Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 19:03:26 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 23:03:05 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Strickland

>From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'
>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 13:55:35 +0100

>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Pope & Rendlesham
>>Date: Wed, 3 Oct 2001 08:09:30 -0600

Dear Georgina, Listers,

First, I want to thank you for your responses to my questions. It bothers me, however, that it took sooooo long for you and your investigators to validate the information presented.

I do appreciate your hard work, Georgina, and hope you will forgive my impatient questions.

I went back through the UFO UpDates Archives to January 2000 to ensure that I have not misunderstood your position in this case.

I realize that my impatience is due in part to my being an abductee, and I feel an urgency to find some answers in my lifetime. I also resent the seemingly intransigence of the political machinery to address these issues, as I'm sure you and Lord Hill-Norton do. However, I'm nearly resigned to the fact that such a thorough investigation as the Rendlesham Forest incident, whether it takes 1 day or 180 days, would be too long for me.

I also am delighted to hear that the paperback edition of "You Can't Tell the People" is about to be released! I want so much to read your book, but I can't afford the hardback edition at \$50.00. I've been waiting a long time for this paperback to come out. Have you added an addendum to the paperback version showing the "new" USAF reports you discussed at the Leeds Conference last week?

You asked:

>What statements concerning "humanoids" are you referring to?
>There are no official USAF statements referring to humanoids.

Groan. Is this another mis-communication? The question that I had about "humanoids" allegedly seen at the Rendlesham Forest site was based on information that was included (perhaps erroneously) in a synopsis of the Leeds Conference, emailed to UFOUpdates (see sentence 2):

>>From: Anthony Chippendale <anthony@ufon.org>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Leeds Conference Review
>>Date: Mon, 1 Oct 2001 16:47:10 +0100

>>Review of 20th Leeds International UFO Conference
>>Leeds University - 21 to 23 September 2001

>>By Anthony Chippendale

>>She also revealed that there are now five new written statements by
>>USAF personnel confirming that the incident did occur as reported.
>>These new witnesses confirm that they saw alien "humanoids"
>>inside the craft, which allegedly landed in Rendlesham Forest.
>>Georgina also announced that following extensive research she
>>has discovered that UFOs landed in the forest in the late 1800s
>>and even in the 1600s!! She is currently researching this for
>>more information."

Did Anthony Chippendale misunderstand you? I was not there. I would really like to see copies of the 5 reports, to see what the gentlemen had to say.

Also, in your written response to Larry Warren's questions (see below), you strongly suggest that Col. Williams' presence at the Rendlesham Forest incident was in doubt. Was he confusing Col. Williams' with General Charles Gabriel's presence at the site?. Has the testimony of Col. Williams been made public yet? Do you have a copy of Col. Williams' and General Gabriel's written statements concerning the incident and the supposed (perhaps telepathic) communication which allegedly took place?

After seeing the dates posted on 3 of the 5 USAF reports... only 3-5 days after the initial incident occurred, it seems evident that the reports were intentionally withheld from the MOD by the USAFE. Obviously, General Charles Gabriel took his orders from someone in a higher position than himself. I doubt that he would have unilaterally decided to withhold the evidence. So, it may be safe to assume that not only did the US government knowingly deceive the American public in 1981 concerning this issue, the powers-that-be are continuing to do so. Not very reassuring at this time of tragedy for any of us, is it?

I should think it important that an updated version including these reports be distributed, especially since it took Lord Hill-Norton and you such extreme effort to obtain copies of the evidence supporting the reality of the incident.

Thank you again for your complete answers. It is a hard pill to swallow.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

>You may also wish to know that taped evidence was handed to
>General Charles Gabriel, the Chief of USAFE, and allegedly this
>was not shared with the MOD.

>
>>Obviously, if Georgina has managed to obtain copies of these
>>reports, they were (or are not now) considered a national
>>security issue, so why was this information withheld from the
>>public initially?

>
>You must consider that both the MOD and USAF have withheld
>evidence on this case. Clearly this proves that there was a
>cover-up. The only reason the MOD file has been released is
>because Lord Hill-Norton and myself have been pushing Parliament
>for a release of information.

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>
>Georgina Bruni

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>Coming soon: 9 November is the launch of the paperback of "You
>Can't Tell The People". The Definitive Account of the Rendlesham
>Forest UFO Mystery by Georgina Bruni. Published by Pan Macmillan
>Includes new revelations. Available on-line at:
>www.amazon.co.uk Countries outside UK: www.netstoreusa.com

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Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Webre

From: Alfred Webre <EcoRadio@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 22:32:48 EDT
Fwd Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 23:09:30 -0400
Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Webre

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 21:34:47 +0000

>Also, very pertinent to your wish to "embrace" everyone, am I to
>assume that you agree with, approve of, and/or condone the truly
>wild-eyed extremist political views expressed by Alfred L. Webre
>on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges?

Richard

Ever since I stated on this List I could not remember meeting you (I still do not remember any meeting with you), you seem to be taken with demonizing my name on this list by referring to my political views. I still do not understand what point you are trying to make.

Over the past 30 years I have written 5 books and countless articles and email posts on a variety of subjects ranging from spirituality to earth changes to electromagnetic weapons to the Kennedy assassination to Ufology.

True, I was an elected Clinton-Gore delegate at the 1996 Texas Democratic convention, and perhaps that worries your obviously conservative sensitivities.

On certain issues, like the anti-Extraterrestrial information war, I am also a 'conspiracy theorist' and that obviously disturbs you.

My personal views are protected by the First Amendment, and I will continue to express them.

My personal views are in the protected domain of my personal speech, and are separate from organizations I may be working with.

You and I may be of the same generation, but obviously we are dimensions apart in political perception and persuasion. So let us agree to disagree about political issues.

I suggest you stop these ad hominem references to my personal views, and start reading and addressing my views on issues of Ufology and the Extraterrestrial presence. I would be glad to debate them with you here.

Here is an introduction to my views regarding Exopolitics and the Extraterrestrial presence:

Introduction to Exopolitics

Is there intelligent life elsewhere in the Universe? The true story unfolding in the Universe may turn our concepts upside down.

In reality, Earth appears to be an isolated planet in the midst of a populated Universe. Universe society consists of highly organized and consciously evolving, advanced civilizations.

Universe civilizations function within our own interstellar Universe, as well as within other dimensions in the Universe at large. Advanced Universe civilizations exist in other dimensions parallel to our own. They access our own planet, galaxy, and all of interstellar space.

Life-bearing planets such as Earth are part of a collective Universe whole, operating under Universal law. Think of Earth as part of a Universe commons. Life is implanted and cultivated here under the tutelage of more advanced societies, in accordance with the over-all principles of Universe ecology.

Where necessary, Universal law applies restrictive measures to a planet that endangers the collective whole. Universe government can remove a planet from open circulation within Universe society. This fate appears to have happened to Earth in our distant past. Earth has suffered for aeons as an exopolitical outcast among the community of Universe civilizations.

Earth is isolated because it is under intentional quarantine by a structured, rational Universe society. There are signs around us of a Universe initiative to reintegrate Earth into interplanetary society. It is possible that Earth may be permitted to rejoin Universe society, under certain conditions, or at a future time certain.

The above version of our Universe reality may sound vaguely familiar to you. It is the stock of most science fiction, after all. The notion of a populated Universe may have the ring of truth for you. It may raise a tingle along the back of your neck, a truth too close for comfort. Or you may react to the concept of a populated Universe as flaky and unscientific.

Your own beliefs about a populated Universe - whatever they might be - fall along a spectrum of public opinion that is frequently measured. A 1996 Gallup poll showed that 72 percent of the U.S. adult population believes there is some form of extraterrestrial life, and 45 percent believes the Earth has been visited by extraterrestrial life. There are indications that public opinion about extraterrestrial visitation is similar in other regions of the planet. The proportion of extraterrestrial-sensitive world youth may be even higher than the adult populations who believe in an extraterrestrial presence.

Nearly 100 million adult humans in the United States of America (45 percent of the adult population) believe that extraterrestrial civilization has visited Earth. Approximately 100 million U.S. citizens vote in a U.S. Presidential election (the U.S. Federal Election Commission reports that 96,277,634 people voted in the 1996 presidential general election)! About 100,000,000 persons voted in the disputed 2000 U.S. Presidential election.

It is safe to assume that the 100 million US adults who believe in extraterrestrial life could not all be delusional, pre-programmed, or brainwashed. These extraterrestrial-sensitive humans are responding to something they sense is true, deep in their intuition - that extraterrestrials have visited Earth. It is also safe to assume that human intuition is reality-oriented enough to filter out false propaganda from Universe reality. For example, some extraterrestrial "visitations" are actually psychological warfare operations conducted by human military-intelligence agencies.

From "Exopolitics: A Decade of Contact"
by Alfred Lambremont
Webre, JD, MEd

<http://www.ecologynews.com/exoone.html>

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From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Sun, 7 Oct 2001 11:25:01 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 23:13:54 -0400
Subject: 31793 Emails And Counting

Morning All

I have just finished migrating my old emails to my new mail package. I don't use Outlook because there are far too many virus's that use VBS, but I digress.

I joined the UFO UpDates List back in March 1997. I have kept just about every email bar Errol's posting protocols. In all of that time I have 'met' a number of very interesting people, enjoyed a good debate or ten and generally enjoyed 'being here'. So I would like to take this opportunity to thank Errol for all of his unpaid hard work that he has done for all of us people on this List for all these years.

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In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.

Sean Jones

<http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

P.S. I am in the process of updating my webpages, so I have put a funny one up for the moment, feel free to check it out.

[33813 as of this one at the Archive --ebk]

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Re: Working The Congress - Colaw

From: John Colaw <Scarecrow@colaw.net>
Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 13:41:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 23:48:44 -0400
Subject: Re: Working The Congress - Colaw

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Working The Congress
>Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 22:32:06 +0000

>Appropo of the "Disclosure Project" and how we should go about
>trying to persuade the U.S. Congress to hold meaningful hearings
>on UFOs, I must say (with all due immodesty) that I have been
>there, done that.

Dear Mr. Hall,

You most certainly have been there, done that. Thank you, sir.

>Not only did I head the NICAP organization in the only
>successful effort to obtain hearings, I then worked for and
>retired from Congressional Information Service after a 10+ year
>career. But what do I know?

It would be appropriate for the current disclosure movement to acknowledge this foundation and build upon it, rather than start a new one from the ground up. Are most members of Congress well informed regarding this true history of UFO Disclosure in America? It seems to me that the "giggle factor" has never been successfully detached from the term "UFO", and that disinformation has done a splendid job of relegating UFOs to the ridiculous along with the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus.

Who are the current members of Congress who even begin to look receptive to honest inquiry into UFO evidence? Would it make sense to enlist an entire committee's support, for further patronage of the idea into the halls of Congress?

>Daniel Sheehan and his would-be interpreter Grant Cameron, while
>displaying ignorance of many well-known facts, pretend to have
>"inside" knowledge that has escaped all the rest of us. Not!

Duly noted. Anyone preaching a sermon on disclosure needs to lead the way themselves with open and examinable forthright evidence that provides a solid foundation from which to build the new protocol of disclosure from. Insiders are a dime a dozen. Any witnesses who cannot withstand intense scrutiny of their stories or evidence are a liability whose mere presence suggests a certain self-destructive nature to the entire event. Not being informed on facts known to the UFO research community at large tends to splinter rather than unite the groups who need to come together in order to accomplish disclosure.

>This whole escapade has become quite silly. I am strongly
>convinced that most people on this List don't have a clue about
>how ridiculous the entire "pro-UFO" movement looks to
>influential people who matter.

Seems to me it always gets "silly". Especially when extended from "pro-UFO" movement to space disarmament or "free energy and utopia for everyone" messages. What are these agendas doing in a disclosure movement? It is hard enough to communicate a single focus for UFO Disclosure without the immediately divisive approach of all this touch-feely crowd making people squirm with

their tales of the evolved space brotherhood who only need for us primitive brutes to form a circle, hold hands and sing Kum-Ba-Yah to the star people. Please, there are alien vehicles flying in our skies. Let us acknowledge that first, and then we can go from there.

The voices of love, brotherly peace and channelled prophecy are always there to intrude and dilute any information or presentation regarding ET presence on our planet. When I preach reason and restraint I am labeled a military ops disinformation agent, or a violence loving zealot who has been duped by the evil military-industrial establishment into believing that ETs are anything besides my highly evolved space brother and teacher. What does that sales pitch have to do with opening additional congressional hearings on the validity of UFO evidence and the implication to our society?

>I have beat my gums for years trying to point out the necessity
>of (a) avoiding constant speculation, (b) disowning and
>unequivocally separating ourselves from the "crazies" and (c)
>presenting hardcore well-established facts in order to persuade
>people who matter to take a new look at UFOs.

Amen. But those same "crazies" are well entrenched, and their emotional bait and switch, passive-aggressive tactics make them a genuine factor in the entire equation. And with people spouting their abduction or contactee messages from every corner, it gets harder and harder to motivate a skeptic to look any deeper into the evidence itself. New Age ET encounter groups will not permit UFOs to be separated from their own propaganda and efforts to do so simply reinforces their ranks.

>My UFO Evidence: Volume II makes a very strong case for UFOs
>being something well worth scientific (and political) attention.
>If we can't rally around that or equivalent presentations of
>evidence, then you might as well forget it.

>Dick Hall

We need our leaders to rally around it. I know from personal experience that the government knows about UFOs, and I am at a loss to grok what is actually happening. I have been meaning to read your new book since it came out earlier this year. I am in the process of ordering it now. It is going to take a lot of continued release of good information to enable the public to discern the truth amongst the flotsam of UFO material being presented. Thank you for your own efforts. You demonstrated resolve and integrity in your stance over the MUFON position, and there are some of us who do appreciate the efforts of yourself and those like you. Please continue to lead by example.

Best wishes,
John Colaw

<http://www.ufodisclosure.com>

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Song Sung Blue

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 7 Oct 2001 19:14:50 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 10:20:32 -0400
Subject: Song Sung Blue

From inside the solid blue light comes a song sung blue.
But not everybody knows this one.

I danced last night.
With all of my might.
And prayed hard as I played,
To make it all right;
All the misery. All the pain.
But nothing would devour it.
There was no gain.

So I started to weep.
Right there on the street,
Outside the place where I tried to sleep.
In my brand new home. Started counting sheep.
But all I could do, for me ... was weep.

Someone came by. Said, "Why do you cry?"
Said I,
"I cry because God won't let me die.
Got too much on me. Too much to hide.
Were I to die, right here and now,
I could not bear the pain, the burden of shame."
I'd have to live in eternity with misery on tow.

"What shame, human soul?"

"It's too sad to console, and who are you, sir,
who comes in the night, to comfort, to give light?"

I am no one. Exactly. Just a being like you.
Without the body, to extract the dew, the energy
From which, your mind may construe,
That which is true.
That which is you."

"A riddle you tell. For I know not your meaning.
Tell it the way I can understand without leaning
My ear to my brain, my brain to my ear,
To hear,
To learn from within is not my strong suit.
Kind spirit of love.
I can tell you're in truth."

"The riddle is easy to comprehend.
All you must do is listen my friend.
The voice within you is loud. It is clear.
If only your race could discern it. Prepare.
Prepare to hear the voices within.
If it isn't to hear when you've cheated, and sinned,
Then maybe it's to hear of joy. Not of sin.
Maybe you've learned it all along wrong.
Maybe you've looked for the bad.
Not the good. Maybe you've listened to sad
people who care not for the soul, but only the bad.
Maybe that God is all love, not fear. Maybe
you've been taught that the opposite's there.
From this point forward, listen to love.

From this point on, you'll hear only good.
From this moment forth, only joy and good will
to lessen the burdens of life and ill will.

From this moment on. You're not human at all.
Instead you are life. Life within. Stand tall.
Celebrate life. Be joyful and strong. And may
all of your sins be no sins at all.
May they be only mistakes from which to learn.
Then perhaps all will be nothing to burn
at the entrance to hell. For hell is not.
And you are. So stand tall. Afraid be not.
Gain in stature. Be joyful and proud.
For God created you as He created the cloud.

But you, you are special. Unique. A thing of beauty.
Stand tall young human. Do your duty.

Jim Mortellaro

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Book Sale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 03:07:24 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 10:24:44 -0400
Subject: Book Sale

Hi All,

Just to let you know about my bargain book corner on my site -
please point yourself to the following URL:

<http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/Booksell.htm>

Please follow the instructions set out on the page if you would
like any of the books.

Best regards,

Roy..

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Re: Sheehan Saga - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <sgquishy@altavista.com>
Date: 7 Oct 2001 20:04:38 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 10:53:43 -0400
Subject: Re: Sheehan Saga - Cameron

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

Jan

Please list the problems you find between my Sheehan article (I assume you mean the first draft as posted in late June) and the Sheehan transcript that I also posted on UpDates.

Somehow you seem to be putting out the spin that I am somehow Sheehan's spokesman in all this. Nothing could be further from the truth. If I come to the conclusion that Sheehan made up the story I will be the first to post it.

I used radio transcripts and lectures given by Sheehan for the first article that I put out. I cc'd a copy to Sheehan for any corrections, and received no reply. I received no reply to any further posted discussions I had with you or Dick Hall which were cc'd to Sheehan.

It was I who provided questions to Errol that were used in the interview which lead to the transcript. (I also provided a set of questions to a second person in contact with Sheehan to resolve questions) Unfortunately Errol did not get to some of the critical questions. I interviewed Sheehan for two short interviews by phone to question things which I saw as problems, and was content with his answers.

I learned shortly after the UpDate discussions took place that Sheehan was somewhat upset with the letter I sent to Marcia Smith, and I am therefore now not in any position to resolve any problems that might exist in his story. (I did however see him draw the symbols for someone at the Bay Expo after his workshop.)

As you may know Sheehan has taken a position that he does not wish to answer questions on this case as in his opinion it would only lead to more infighting. That is his right, and he must pay whatever price associated with that decision.

My suggestion to you, is that if you have some problem with his version of events in 1977, you take on your role as an investigator and phone him yourself. I will provide you his phone number. I know he offered to meet with Dick Hall to resolve any problems Dick had with the story, and as far as I know Dick never took up Sheehan's offer.

I will resolve whatever I can, but as I have said before I am not able to resolve the "what-ifs" and the "I think it would have been done different" opinions that were expressed in the discussions. I am not a magician.

Grant Cameron

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Re: 31793 Emails And Counting - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 7 Oct 2001 20:33:33 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 12:17:07 -0400
Subject: Re: 31793 Emails And Counting - Tonnies

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>this List for all these years.

I second that! I've been off and on UpDates since '95 and find myself very greatful for the dedication that's allowed this forum to exist. Thanks to everyone who's shared interesting knowledge.

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Me too. But then I arreddy said it B 4. However, I wish to share
with the List, the fact that my beautiful Rosie, who has not
been exactly all that feelgood lately, attempted to go to the
URL you listed, Sean.

She came back telling me that something was wrong with the
address. Naturally, I went to the URL myself and realized
immediately, that there was indeed something wrong with the
site. So I looked at the address, then again, typed it again and
got the same message ...

"This page sucks and cannot be displayed
Etc."

Which I immediately recognized as your funny page. Howsumeva, it
did take about ten minutes for "immediately" to take place.

Al's Heiney

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Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 01:35:44 -0400
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>there, done that.

Which is why it blows my mind the way Stephen Bassett responds to you. (in the 'manner' that he does) You'd think he'd be working overtime trying to turn you into a valuable ally and picking your brain at every opportunity. Instead of surrounding himself with the best people available, he shuns them for the likes of Greer and Sheehan and Cameron. I don't know what that tells you but, it speaks volumes to me. (Speaking as an interested observer.)

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<LOL>The first mistake you're making is even comparing these people, and what they are doing, to yourself, and to the hearings that you were part of helping to secure. You're comparing your own 'solid gold' to their 'tin'. These folks have their own agenda Dick and it has absolutely nothing to do with obtaining congressional hearings. Who knows, aside from selling witness videotapes, maybe they're laying the groundwork to create their own "Free Energy" company. Whatever it is, it has little to do, by comparison, with anything you have done in the past. ;)

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>"inside" knowledge that has escaped all the rest of us. Not!

Seems to be a 'pattern.' Greer tried to lay that rap on me when I spoke with him. The old 'source that must remain unnamed' routine. He recently pulled the same crap with his 'famous astronaut' announcement. If Off-track betting parlors would take wagers on whether any of these "facts" will ever be substantiated or not, I'd get rich betting that they won't.

>This whole escapade has become quite silly. I am strongly
>convinced that most people on this List don't have a clue about
>how ridiculous the entire "pro-UFO" movement looks to
>influential people who matter.

Crying shame.

>I have beat my gums for years trying to point out the necessity
>of (a) avoiding constant speculation, (b) disowning and

>unequivocally separating ourselves from the "crazies" and (c)
>presenting hardcore well-established facts in order to persuade
>people who matter to take a new look at UFOs.

Yeah, I've got more than a few boot-prints on my butt for doing the same thing. I haven't ever let personal barbs or accusations stop me though. This is all way too urgent and important an issue to allow a few needy loonies to dilute/lessen the impact of the serious work being done by so many. I just want to reiterate how glad I am that you take the time to keep an active hand-in by your participation on this List. I know how much crap you have to put up with in order to continue.

Keep up the always good and valuable work that you do Dick. I for one am grateful that you are around.

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Book Sale - Mortellaro

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 10:34:10 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 12:24:18 -0400
Subject: Re: Book Sale - Mortellaro

>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 03:07:24 +0100
>From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Book Sale

>Hi All,

>Just to let you know about my bargain book corner on my site -
>please point yourself to the following URL:

><http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/Booksell.htm>

>Please follow the instructions set out on the page if you would
>like any of the books.

>Best regards,

>Roy..

Dear Roy, Listers and Errol,

Thank you for the book sale, however the only book I was interested in purchasing was "Women on Top" and my wifey won't let me have it. Well, actually that is not quite accurate. She told me that she WOULD let me have it. If I bought the book. So, is it possible to send me the title in a plain brown rapper ... wrapper, sorry? And please, send it to my brother-in-law first. He'll bend the pages where the good parts are. Unless of course, you've already done that for us.

Spanking you in advance and paying in Gripple Dripple.

Jim

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Mississippi UFO News Video Report?

From: SMiles Lewis <smiles@elfis.net>
Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 09:45:05 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 12:25:46 -0400
Subject: Missssissippi UFO News Video Report?

Hi UpDates eListers,

Below is a link to a recent local news piece on UFOs.

I'm curious if listers find it average, below/above?

To me it seems better than most.

SMiles
www.elfis.net

Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker were fishing on the Pascagoula River in October of 1973. The men say they were overpowered by creatures from an alien ship. Calvin Parker had remained fairly silent about his experience, until 1993.

Watch the 5 min video report on this and other famous sightings from Mississippi. Requires RealPlayer.

<http://wjtvtv.com/MGBCXATW3SC.html>

UFO Mystery, WJTV Channel 12, Mississippi
Eyewitness Videos
by Darren Dedo
Sep 26, 2001

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Same Song, Second Verse

From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 12:27:54 -0400
Subject: Same Song, Second Verse

Errol

I don't know what you might do with this - perhaps post it, if you think it interesting.

In light of recent dialogue on this list, I thought some of the new folks or even some of the old-timers here, might enjoy a backward glance at what we were discussing a little over 4 years ago.

I've enclosed the links to the thread below. I'm hopeful that I didn't leave any out, because there were some great thoughts posted.

All this kind of proves a point [to me] that I've been mulling over in head. The more things change, the more they stay the same. Not a new thought, I know, but an appropriate one. I certainly haven't done anything to try and change anything having to do with the study of UFOs and apparently most folks haven't either, but we sure like to talk about it!

Enjoy!

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/1997/aug/m15-024.shtml>

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/1997/aug/m15-036.shtml>

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/1997/aug/m15-037.shtml>

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Re: 31793 Emails And Counting - Goldstein

From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:49:48 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 17:57:17 -0400
Subject: Re: 31793 Emails And Counting - Goldstein

>Date: Sun, 7 Oct 2001 11:25:01 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: 31793 Emails And Counting

>Morning All

>I have just finished migrating my old emails to my new mail
>package. I don't use Outlook because there are far too many
>virus's that use VBS, but I digress.

>I joined the UFO UpDates List back in March 1997. I have kept
>just about every email bar Errol's posting protocols. In all of
>that time I have 'met' a number of very interesting people,
>enjoyed a good debate or ten and generally enjoyed 'being here'.
>So I would like to take this opportunity to thank Errol for all
>of his unpaid hard work that he has done for all of us people on
>this List for all these years.

>--

> In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.
> Sean Jones
> <http://www.tedric.demon.co.uk/>

>P.S. I am in the process of updating my webpages, so I have put
>a funny one up for the moment, feel free to check it out.

>[33813 as of this one at the Archive --ebk]

My fellow Listerions,

If I give 5 minutes to reading each email that translates to
over 2800 hours I have wasted in these last years. If I had
been working at only \$20 per hour that translates to over
\$56,000. As a thanks to Errol we should donate an equal amount
to him. <g>

But those figures illustrate what big thanks he deserves. As for
me, how have I gone so wrong? Perhaps Errol can found a support
group for people addicted to Ufology. Man, I could have bought a
new car. Face it, we are addicts. Incurable? Perhaps it is true.
Please help me.

Josh

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Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 11:33:25 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:09:12 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Strickland

>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 15:07:06 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

>>>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
>>>>>UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

Dear Stephen,

I was hoping you would listen to Richard Hall, Jan Aldrich, GT McCoy's and John Velez' criticisms and suggestions for possibly improving the X-PPAC's and Greer's Disclosure Project's movements. It appears you have not, and have chosen instead to continue to defend the present stances both of your organizations have taken. So, despite my reluctance to further "beat a dead horse," I will try to explain why your organizations have achieved so little, and will probably fail to meet your stated goals.

Steve, you wrote:

>>>It is X-PPAC's position that the matters of SDI, ABM and space
>>>weaponization are very significant policy decisions which should
>>>be vigorously debated in the open, and that key information with
>>>potential impact on such debates, which would certainly include
>>>the presence of extraterrestrials in earth air space, should not
>>>be withheld from the Congress or the public. The principal focus
>>>of X-PPAC has been and will continue to be the end to the
>>>government embargo on the truth regarding an extraterrestrial
>>>presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional
>>>hearings to address government employee testimony.

Basically, you've got "the cart before the horse" here. Do you see how convoluted the basic goals of UFO disclosure become when the side issues of SDI, ABM, and space weaponization are brought into the picture? How can you expect Congress to listen to any

rational argument against SDI and missile "defense" issues as it relates to UFOs, when the general public can't even get their heads around the basic issue... UFOs exist. They are manned by scientifically superior beings. Period. Start there.

Furthermore, Steve, there is an innate contradiction in the platform your 2 organizations are using. It is not logical to base the education of the public on military-based "expertise", if at the same time you profess that the ETs are our space brothers?! (which is the propoganda of the 2 organizations). Groan.

Huh? Which is it? If the ETs are our space brothers and mean us no harm, etc. why is the military involved in the issue at all? To shoot them down? Not shoot them down? If the military is interested in not shooting them down, why all the concern and fear expressed by your's and Greer's organizations about SDI and ABM R&D? So, the military is interested in shooting down ETs? See Steve, the mixed messages the 2 organizations are presenting?

As Dick and Jan have pointed out, Congress (and the American people) have apparently decided that we need some sort of missile defense system to protect ourselves from the likes of Osama Bin Laden and his ilk. A multi-billion \$ Bill has already been passed (2 weeks ago) pushing for more SDI research. Whether that R&D is successful is another question. If it is successfully developed, the question remains as to whether that missile "defense" system will or could be used "defensively" or "offensively" to shoot down ET craft, thereby putting us in a war with an intelligence far superior to our own in a cosmos we are just beginning to explore. If I'm following you correctly, that is your point and Greer's in including the SDI, ABM missile reserach into the UFO question. Am I following you and Greer's thoughts correctly? If not, I'm not surprised.

But, do you see how 'iffy' and clouded the basic issues become when this round-about method is used within the general context of educating the American public that UFOs even exist in the first place? Abductees then become the only remaining group of people (apart from the military 'in-crowd') who can possibly understand the seriousness of the correlation your 2 organizations are attempting to make. And, abductees and the military 'in-crowd' are not the groups that need to be educated here.

My point here is this: your organization and Dr. Greer's are 'barking up the wrong tree' and have successfully made a mess of the whole UFO phenonenon, not only by failing to define the basic issues, but also by failing to use consistent, non-contradictory methods to do so, and by addressing the wrong groups of people to educate.

I think John Velez is correct. We need to start over. The X-PPAC and Greer's Disclosure Project is a wash-out. And, though I'd like to participate in some form to gain a "broad-based coalition," to educate the public, I'd probably be considered one of the 'crazies' or 'whackos' based on my experiences with the ETs.

So, although I may be able to help analyze the process fairly well, I don't think it would be a positive, productive idea to include me in on a panel of "experiencers." As John Velez once told me, "Sue, you 'over-identify' with the ETs." He's probably correct. He usually is. I still don't call all of them "friends", because I think there's something pathologically wrong with anyone who continues to physically and knowingly hurt children. And, I don't care if you think that is based on some archaic sociological, cultural rationalization or not. Wherever they're from, or whatever reasons they may have for doing so, I consider some (not all) of their behaviors wrong. Period.

The ETs seem to be many and varied in their own personalities and cultures. But, they perform abductions in 'lock-step' (i.e., their methods and procedures for abductions are well-defined and systematically documented over time). This may be a good jumping off place for attacking the reality of abductions, after the general public is made wholly aware of the existence of UFOs.

And, I think children's civil rights under 18 would be duly

protected by law (I realize there is no 'Bill of Rights' for children, per se, but wouldn't (or couldn't) such children be protected from identification? Am I correct in my thinking, Richard? Problem is, I doubt there are many parents of abducted children who would allow their children to give testimony, even after the 'giggle-factor' and evidence of the existence of UFOs is commonly dispelled or known, as the case may be. I think that until there are known methods to deter such abductions, the abductions will continue, and such testimony may only serve to increase the "fear factor" in the general public (which is another reason for our government to keep the whole issue silent). And, SDI and ABM missiles shooting down the ET craft to avoid such abductions does seem a bit over-reactive, given our present ignorance on the total phenomenon.

Furthermore, IF we are in collusion for scientific and/or technological knowledge with the ETs, and their negative behaviors are seen as inherently "wrong" by the general public, but some faction of our government condones those behaviors in order to gain some nebulous superiority over our fellow human beings (and/or the ETs), then we and our behaviors become morally and ethically wrong as well. If we condone ET abduction behavior, then we aren't any better than the ETs, are we? That's another hard pill to swallow. They may be technologically superior, but I have never felt them to be emotionally mature beings.

So, maybe we should concentrate on the basics first. First, let's make blankity-blank sure we present solid evidence to the general public that UFOs exist. Such evidence should be presented by ufologist researchers ('believers' and 'skeptics' working together), not some military-based panel of 'experts', whose agenda only serves to muddy the waters, or 'crazies' and 'whackos', whose bizarre, anecdotal experiences, only serve to ignite an already not-well-understood phenomena.

Afterall, we can't expect any government to allow hearings for disclosure, if they are in the middle of the whole mess themselves (as both X-PPAC and Greer's Disclosure Project insist), and/or in collusion with the ETs. Furthermore, it is ridiculous to consider that any government would voluntarily permit individuals to divulge information learned or obtained while working on such "black" projects with the ETs. We already have laws on the books forbidding such behavior. Congress is only trying to strengthen the law already in effect.

Steve, stop beating a dead horse. Henceforth, I promise to do like-wise.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:21:16 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:11:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Mississippi UFO News Video Report? - Hall

>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 09:45:05 +0000
>Subject: Mississippi UFO News Video Report?
>From: SMiles Lewis
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto

>Hi UpDates eListers,

>Below is a link to a recent local news piece on UFOs.
>I'm curious if listers find it average, below/above?

The heading reminds me of the old joke. The teacher asks the student to spell Mississippi, but when the student hesitates the teacher asks what's wrong. Student: "I know how to spell Mississippi, I just don't know when to stop!"

The news story is fairly typical for a retrospective report.

- Dick

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Seti@home Expands Its Back Yard

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 00:36:12 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 00:36:12 -0400
Subject: Seti@home Expands Its Back Yard

<http://www.wired.com/news/technology/0,1282,47365,00.html>

Seti@home Expands Its Back Yard
By Farhad Manjoo

2:00 a.m. Oct. 6, 2001 PDT

If E.T. is sending a cute little message our way, the chances that we'll find it are now a little bit better.

That's because Seti@home - the peer-to-peer computing project that ties together millions of computers to examine radio waves coming from space - is planning to increase the band of the electromagnetic spectrum it analyzes.

The project will now look at up to 20 times more data, a scientist at Seti@home said, partly because it has so many users that it is in danger of running out of radio data to send them.

There are two different processes involved in the Seti@home project - recording the data and analyzing the data. In the past, the analysis has been the limiting factor; the project had the ability to record mountains of data coming in from space, but because of scant computing power, only a small bit of it could ever be analyzed for extraterrestrial messages.

But there are now 3 million Seti@home users, and thousands of new people sign up to crunch data each day - making the entire Seti@home network more powerful than the biggest of supercomputers.

So powerful, indeed, that "we were running into the possibility that we'll soon run out of data to process," said Dan Werthimer, chief scientist at the University of California at Berkeley, which manages the Seti project.

To solve this problem, Seti@home is installing a Linux-based, super-fast digital data recorder that was donated by Hewlett-Packard. According to the company, the new machine can record data 10 times faster than the previous recorder.

"The data is streaming from 13 telescope feeds at a rate of 5 MB per second per feed. With more (input and output) capacity, bandwidth and increased speed, the system is excellent for real-time programming and has low interrupt latency," HP said in a statement.

Werthimer, of Seti@home, said that the project is still testing out the recorder, and that it will be deployed within the next couple of months.

"When we first install it, we won't use the full capacity," he said. "We want to plan for growth because more and more people are signing up everyday, and the people that are already running it are also upgrading their computers, adding more computing power."

The electromagnetic spectrum is a continuum - picture it as a "number line" - of electromagnetic waves of different

wavelengths. Part of the debate in the search for alien life is what portion of the spectrum to analyze - that is, if aliens were sending us a message, at what frequency would they choose to send it?

The Seti@home project has been analyzing the microwave portion of the band because, Werthimer said, "if E.T. was sending us a picture on purpose, we figure he'd probably focus there." Since Werthimer has a charming, albeit suspicious, habit of calling people "Earthlings" in everyday speech, it's best to trust him when he says he knows which frequency E.T. would likely choose.

With the new capacity, Seti@home still plans to focus its analysis only on that microwave region, but now it will be analyzing a much larger portion of that region, Werthimer said.

"I don't guarantee we'll bag an alien in the next year," he added, "but eventually Earthlings are going to find out what's out there."

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 08:49:30 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez

>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Errol

>I don't know what you might do with this - perhaps post it, if
>you think it interesting.

<snip>

Hello Mr. Mortellaro, hello All,

You confessed:

>I certainly haven't done anything to try and change anything
>having to do with the study of UFOs

I just wanted to grab the opportunity to agree with you on
'something.' "Houston, we have successfully docked with the
pod." :)

>and apparently most folks haven't either,

That's wrong. Comments like that should always be preceded by,
"speaking for myself" in order to maintain a semblance of
honesty.

>but we sure like to talk about it!

Some do, some don't. This sounds more like a 'projection' on
your part rather than an objective or even truthful observation.

Regarding this List and its members:

That was a good thread you quoted. Did you participate in it?
It included some really good people that contrary to your
misinterpretations, have made some genuine contributions to
ufology. More than just 'rap'.

I tip my hat to all of those who participated in that thread way
back when. I not only think that people like Dennis Stacy and
Mark Cashman, or my beloved Rebecca (and others) have made
solid contributions to ufology, I think they made meaningful
ones. Contributions that only they, because of their unique
points of view, and also because they are so unique as
individuals, could have made.

Speaking strictly for myself.

I came to this List at EBK's invitation. He was being a
'Guardian Angel' by providing myself and Budd Hopkins an outlet
to the public and to the UFO community when we needed it most.
Budd had invited me to participate in a NOVA segment (WGBH/PBS)
to act as a representative of one of his many cases. NOVA was
screwing us over and Errol was the only one who gave us an
opportunity to get our side of the story out to the public. In

gratitude for that and many, many other things, I have always remained an active and contributing member of the UpDates family. I love some of these people.

As for you:

It was through me, (AIC) that you yourself were introduced to this List. Something I'd like to publicly cop to, and apologize for. You, more than any other, use an almost inordinate amount of bandwidth criticizing this List and those who participate in it. You rarely have anything good to say about it. I had held out some hope that you would prove to be an asset to those of us who have 'come out' in public with a mind to making a meaningful contribution. I'm sorry. I completely disagree with your opinion of this List and with those who contribute to it. If it's such a waste of time and all talk, what is your purpose in being here? Frankly I don't think you have a bloody clue as to what this List is all about.

Most sincerely,

John Velez

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Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 08:52:53 -0400
Subject: Re: Working The Congress - Hall

>Date: Sun, 07 Oct 2001 13:41:18 -0500
>From: John Colaw
>Subject: Re: Working The Congress
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto

>>From: Richard Hall
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Working The Congress
>>Date: Sat, 06 Oct 2001 22:32:06 +0000

>>Appropo of the "Disclosure Project" and how we should go about

>trying to persuade the U.S. Congress to hold meaningful hearings
>>on UFOs, I must say (with all due immodesty) that I have been
>>there, done that.

>Dear Mr. Hall,
>You most certainly have been there, done that. Thank you, sir.

>>Not only did I head the NICAP organization in the only
>>successful effort to obtain hearings, I then worked for and
>>retired from Congressional Information Service after a 10+ year
>>career. But what do I know?

>It would be appropriate for the current disclosure movement to
>acknowledge this foundation and build upon it, rather than start
>a new one from the ground up. Are most members of Congress well
>informed regarding this true history of UFO Disclosure in
>America? It seems to me that the "giggle factor" has never been
>successfully detached from the term "UFO", and that
>disinformation has done a splendid job of relegating UFOs to the
>ridiculous along with the Easter Bunny and Santa Claus.

>Who are the current members of Congress who even begin to look
>receptive to honest inquiry into UFO evidence? Would it make
>sense to enlist an entire committee's support, for further
>patronage of the idea into the halls of Congress?

>>Daniel Sheehan and his would-be interpreter Grant Cameron, while
>>displaying ignorance of many well-known facts, pretend to have
>>"inside" knowledge that has escaped all the rest of us. Not!

>Duly noted. Anyone preaching a sermon on disclosure needs to lead
>the way themselves with open and examinable forthright evidence
>that provides a solid foundation from which to build the new
>protocol of disclosure from. Insiders are a dime a dozen. Any
>witnesses who cannot withstand intense scrutiny of their stories
>or evidence are a liability whose mere presence suggests a
>certain self-destructive nature to the entire event. Not being
>informed on facts known to the UFO research community at large
>tends to splinter rather than unite the groups who need to come
>together in order to accomplish disclosure.

>>This whole escapade has become quite silly. I am strongly
>>convinced that most people on this List don't have a clue about
>>how ridiculous the entire "pro-UFO" movement looks to
>>influential people who matter.

>Seems to me it always gets "silly". Especially when extended

>from "pro-UFO" movement to space disarmament or "free energy and
>utopia for everyone" messages. What are these agendas doing in a
>disclosure movement? It is hard enough to communicate a single
>focus for UFO Disclosure without the immediately divisive
>approach of all this touch-feely crowd making people squirm with
>their tales of the evolved space brotherhood who only need for
>us primitive brutes to form a circle, hold hands and sing
>Kum-Ba-Yah to the star people. Please, there are alien vehicles
>flying in our skies. Let us acknowledge that first, and then we
>can go from there.

>The voices of love, brotherly peace and channelled prophecy are
>always there to intrude and dilute any information or
>presentation regarding ET presence on our planet. When I preach
>reason and restraint I am labeled a military ops disinformation
>agent, or a violence loving zealot who has been duped by the
>evil military-industrial establishment into believing that ETs
>are anything besides my highly evolved space brother and
>teacher. What does that sales pitch have to do with opening
>additional congressional hearings on the validity of UFO
>evidence and the implication to our society?

>>I have beat my gums for years trying to point out the necessity
>>of (a) avoiding constant speculation, (b) disowning and
>>unequivocally separating ourselves from the "crazies" and (c)
>>presenting hardcore well-established facts in order to persuade
>>people who matter to take a new look at UFOs.

>Amen. But those same "crazies" are well entrenched, and their
>emotional bait and switch, passive-aggressive tactics make them
>a genuine factor in the entire equation. And with people
>spouting their abduction or contactee messages from every
>corner, it gets harder and harder to motivate a skeptic to look
>any deeper into the evidence itself. New Age ET encounter groups
>will not permit UFOs to be separated from their own propaganda
>and efforts to do so simply reinforces their ranks.

>>My UFO Evidence: Volume II makes a very strong case for UFOs
>>being something well worth scientific (and political) attention.
>>If we can't rally around that or equivalent presentations of
>>evidence, then you might as well forget it.

>We need our leaders to rally around it. I know from personal
>experience that the government knows about UFOs, and I am at a
>loss to grok what is actually happening. I have been meaning to
>read your new book since it came out earlier this year. I am in
>the process of ordering it now. It is going to take a lot of
>continued release of good information to enable the public to
>discern the truth amongst the flotsam of UFO material being
>presented. Thank you for your own efforts. You demonstrated
>resolve and integrity in your stance over the MUFON position,
>and there are some of us who do appreciate the efforts of
>yourself and those like you. Please continue to lead by example.

John,

Well stated on the current UFO "state-of-the art"; better than I
have been able to articulate it. And thanks for the kind words.

To you and John V., I don't have the economic freedom and
therefore the time to lead another "charge" on Congress.

Furthermore, I fear that the waters have been so badly muddied
now that it will take some major breakthrough, such as a very
large and obvious worldwide UFO sighting wave, to get anywhere
now.

I am very skeptical about the prospects, even more so since we
are now faced with a life and death struggle with earthly
terrorists (in addition to the not-from-this-earth ones). I am
scratching around for retirement funds.

However, if a well-led and responsible Congressional hearing
movement were to arise, willing to build a careful groundwork,
and patiently await an appropriate opportunity, I would be glad
to be an advisor.

Furthermore, I would be willing to make discount (cost) copies
of The UFO Evidence: Volume II available for distribution to key
Members of Congress. I categorically rule out Steven Greer,

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Steven Bassett, and Alfred Webre as an acceptable movement.

- Dick

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Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
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>From: Alfred Webre <EcoRadio@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 22:32:48 EDT
>Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>To: ufoupdates@home.com (UFO UpDates - Toronto)

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>>Date: Fri, 05 Oct 2001 21:34:47 +0000

>>Also, very pertinent to your wish to "embrace" everyone, am I to
>>assume that you agree with, approve of, and/or condone the truly
>>wild-eyed extremist political views expressed by Alfred L. Webre
>>on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges?

I haven't had first-hand contact with Alfred Webre's political views. But I did note this, in his reply to Dick Hall:

>True, I was an elected Clinton-Gore delegate at the 1996 Texas
>Democratic convention, and perhaps that worries your obviously
>conservative sensitivities.

So let me state that I'm a registered Democrat, before I go any further, even if I'm not going to comment on politics.

What I want to say is about this:

>In reality, Earth appears to be an isolated planet in the midst
>of a populated Universe. Universe society consists of highly
>organized and consciously evolving, advanced civilizations.
>Universe civilizations function within our own interstellar
>Universe, as well as within other dimensions in the Universe at
>large. Advanced Universe civilizations exist in other dimensions
>parallel to our own. They access our own planet, galaxy, and all
>of interstellar space.

>Life-bearing planets such as Earth are part of a collective
>Universe whole, operating under Universal law. Think of Earth as
>part of a Universe commons. Life is implanted and cultivated
>here under the tutelage of more advanced societies, in
>accordance with the over-all principles of Universe ecology.

>Where necessary, Universal law applies restrictive measures to a
>planet that endangers the collective whole. Universe government
>can remove a planet from open circulation within Universe
>society. This fate appears to have happened to Earth in our
>distant past. Earth has suffered for aeons as an exopolitical
>outcast among the community of Universe civilizations.

>Earth is isolated because it is under intentional quarantine by
>a structured, rational Universe society. There are signs around
>us of a Universe initiative to reintegrate Earth into
>interplanetary society. It is possible that Earth may be
>permitted to rejoin Universe society, under certain conditions,
>or at a future time certain.

>The above version of our Universe reality may sound vaguely
>familiar to you. It is the stock of most science

>fiction, after all.

It's especially like the ideas in the wonderful C.S. Lewis trilogy, 'Out Of The Silent Planet', 'Perelandra' and 'That Hideous Strength'. (Though Lewis gives it all a lovely Christian spin.)

But talk of this kind, whether one agrees with it or not, has absolutely no place in any move to persuade the government to disclose UFO information. Too many people in Washington are going to think we're crazy just to bring up the prospect of alien visits at all. To ask them to consider what Mr. Webre has written - no matter how sincerely he believes it - will make them think we're really nuts.

Greg Sandow

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Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Hall

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>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 22:32:48 EDT
>Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>To: ufoupdates@home.com (UFO UpDates - Toronto)

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>>on his web site and in various e-mail exchanges?

>Richard

>Ever since I stated on this List I could not remember meeting
>you (I still do not remember any meeting with you), you seem to
>be taken with demonizing my name on this list by referring to my
>political views. I still do not understand what point you are

>trying to make.

Alfred (and List),

I will insert some direct responses in your text and then append
a statement. The main point I am trying to make is that if List
members took the time to look at your history of far-out
statements (I have repeatedly urged them to do so and to make up
their own minds), they would realize that you are... a pretty
far-out person and not a credible spokesperson for approaching
the Congress or other Government agencies in regard to UFOs.
They should look at www.exopolitics.com and www.ecologynews.com

>Over the past 30 years I have written 5 books and countless
>articles and email posts on a variety of subjects ranging from
>spirituality to earth changes to electromagnetic weapons to the
>Kennedy assassination to Ufology.

Yes, embracing just about every New Age and/or crackpot notion
yet advanced about "earth changes," psychic forces, mind
control, prophecy... you name it.

>True, I was an elected Clinton-Gore delegate at the 1996 Texas
>Democratic convention, and perhaps that worries your obviously
>conservative sensitivities.

Sorry, but your "obvious" conclusion is false. I am a hardcore
Democrat.

>On certain issues, like the anti-Extraterrestrial information
>war, I am also a 'conspiracy theorist' and that obviously
>disturbs you.

>My personal views are protected by the First Amendment, and I

>will continue to express them.

I have never suggested that you should be denied free speech;
only that your ideas are far-out.

>My personal views are in the protected domain of my personal
>speech, and are separate from organizations I may be working with.

>You and I may be of the same generation, but obviously we are
>dimensions apart in political perception and persuasion. So let
>us agree to disagree about political issues.

>I suggest you stop these ad hominem references to my personal
>views, and start reading and addressing my views on issues of
>Ufology and the Extraterrestrial presence. I would be glad to
>debate them with you here.

>Here is an introduction to my views regarding Exopolitics and
>the Extraterrestrial presence:

>Introduction to Exopolitics

>Is there intelligent life elsewhere in the Universe? The true
>story unfolding in the Universe may turn our concepts upside
>down.

>In reality, Earth appears to be an isolated planet in the midst
>of a populated Universe. Universe society consists of highly
>organized and consciously evolving, advanced civilizations.
>Universe civilizations function within our own interstellar
>Universe, as well as within other dimensions in the Universe at
>large. Advanced Universe civilizations exist in other dimensions
>parallel to our own. They access our own planet, galaxy, and all
>of interstellar space.

Oh, really? How could you possibly know these things? Is this
revealed "truth?"

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>Universe whole, operating under Universal law. Think of Earth as
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>or at a future time certain.

>The above version of our Universe reality may sound vaguely
>familiar to you. It is the stock of most science fiction, after
>all. The notion of a populated Universe may have the ring of
>truth for you. It may raise a tingle along the back of your
>neck, a truth too close for comfort. Or you may react to the
>concept of a populated Universe as flaky and unscientific.

It's not the concept of a populated universe that is flaky and
unscientific, it is your claim to know everything in the
universe that is flaky and unscientific.

>Your own beliefs about a populated Universe - whatever they
>might be - fall along a spectrum of public opinion that is
>frequently measured. A 1996 Gallup poll showed that 72 percent
>of the U.S. adult population believes there is some form of
>extraterrestrial life, and 45 percent believes the Earth has
>been visited by extraterrestrial life. There are indications
>that public opinion about extraterrestrial visitation is similar
>in other regions of the planet. The proportion of
>extraterrestrial-sensitive world youth may be even higher than
>the adult populations who believe in an extraterrestrial
>presence.

>Nearly 100 million adult humans in the United States of America

>(45 percent of the adult population) believe that
>extraterrestrial civilization has visited Earth. Approximately
>100 million U.S. citizens vote in a U.S. Presidential election
>(the U.S. Federal Election Commission reports that 96,277,634
>people voted in the 1996 presidential general election)! About
>100,000,000 persons voted in the disputed 2000 U.S. Presidential
>election.

>It is safe to assume that the 100 million US adults who believe
>in extraterrestrial life could not all be delusional,
>pre-programmed, or brainwashed. These extraterrestrial-sensitive
>humans are responding to something they sense is true, deep in
>their intuition - that extraterrestrials have visited Earth. It
>is also safe to assume that human intuition is reality-oriented
>enough to filter out false propaganda from Universe reality. For
>example, some extraterrestrial "visitations" are actually
>psychological warfare operations conducted by human
>military-intelligence agencies.

>From "Exopolitics: A Decade of Contact"
>by Alfred Lambremont
>Webre, JD, MEd

I think you have more or less proved my point with your own
self-quotations, but there is a lot more there, folks, in re:
his ranting anti-government statements and belief in the
"Bildeberger New World Order", George W. Bush's 2000 election as
part of a deliberate "massive covert 'destabilization'
operation" with added vile accusations about Bush that I won't
repeat here (and I am not a Bush fan). In 1974 you predicted
major cataclysms (earthquakes, tidal waves) "in the coming
years." Let's see, it is now 25 years and counting.

With 'UFO friends' like Greer, Webre, and Bassett, who needs
enemies?

- Dick

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>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:49:48 +0100
>From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: 31793 Emails And Counting

>>Date: Sun, 7 Oct 2001 11:25:01 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: 31793 Emails And Counting

>>Morning All

>>I have just finished migrating my old emails to my new mail
>>package. I don't use Outlook because there are far too many
>>virus's that use VBS, but I digress.

>>I joined the UFO UpDates List back in March 1997. I have kept
>>just about every email bar Errol's posting protocols. In all of
>>that time I have 'met' a number of very interesting people,
>>enjoyed a good debate or ten and generally enjoyed 'being here'.
>>So I would like to take this opportunity to thank Errol for all
>>of his unpaid hard work that he has done for all of us people on
>>this List for all these years.

>My fellow Listerions,

>If I give 5 minutes to reading each email that translates to
>over 2800 hours I have wasted in these last years. If I had
>been working at only \$20 per hour that translates to over
>\$56,000. As a thanks to Errol we should donate an equal amount
>to him. <g>

>But those figures illustrate what big thanks he deserves. As for
>me, how have I gone so wrong? Perhaps Errol can find a support
>group for people addicted to Ufology. Man, I could have bought a
>new car. Face it, we are addicts. Incurable? Perhaps it is true.
>Please help me.

>Josh

Josh,

We are here for you, brother. Fellow addict (53 years worth).
Unfortunately, it is incurable. But it can be kept under control
with proper counseling and by imbibing the appropriate liquid
'medicines'.

- Dick

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Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 09:08:38 -0400
Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001 - Hall

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 11:33:25 -0600

>>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 15:07:06 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

>>>>From: Stephen G. Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
>>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 19:36:57 EDT
>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>>>>Date: Thu, 4 Oct 2001 11:17:48 -0400

>>>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>>>>Date: Tue, 2 Oct 2001 15:09:16 -0400
>>>>>>UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>>>>>>>From: Steve Bassett <ExPPAC@aol.com>
>>>>>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>>>Date: Tue, 02 Oct 2001 12:00:09 -0400
>>>>>>>Subject: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001

>Dear Stephen,

>I was hoping you would listen to Richard Hall, Jan Aldrich, GT
>McCoy's and John Velez' criticisms and suggestions for possibly
>improving the X-PPAC's and Greer's Disclosure Project's
>movements. It appears you have not, and have chosen instead to
>continue to defend the present stances both of your
>organizations have taken. So, despite my reluctance to further
>"beat a dead horse," I will try to explain why your
>organizations have achieved so little, and will probably fail to
>meet your stated goals.

>Steve, you wrote:

>>>>It is X-PPAC's position that the matters of SDI, ABM and space
>>>>weaponization are very significant policy decisions which should
>>>>be vigorously debated in the open, and that key information with
>>>>potential impact on such debates, which would certainly include
>>>>the presence of extraterrestrials in earth air space, should not
>>>>be withheld from the Congress or the public. The principal focus
>>>>of X-PPAC has been and will continue to be the end to the
>>>>government embargo on the truth regarding an extraterrestrial
>>>>presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional
>>>>hearings to address government employee testimony.

>Basically, you've got "the cart before the horse" here. Do you
>see how convoluted the basic goals of UFO disclosure become when
>the side issues of SDI, ABM, and space weaponization are brought
>into the picture? How can you expect Congress to listen to any
>rational argument _against_ SDI and missile "defense" issues as
>it relates to UFOs, when the general public can't even get their
>heads around the basic issue... UFOs exist. They are manned by
>scientifically superior beings. Period. Start there.

>Furthermore, Steve, there is an innate contradiction in the
>platform your 2 organizations are using. It is not logical to
>base the education of the public on military-based "expertise",
>if at the same time you profess that the ETs are our space
>brothers?! (which is the propoganda of the 2 organizations).
>Groan.

>Huh? Which is it? If the ETs are our space brothers and mean us
>no harm, etc. why is the military involved in the issue at all?
>To shoot them down? Not shoot them down? If the military is
>interested in _not_ shooting them down, why all the concern and
>fear expressed by your's and Greer's organizations about SDI and
>ABM R&D? So, the military _is_ interested in shooting down ETs?
>See Steve, the mixed messages the 2 organizations are
>presenting?

>As Dick and Jan have pointed out, Congress (and the American
>people) have apparently decided that we need some sort of
>missile defense system to protect ourselves from the likes of
>Osama Bin Laden and his ilk. A multi-billion \$ Bill has already
>been passed (2 weeks ago) pushing for more SDI research. Whether
>that R&D is successful is another question. _If_ it is
>successfully developed, the question remains as to whether that
>missile "defense" system will or could be used "defensively" or
>"offensively" to shoot down ET craft, thereby putting us in a
>war with an intelligence far superior to our own in a cosmos we
>are just beginning to explore. If I'm following you correctly,
>that is your point and Greer's in including the SDI, ABM missile
>research into the UFO question. Am I following you and Greer's
>thoughts correctly? If not, I'm not surprised.

>But, do you see how 'iffy' and clouded the basic issues become
>when this round-about method is used within the general context
>of educating the American public that UFOs even exist in the
>first place? Abductees then become the only _remaining_ group of
>people (apart from the military 'in-crowd') who can possibly
>understand the seriousness of the correlation your 2
>organizations are attempting to make. And, abductees and the
>military 'in-crowd' _are_not_ the groups that need to be
>educated here.

>My point here is this: your organization and Dr. Greer's are
>'barking up the wrong tree' and have successfully made a mess of
>the whole UFO phenomenon, not only by failing to define the
>basic issues, but also by failing to use consistent,
>non-contradictory methods to do so, and by addressing the
>_wrong_ groups of people to educate.

>I think John Velez is correct. We need to start over. The X-PPAC
>and Greer's Disclosure Project is a wash-out. And, though I'd
>like to participate _in some form_ to gain a "broad-based
>coalition," to educate the public, I'd probably be considered
>one of the 'crazies' or 'whackos' based on my experiences with
>the ETs.

>So, although I may be able to help analyze the process fairly
>well, I don't think it would be a positive, productive idea to
>include me in on a panel of "experiencers." As John Velez once
>told me, "Sue, you 'over-identify' with the ETs." He's probably
>correct. He usually is. I still don't call _all_ of them
>"friends", because I think there's something pathologically
>wrong with _anyone_ who continues to physically and knowingly
>hurt children. And, I don't care if you think that is based on
>some archaic sociological, cultural rationalization or not.
>Wherever they're from, or whatever reasons they may have for
>doing so, I consider some (not all) of their behaviors wrong.
>Period.

>The ETs seem to be many and varied in their own personalities
>and cultures. But, they perform abductions in 'lock-step' (i.e.,
>their methods and procedures for abductions are well-defined and

>systematically documented over time). This may be a good jumping
>off place for attacking the reality of abductions, after the
>general public is made wholly aware of the existence of UFOs.

>And, I think children's civil rights under 18 would be duly
>protected by law (I realize there is no 'Bill of Rights' for
>children, per se, but wouldn't (or couldn't) such children be
>protected from identification? Am I correct in my thinking,
>Richard? Problem is, I doubt there are many parents of abducted
>children who would allow their children to give testimony, even
>after the 'giggle-factor' and evidence of the existence of UFOs
>is commonly dispelled or known, as the case may be. I think that
>until there are known methods to deter such abductions, the
>abductions will continue, and such testimony may only serve to
>increase the "fear factor" in the general public (which is
>another reason for our government to keep the whole issue
>silent). And, SDI and ABM missiles shooting down the ET craft to
>avoid such abductions does seem a bit over-reactive, given our
>present ignorance on the total phenomenon.

>Furthermore, IF we are in collusion for scientific and/or
>technological knowledge with the ETs, and their negative
>behaviors are seen as inherently "wrong" by the general public,
>but some faction of our government condones those behaviors in
>order to gain some nebulous superiority over our fellow human
>beings (and/or the ETs), then we and our behaviors become
>morally and ethically wrong as well. If we condone ET
>abduction behavior, then we aren't any better than the ETs, are
>we? That's another hard pill to swallow. They may be
>technologically superior, but I have never felt them to be
>emotionally mature beings.

>So, maybe we should concentrate on the basics first. First,
>let's make blankity-blank sure we present solid evidence to the
>general public that UFOs exist. Such evidence should be
>presented by ufologist researchers ('believers' and 'skeptics'
>working together), not some military-based panel of 'experts',
>whose agenda only serves to muddy the waters, or 'crazies' and
>'whackos', whose bizarre, anecdotal experiences, only serve to
>ignite an already not-well-understood phenomena.

>Afterall, we can't expect any government to allow hearings for
>disclosure, if they are in the middle of the whole mess
>themselves (as both X-PPAC and Greer's Disclosure Project
>insist), and/or in collusion with the ETs. Furthermore, it is
>ridiculous to consider that any government would voluntarily
>permit individuals to divulge information learned or obtained
>while working on such "black" projects with the ETs. We already
>have laws on the books forbidding such behavior. Congress is
>only trying to strengthen the law already in effect.

>Steve, stop beating a dead horse. Henceforth, I promise to do
>like-wise.

Some very thoughtful and heartfelt comments here that accord
very well with my overall perceptions of what is going on.

We have the potential right here on this List for some great
'seminars' involving Sue, John V., and other knowledgeable
people, and with honest skeptics (not rabid debunkers) asking
questions about reported abduction experiences.

But we also need to underpin that with hardcore facts about why
UFOs are a serious issue in the first place that help to make
abduction reports credible.

In an ideal world, both should proceed side by side.

- Dick

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Re: Sheehan Saga - Lehmborg

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 18:09:55 +0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 09:10:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Sheehan Saga - Lehmborg

>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Date: 7 Oct 2001 20:04:38 -0700
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Sheehan Saga

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

>Jan

>Please list the problems you find between my Sheehan article (I
>assume you mean the first draft as posted in late June) and the
>Sheehan transcript that I also posted on UpDates.

>Somehow you seem to be putting out the spin that I am somehow
>Sheehan's spokesman in all this. Nothing could be further from
>the truth. If I come to the conclusion that Sheehan made up the
>story I will be the first to post it.

>I used radio transcripts and lectures given by Sheehan for the
>first article that I put out. I cc'd a copy to Sheehan for any
>corrections, and received no reply. I received no reply to any
>further posted discussions I had with you or Dick Hall which
>were cc'd to Sheehan.

>It was I who provided questions to Errol that were used in the
>interview which lead to the transcript. (I also provided a set
>of questions to a second person in contact with Sheehan to
>resolve questions) Unfortunately Errol did not get to some of
>the critical questions. I interviewed Sheehan for two short
>interviews by phone to question things which I saw as problems,
>and was content with his answers.

>
>I learned shortly after the UpDate discussions took place that
>Sheehan was somewhat upset with the letter I sent to Marcia
>Smith, and I am therefore now not in any position to resolve any
>problems that might exist in his story. (I did however see him
>draw the symbols for someone at the Bay Expo after his
>workshop.)

>As you may know Sheehan has taken a position that he does not
>>wish to answer questions on this case as in his opinion it would
>only lead to more infighting. That is his right, and he must pay
>whatever price associated with that decision.

>My suggestion to you, is that if you have some problem with his
>version of events in 1977, you take on your role as an
>investigator and phone him yourself. I will provide you his
>phone number. I know he offered to meet with Dick Hall to
>resolve any problems Dick had with the story, and as far as I
>know Dick never took up Sheehan's offer.

>I will resolve whatever I can, but as I have said before I am
>not able to resolve the "what-ifs" and the "I think it would
>have been done different" opinions that were expressed in the
>discussions. I am not a magician.

No worries, mate - the lot doing the criticism just feels their backfield being encroached upon... of course they've just been marking time behind the scrimmage line since 1955, so what the hell did they expect?

Sheehan's proactive stance has borne much fruit in the past... his track record is certainly better... he's had results ... that's the real problem, IME.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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Secrecy News -- 10/08/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@fas.org>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 09:23:42 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/08/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 8, 2001

** HOUSE ADOPTS 2002 INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION
** SECRECY OFFICE SEEKS NEW DIRECTOR
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HOUSE ADOPTS 2002 INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION

The House of Representatives adopted its version of the Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 2002 on October 5.

"The bill provides several billion dollars more than appropriated last year and several hundred million dollars more than requested by the President for fiscal year 2002," according to Rep. Nancy Pelosi, the ranking minority member of the House Intelligence Committee.

The new proposed budget allocation was also characterized as a nine percent increase over the past year and a two percent increase over the President's request.

This implies an intelligence budget total in excess of \$30 billion. For no valid reason, the precise total has been classified since it was last disclosed in 1998, when it reached \$26.7 billion.

The text of the October 5 House floor debate on intelligence funding may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_cr/h100501.html

SECRECY OFFICE SEEKS NEW DIRECTOR

The Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO), which is the government body responsible for overseeing national security classification and declassification policy, is looking for a new Director to replace its current leader, the distinguished Steven Garfinkel, who is retiring at the end of the year.

ISOO reviews secrecy programs in over 60 executive branch agencies and develops new government-wide secrecy policies, among its various other responsibilities. ISOO is administratively part of the National Archives, but takes policy direction from the National Security Council.

Steven Garfinkel was appointed ISOO Director in May 1980. Through countless conflicts and controversies over the past two decades, he has emerged with a finely honed sense of what matters in security policy, and what does and doesn't work. It is hard to imagine that there is anyone with a more thorough understanding of the inner workings of the government secrecy system.

Mr. Garfinkel must also be the most accessible and responsive agency head in the U.S. government. He is always willing to take a moment to explain why you are wrong.

He shepherded the classification system through its significant, though not fully realized, post-Cold War changes. With rumblings of ill-considered changes to secrecy policy beginning to be heard, Mr. Garfinkel with his long view and rich experience will probably be missed sooner rather than later.

The ISOO Director "must possess the ability to cope with complex problems and conflicting points of view, and to recognize problem areas, the resolution of which will require innovative thought and action," according to a Position Description prepared by ISOO.

On the other hand, "The work is largely sedentary. Physical demands are minimal." See:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/isoo/director.html>

The official ISOO Director vacancy announcement from the Office of Personnel Management, including application information, may be found here:

<http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/wfjic/jobs/BZ0097.htm>

MORE RESOURCES ON TERRORISM

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has issued a new compilation of previously published resources on terrorism and related issues under the title "Strategies for Homeland Defense" which may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_rpt/sprt107-43.html

A new White House fact sheet describing the functions of the new Office of Homeland Security is available here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/10/wh100801.html>

Last week the British government published a 21 page report articulating why Usama bin Laden and the al-Qa'ida network are to be held responsible for the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Why hasn't the U.S. government published a comparable document?

"If you were to see such a document produced by the American government," explained White House press spokesman Ari Fleischer on October 5, "you would quickly say, How do you know this? And the only [way to] answer those questions [is] to get into sources and methods. And that's just something that we are not going to do."

Fortunately, the British government's views on the subject were less tortured. Its October 4 report on "Responsibilities for the Terrorist Atrocities in the United States" is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/10/ukreport.html>

The State Department's latest list of 28 foreign terrorist organizations was published on October 5. See:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/10/fr100501.html>

The CIA has added an innocuous new "War on Terrorism" section to its web site.

Unlike most of the Agency's online material, which is written in careful, uninflected prose that reads as if it were the product of artificial intelligence, the new Terrorism pages shift erratically between alternate spellings of "bin Laden" and "bin Ladin," perhaps suggesting some new disarray at the CIA. See:

<http://www.odci.gov/terrorism/index.html>

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Nexus Magazine?

From: **Bobbie Felder** <jilain@ebicom.net>
Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 20:12:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 09:31:55 -0400
Subject: Nexus Magazine?

I would like to get input on what the members of this List think about Nexus Magazine? Credible or not as a source of reliable UFO/paranormal information?

The URL for the magazine is:

<http://www.nexusmagazine.com/>

Thanks

Bobbie

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---> USA
---> planet Earth
---> somewhere in the Cosmos
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Who Represents Us?

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 21:26:32 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:01:13 -0400
Subject: Who Represents Us?

Wha? Who or whom should it be, who represents the rest of us when it comes to the UFO conundrum and why? Good question. Is there one person, just one lousy person, who represents the best of the best, the man, woman or child with the squeaky clean background, the person with the leastest of the worstest and the bestest of the greatest?

Who is most qualified? Who? Greer? Hall? Mo, Larry or Curly? Which among us has no ax to grind, no ulterior motive, which by the way also includes an experiencer, whose acte is the sharpest; who has nothing in his or her background with which to bend, spindle or mutilate what he or she represents merely by virtue of his or her lack of virtue?

Very few would be way too large a number.

The best among us, in this man's opinion, is not among us. No. The best among us ain't here on UpDates. And it's got nothing to do with knowledge, state of mind, virtue or lack of it. Nothing at all to do with believability, honesty or anything else. Has to do with being part of the problem. And anyone on this forum to a man, woman and beast of burden, is part of the problem by virtue of that person's interest or involvement in the conundrum itself.

So where's the beef? It's got Mad Cow disease. No one of any ilk can help us. We are helpless. The time is not yet for this problem, this conundrum, to be unraveled into an answer. This government is not ready to communicate that which it is concealing. Allow me to communicate to you that which I believe to be the philosophy which best represents the state of mind of governance in general, on this subject of UFOs and the abduction phenomena.

From the Jeff Rense site:

"Henry Kissinger in an address to the super secret Bilderberg Organization meeting at Evian, France, May 21, 1992 said the following as transcribed from a tape recording made by one of the Swiss delegates:"

'Today American's would be outraged if U.N. troops entered Los Angeles to restore order; tomorrow they will be grateful. This is especially true if they were told there was an outside threat from beyond, whether real or promulgated, that threatened our very existence. It is then that all peoples of the world will plead with world leaders to deliver them from this evil. The one thing every man fears is the unknown. When presented with this scenario, individual rights will be willingly relinquished for the guarantee of their well being granted to them by their world government.'

Aside from the mosaic of NWO-ism in Kissinger's speech, note the comments about the unknown. That he believes this to be substantial enough for Americans to relinquish that which is the very foundation of liberty and freedom. That much fear.

Who Represents Us?

They don't trust us folks. They (whomever "they" are) do not understand how their citizens could or would be able to cope with such a paradigm. They believe we cannot handle it. That they are dead wrong means nothing. They've got the Motts. And we don't got the juice.

Just a pair of personal dimes from the ol' Morty.

Ol' Morty

Jim

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Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 04:38:45 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:06:37 -0400
Subject: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

The following - and preceding evidence highlighted at source -
may be of interest:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/233>

See also :

http://www.forteantimes.com/mag_info/this_issue.shtml

'RENDELESHAM REVEALED'

JAMES EASTON on what the government files really tell us about
'Britain's Roswell'.

If you might take issue with the latter, you seriously must,
factually, address reality of the former...

James Easton.
E-mail: voyager@ufoworld.co.uk
www.ufoworld.co.uk

The Rendlesham web site:

www.rendlesham.com

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EW: SETI Project Sets Number-Crunching Milestone

From: Kurt Jonach <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 21:41:57 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:09:13 -0400
Subject: EW: SETI Project Sets Number-Crunching Milestone

The Electric Warrior : News October 8, 2001
<http://www.electricwarrior.com/news/ewNews0032.htm>

> SETI PROJECT SETS NUMBER-CRUNCHING MILESTONE
technology news
by The Electric Warrior

*** The data processing power managed by SETI@home is so
successful that the project plans to increase its data gathering
capacity ***

The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) studies
radio waves coming from space, in hope of finding a signal that
unambiguously proves that intelligent life exists somewhere,
anywhere, beyond Earth.

The earliest SETI projects never looked very deeply at the
microwave data gathered from radio telescopes because they were
limited by the amount of computer power available for data
analysis.

The UC Berkeley SETI team came up with the idea of harnessing
millions of computers on the Internet, in a peer-to-peer
distributed computing network that rivaled the data processing
power of a supercomputer.

The application software, which runs as a simple screen-saver on
multiple PC platforms, is so popular that the SETI@home recently
told Wired News that the project was in danger of running out of
input data:

"There are now 3 million Seti@home users, and thousands of new
people sign up to crunch data each day -- making the entire
Seti@home network more powerful than the biggest of
supercomputers."

The coordinated home computing experiment is so successful that
the SETI@home Web page can report a new computing milestone in
ZettaFLOPs: "We recently reached the ZettaFLOP (1021
floating-point operations) mark - a world record!"

Now that the SETI@home projects enjoys so much bandwidth, the
project plans to deploy a super-fast digital data recorder,
donated by Hewlett-Packard.

ET DATA FILTER

The SETI@home Website has a series of newsletters that explain
scientific checks-and-balances to home users competing to make
first contact. The data mining process is only one step in the
project's ongoing search for ETI.

The UC Berkeley SETI team says that a failure in the micro-
processor floating-point unit might cause your computer to
generate incorrect results, without necessarily crashing your
system.

Not surprisingly, the SETI@home project also has to deal with computer hackers who try to skew the process. In this case, what the hacked results produce are no detected signals at all. If somebody sends back plenty of results, but never finds anything, they get suspicious.

Lastly, there is a third type of result which is simply a statistical computer failure. "Sometimes, very rarely, a computer will get the wrong answer to a calculation for no apparent reason."

The SETI@home project has enough volunteers to allow any piece of data to be processed more than once, and can compare potential ETI signals from different computers, to each other.

Signals due to radio frequency interference (RFI), as well as "persistent" signals with the same location and frequency, must be removed from consideration, because the origin of these signals are known to be from Earth.

The SETI@home team expects most, if not all, detected radio signals to originate from Earth based transmitters.

RELATED RESOURCES

Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence at Home

<http://setiathome.ssl.berkeley.edu/>

(SETI@home) - SETI@home is a scientific experiment that uses Internet-connected computers in the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI). You can participate by running a free program that downloads and analyzes radio telescope data.

06-Oct-01 Seti@home Expands Its Back Yard

<http://www.wired.com/news/technology/0,1282,47365,00.html>

(Wired News) - The project will now look at up to 20 times more data, a scientist at Seti@home said, partly because it has so many users that it is in danger of running out of radio data to send them.

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Silicon Valley, CA

<http://www.electricwarrior.com>

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Re: Sheehan Saga - Cammack

From: Diana Cammack <cammack@eomw.net>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 07:07:12 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:10:47 -0400
Subject: Re: Sheehan Saga - Cammack

>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Date: 7 Oct 2001 20:04:38 -0700
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Sheehan Saga

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: X-PPAC Update - October 2, 2001
>>Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 20:02:22 -0400

<snip>

>I learned shortly after the UpDate discussions took place that
>Sheehan was somewhat upset with the letter I sent to Marcia
>Smith, and I am therefore now not in any position to resolve any
>problems that might exist in his story.

Did she ever answer you?

Diana
(Malawi)

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Re: Mississippi UFO News Video Report? - Lewis

From: SMiles Lewis <smiles@elfis.net>
Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 00:44:45 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:13:24 -0400
Subject: Re: Mississippi UFO News Video Report? - Lewis

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Missssissippi UFO News Video Report?
>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 18:21:16 +0000

>>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 09:45:05 +0000
>>Subject: Missssissippi UFO News Video Report?
>>From: SMiles Lewis
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto

>>Hi UpDates eListers,

>>Below is a link to a recent local news piece on UFOs.
>>I'm curious if listers find it average, below/above?

>The heading reminds me of the old joke. The teacher asks the
>student to spell Mississippi, but when the student hesitates the
>teacher asks what's wrong. Student: "I know how to spell
>Mississippi, I just don't know when to stop!"

>The news story is fairly typical for a retrospective report.

Hi Dick,

Whoops, I can't believe I forwarded that without catching the
glaring typo...

Thanks for commenting on the "retro report".

SMiles

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - Dyton

From: Jonathan Dyton <jon@wibble.powernet.co.uk>

Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 14:45:40 GMT

Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:15:15 -0400

Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - Dyton

>I would like to get input on what the members of
>this List think about Nexus Magazine

"Dodgy" is the word I'd use:

<http://www.google.com/search?q=david+icke+nexus&btnG=Google+Search>

Especially where they've incurred the wrath of Searchlight.

Jon

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Mothman Movie Release Now 02-22-02

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>

Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:50:17 -0400

Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:50:17 -0400

Subject: Mothman Movie Release Now 02-22-02

<http://filmforce.ign.com/articles/36036p1.html>

[Sony Pictures release date now set for February 22nd, 2002 --ebk]

The Stax Report: Script Review of The Mothman Prophecies

Stax looks at the screenplay based on the 1975 cult classic book by acclaimed ufologist John A. Keel, set to star Richard Gere and Laura Linney, and be directed by Mark Pellington... by Stax

11-21-00

Stax here with my reaction to the screenplay for The Mothman Prophecies! This 120-page "first rewrite" by Richard Hatem (Under Siege 2: Dark Territory) is dated August 4th, 1998. Becky Johnson is currently rewriting the script, which is based on the 1975 cult classic book by acclaimed ufologist John A. Keel. Primal Fear co-stars Richard Gere and Laura Linney will reunite for this film with Mark Pellington (Arlington Road) set to direct. Lakeshore Entertainment is producing the film with Sony's Screen Gems serving as its distributor. Production begins this January with a release date set for fall 2001.

The Mothman Prophecies is a cerebral and creepy tale of the paranormal that, like the book it's based on, claims to be based on actual events that allegedly transpired in Point Pleasant, West Virginia between November 1966 and December 1967. Hatem's script has updated and condensed the time frame of the original occurrences; the story now happens over the course of a few weeks during the present. Hatem's also changed the names of the principle characters, some of whom are based on actual people.

The protagonist is Washington Post political reporter John Klein (Gere), an up-and-coming journalist who interacts with fat cats on Capitol Hill and is being eyed for a job at CNN. He has a beautiful wife named Mary and life seems to be going his way. What follows shouldn't be considered a spoiler since the industry trades already let this cat out of the bag. A Christmas-time car accident befalls the Kleins, which leads to an X-ray of Mary's skull that reveals a heretofore-undiagnosed brain tumor. It's terminal.

Mary's hospitalized and begins immediate cancer treatments. One day while she is resting, John discovers a bizarre drawing of a bug-like man that Mary had inexplicably sketched. The grotesque image is burned into John's memory. Mary passes away shortly thereafter. John is devastated by her loss and his promising career flounders.

One year later. Still lonely and pained by Mary's death, John has forsaken dating and thrown himself into his work. While driving all night to Alexandria in order to interview the governor, John's car breaks down during a storm. He approaches a rural home for assistance and is dismayed when its inhabitant, Gordon Smallwood, pulls a gun on him and calls the police.

Gordon explains to John and Sgt. Connie Parker (Linney) that John has come to his door the past three nights at exactly the

same time asking for help. Naturally, John declines the accusation but this won't be his first brush here with weirdness. It turns out that John's not where he should be. He's actually in Point Pleasant, West Virginia, having somehow traveled four hundred miles out of his way in less time than was possible.

Curiosity gets the better of John and he soon learns of all the other odd goings-on that have been happening lately in Point Pleasant. It seems a number of locals, including many "normal" and well regarded folks, have seen strange lights over the Ohio River while others have had visions of a strange bug or bird-like man. A drawing of this creature rocks John when he realizes this is the exact same image Mary drew before she died. As they dig deeper into the meaning behind all these bizarre events, John and Connie develop romantic feelings for one another.

Are these strange occurrences tied to UFOs? Or are they instead indications of intelligent life existing here on earth but within another dimension? One thing is certain. This "Mothman" people keep seeing has become a harbinger of doom. The story barrels toward a frightening conclusion as a prediction of a disaster in Point Pleasant comes true. And just how and why is John's late wife tied to all this? John Klein will find these shocking answers by story's end.

The Mothman Prophecies was not nearly as hokey or contrived as I'd feared it might be. (Although the title's still ludicrous.) I was genuinely enthralled by John Klein's quest, and I bought into the story's premise. This was because Hatem created characters I could care about. These protagonists anchored an otherwise fantastical story firmly in (emotional) reality. Since I cared about what these events meant to the characters, I then cared about what would happen next in the story. That's what helped suspend my disbelief.

John and Connie were well-realized characters who formed a believable and even poignant romance. This is also one of the few scripts I've read recently where a child of one of the main characters didn't hinder the story. All too often writers create "movie kids," little smart-alecks who cause either a lot of "cute" moments or over-the-top mischief. Connie's young son Kevin, however, is just a regular kid who likes his mother's newfound friend; he does nothing to spoil things. Also, while this draft may take place in a small town, there aren't, thankfully, any stereotypical oddball locals.

This script also worked because it was more about what was left unseen rather than what was seen. There were no monster attacks, no people running around yelling "Go! Move!" None of that loud nonsense that ruins so many genre films today. Hatem's draft recalled older works like The Twilight Zone, The Night Stalker, and Close Encounters of the Third Kind. It was more cerebral than visceral, more about human beings than entities from beyond.

This draft's biggest weakness was that there were as many questions were raised by all the supernatural "clues" provided as there were answers. In hindsight, some of these clues didn't really seem to matter or to even make much sense. One character saw vague images of naked people walking the streets on his otherwise static-filled TV screen. What the hell was that all about anyway?! Just what did it have to do with "The Mothman"? I'm still unsure.

My fear is that The Mothman Prophecies could be script-doctored into a more generic, special effects-heavy movie. That it'll become preoccupied with all the fantastic goings-on rather than staying focused on people. Or that, even if the final script does retain most of Hatem's work, that the material will be interpreted poorly by its director. Of course, these are all unfounded (and slightly cynical) suspicions on my part but I've seen enough good genre scripts transformed into mediocre "Hollywood blockbusters" lately to remain skeptical. I sincerely hope to be proven wrong here.

The Mothman Prophecies was an intriguing tale about a man who finds the answers to all the Big Questions he's been asking about life. For John Klein, it becomes a lesson in "be careful what you wish for" as he's drawn into an increasingly harrowing

examination of the paranormal. Despite some plot holes and a potentially high "cheese factor", The Mothman Prophecies remained involving because it was about people and not about fantastic events where people are secondary.

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Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It - Sandow

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Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 10:53:40 -0400
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>Subject: Re: To X-PPAC & Others Who Don't Get It
>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 16:48:31 -0400

>I haven't had first-hand contact with Alfred Webre's political
>views. But I did note this, in his reply to Dick Hall:

>>True, I was an elected Clinton-Gore delegate at the 1996 Texas
>>Democratic convention, and perhaps that worries your obviously
>>conservative sensitivities.

>So let me state that I'm a registered Democrat, before I go any
>further, even if I'm not going to comment on politics.

I just reread this, and I don't think my tone of voice came
across. I meant this humorously, as a way of parodying what
Webre said. The idea of a political test for comments here on
UpDates is offensive.

Besides, even if I don't know what Dick Hall's politics are, I
know he knows what extremism is. There really are Republicans
who think Clinton was extreme, but they're absurd, and I'd have
lots of trouble believing Dick was one of them.

Greg Sandow

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Woman 'Travels' 600KMs. In 90 Minutes

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<http://www.abc.net.au/news/state/qld/metqld-9oct2001-6.htm>

Tue, 9 Oct 2001 11:40 AEST

Abduction Claim Gives Ufologists Food For Thought

Reports of an alien abduction in central Queensland are expected to keep the room buzzing at a national UFO conference in Brisbane this weekend.

Police are investigating claims that a Maryborough district woman was abducted from a caravan and transported 600 kilometres to the north Queensland sugar city of Mackay.

Witnesses have told police they saw the woman near Maryborough on Thursday night. She turned up in a dazed and muddy state 90 minutes later at Mackay Base Hospital.

UFO investigator Dr Martin Gottschall is not surprised at the woman's claim.

"These sort of things seem to be happening all around the globe," he said.

"What these people will appreciate the most is for other people to suspend judgement for a while; don't call them idiots or crazy or accuse them of trying to create some sort of a hoax. By and large this is rarely the case," Mr Gottschall said.

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Re: Nexus Magazine?

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Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine?

>From: Bobbie Felder <jilain@ebicom.net>
>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 20:12:58 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Nexus Magazine?

>I would like to get input on what the members of this List think
>about Nexus Magazine? Credible or not as a source of reliable
>UFO/paranormal information?

>The URL for the magazine is:

><http://www.nexusmagazine.com/>

Here's one vote for 'not credible'.

Minna H
Finland

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - McGonagle

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>I would like to get input on what the members of this List think
>about Nexus Magazine? Credible or not as a source of reliable
>UFO/paranormal information?

I wouldn't trust them as far as I could throw them - they got quite nasty when I suggested (contrary to their assertions) that the Transistor is of completely terrestrial origin, a natural progression from the semiconductor diode.

In the end, they threatened me with legal action (after calling me all sorts of names, and accusing me of being racist!).

Regards,

Joe

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 14:54:38 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Hello Mr. Mortellaro, hello All,

<snip>

>Regarding this List and its members:

>That was a good thread you quoted. Did you participate in it?
>It included some really good people that contrary to your
>misinterpretations, have made some genuine contributions to
>ufology. More than just 'rap'.

<snip>

>Speaking strictly for myself.

>I came to this List at EBK's invitation. He was being a
>'Guardian Angel' by providing myself and Budd Hopkins an outlet
>to the public and to the UFO community when we needed it most.
>Budd had invited me to participate in a NOVA segment (WGBH/PBS)
>to act as a representative of one of his many cases. NOVA was
>screwing us over and Errol was the only one who gave us an
>opportunity to get our side of the story out to the public. In
>gratitude for that and many, many other things, I have always
>remained an active and contributing member of the UpDates
>family. I love some of these people.

>As for you:

>It was through me, (AIC) that you yourself were introduced to
>this List. Something I'd like to publicly cop to, and apologize
>for. You, more than any other, use an almost inordinate amount
>of bandwidth criticizing this List and those who participate in
>it. You rarely have anything good to say about it. I had held
>out some hope that you would prove to be an asset to those of us
>who have 'come out' in public with a mind to making a meaningful
>contribution. I'm sorry. I completely disagree with your opinion
>of this List and with those who contribute to it. If it's such a
>waste of time and all talk, what is your purpose in being here?
>Frankly I don't think you have a bloody clue as to what this
>List is all about.

>Most sincerely,

>John Velez

Excellent comments John, you have hit the nail squarely on the head.

This was also demonstrated by Ms. Keith's comment regarding the Alien Autopsy CD review in her Sept. 28, 2001 post to UpDates.

>Subject: Re: Caution - AA Autopsy

>"Had I known that this was gonna cause this big of stir,
>you can bet I would have asked sooner! <G>Nothing
>beats a good controversy. "

A private e-mail she made to myself and a couple others involved in the CD review didn't deserve a civil reply.

To clear up that misguided thread and statements :

The CD's of the AA film and a Web site where reviews and comments are being posted now, will be made available to EVERYONE in a few weeks. We'll make a public announcement and strongly encourage open debate and additional discussion.

Initial participation was by invitation only. Logistically, and because some of the participants requested confidentiality and e-mail privacy, the initial discussion is taking place privately. However, all this is being recorded, and documented. Save for those participants who want their info and comments removed, everything else will be made available when concluded in a few weeks.

Those original invitees who elected not to honor this temporary confidentiality request have been removed from the current private discussion.

Best Regards,

Dave Vetterick

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EDITORIAL

The outrageous and tragic events of 11 September are a stark reminder that we are all threatened by real dangers, and real and evil conspiracies. Contrast, if you will, these realities with the imaginary dangers and imaginary conspiracies which exercise the minds of far too many ufologists: government conspiracies to hide The Truth about the UFOs; the project conducted by the Greys to produce human-alien hybrids; and other fantasies. Is it too much to hope that many ufologists will now abandon these silly notions and emerge into the real world, to give what help they can to deal with real conspiracies?

A NEW TECHNIQUE FOR DETECTING LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS?

IN A RECENT article in the scientific journal Nature (1) the authors discuss a model that predicts features of terrestrial planets orbiting nearby stars, that should be discernible in the light curve obtained by low-precision photometry.

"For extrasolar planets similar to Earth, we expect daily flux variations of up to hundreds of per cent, depending sensitively on ice and cloud cover as well as seasonal variations. This suggests that the meteorological variability, composition of the surface (for example, ocean versus land fraction) and rotation period of an Earth-like planet could be derived from photometric observations. Even signatures of Earth-like planet life could be constrained or possibly, with further study, even uniquely determined."

By making photometric measurements at different wavelengths it might be possible to detect vegetation.

"On Earth vegetation has a dramatic sudden rise in albedo by almost an order of magnitude at around 750 nm, known as the 'red edge'. Vegetation has evolved this strong reflection as a cooling mechanism to prevent overheating which would cause chlorophyll to degrade."

Reference

1. Ford, E.B., Seager, S. and Turner, E.L. "Characterization of extrasolar terrestrial planets from diurnal photometric variability", Nature, Vol. 412, 30 August 2001, 885-887

LITERARY CRITICISM

Reviews by Peter Rogerson

Michael David Hall. UFOs: a Century of Sightings. Galde Press, 1999.
£32.50

This is the first history of ufology and UFO cases by a professional historian since David Jacobs's *The UFO Controversy in America* a quarter of a century back. As a historian, Hall declines to supply "explanations" for the cases, and notes the problems with the ETH, though readers will detect in his selection of cases, and commentary, a general pro-UFO bias. However, he has little time for Roswell, pointing out that if something as exotic as a spacecraft had been discovered in 1947, it would have been months before anyone realised what they were dealing with. In Roswell they knew what was up at first sight. Hall hints that perhaps some sort of really big military, possibly nuclear, secret was involved. He also has a few kind words to say about Phil Klass.

The strength of this book is the detailed study of the US government policy, and his use of the private papers of Ed Ruppelt, which gives some idea of the complexities involved. Of particular interest is his naming of a new candidate for the 'father of the ETH', the aeronautical engineer Alfred Loedding, who seems to have been the driving force behind the infamous Estimate of the Situation. The trouble is that no one since Ruppelt has seen the Estimate, and we cannot say what the arguments used were, though other Air Force documents from this period suggest that the idea being floated around was that the Martians had seen the nuclear bomb explosions and were coming to see what was going on. Hall has met with members of Loedding's family, and his son claims to have remembered investigating landing reports back in the 1940s. Is this a false memory? If not this is very interesting indeed.

The case reports should be very useful, and there is much early material for the ufologists to get their teeth into. One low-level report from Circleville, Ohio now appears on the basis of the report here to be a CEIII, and there are a lot of cases, which if they occurred exactly as reported would be very puzzling indeed. Looking at these stories reminds us of how easy it was in the early 1950s to argue for the ETH. Hall points out that Loedding and others who supported the ETH never had any positive evidence in its favour; they argued from elimination. There is evidence of an exotic technology, it isn't ours, it isn't the Russians, it must be the ETs (which usually meant the Martians).

Looking at these stories today, what strikes us is that they don't so much represent what we in 2001 would think of as an advanced technology or of the work of ETs, but a kind of advanced 1940s and 1950s technology, a mixture of speculative ideas about revolutionary aerospace designs and 1930s comic-book ideas of 'spaceships'. This is the 'advanced technology' of the world before satellites and computers, and remote imaging.

Though Hall notes the role of the Cold War from time to time, I was surprised that as a historian he really paid very little attention to the cultural climate. For example, it seems obvious now how much war-time experience and imagery pervades these stories. The flying saucers behave in many ways like ultra-high-performance German or Japanese fighters, flying in formation, engaging in dog fights, etc. Just how many of the pilot UFO witnesses had been on active service in the war, and how many had been trained either explicitly or implicitly to see an enemy aircraft behind any ambiguous light in the sky and react accordingly? We don't know the answer to that question.

Is it a coincidence that as the War receded into memory, UFO reports become more tenuous, more exotic and "paranormal". Hall notes how ufologists now have become diverted into the pursuit of crashed-saucer rumours and wild abduction stories, because there are no good classical UFO cases around. (It also might be that while access to the Project Blue Book files is relatively simple for anyone willing to fork out for the microfilms, access to the records of civilian UFO groups is next to impossible.)

One should be able to recommend this book as an excellent source of good-quality UFO reports, and when I first obtained it, that's what I intended to do, but reading through it gave me some serious doubts. For I have come to doubt the accuracy of the accounts given, because in a number of cases that I know well, the accounts here are inaccurate; indeed the report of the Hill case is one of the most inaccurate I have come across. Were the reports compiled from memory, reconstructed from hastily written notes or what? Also, though Hall does introduce

more foreign reports than most American UFO writers, I came to the conclusion that his knowledge of the subject was not all that deep. Perhaps one can only evaluate it after being deeply involved for decades.

That caveat means that two of the most important cases in the book, apparent EM-type cases from before the modern UFO wave, need to be re-examined in the original sources. US readers should try to get hold of a magazine called Sky Trails for June 1933 and check the story of Colin Murphy who is reported as claiming that, in late September 1926, seventy miles from Salt Lake City his DC4 biplane was 'buzzed' by a sort of wingless cylinder, ninety feet long and eight to ten feet thick. Every time the object came within 150 ft his engine misfired, forcing him to make an emergency landing only to see the object shoot away.

British researchers need to get access to History of the III Fighter Squadron RAF, London Press, 1947, for the following story from 5 July 1933, when at night a flight of four Hawker Fury fighters encountered a "huge circular light" which dropped down from above into the centre of their formation. Captain Nigel Tomkins's engine cut out forcing him to crash land. Another pilot, Bruce Thomas, came even closer, suffering not just an engine failure but burns to his hands and face. Clearly if the book can be traced and confirms that this account is reliable, then all efforts should be made to track down flight logs and other original documentation, check the local press for the period, and even try to track down descendants of those involved. [A preliminary check with the library at the RAF Museum, and the British library, has failed to trace this book. JR]

British researchers might also like to try to find something more about a vague reference by Ruppelt to an incident on 16-17 January 1947, in which two fighters intercepted a violently moving object over England.

Despite the errors, and the price, this is an important book, and one that ufologists should add to their collection.

Illobrand von Ludwiger. Best UFO Cases Europe, National Institute for Discovery Science, 1998. £18.50.

This illustrated A4 document presents a number of UFO cases both old and new from Europe, but one cannot say that they are the 'best' cases; most are simply reports of lights in the night. It is possible that some of these may be poorly understood atmospheric phenomena, but my gut feeling is that most if not all would resolve into very conventional IFOs if subjected to detailed, critical investigation. Of course the Belgian triangles and Trans-en-Provence get the obligatory look in.

There is a physical evidence case, a mysterious lump of metal found after an alleged UFO sighting, in Sweden in 1956, first actually investigated, it would appear, some 22 years after the event, though this is difficult to work out. The results of analysis showed that it was made from pulverised tungsten carbide and cobalt, and had nothing special about its manufacture. It comes as no surprise that ufologist von Ludwiger takes the line that until the exact manufacturer and use of the block can be found, it must be assumed to have come from a flying saucer. In other words, assume everything is paranormal until you can prove otherwise. There is one more interesting case, a CEIII from Lake Constance in 1977, but even there I suspect that the main UFO sighting would turn out to be an IFO, and the occupant report a fantasy.

The report also features introductions from representatives of the American UFO establishment, Messrs Maccabee, Schuessler and Haines, the last devoting the space to his own quarrel with the Sturrock committee rather than discussing the work in hand.

Compared with UFO research in the English- and French-speaking worlds, UFO research in Germany has a distinctly cultic character, being largely staffed by disciples of the maverick physicist Burkhardt Heim, and von Ludwiger is no exception. It is unclear whether Heim has any influence outside the ranks of ufologists and paranormalists.

Von Ludwiger's own explanation of the UFO phenomenon is that it

is time travelers, though why time travelers would want to draw attention to themselves is anyone's guess.

This work is yet another example of how ufologists are their own worst enemies. The summaries do not give actual reports, merely the ufologists' interpretations of what is happening; basic details are missing; there is little of evidence of genuine open-minded inquiry; there is the credulity and the resort to out-of-date and fringe science, and frank science fiction speculation. It is clear that ufologists as a class have no idea at all as to what constitutes scientific evidence, or scientific inquiry, or even basic public relations.

LETTERS

Having had time to digest Nigel Watson's disgraceful smear published as part of your Magonia Supplement No.36 it is obvious that you owe me the right to reply.

Watson has deliberately and rather callously misrepresented what I said at the recent Weird Weekend in Exeter to the extent that four people who were there, and who have read his comments, cannot believe they were in the same room.

Watson wrote:

"The new US Star Wars project is being created to fight the secret war against the aliens. That's the reason given by controversial ufologist, Tim Matthews, at a recent and rare public appearance." Not true. I did not say this and could not have done, because I have no information on a Star Wars system to "fight a secret war against aliens". (My understanding is that lasers could not be properly focused in space, or certainly not until recently.) What I did say in my talk was that the General had told his wife that efforts to create a defensive shield were being made and that he had devoted much time to developing Star Wars type systems. In any case, he was working on this in the early 1980s when the Reagan administration thought that Star Wars was viable. This is hardly a "new...project".

"Matthews didn't give much credit to ufologists as they are mainly fixated on the ET hypothesis. As for ufological sceptics, armchair theorists and Fortean Times readers they are worse than Martian swamp scum."

This is pure fantasy. It is true that the Fortean Times editorial team has allowed Joe McNally to carry out a smear campaign against me (The Hierophant column) and has promoted and advertised libellous and defamatory material from Larry O'Hara's At War With The Universe in their magazine. But this wasn't mentioned in my talk.

"He thinks that ufology focuses too much on individuals rather than on the evidence itself..."

Watson's own misleading report is an excellent example of his and others' debunking tactics of investigating the investigators.

"He never said much about it except that he had been to a remote village where all the graves had been opened up. He said that on his death he wanted to be buried 12 feet deep. Is this a case of grave robbing aliens? Do they feast on our dead bodies? Is someone's imagination working at warp speed?"

This is further evidence of Watson's inability to report simple facts. A job with The Sun beckons. In fact, the information was that a UFO had been tracked and that the location of the object which had come down had been determined. What I actually said was that the General's wife referred to the "aliens" in question as being most like the fictional "Predator" character. I cannot understand why, at a light-hearted Fortean event which most people enjoyed attending, Watson should have such a problem with my making such information known. Nobody, apart from Watson that is, has an "overactive" imagination. He, like other skeptics, has to belittle people and lie in order to supposedly "prove" his point. This is very childish and tells us how little credibility should be attached to his research, such as it is.

"Matthews, despite disliking ETH believers does accept the ET hypothesis."

Really? Where have I said this? Which "ETH believers" is he referring to? In fact, I get on with most people rather well and have rebuilt bridges with several noted researchers including Nick Redfern.

"He is equally contradictory about some poltergeist activity plaguing his home at the moment. Since a man died in the house years ago he thinks any psychic investigators would link it with his spirit. He thinks they, like ufologists, are closed minded. Of course he's so open minded he'll believe everything he tells himself."

Where is the contradiction? I think Watson has a problem because I cannot be conveniently pigeon-holed. Just because I think there is a serious UFO/alien incident worthy of investigation - which may indeed prove people like him wrong - and because we have had some incidents of high strangeness in our house (and the houses either side) Watson finds "contradiction".

A major problem, as I pointed out in Exeter, was the terminology used to describe such events. "Poltergeist" (I did not say that we were suffering from Poltergeist activity) and "Ghost" are terms that conjure up ideas and imagery of "the other side", of "spirits". I made it clear that the activity was focussed upon my daughter Alexandra.

I made it clear that I didn't know what to make of it but my view is that these and similar events are more than likely on the edge of scientific understanding. Beyond that I have no idea what is going at our house! I asked whether anybody in the audience had experienced similar goings-on and several people approached me privately at the end.

It would appear that Nigel Watson has a problem with this. I cannot imagine why. All I will say is that had I been reporting upon his talk I would have stuck to the facts and offered little if any further comment.

I await his reply with interest,

Tim Matthews.

Its funny how people who think they have been, to quote Tim Matthews, "deliberately and callously misrepresented" find it easy to smear their detractors in a far more off-hand and libellous manner.

In this case Tim Matthews calls me a liar. Or, since he is so pedantic with terminology and the reporting of "facts" he says I "...belittle people and lie in order to.....blah, blah..."

Having made such an outrageous and shocking slur on my good character he is unable to show what lies I am guilty of.

He quite rightly notes that I did not mention a few things (e.g. the reference to "Predator" or that he didn't use the word 'poltergeist') but that doesn't make me a liar.

He did not refer to Joe McNally in his talk but he certainly left a clear impression that he did not like Fortean Times or armchair theorists, and that doesn't make me a liar either.

Where are my damn lies? I can't find any!

Instead of lies I just see areas of disagreement and interpretation. It is he who is really the dispenser of smears, callous misrepresentation and character assassination, and he should jolly well apologise to me in the pages of this bulletin. I know he won't just as I know little green men will never land a flying saucer on the White House lawn. Nigel Watson

In Magonia Supplement No. 36 Martin Kottmeyer discusses the 24 July 1948 UFO sighting by DC-3 pilots Chiles and Whitted.

He pointed out that Hynek felt the case was an undoubted meteor in his report to ATIC of 30 April 1949, and that Menzel

concluded but argued it was part of either the Aquarid or Perseid meteor streams, based mainly on the date. He pointed out that UFO sceptics have generally agreed with this.

Kottmeyer decides that a meteor explanation may be wrong because the radiant of the Delta Aquarids was off towards the south and sounds wrong for an object that appears ahead and [toward the East]. Although the Perseids radiant would be better, the 24 July date seems early.

Although there are many active, though mostly minor, showers during mid-summer, not just the two mentioned, the key to understanding the meteor hypothesis is that nearly all fireballs brighter than Venus are believed to be associated with asteroids, and are considered "sporadics", not part of meteor showers, which seem to be related to comets and their orbits.

This was first suggested more than a hundred years ago. By the mid-20th Century meteoritics was considered a scientific backwater to many astronomers, who may not have been aware of this relationship, Dr Menzel's opinion notwithstanding.

Few, if any, UFO commentators seem aware that the prevailing view of meteor researchers is that most bright fireballs are not part of showers. This of course does not include present-day space debris re-entries, which are all "sporadics" of another kind.

So, I don't think that the sporadic nature of this object can rule out a meteor.

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NOTES AND NEWS

from Nigel Watson

Murdering UFOs

If you watch TV you get an exaggerated view of the murderous intentions of aliens. Obvious culprits like The X Files are full of homicidal creatures but even mainstream drama series are often tempted to dip their toes into sf-related storylines.

A few years back, Heartbeat, set in 1960s Yorkshire, had a murder mystery that looked like it was inspired by the stories of Jenny Randles. A man is found dead on the moors with burn marks, and there are sightings of UFOs in the area. Had these UFOs murdered him? Of course not, the man had died and fallen onto a two-bar fire whilst carrying out an illicit affair. To avoid a scandal his body was dumped on the moor and as for those pesky UFOs, they were RAF aircraft switching off their engines and gliding over the moors at night. Mystery solved.

The latest example literally cropped up in the "Electric Vendetta" episode of the Midsomer Murders broadcast on ITV1 on 2 September 2001. A dead naked man is found in a crop circle with burnt arms, a piece of hair shaved off and two puncture marks in his back. It mirrors perfectly a 'classic' UFO murder case according to the local ufologist. The murder allows the ufologist to pontificate about ETs and to whip-up interest in his crop-circle research. Another victim is found in similar circumstances, and someone else is electrocuted in his pick-up truck. The Midsomer Murders is rapidly turning into the war of the worlds!

Very surprisingly, and what I consider with great restraint, the show never alluded to there being a serial (cereal) killer on the loose. The prime suspect is the ufologist (shifty types aren't they) but he's rather mundanely killed by being pushed down some stairs.

Like every episode of Scooby Doo we know there is going to be a rational explanation for the spooky activity. That's where the Midsomer Murders is different; it staggers and snakes its way through the narrative like a gormless drunk. As a viewer you sink into a sleepy apathy until you wake up to watch the end credits rolling. As usual this episode was lovingly shot and had an excellent supporting cast; the downside is that it has the

bland John Nettles as DCI Tom Barnaby who fumbles his way through the investigation.

If you try unravelling this particular plot you find more holes in it than a packet of Polos. From what I could tell, the first victim was electrocuted trying to kill a bloke who has had a long-standing argument over a woman since his college days. The ufologist got the job of disposing of the body and decided to dress it up as an ET attack. The other murders were for a variety of different reasons or whatever. I doubt that anyone cared or cares.

I had thought that crop circles had disappeared from the media for good, but this summer I saw one reported on a breakfast TV show and on Radio 5 they discussed a 'square' crop circle (square crop doesn't sound right) that was supposed to contain a scientific message from the ETs. Perhaps the Midsomer Murders in its inept way will manage to kill off this remaining spark of interest in the matter? Who am I kidding?

I Tawt I Saw A Bunnie Rarebit

A University of Washington study has shown that our memories of past events are incredibly malleable and highly unreliable. At a presentation of the findings at Glasgow University it was noted that: "In some sense, life is a continual memory alteration experiment where memories are continually shaped by new incoming information."

To prove this hypothesis Jacquie Pickrell, a doctoral candidate in psychology, and professor of psychology Elizabeth Loftus, presented a group with an advert showing Bugs Bunny shaking hands with visitors to Disney World. Later 30 per cent of the viewers also remembered meeting Bugs Bunny when they had visited Disney World when they were children. As anyone with any knowledge of animation knows Bugs Bunny is not a Disney character and has never appeared in a Disney theme park. From her research Pickrell concluded: "You can truly implant a memory for an entire event that never happened."

Loftus said she felt that this small study makes us question such factors as: "When will people take a detail and attach it to some other memory? How do we bind pieces of experience together? When will you take a piece of experience that kind of floats around in the mind and attach it to another experience? Why and when does that happen?"

This work shows that people can be convinced (some would say tricked) into believing they experienced something in childhood or the past that did not really happen. For advertisers and marketing companies this can be a very powerful tool. For example, Stewart's, a root beer manufacturer, highlighted how people can use new information to reshape their autobiographical memories, when they put 'old fashioned' and 'original' labels on their bottles. Adults then remembered drinking the product as children, yet this drink was not bottled until the 1990s.

In terms of ufology the implications of this work are profound. In the literature there are hundreds of accounts of people who remember UFO sightings and alien encounters in childhood, but never reported such experiences at the time. Also, the literature is full of accounts of 'flying saucers' seen before 1947 but not reported until many years later.

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2. A doctor leaves the emergency room and medicine to devote his life to vectoring in alien space ships so that the world can be enlightened of the 16 types of aliens and what they have in store for humanity. To further his quest, he prescribes people to go with him into the night on an intergalactic weeny roast in order to teach them how to call down the alien brotherhood.
3. Two competing political pundits propose to coordinate all organizations with turf rights in Ufology to band together to force Congress to abandon all hope and learn the wisdom of the space brothers and why they are necessary to alleviate the troubles of man.
4. A DSM-IV case study that writes of crystal hypnotic hobgoblins and chakramatic vertigoistic channeled insights into the psychic malstrom of...well, whatever.
5. Among the proposals are to disclose all this, via people with misleading and erroneous resumes, to the hallowed halls of the U. S. Legislative Branch, etc.
6. Groupies who flock, like the Gooney Birds of Midway Island, to the most recent edition of the pulp blockbusters with titles such as: "I Was a Reptilian Sex-Change from Charcon," "My Six Days Chained to an Alien Marital Device," etc.
7. This gang always has their hands in somebody else's pocket.

Now, on the other side of this X'y Packie Thingy, we have:

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2. A group that writes documented, footnoted monographs, knowing they don't have the answers, but continue to research and look into the phenomena.
3. A group, usually called "elitist," that have spent their lives and fortunes in the pursuit of knowledge and enlightenment regarding the possibilities or probabilities of this phenomenon and puts those really hard to read books containing words with more than two syllables on the bookshelves to drive people wacky.

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Wendy Connors

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Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Clark

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 16:33:02 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 02:56:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Clark

>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 20:58:53 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Magonia Supplement No. 37.

>MAGONIA Supplement

>No. 37 5 October 2001

>EDITORIAL

>The outrageous and tragic events of 11 September are a stark
>reminder that we are all threatened by real dangers, and real
>and evil conspiracies. Contrast, if you will, these realities
>with the imaginary dangers and imaginary conspiracies which
>exercise the minds of far too many ufologists: government
>conspiracies to hide The Truth about the UFOs; the project
>conducted by the Greys to produce human-alien hybrids; and other
>fantasies. Is it too much to hope that many ufologists will now
>abandon these silly notions and emerge into the real world, to
>give what help they can to deal with real conspiracies?

What a load of... well, I'm too polite to complete the sentence,
but not too polite to express my shock and disgust. To use an
atrociousness like the September 11 slaughter to score cheap points
against ufologists who presume to disagree with Magonia's
favored beliefs is, at best, to make oneself look cynical beyond
reason and, at worst, to raise questions concerning your sense
of moral proportion.

Though I don't think much of psychosocial ufology, I have always
thought well of you, John. I would have expected better. You're
making about as much sense as the California pro-gun group that
exploited the atrocity to promote its crusade against gun
control. For that, the group was roundly criticized, and I hope
other List members will provide the same service to your
amazingly ill-considered words.

Jerry Clark

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Wendy,

Wonderfully, insightfully, pointedly, hilariously said. Thanks
for reminding all good Listfolk that not everybody out there is
a mere half step ahead of the butterfly net, or residing in the
Gonzo Dimension.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Woman 'Travels' 600KMs. In 90 Minutes - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 18:27:03 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:10:56 -0400
Subject: Re: Woman 'Travels' 600KMs. In 90 Minutes - Velez

>Source: ABC News OnLine [The Australian Broadcasting Corporation]

><http://www.abc.net.au/news/state/gld/metgld-9oct2001-6.htm>

>Tue, 9 Oct 2001 11:40 AEST

>Abduction Claim Gives Ufologists Food For Thought

>Reports of an alien abduction in central Queensland are expected
>to keep the room buzzing at a national UFO conference in
>Brisbane this weekend.

>Police are investigating claims that a Maryborough district
>woman was abducted from a caravan and transported 600 kilometres
>to the north Queensland sugar city of Mackay.

>Witnesses have told police they saw the woman near Maryborough
>on Thursday night. She turned up in a dazed and muddy state 90
>minutes later at Mackay Base Hospital.

>UFO investigator Dr Martin Gottschall is not surprised at the
>woman's claim.

>"These sort of things seem to be happening all around the
>globe," he said.

>"What these people will appreciate the most is for other people
>to suspend judgement for a while; don't call them idiots or
>crazy or accuse them of trying to create some sort of a hoax. By
>and large this is rarely the case," Mr Gottschall said.

Hi All,

Anytime UFO abduction gets discussed, the toll taken on the experiencer rarely, if ever, enters the discussion. A major part of the reason for my involvement on a public level has to do with raising awareness of this human component/element. I want to share two brief reports with you that many of you have never heard, but which corroborates the 'relocation' detail in the Australian case.

Russ Hudson is one the abductees that participated in the 1992 conference that was held at M.I.T. on the subject of abduction. Rusty is also one of Budd Hopkins 'research projects' which is how I met and befriended him.

Rusty was on a playing tour of the South with four other musicians. I wish I had time/space to recount all of the details of this 'group' abduction experience. It happened while these men were all fully alert and awake. The bit that has relevance here however is how it ended for Rusty. He awoke after a harrowing "alien/UFO" experience on the balcony of a room several floors lower, and on the opposite side of the hotel they were staying in.

I was looking this guy right in the eye as he shared his abduction account with me. Sure, we can all be 'fooled' under the right circumstances and by the right person. But there's

something palpable that you can feel in the pit of your stomach when you hear someone speaking an emotional truth. I got that feeling when Rusty described how frightened and disoriented he felt when he discovered where he was. There were guests in the room whose balcony he had been deposited on. They were as upset and confused as to how he got there as Russ was. I believe that balcony was on a sixth floor room. Russ and his band-mates were all several floors higher and on the other end of the building.

I know how he felt because I had a similar experience; missing time and physical displacement, that was connected to a close-up encounter/sighting of a silent, glowing, disc shaped, flying object. I had never felt so frightened, disoriented, and confused in all my life. In fact, that is the only such experience I had ever had.

Another abductee (lady who shall remain nameless) told me that more than anything else connected to her own UFO occupant encounter, was the overwhelming fear and disorientation she had experienced when she 'suddenly' found herself miles away from her own home, barefoot, outside, at night, in her nightgown.

As strange as this detail in the reports may seem, it comes up time and again in UFO abduction reports. Mr. Gotshall is right. Judgement needs to be suspended at first, but IMHO it should be done for the sake of tending to the wounded psyche of the witness/participant. If it is warranted, an investigation can be performed. But at first, the abductees should be treated as non-judgementally a way as possible just as in any other cases involving trauma to the victim. (Rape, assault, physical abuse cases etc.) Qualifier: Unless there is immediate evidence that the person's report is an outright fabrication.

Never forget that each "abductee" represents an actual "person." One that is just like you in all important respects. Just think for one moment how you would feel, what it would do to your head, if you had such an terrifying, world-view shattering, and completely intrusive encounter yourself.

I'll bet you'd want someone to listen to you without laughing in your face. I've been on the receiving end of that kind of emotionally violent/assaulting ridicule. Myself and few others were verbally assaulted/attacked for an hour by a crowd of 300+ people. Budd wanted us all to walk out early in the doings but I told him no. That we were telling the truth and we had no reason to 'run'. That we wanted to stand up to these people. We all talked to each other afterwards, and I know better, but it hurt like hell anyway. It wasn't right. Some folks have no idea how genuinely hurtful ridicule can be.

Keep an open mind, and always give folks a fair hearing. Not much to grant a neighbor eh? You are asked to give nothing more and nothing less than you would expect if it was you that this impossible strangeness was happening to. ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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Hi Wendy, hi All,

I must say Wendy, the longer I know you, the better I like you.
Well said.

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Re: Circles Grow More Complex - Anderson

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 22:55:42 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:18:59 -0400
Subject: Re: Circles Grow More Complex - Anderson

>Source: The Western Producer [Western Canada's Farm Weekly]

>http://www.producer.com/current_news/this_week/contact.html

>this document web posted: Thursday October 4, 2001

>Circles Grow More Complex

>By Ed White
>Winnipeg bureau

Thanks for posting this, Errol.

The print version of the article also has along with it on the same page (19) a piece on the 422 foot Red Deer, Alberta formation, now known to have been first seen September 2, and the unusual sightings of triangular lights in the area near the same time. The same or similar article ran in numerous other papers as well, the Red Deer Advocate in particular (three articles so far).

Additional media listings of newspaper articles, etc. covering the Canadian crop circles in 2001 can be found here:

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada/media.html>

We appreciate the Western Producer's continued coverage of the phenomenon in Canada, as it is often referred to as 'the bible' of the agricultural industry here, and is Canada's oldest farming newspaper as far as I know (since 1923, and I can remember reading it at my grandparents' as a kid). Indeed, a number of circle reports from farmers have often come to us because of WP's coverage the past few years.

Paul Anderson

The Eras Project
<http://www.geocities.com/erasproject>

Canadian Crop Circle Research Network
<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

Fields of Dreams Webcast Radio Show
(Night Search Paranormal Network)
http://www.nightsearch.net/hosts/paul_anderson.html

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Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 23:56:51 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:21:30 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

>From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background Radiation!
>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 04:38:45 +0100

>The following - and preceding evidence highlighted at source -
>may be of interest:

><http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/233>

James, the article referred to above asserts that the scale on the dials of the CDV7000 Geiger counter is similar to the dial of the AN/PDR27 (the equipment reported to have been used at the Rendlesham forest event). The article then goes on to assert that the lowest scale on the PDR27 was 0-0.5 mRad/hour, apparently graduated at 0.01 mRad/hour intervals.

According to the recorded dialogue between Halt and the PDR operator, it appears that the instrument was set to the 0.5 mRad/hour scale, and the deflection was about 7 graduations on the scale, ie, 0.07 mRad per hour.

This amounts to 14% of the full-scale deflection, and having worked on electronic measuring equipment, I would conservatively expect an accuracy at this point on the scale to be in the order of +/- 50% of the value read. This would suggest an actual value of between 0.035-0.105 mRad/hour.

At: <http://www.rendlesham.com/rend3.htm>

You quote Giles Cowling of the DERA Radiation Protection Services as saying that the expected normal background radiation would be in the order of 0.01 mRad/hour.

This still makes the reading between 3 and 10.5 times the expected reading, in my view. (However, I have serious reservations about the applicability of the readings in comparison to the figures provided to me by the NRPB-more of that later in the post).

Furthermore, an article by Ian Ridpath at:

<http://www.debunker.com/texts/RidpathRendlesham2.html>

Contains the following:

"My earlier inquiries had shown that the radiation monitor used by Halt and his team would have been of the type known as a PDR 27. On behalf of Frank Close, NRPB contacted the American manufacturers of the PDR 27, who stated that Halt's peak measurement of 0.1 mR/h was the "bottom reading on the lowest range" of the monitor and was "of little or no significance." They noted further that these instruments are designed to be used to monitor workplace fields or radiation levels after sizable nuclear incidents and are therefore not suitable for environmental monitoring at background levels. On the basis of this information from the manufacturers, NRPB concluded that using such an instrument to establish a level of 10 times background (i.e. 0.1 mR/h) is not credible."

While I would agree that the accuracy of the readings at either extreme of the scale would not be suitable for scientific measurement, they are still sufficiently accurate to distinguish between background radiation and level of a factor of 3 to 10 times that level.

I have a number of questions which you may be able to help me with:

The suggested value of background radiation (0.01 mRad/hour) appears to me to be an arbitrary suggested value. As you probably know, background levels can vary, and are influenced to a large extent by local Geology.

I have obtained a copy of NRPB-R191, "Gamma-radiation levels Outdoors in Great Britain", available from the NRPB at a cost of £5.00. I have a little difficulty obtaining the levels for the area around Rendlesham, for two reasons:

1. The table is based on an obscure grid system. I have emailed Ordnance Survey for help with this, but if anyone on the list has run into this problem before, and can answer it, I would appreciate their advice.
2. The levels are expressed in nGy per hour. I think I have all the information that I need to make a conversion, I just have to understand it!

I am curious as to where Ian got his information that the model used was an AN/PDR27-this source is not identified in his article alluded to above. I am aware that this was a standard model issued to most US military units at the time, but given that Nuclear weapons were apparently stored near the base, it seems likely to me that other equipment may have been available. (I would expect regular readings with a very sensitive instrument to be taken at least weekly around the WSA, to check for any faults with the screening, or leakage from the contents).

This brings me onto the next part. I don't believe that the readings taken at the time of the incident are of any value whatsoever. It is certainly wrong to compare them to the "official" background levels for the following reasons:

1. We don't know how thoroughly the operator was trained on the equipment. If he was a member of the unit radiological survey team, then he was probably very skilled, on the other hand, if he was the first guy to grab the Geiger thingy on the way out, he may even have been using the wrong tube!
2. The background readings provided by the NRPB were taken under very specific conditions. They were all taken with identical instruments. All of the instruments were sampling for a 600 second period. The G-M tubes were mounted on tripods, vertically, 1 metre above the ground. Surveyors were also specifically advised not to take measurements in densely wooded areas.
3. It seems reasonable to assume that the probe was held directly over the depressions, and close to, or even inside them. Readings taken in such a way could easily be affected by old building rubble, or foreign natural rock fragments (by foreign, I mean not typical of the local geology). The depressions may even have focussed particles onto the sampling tube.

In conclusion, I don't believe that the readings can be viewed as evidence of any sort, either for propounders of a grounded UFO, or the detractors, and any further investigation along these lines is a waste of effort.

Regards, Joe

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 19:02:13 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:24:28 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Mortellaro

>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
>From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>Save for those participants who want their info and comments
>removed, everything else will be made available when concluded
>in a few weeks.

>Those original invitees who elected not to honor this
>temporary confidentiality request have been removed
>from the current private discussion.

Gentleman, Errol,

I don't know what you are talking about Mr. Velez. I did not
receive your post quoted above. Not in my files. Perhaps you
should include in your comments, the thread in which I am
allegedly ranting UpDates and/or it's members.

Further, my name is not on this thread. So what the heck is my
name doing on it?

Dave, are you in agreement with John in regard to my
comportment? Clearly you guys have me at a disadvantage. If so,
let me know, as I have defended Vetterick and the AA CD program
to the end. To wit, I am trusted, as are a few others, with the
site password. I haven't a clue, it's true. But about why I am
on your scheiss list.

(sigh)

Mr. John Velez, your opinion of me is irrelevant except when you
are misunderstanding, misquoting, misreporting and
misinterpreting my views. This may be an opportune time to clue
me in. Just for the record.

In the final analysis, what you or anyone else may think of me
is not nearly as important to me as you obviously believe. Just
make certain that you are dead right about me and not just
stating your opinion about me or my meaning. When I was a list
member of AIC, your opinion of my humor was exceedingly
positive. What's changed is not me. Gogito, ergo ...

This List is mine as much as it is anyone elses. And I am not a
happy puppy over your personalizing rants concerning me. I've
written many a post here, oft told Errol how much I value the
list, how much I am indebted to him for allowing me to
participate. I also respect truth. I have not heard any truth
when it comes to your opinions concerning me. Not of late.

So, unless most of this list cares, why don't you just do what
you said you would do on SIX seperate occasions, not answer my
posts, hit "delete" or just go away... from me. My hand, sir, is
still extended. And it will stay that way until hell freezes
over. But I repeat myself.

Fondest personal regards.

Jim

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 04:44:56 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:26:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - Hale

>From: Bobbie Felder <jilain@ebicom.net>
>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 20:12:58 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Nexus Magazine?

>I would like to get input on what the members of this List think
>about Nexus Magazine? Credible or not as a source of reliable
>UFO/paranormal information?

>The URL for the magazine is:
>
><http://www.nexusmagazine.com/>

Hi,

I would imagine that anyone answering to the negative, must be able to substantiate the Non -credibility of all such data published in Nexus.

I personally feel that Nexus have brought a few gems out into the open, for example the 'Poltergeist Experiment' very interesting to see physical manifestations of such phenomena contained within a set laboratory. This was an excellent article.

Roy..

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Rebecca

From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:26:17 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:31:31 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Rebecca

>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez>

>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Errol

>>I don't know what you might do with this - perhaps post it, if
>>you think it interesting.

><snip>

>Hello Mr. Mortellaro, hello All,

>You confessed:

>>I certainly haven't done anything to try and change anything
>>having to do with the study of UFOs

>I just wanted to grab the opportunity to agree with you on
>'something.' "Houston, we have successfully docked with the
>pod." :)

>>and apparently most folks haven't either,

>That's wrong. Comments like that should always be preceded by,
>"speaking for myself" in order to maintain a semblance of
>honesty.

>>but we sure like to talk about it!

>Some do, some don't. This sounds more like a 'projection' on
>your part rather than an objective or even truthful
observation.

>Regarding this List and its members:

>That was a good thread you quoted. Did you participate in it?
>It included some really good people_ that contrary to your
>misinterpretations, have made some genuine contributions to
>ufology. More than just 'rap'.

>I tip my hat to all of those who participated in that thread way
>back when. I not only think that people like Dennis Stacy and
>Mark Cashman, or my beloved Rebecca (and others) have made
>solid contributions to ufology, I think they made meaningful
>ones. Contributions that only they, because of their unique
>points of view, and also because they are so unique as
>individuals, could have made.

John!!

Most of those comments above came from me and I certainly hope
that you aren't directing your comments to me! If so, I'm gonna

have a bone to pick with you.

I can be obtuse some of the time, but I'd like to think that most of the time I'm not obtuse at all.

The point I was trying to make with the quoting of the threads from 1997 was that many of us were trying to tell Stephen Bassett the same thing everyone is telling him now! He didn't listen to some of best commentators and researchers three years ago, why should even think he would listen now?

My comment about not having done anything pertained to me not having worked to make this subject more palatable for the general public. And I haven't seen evidence that anyone else has either. But I don't think that's something other researcher have to take on, if they don't want to. I'm certainly not criticizing the likes of you Johh, or Jan Aldrich or Dick all or any number of folks who produce great commentary and research that is honest and free of politics. Unlike Mr. Bassett and the people he represents.

Look what's happened to the MUFON Journal since Mr. Bassett proposed it to be a peer review journal of ufology! I could go on and on and comment again on his suggestions of four years ago, but why beat a dead horse?

I thank you for thinking I have made a solid contribution to ufology, but I disagree with you, I have done nothing. I haven't changed one person's mind. I certainly tried to get to the bottom of the autopsy saga, but that's hardly a contribution. For the past three years I have mainly been a lurker on this List and have done nothing to contribute to research of the subject. I wish I had the passion for the subject that I once had, I do think I could make a contribution, but the "thrill" is gone. Burnt out or something. I don't know.

I do enjoy reading this List and thank Errol from the heart of my bottom for all the hard work he's done. I've been on this List from day one and I don't want to even think about all the stupid things I've typed over the years. Please don't remind me.

It was my intention to leave the subject of UFOs behind. I planned to do that when this thread was over. I am tired of watching everyone swim upstream. It's wearing me out. But now I have to go try to clear up a little mess with Mr. Vetterick.

I can assure everyone I won't let the door hit me in the rear as leave.

Rebecca

"Who is unsure how Jim M got involved in this thread. I think I must be missing some messages."

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From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:49:30 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 03:36:58 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Rebecca

>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
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And as you and everyone else who received knows, I didn't want
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But the private email to you and others was only sent after you
sent me an email that would have been an insult to anyone who
has half a brain. It was my opinion after reading that email
that you were trying to act as a moderator for UFO UpDates.

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>The CD's of the AA film and a Web site where reviews and
>comments are being posted now, will be made available to
>EVERYONE in a few weeks. We'll make a public announcement and
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Oh I thought Neil made the website public a few weeks ago when
he posted this:

"So why not start "elsewhere" to begin with and avoid the
hassle, if folk are that interested, pop in and have a browse
round Dave's site and even ask for a set of CD's and join in,
though we will have to start covering our costs where the CD's
are concerned."

The complete post can be found here:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/sep/m28-003.shtml>

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IOW, it could be said that people might see only what you want
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That's will big of you guys. From everything I've seen posted on
this List save for Jim M's comments, no one understood your
confidentiality agreement. But he's hardly a credible source,
IMO.

You darn tootin' I sent you an email not worthy of a reply, but
only because you requested something of me that was ridiculous.
Your misleading statements concerning this incident doesn't help
your credibility any at all.

Rebecca

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - Johnstone

From: Lara Johnstone <bravehrt@concentric.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 02:55:01 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 08:39:16 -0400
Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - Johnstone

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine?
>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 16:57:01 +0100

>>From: Bobbie Felder <jilain@ebicom.net>
>>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 20:12:58 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Nexus Magazine?

>>I would like to get input on what the members of this List think
>>about Nexus Magazine? Credible or not as a source of reliable
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Hi Joe,

>I wouldn't trust them as far as I could throw them - they got
>quite nasty when I suggested (contrary to their assertions) that
>the Transistor is of completely terrestrial origin, a natural
>progression from the semiconductor diode.

Could you please explain to me in as simple language as possible
;-) what the transistor has to do with their story? Are you
saying the entire story is incorrect or that there are just some
mistakes.

>In the end, they threatened me with legal action

Legal action for doing what????

>(after calling
>me all sorts of names, and accusing me of being racist!).

Being a racist towards whom? What did you say that was being a
racist? Did they say?

Thanks allot... ;-)

Lara

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Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 08:25:25 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 09:35:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Maccabee

>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 20:58:53 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Magonia Supplement No. 37.

>MAGONIA Supplement

>No. 37 5 October 2001

<snip>

(Book Review)

>Illobrand von Ludwiger. Best UFO Cases Europe, National
>Institute for Discovery Science, 1998. £18.50.

>This illustrated A4 document presents a number of UFO cases both
>old and new from Europe, but one cannot say that they are the
>'best' cases; most are simply reports of lights in the night. It
>is possible that some of these may be poorly understood
>atmospheric phenomena, but my gut feeling is that most if not
>all would resolve into very conventional IFOs if subjected to
>detailed, critical investigation. Of course the Belgian
>triangles and Trans-en-Provence get the obligatory look in.

<snip>

>The report also features introductions from representatives of
>the American UFO establishment, Messrs Maccabee, Schuessler and
>Haines, the last devoting the space to his own quarrel with the
>Sturrock committee rather than discussing the work in hand.

For further details on one of the important radar cases cited by
von Ludwiger, see:

<http://www.scientificexploration.org/jse/articles/maccabee>.

Wherein... you will find a table of contents for an article I
wrote in response to the negative report of the Sturrock Panel.
(Note: there was nary a comment on my paper by the "noisy
negativists.") Click on "Linear Track Mach 3" and you can read
"beyond" what von Ludwiger put into his book.

(Of course, the rest of my "Atmosphere...." paper is also good
reading!)

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Teasing & Ridicule

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 22:43:25 +1000
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 09:38:28 -0400
Subject: Teasing & Ridicule

List and others,

No doubt most here by now will have heard or read about a young women reporting that she was abducted in Queensland Australia, if not refer to reference below.

>Source: ABC News OnLine [The Australian Broadcasting Corporation]

><http://www.abc.net.au/news/state/gld/metgld-9oct2001-6.htm>

>Tue, 9 Oct 2001 11:40 AEST

>Abduction Claim Gives Ufologists Food For Thought

<snip>

Being a UFO researcher and having people around me know this means one becomes the brunt of other peoples teasing and ridicule when news items like the one above come about. Even the investigating cop being interviewed on TV about the abduction was laughing during the interview.

In the old days I used to get upset about being teased and ridiculed and wanted to punch someone's lights out, now days I am a little older and a little wiser, so I have learnt to remain clam and just screw with their minds.

I do this by asking the ones doing the teasing to prove that the Universe exists. This is not easy to do, if fact one cannot prove that the Universe does in fact exist, after all were does all the space and the matter that fills it come from? If there was a BIG BANG then were did all the matter for this BIG BANG come from in the first place. No one knows. You can go back in time to the beginning (our idea of the beginning) of time and that is were it stops, because no one knows or can prove were all of which makes up the Universe came from in the first place. So, I am not really here and Aliens don't exist.

If anyone here can prove or knows were all matter and space originated from I would really like to hear from them.

It is interesting to point out that the indigenous people of Australia tell dream time stories of a time before planets, galaxies and the universe as we know it. They talk about how spirits ruled this time, perhaps this is were thought first manifested itself? which in turn lead to us (after billions and billions of year) as the saying goes, "I think, therefore I am."

Anyway, some Australians are having a good laugh at this person expense, which has me wondering, if this is a hoax, given all the ridicule and teasing why would anyone fake such a thing. Goodness only knows I get teased to death for just researching damn Aliens and UFO's. Imagine saying you have seen one or was abducted by one. Something I think someone would only admit to if it really happened to them. (Well here in Aust anyway, as no one would ever let you live down saying you had been abducted or seen one. It would be brought up every time you entered a room or party ECT.) You really do get treated like a freak here.

One witness to a UFO landing I interviewed a while back got so sick and tired of the teasing etc., they changed their story and started telling everyone they just made the whole thing up for a laugh. Cannot say I blame them for doing that.

Tophar

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - McGonagle

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgongagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:42:20 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:18:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - McGonagle

>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 02:55:01 -0700
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Lara Johnstone <bravehrt@concentric.net>
>Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine?

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgongagle@yahoo.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine?
>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 16:57:01 +0100

>>>From: Bobbie Felder <jilain@ebicom.net>
>>>Date: Mon, 08 Oct 2001 20:12:58 -0500
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Nexus Magazine?

<snip>

>Could you please explain to me in as simple language as possible
>:-) what the transistor has to do with their story? Are you
>saying the entire story is incorrect or that there are just some
>mistakes.

At their website, they have an article entitled
"Reverse-Engineering Roswell UFO Technology", by someone called
Jack Shulman, which can be found at:

<http://www.nexusmagazine.com/ACCandRoswell.html>

In it the author talks around the possibility that the
Transistor was given to us by Aliens. He doesn't actually come
out and say that he thinks this, I think that is because he
knows how ridiculous the idea is, and how easy it is to
disprove, and it probably sells books too. Someone on another
list asked what people thought of the article in January this
year, and I wrote:

"sorry to disapoint you, but certainly the part of the article
about the transistor it total Bovine solid waste product, and
this puts the whole article in a bad light. The transistor is a
natural development of the diode. Details of the discovery of
the diode (and other technological advances) can be found at:

<http://www.pbs.org/transistor/science/info/diodes.html>

and the first transistor at:

<http://www.pbs.org/transistor/science/events/pointctrans.html>

Other techologies referred to by the author can also be traced
back to conventional roots. If he told me that the Sun will rise
in East tomorrow morning, I would ask for a second opinion!"

You can read about the development of semiconductor technology
at the links above.

Anyway, I was irritated at this apparent attempt to make money
out of public gullibility, that I copied the above post to Nexus
magazine. They initially questioned my qualifications to make
such a statement (they were unaware that I am a qualified

electronics engineer), and also forwarded my post to several other people. Here is an extract from a response that I posted on 29th January to Duncan Roads (then editor of Nexus Magazine) and an anonymous poster, signed simply as Imagination Internet Inc., Newark, New Jersey.

[start quote]

"Jack has stated firmly, that he never claimed that they were from alien sources, just that he was told that by others"

-and makes a point of regurgitating the rumour (while avoiding responsibility for it), perpetuating the fallacy. Why does he do that? If I told him that the Earth was a cube, and that science had deliberately covered up this fact, would he repeat that publicly?

"John Bardeen testing what looks like minute fragments of integrated circuits "

In order to tell if they were fragments of integrated circuits, they would need to be examined under magnification, or else all that you can say is that they appeared like lumps of plastic, or etched metal. Both materials were probably in plentiful supply in the lab.

"He shares certain beliefs in common with Stephen Hawking, who was on TV questioning Bill Clinton on the very subject a few years back"

Are you suggesting that Stephen Hawking doubts the man-made origin of the Transistor? If so, I will try to contact him and ask him to explain his foundation for this belief as well. If not, what is your point? Incidentally, what did Bill Clinton know about semiconductor theory?

"At no time did I have co-valent bonding with Monica Lewinski!" ;-)

As to my knowledge of the origins of the transistor, I wasn't personally present when it was discovered, but I qualified as an electronics engineer in 1978, following two years studying electronics (including semiconductor and even valve theory), so I consider that I have some knowledge of how transistors and diodes work, and how they are closely related to each other.

"We have also publicized the statistical likelihood that life exists that bears intelligence, elsewhere in the Universe, and that things like the "orbs" continue to be worthwhile for investigation, since the indoor versions of them, pictures taken with very precise cameras, reveal a technology at play that is clearly coexisting in our space, without being able to be directly touched, but which can be seen and clearly photographed, as in the Denver examples."

I do not dispute the statistical likelihood that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe. I also accept that it is possible (though in my opinion, unlikely) that any such life has reached our solar system. Also, it may surprise you to know that I have photographed 'orbs'. I can, if you like, forward copies of the images, but I have passed the copyright ownership to a paranormal group, so you would need to approach them to obtain permission to publish. I accept that they are interesting, and worthy of further investigation, but I have not reached any conclusion about them having a technological origin-I currently think it more likely that they are an unknown natural phenomenon.

[end quote]

I then got an hilarious post from someone called Jarv Fitch, Public Relations (hahahaha!), Imagination Internet which included the following lines:

"Hey, McGonagle, you're so unbelievably visionless, you think a diode has more than one mineral part! Pardon my French, but: This letter is entirely my opinion, and no, even though I am of Scotch-Irish decent, I deplore people like Shockley, I think the world would be a better place if dysinformationist propagandists like he and Glenn Campbell were packed off to pick potatoes in Dublin and Edinborough, instead of pulling this continual

nonsense for a Bell Labs in 1947, or today on the Web".

"I think Shockley was part of the Thule/Aryan cult, which embraced Shockley because he was a bastard of an anti-Semite and a bastard of a racist, and he is literally the "god" of the Aryan techno cultists. I believe you're simply attacking the story, because you are, like Lamphere and Ranney and Campbell, in league with that cult, like so much of the pro Shockley Aryan cult: unable to restrain oneself against attacking a "Jew" in the spotlight, much as the same cult has attacked other "Jews" and "Blacks"."

"The fact is: you're wrong. Fact is, Werner, its IMPOSSIBLE that the transistor was suddenly discovered the way AT&T claimed: 5 minutes on Bardeens test table and bingo, he had it. ABSURD. Stop writing us about this, you're wrong, you're stuck in words trying to use letters like P and N, or 2 and 3 or diode and triode to try to THINK the correlation into existence".

"I gather that what's behind all this is your RELIGION. For you, apparently, if the Unversed might ever be conjectured to have aliens in it, then your entire "mankind was created in God's image" and "garden of Eden" belief system would crumble with you at its epicenter. Self-importance deification of human beings is, itself, a crime against humanity."

"Pardon my rant, but even though its only been 1 year, I'm very tired of reading fake "Joe McGonagles", named after a WC Fields character in a movie, aliased to free, untraceable servers, trying to disrupt this story for their own purposes. It's nauseating."

So it would seem that I am a racist, pretending to be myself, but my real name is Werner? The actual post was much longer, and I have extracted some of the more entertaining bits. If anyone wants to see the entire post (or series of posts) you can mail me directly.

>>In the end, they threatened me with legal action

>Legal action for doing what????

Here is the message that I posted to the mail list (not this one) on 30th January:

"I received a mail from editor@nexusmagazine.com , but I can't forward it on to the list because at the end it says:

"THIS LETTER IS NOT MEANT FOR PUBLICATION. Kindly cease and desist, we do not wish to debate further any BS you've gathered and sent us before, or which Bruce Maccabee or Bruce Cornet gathered for you. Do not Spam us further, and make no defamatory comments about us, or about anyone here, or appropriate legal action will be authorized."

In it, they said that they are right next to Bell Labs, and they have met with people from there and confirmed privately that Bell received something from the US Army in 1947, etc etc (yawn). It goes on to mention Stanton Friedman and Jack Shulman perpetuated "rumors" (and yes, I quote the word "rumors" directly from the mail!) about the alien intervention. It goes on to mention other "rumors" about the US military incarcerating Jews for 40 years to work on sensitive projects.....

They also say that they aren't interested in what I have to say (presumably because it does not fit in with their fantasies). These people cannot be regarded as authoritative, or even rational, where science is concerned, they simply don't want to know the truth, and won't entertain anyone who thinks that they may be wrong (though I find them very entertaining!). Apparently, I am a part of the "big conspiracy!"

>>(after calling
>>me all sorts of names, and accusing me of being racist!).

>Being a racist towards whom? What did you say that was being a
>racist? Did they say?

>Thanks allot... ;-)

>Lara

I hope the above answers your question!

Regards,

Joe

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 12:00:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:20:58 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 19:02:13 EDT
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
>>From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<Big Snip>

>Gentleman, Errol,

>I don't know what you are talking about Mr. Velez. I did not
>receive your post quoted above. Not in my files. Perhaps you
>should include in your comments, the thread in which I am
>allegedly ranting UpDates and/or it's members.

>Further, my name is not on this thread. So what the heck is my
>name doing on it?

>Dave, are you in agreement with John in regard to my
>comportment? Clearly you guys have me at a disadvantage. If so,
>let me know, as I have defended Vetterick and the AA CD program
>to the end. To wit, I am trusted, as are a few others, with the
>site password. I haven't a clue, it's true. But about why I am
>on your scheiss list.

<snip>

Jim... My comments were absolutely not directed at you,
and IMO Mr. Velez's were not either.

You are honorable, truthful, trustworthy, and a gentleman.
Unfortunately, traits not common to all. I apologize if I
contributed to the confusion.

Kindest Regards

Dave

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 13:13:38 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:23:01 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez

>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:26:17 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez>

>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>Errol

>>>I don't know what you might do with this - perhaps post it, if
>>>you think it interesting.

>><snip>

Hi Rebecca,

You wrote:

>John!!

>Most of those comments above came from me and I certainly hope
>that you aren't directing your comments to me! If so, I'm gonna
>have a bone to pick with you.

No! What happened was; I had your post and Mortellaro's cued for response and I confused 'em. No matter. What I said to Mortellaro stands. I wouldn't retract a word of it. Whether it appeared in the right context or not, I meant each and every word of what I wrote to him and the mistake does not alter it's validity. Actually, I'm killing two birds with one stone here because I can explain (and apologize) to you, and I also know the 'docca' will read this so I'm confident he will 'get the message.'

Sorry for confusion Rebecca. My mistake. ;)

And BTW, what do you mean by:

- a. You're leaving.
- b. You've never made a 'contribution.'

I hope you're not going anywhere. You've threatened to pack your bags and leave regularly for years. This time sounds different though. I hope you change your mind and choose to stick around. I'd miss the hell out of you.

As for, "no contribution" that is something best left to your peers to determine. My feeling has always been that your input in all the discussions and debates over the years has been invaluable. By your presence and participation you have been a part of helping to form public awareness and opinion on several

of the more important issues facing us all as individuals and as 'ufologists.' (Whatever the hell the latter is.)

Stick around Bex, we need more good, honest, no-nonsense people like you, not fewer. And if you do walk away, don't walk away feeling frustrated or let down. You can be proud of your "contribution" to the day to day doings in ufology over the last several years. :)

Warmest regards,

John Velez

A.I.C. - Abduction Information Center
www.spacelab.net/~jvif/default.htm
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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Sheehan Saga - Anthony

From: Gary Anthony <garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:52:49 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:27:11 -0400
Subject: Re: Sheehan Saga - Anthony

>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Date: 7 Oct 2001 20:04:38 -0700
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Sheehan Saga - Cameron

<snip>

>I learned shortly after the UpDate discussions took
>place that Sheehan was somewhat upset with the
>letter I sent to Marcia Smith, and I am therefore now
>not in any position to resolve any problems that might
>exist in his story. (I did however see him draw the
>symbols for someone at the Bay Expo after his
>workshop.)

>As you may know Sheehan has taken a position
>that he does not wish to answer questions on this case
>as in his opinion it would only lead to more infighting.
>That is his right, and he must pay whatever price
>associated with that decision.

>My suggestion to you, is that if you have some problem
>with his version of events in 1977, you take on your role
>as an investigator and phone him yourself. I will provide
>you his phone number. I know he offered to meet with
>Dick Hall to resolve any problems Dick had with the
>story, and as far as I know Dick never took up Sheehan's
>offer.

>Grant Cameron

Hi List and Grant,

Grant this is an interesting post. I've managed to encourage a few top notch scientists in the fields of linguistics and cryptography to examine alleged alien semiotics, who have no connections with ufology whatsoever. They would be more than happy to look at a sample from Daniel Sheehan.

This is a matter, I've tried so far unsuccessfully, to advance with Mr. Sheehan, I also emailed him and received no response. I tried calling long distance too but reached someone else's number due possibly to a number and or address change.

(I would like to follow this up further, if possible; and try calling Daniel Sheehan again, for firsthand details, so if you have no qualms about supplying me with his number off list, I would very much appreciate it Grant).

Mr. Sheehan need not concern himself with any infighting, on my part, as I have no axe to grind and the examination of samples collected for the project will be scrutinised by language and other relevant experts. Commentary on samples are up to experts and the nature of science in this regard does not require to make personal issues out of such data, nor should it. Ufologists, on the other hand, may!!

So there is a need for concern, but what has to be assessed

here, on the part of both the individual and consensus is, does science require to examine such claims? What are other concerns and should these interfere with the aforementioned submission or examination process for alien symbols or phonetics?

My understanding, taken from some involvement and expert opinion of both ufologists and importantly aforementioned language experts is an affirmative, yes samples and claims should be examined and means brought into effect to reassuringly solve any concerns to facilitate the process of having alleged alien language and symbolism studied. There are other preliminary steps which are necessary too, which define and experiment with aspects that either could be considered related or confused with this topic, that need to be ironed out. Also, widespread sampling is essential and ideally would be better before confabulation and other factors like media saturation can occur. But we now see an array of such samples finding their way into various media.

If, we are dealing with one or more alien language how important is trying to understand and document this? There have been past posts on list reflecting this topic, notably some very relevant ones by John Velez, Greg Sandow and Steven Powell. At the end of the day it boils down to what the experts think (By experts I do not mean ufologists) and also what witnesses to alleged semiotics can contribute regarding knowledge of the source (or sources) of alleged alien semiotics and of alleged aliens themselves.

Even if Mr Sheehan desires not to be directly involved, it would be worthwhile to see what the symbols look like and perhaps submit them as an anonymous sample? There are already, untold number of abductees and others who have generously supplied samples and information on this (and other) basis.

Comments welcome!

Regards

Gary Anthony

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Filer's Files #41 - 2001

From: WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 15:04:25 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:31:29 -0400
Subject: Filer's Files #41 - 2001

Filer's Files #41 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern
October 10, 2001, Majorstar@aol.com.
Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

UFO SIGHTINGS HAVE PICKED UP AGAIN IN THE US. Numerous UFOs were observed around the US on September 11, the same day as the World Trade Center attack after the grounding of all commercial aircraft. UFOs were spotted in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, Norway, and Japan. US and Britain attack Taliban in Afghanistan.

MASSACHUSETTS UFOs

REVERE -- Logan Airport had been shut down due to trade center attack on September 11, 2001. The witness who lives nearby had observed fighter jets all day, but at 9:00 PM, he noticed a star like object in the eastern sky. He ran home to get his video camera and his father. Upon return we were greeted by four others who were also observing the UFO over Short Beach. Upon zooming in with my Sony Digital 8 handy cam. I noticed an object that appeared to hover in the sky, but through my binoculars it seemed to dance all around. There were blue and red lights that were moving all around the craft. We then witnessed a splitting of a vessel into parts. One object's light began to move rapidly in a different pattern as if to be communicating with the other ship. One looked like fireworks, and then quickly disappeared, and reappeared to the left at a 45 degree angle. We then witnessed a triangle type formation with yet another craft. I have all sorts of video. Craft flew rapidly east and we then saw three fighter jets flying to and above these objects. Video footage played at slow motion shows intricate light patterns on one ship, with very bright lights in the center and almost force field like arcs moving from the center to the outer edges. Many witnesses stopped their vehicles to observe them.

OTIS AIR FORCE BASE -- A couple of friends and I were looking at the sky September 11, 2001, for any air traffic since there was only military traffic allowed. At 10:00 PM we saw two Air Force jets in single file heading toward Otis Air Force Base in Cape Cod. They were close together and in quite a hurry. A minute later, my friend pointed out a circular object orange in color moving at an enormous rate of speed across the open sky. It seemed to zigzag and dance as if it was intelligent, and then disappeared behind some trees. I've never seen anything as fast as this in mid air. About ten minutes later, a similar object came across the sky again from the east to southwest with the same speed and sporadic movement, and again disappeared behind some trees. Thanks to Peter Davenport, Director National Reporting Center www.ufocenter.com.

NEW YORK A UFO SPHERE CHECKED US OUT WHILE WE FLEW MODEL ROCKETS.

LYNBROOK -- The witness who is the father of three kids went out for an hour to shoot off model rockets on September 2, 2001. They shot ten rockets with class B engines when the

father witnessed what appeared to be the wadding out of one of the rockets at 5:35 PM. Using their binoculars, he realized the object was nothing like they had ever seen. They were roundish with a red light, but the red was not sharply defined. Then my sons witnessed the light change from one big light, to smaller lights. There were many small UFOs and two bigger ones. They seemed to hover and then move quickly in different directions. One even went in the opposite direction without slowing down. Then after ten minutes, they started to disappear. The closest one was shiny aluminum.

PENNSYLVANIA WHITE TEARDROP

LANSDALE -- The witness was on his deck talking to a friend on the phone on September 11, 2001, about the attacks. He saw what he thought were some unusually bright stars grouped together in the shape of a perfect triangle. I had never noticed this before. One suddenly shot across the sky that looked like a white teardrop, then it was gone. This was much too large to be a shooting star. There was no sound and no colored lights. I have never seen anything like it.

HELLERTOWN -- Also on September 11, 2001, high in the northern sky two objects were seen flashing red, green, and white lights flying slowly in a circular path at 11:00 PM. Then one object moved up to about a 60-degree angle, the other one flew below the horizon. We observed it for an hour went and went to sleep thinking it must have been satellite or something and we'd look for it the next night, but it was not there. There were no airplanes flying this night because of the terrorist attacks. We heard airplanes flying over before, which drew our attention outside; these planes went in an opposite direction of the lights. We figured they were military aircraft, but these lights did not appear to be anything we had seen before, they were very slowly moving, almost stationary, about the size of a very large star. Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

SHARON -- The Herald's Joe Pinchot reports A fireball shooting across the early night sky on Tuesday, October 2, 2001, led many residents from the southwestern part of Mercer County to call 911. Supervisor Tom Meyer said calls for what apparently was a meteor started coming in at 7:41 from the Shenango Valley. "They've described it as a large ball of fire with a tail," he said. Meyer said unless the meteor hit the ground in Mercer County, there was nothing 911 could do and there were no reports of that. Meteors, commonly called shooting stars, are the streaks of light caused by dust particles from space evaporating in the earth's atmosphere, according to NASA. The particles themselves are called meteoroids, and, if they land on earth, meteorites. Astronomer Ted Pedas of Farrell said he did not see the meteor but from its description it appeared to have been a bolide, a very large meteor that probably was seen over six or seven states. Bolides are "the size of a walnut and on up," he said. Thanks to The Herald's 10/03/01 and Gerry - FarShores News www.100megsfree4.com/farshores

OHIO FIREBALL

AKRON -- Beacon Journal's Carol Biliczky reports, "Everyone has an opinion about the streak of light that shot across the sky on October 2, 2001, at 7:30 PM. NASA spokesman from Glenn Research Center, David DeFelice suggests it was a bolide -- a big meteor that explodes into a shower of colors as it enters the Earth's atmosphere. BRYAN -- The witness reports that, "On September 29, 2001, myself and three other people saw seven bright orange objects in the western sky just above horizon at 7:13 PM. We first noticed three objects that were vertical at several thousand feet altitude. There were two more vertical objects spaced the same distance and two more flying around them with very bright orange tails. The five that were vertical stayed in place for about seven minutes then they all disappeared. They were the size of a dime at arm's length. Other witnesses were Jean Short, Shannon Ooten and Nick Favret all from Bryan. Thanks to Skywatch International Inc. skyopen@yahoo.com

GEORGIA MISSING TIME

ROSWELL -- The witness had just finished eating dinner at the Waffle House on Cobb Parkway when he began to feel a tingling sensation in his rear molar bottom tooth on September 1, 2001.

He states, "I quickly paid my bill and exited the building when I noticed that the toothache was subsiding. I noticed a faint humming sound in my ear and looked up, and noticed a tight formation of five aircraft that did some remarkable things. The three that were closest to me suddenly descended from about 25,000 feet to about 500 feet. The other two craft, in the rear, simply disappeared. A bright beam began to shine down from one of them. That is when I blacked out. I woke up 30 minutes later in a farm field ten miles away. I felt refreshed and still had my receipt from the Waffle House in my pocket that showed I had left the restaurant at 1:30 AM. What happened during that 30-minute period is beyond me. I can't remember a thing. Anyway, I found a nearby road and was lucky to find a farmhouse with a light on inside. The farmer gave me a ride back to my car. It was then that I noticed the tooth was missing. The strange thing was that there was no blood. It had completely healed over as if I had never been born with a tooth there in the first place. This is what prompted me to visit your website. Looking at my arms and legs, I notice nothing unusual except that there appears to be some kind of injection mark with a lump about the size of a pea on my left bicep. It doesn't hurt and it seems hard. My vision seems a little blurred. In the back pocket of my jeans, I noticed a piece of paper that has a type of hieroglyphics. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

KENTUCKY UFO LANDING

FORT KNOX. On Sunday, October 7, 2001, Peter Davenport called to inform me that he had just received a UFO report from witnesses who claimed to observe a UFO landing nearby. Later, the witnesses also saw the craft take off. They visited the field and found evidence of a landing. Burn marks and impressions in the ground were spotted.

MICHIGAN SIGHTING OF TRIANGLE WEDGE SHAPED OBJECT

COLON -- On September 11, 2001, the witness and his 9-year-old son, saw a wedge shaped UFO at 10:10 PM. The boy called out when he saw the craft, and his father thinking this odd as all of the airports had been shut down. They saw a slow moving craft with randomly flashing blue, red, and white lights all along its edge. The father states, "We then ran outside to get a better view. It was moving due west. As it came parallel to our position I did an angle check by hand (a trick I learned in astronomy class) I found that it was about 30 degrees above the horizon over due south. I could not judge its distance as I realized that I was not dealing with just any standard aircraft, and these things could really be any size. I could not detect any sound coming from the craft. As it neared the western horizon I noticed that the only steady lights on the craft were the two white lights, one on each rear point. This is more proof that this type of craft exists. My theory is that they may have been interested as to why there were no other aircraft in the air over one of the busiest air traffic continents on this planet." Thanks to NUFORC.

WISCONSIN STRANGE LIGHTS

Bonnie M reports, "I got a telephone call at 8:40 PM of a strange light in the sky September 26, 2001. I went outside and to the northwest was a light in the sky about three times the size of a star. It was below the top of tall trees. It stayed in this position for a long time when it suddenly jumped higher in the sky. I got my binoculars and the object had green, red and white lights, which changed positions rapidly. Some of the time it looked as if it was circular with all the lights in a changing pattern. Then it seemed to jump all over and then changed into a pattern of red, white and green lights that were in single file and danced around and looked like a snake dancing in the sky. It got lower, when two airplanes flew above it. There was a definite look to the light pattern that lasted from 8:40 to 9:42 PM. It was different from anything I have seen. Thanks to Jenny Hoppe UFOWisconsin
http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2001_0926_winnebago.html

ILLINOIS FOUR UFO OBJECTS IN SKY

CRESCENT CITY -- On September 4, 2001, driving home with my 8-year-old grand son the sun was setting at 7:00 PM, but it was

strange because it kept getting brighter. I am 50 years old and I've never seen anything like this. The sun or a light got brighter in every direction we turned, like it was getting closer and closer to us. We had to hold a paper in front of our eyes to be able to see the bright orange that radiated so bright its hard to describe. Then pretty soon the bright light was gone. An hour later, we noticed there was a cloud of pink all around us just like when you're in the fog. The bottom half was very sharp blue and on top of it was very pink. We could hardly see as it got closer so we stopped the car. The pink cloud was still there along with the four ships. These were not airplanes or vapor. They angled down and two looked a little smaller with a design of some kind. They turned right and we expected them to land. Fifteen minutes later, when I got! to my house they were gone but we were very scared by the experience. Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

BOLINGBROOK -- On September 11, 2001, the area had lost electrical power so the two families were outside and eight witnesses spotted two flashing lights traveling north side by side at 7:30 PM. After a few minutes they disappeared, but within a couple minutes the lights began flashing again near where they were first seen. The flashing lights were traveling south, but would turn around and travel north. Sometimes they faded to a red glow. This had gone on for over an hour when I saw a steady red light traveling east much faster than any jet. Within minutes I saw a steady white light traveling southeast. My wife 2 children, neighbor and wife and his 2 children all witnessed this. (NUFORC Note: The lights may have been navigation lights on military aircraft patrolling the skies over the U. S. PD)

MISSOURI LIGHT

ASH GROVE at about 10:00 PM I went out in the front yard on September 11, 2001, and noticed a light at about 20 degrees above the horizon. It was climbing at a high rate of speed, then descended, and did ALL KINDS of loops, back and forth from left to right, and hovered. I can see it out my window as I type this. It's a dot in the sky, slightly brighter then a star with an occasional red flash. Ira still going in circles, up and down, and all different directions. Its now 10:47 PM and its still there. All air traffic is grounded. Nothing we have could do this. They're too fast with right angle turns. Thanks to NUFORC.

NEBRASKA CIGAR METALLIC HOVERING OBJECT

OMAHA -- On September 21, 2001, the witness was driving down 84th street and noticed a metallic object in the sky near Offutt Air Force Base about 8 miles away at 2,000 feet in altitude. At first, he thought it was an "American Airlines" aircraft on approach to Epply Air Field. However, the object was not flying a normal approach. At 2:30 PM, the object appeared to be hovering which peaked my attention, so I drove to a higher elevation in town. As I drove closer the object descended and disappeared from view. I don't believe it was a normal jet; even a Harrier aircraft does not begin a descent from that altitude.

OKLAHOMA FLYING TRIANGLE CHANGES DIRECTIONS INSTANTLY

WOODWARD -- On September 19, 2001, the witness was changing the price signs on the gas pumps at the travel center when he saw a huge silvery flying triangle. It was traveling at an impossibly fast speed going east at 9:30 AM. It stopped in midair, without slowing, became invisible for a couple seconds, and then sped off west. It stopped again, without slowing, then dropped straight down out of the sky then became invisible once more. Following this, I heard a very loud sonic boom and the roar of a jet, but did not see a jet. A short time after that, I heard two more sonic booms. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC.

NORWAY UFO LANDS

OSLO -- On September 25, 2001, police in Helgeland, north central Norway, had been getting a rash of UFO sightings, while a woman in the northern town of Bodø insists a small flying object landed in her garden. Further investigation reveals that a car traveling with a laser light system may have confused witnesses. Thanks to Frode Sætran and Gerry FarShores at

www.100megsfree4.com/farshore

JAPAN UFO FORMATION SIGHTING

KYOTO STATION -- On 22nd September, several strange objects flying in formation over the Kyoto JR Station Building were seen by at least 20 people. At the time, Jun-ichi Kato, a leader of OUR-J (the Organization of UFO Research Japan), was with a member, Tomokatsu Terayama and other several members gathering for the regular skywatch meeting. Terayama initially spotted these UFOs at the northeast sky around 12:10. Kato and other meeting members verified the objects flying in some formation, and Kato and Terayama succeeded in photographing the UFOs. The eyewitnesses were not only OUR-J members, but some tourists and the local residents. Seven objects were flying and changing formation and each looked like it transformed from a round to an oblong shape. Those observing the UFOs with their binoculars said that these objects looked different from any conventional objects. They suddenly changed direction to WSW and disappeared.

URAWA -- An orange sphere was seen on September 23, 2001, around 16:35, over the OUR-J branch group's skywatch meeting in Urawa city (near Tokyo). At first, a member, Mayumi Ikeda (Ms) spotted this UFO about 20 minutes after the meeting was started. The object was hovering over their heads for a minute or two and slowly moved to the south, and finally disappeared as ascending. The object was photographed by OUR-J staff, Nishikawa and the photo will be posted in the November OUR-J journal at <http://www.our-j.com/> Thanks to Toshie Nakagawa OUR-J ourj@mbd.sphere.ne.jp

MAPS AND UFO WAVES

Larry Hatch writes, "I have put up a new UFO map on the *U* Website. This one is different from the others; it is an overlay of three separate UFO wave years in the USA (1947, 1957, 1973) layered as separate colored sightings-dots. Each of those waves taken separately seems to favor certain US regions over others. What seems new, is that the three years taken together, and excluding all other years, seem to blanket the USA almost completely. Please click on: <http://www.larryhatch.net/WAVLAYER.html> the only blank spots are where population density is sparse to non-existent, almost like some sort of plan. The same map is shown on George Filer's website. <http://www.filersfiles.com/ufo/ufodatabase.htm>. George was kind enough to have the map image color-enhanced for clarity. Thanks to Larry Hatch. Editor's Note: It seems unlikely that random reports would blanket the entire US unless there was a plan. Many of the sightings are near US military bases.

SEND GREETINGS TO OUR SHUTTLE EXPERT

Jeff Challender just came out of the hospital after a serious operation (again) on his back. He needs some friendly support. Please send get well soon prayers to Jefchall@worldnet.att.net.

DISCLOSURE PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

NEW YORK -- Disclosure presentation by Steven Greer, M.D., NYC on October 26, with Video Taped Testimony of Military, Government & Intelligence Witnesses Friday, Oct. 26, 7:30 PM: The New York Academy of Medicine, Hosack Hall, 1216 5th Ave. at 103rd St., NYC \$10 Facility Fee Donation. Parking: Academy, 50 spaces free after 5:30 PM, 1st come basis; Merit Parking, 107th & Madison Ave. Doors open 6:30 PM Disclosure Video Presentation starts at 7:30 PM., Thanks to Jim Schilder Disclosure volunteer

TORONTO -- Disclosure presentation by Dr. Steven Greer, Major George Filer (ret.) Commander Graham Bethune (ret.) in Toronto on Sunday, October 28 at the University of Toronto at 1:00 PM.

SAINT LOUIS MUFON CONFERENCE -- MUFON Conference at J.C.Penny Auditorium, University of Missouri, St.Louis Campus, 9am-9pm., Nov.3rd.,2001, FLYING SAUCERS - HIDDEN HISTORY - 2001 (D-Day of Disclosure) 1) Press Conference 2) Richard Dolan - U.F.O.'s and the National Security State 3) Harold E. Burt - Flying Saucers

101 4) Dr.Carol Rosin - The Future of Space And Extraterrestrial Intelligence 5) Stanton T. Friedman - Putting The Pieces Back Together Again 6) Special Speakers Panel \$10.00 per each of six sessions,or \$50.00 before November for all. 1-800-489-4UFO, MUFON/MISSOURI, P.O.Box#643,St.Charles,Mo.63302, < bwidaman@earthlink.net >,or 636-946-1394, The Airport Marriot Hotel \$65.00 Thanks to: Bruce Widamen State Director Missouri

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Secrecy News -- 10/10/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@fas.org>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 10:49:21 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:33:34 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/10/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 10, 2001

** BUSH RESTRICTS LAWMAKER ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFO
** PENTAGON RESTRICTS MEDIA CONTACTS
** ANTI-TERRORISM LEGISLATION ADVANCES

BUSH RESTRICTS LAWMAKER ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFO

In an extraordinary exercise of official secrecy, President Bush ordered six agency heads to withhold classified information from all but eight designated members of Congress. The move immediately drew sharp criticism from Congressional leaders.

In an October 5 memo on "Disclosures to the Congress," the President said that "the only Members of Congress" who may be briefed "regarding classified or sensitive law enforcement information" are the Speaker of the House, the House Minority Leader, the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and the Chairs and Ranking Members of the House and Senate Intelligence Committees.

"It's a reflection of the fact that our nation is now at war, and the rules have changed," said White House press spokesman Ari Fleischer yesterday. "It's a reflection of the reality that disclosure of information in a time of war is far different from an inadvertent disclosure at a time of peace. It could literally mean the loss of lives of people who are embarking on missions."

Congress was quick to object and to assert its prerogatives, threatening to suspend needed legislation until the restrictions are eased.

"The defense bill is not moving until we are included," said Senator Ted Stevens, the ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations Committee, as quoted in the Washington Times.

"I think it's an overreaction," said Senator Richard Shelby, who is perhaps the most outspoken congressional critic of "leaks" of classified information. Senator Shelby, speaking on CNN, said that at a minimum, members of the armed services committee and the defense appropriations subcommittee needed to be included in classified briefings. He also volunteered that "I do believe that there is too much information that is classified."

There are a number of categories of classified information that, by statute, may be provided to only a select subset of congressional leaders. These include the reporting of covert actions (see 50 USC 413b) and the reporting of certain Pentagon special access programs known as "waived programs" (see 10 USC 119).

In contrast to those narrow provisions, President Bush's directive appears to overreach because it refers generically to "classified information" and "sensitive law enforcement information" (presumably related to the current anti-terrorist

campaign). Moreover, it completely excludes congressional committees that have related oversight responsibilities, including the armed services, foreign relations, judiciary and appropriations committees.

The text of President Bush's October 5 memorandum to agency heads is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/gwb100501.html>

Excerpts from the October 9 White House press briefing at which the memo was discussed may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/wh100901.html>

PENTAGON RESTRICTS MEDIA CONTACTS

In further evidence of expanding official secrecy, the Department of Defense has called upon its contractors to limit the information that they publicly disclose and directed its own acquisition officers to terminate contacts with the news media.

"I would ... like to stress, during this national emergency, the importance of the use of discretion in all the public statements, press releases, and communications made by your respective companies," wrote Under Secretary of Defense E.C. "Pete" Aldridge in an October 2 letter to major defense contractors.

"As we all know, even seemingly innocuous industrial information can reveal much about military activities and intentions to the trained intelligence collector," Mr. Aldridge wrote. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/aldridge.html>

Deputy Assistant Secretary Darlene Druyun went beyond that to actually prohibit Pentagon acquisition officials from speaking with the media.

"Effective immediately, I do not want anyone within the Air Force acquisition community discussing any of our programs with the media (on or off the record)," Ms. Druyun wrote in an October 4 email message to program officers. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/druyun.html>

These directives were reported and placed in context in an article by Amy Butler in InsideDefense.com, reposted with permission here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/id100901.html>

ANTI-TERRORISM LEGISLATION ADVANCES

Senator Patrick Leahy, the Senate Judiciary Committee chairman, yesterday described at length and somewhat apologetically the Senate's version of the pending anti-terrorism legislation, known as the "Uniting and Strengthening America Act of 2001."

He outlined the numerous changes that have been made to the Administration's initial proposal in the course of Senate deliberations to date, but noted that "This is not the bill that I, or any of the sponsors, would have written if compromise was unnecessary."

See Senator Leahy's October 9 remarks on the Senate floor here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/s100901.html>

The pending Senate legislation, introduced October 4, is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/s1510.html>

The American Civil Liberties Union criticized the Senate bill in an October 5 press release saying it "poses significantly more danger to civil liberties than the measure adopted earlier this week by the House Judiciary Committee." See:

<http://www.aclu.org/safeandfree/>

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New Life On Mars Evidence 'Conclusive'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:38:25 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:38:25 -0400
Subject: New Life On Mars Evidence 'Conclusive'

http://www.ananova.com/news/story/sm_419740.html

New Life On Mars Evidence 'Conclusive'

A new book reveals Nasa scientists have found 'conclusive' evidence life once existed on Mars.

Experts at the Johnson Space Centre in Houston say three meteorites they have analysed contain fossilised bacteria.

They think life may have originated there four billion years ago and then arrived on Earth.

The findings are revealed in the new book Mars: Inside The Red Planet by Dr Heather Couper and Nigel Henbest.

Some of the best new evidence comes from the Nakhla meteorite which landed in Egypt in 1911.

'Microfossils' inside it are said to be better than similar controversial findings in meteorite ALH 84001 revealed in 1996.

The book quotes Nasa's Dr Everett Gibson as saying: "We opened it in a clean lab and inside it found samples of clays which are probably in the 600 to 700-million-year-old time frame.

"Within these carbonates and clays are structures and features that are even larger and better preserved than those we saw in 84001."

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:27:34 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:10:37 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Salvaille

>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
>From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<snip>

>Excellent comments John, you have hit the nail squarely on the
>head.

>This was also demonstrated by Ms. Keith's comment regarding the
>Alien Autopsy CD review in her Sept. 28, 2001 post to UpDates.

>>Subject: Re: Caution - AA Autopsy

>>"Had I known that this was gonna cause this big of stir,
>>you can bet I would have asked sooner! <G>Nothing
>>beats a good controversy. "

>A private e-mail she made to myself and a couple others involved
>in the CD review didn't deserve a civil reply.

>To clear up that misguided thread and statements :

<snip>

Dave,

I must admit: you have a knack for spin.

I gather you are referring to an email sent by Rebecca on
Wednesday, September 26, 2001.

That email was sent to the following individuals: Dave
Vetterick, Serge Salvaille, Jim Mortellaro, Neil Morris, Ed
Gehrman

Subject: Re: AA Autopsy Discussion

The email starts with a sentence explicitly forbidding
forwarding, copying or posting on the Internet.

But since (short of Cartesian arguments?) you have chosen to
spice your manure with insinuations, allow me to testify that
her email was pertinent, clear, to the point.

Allow me also to testify that the latest emails I received from
your group were, in every way, consistent with the attitude you
have displayed toward difference of opinion since this whole

thing started.

Serge Salvaille

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Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 15:30:08 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:12:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Connors

Ummmmm...Magonia? Sounds like a terrorist flower cell of some sort.

If it wasn't for the study of "Ufology," even with the wacko's, weirdo's and preverts horning in, wouldn't Magonia be out of a job, or at the very least, re-tooling to cover debunking conspiracies regarding fairy wing plucking or something important like that?

Further, if there was no personality of "Ufology," wouldn't Magonia be just a single sheet off the Charmin roll written in crayon?

Isn't the skeptibunker types even a tad bit grateful for the dog and pony shows that provide the opportunity for them to huff and puff and pretend to blow the whole house down?

Skeptibunkers... can't live with 'em and can't satisfy 'em, no matter how hard one tries.

Go figure.

Wendy Connors

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Hall

From: "Richard Hall" <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 21:46:21 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:14:41 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Hall

>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 13:13:38 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:26:17 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Rebecca
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: John Velez
>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 15:58:51 -0400
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Velez>

>>>>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 07:51:00 -0700 (PDT)
>>>>From: Rebecca
>>>>Subject: Same Song, Second Verse
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>>Errol

>>>>I don't know what you might do with this - perhaps post it, if
>>>>you think it interesting.

>Hi Rebecca,
>You wrote:
>
>>John!!

>>Most of those comments above came from me and I certainly hope
>>that you aren't directing your comments to me! If so, I'm gonna
>>have a bone to pick with you.

>No! What happened was; I had your post and Mortellaro's cued for
>response and I confused 'em. No matter. What I said to Mortellaro
>stands. I wouldn't retract a word of it. Whether it appeared in
>the right context or not, I meant each and every word of what I
>wrote to him and the mistake does not alter it's validity.
>Actually, I'm killing two birds with one stone here because I
>can explain (and apologize) to you, and I also know the 'docca'
>will read this so I'm confident he will 'get the message.'

>Sorry for confusion Rebecca. My mistake. ;)
>And BTW, what do you mean by:

>a. You're leaving.
>b. You've never made a 'contribution.'

>I hope you're not going anywhere. You've threatened to pack your
>bags and leave regularly for years. This time sounds different
>though. I hope you change your mind and choose to stick around.
>I'd miss the hell out of you.

>As for, "no contribution" that is something best left to your
>peers to determine. My feeling has always been that your input
>in all the discussions and debates over the years has been
>invaluable. By your presence and participation you have been a
>part of helping to form public awareness and opinion on several

>of the more important issues facing us all as individuals and as
>'ufologists.' (Whatever the hell the latter is.)

>Stick around Bex, we need more good, honest, no-nonsense
>people like you, not fewer. And if you do walk away, don't walk
>away feeling frustrated or let down. You can be proud of your
>"contribution" to the day to day doings in ufology over the
>last several years. :)

I second the emotion, Rebecca (also the name of one of my
paternal aunts). Well-informed critics and question-askers play
a very important role in so-called "ufology".

Dick

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WTC Object

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 14:14:27 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:26:17 -0400
Subject: WTC Object

Please check out:

<http://www2.justnet.ne.jp/~kiti/Ufo/wtc/wtc.htm>

and scroll down (almost to the bottom) to the tiny video clip showing some solid object flying from near ground-level on the right to cross and behind the WTC, just before the second plane impacts the second tower. The object can be seen continuing to fly off toward the left. That baby is movin' out... whatever it is. Got any ideas?

This looks like a very different angle from that of the FOX picture, which made whatever that is, look like a projectile exiting the 2nd building.

Sue Strickland

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Re: Filer's Files #41 - 2001

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 18:18:39 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 03:18:02 -0400
Subject: Re: Filer's Files #41 - 2001

>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 15:04:25 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com
>Subject: Filer's Files #41 - 2001

>Filer's Files #41 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
>George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern
>October 10, 2001, Majorstar@aol.com.
>Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

>UFO SIGHTINGS HAVE PICKED UP AGAIN IN THE US. Numerous UFOs were
>observed around the US on September 11, the same day as the
>World Trade Center attack after the grounding of all commercial
>aircraft. UFOs were spotted in Massachusetts, New York,
>Pennsylvania, Georgia, Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Wisconsin,
>Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, Norway, and Japan. US and Britain
>attack Taliban in Afghanistan.

<snip>

Hi George, hi All,

>NEW YORK A UFO SPHERE CHECKED US OUT WHILE WE FLEW MODEL
>ROCKETS.

>LYNBROOK -- The witness who is the father of three kids went
>out for an hour to shoot off model rockets on September 2,
>2001. They shot ten rockets with class B engines when the
>father witnessed what appeared to be the wadding out of one of
>the rockets at 5:35 PM. Using their binoculars, he realized the
>object was nothing like they had ever seen. They were roundish
>with a red light, but the red was not sharply defined. Then my
>sons witnessed the light change from one big light, to smaller
>lights. There were many small UFOs and two bigger ones. They
>seemed to hover and then move quickly in different directions.
>One even went in the opposite direction without slowing down.
>Then after ten minutes, they started to disappear. The closest
>one was shiny aluminum.

I have been 'on' about these buggers for years!

I currently have hours of video and a bunch of photos of these 'spheres.' These things are not 'weather balloons.' They have the ability to stop, start, tumble in place, and move willfully in any direction they choose. The movements are erratic. Bill Hamilton of Skywatch can vouch for what I am saying. Many of us have been recording as much of this activity as we can. It all continues to go completely ignored. Has been for years.

These same objects (Tom King calls them 'Hockey pucks' - which is just what many of them look like,) have been photographed and videotaped by many people across the country and around the globe. Every time I read one of these reports about the round objects (silver spheres and white discs) it sets me off wondering when a knowledgeable 'anyone' is going to conduct some kind of investigation into the nature of these 'objects.' I'm still hoping to get the right recording equipment I need to properly document these objects. A friend of mine is on the case. Hopefully, along with some qualified and skilled people to

analyze any film or taped material, we 'might' finally begin to find some answers. In many respects ufology is a 'do it yourself' affair. Like astronomy 'used to be' in days gone by. You get to do all the work yourself; take hard earned money away from yourself and your family just so that you can finance your activity; and then you get to enjoy the pleasure of getting your ass whipped by your peers when you finally present your material for review.

Ain't love grand? ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 19:36:58 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 03:21:27 -0400
Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37. - Aldrich

>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 20:58:53 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Magonia Supplement No. 37.

I have a few bones to pick here. See below.

>MAGONIA Supplement

>No. 37 5 October 2001

>EDITORIAL

<snip>

>LITERARY CRITICISM

>Reviews by Peter Rogerson

>Michael David Hall. UFOs: a Century of Sightings. Galde Press,
>1999. £32.50

>This is the first history of ufology and UFO cases by a
>professional historian since David Jacobs's The UFO Controversy
>in America a quarter of a century back. As a historian, Hall
>declines to supply "explanations" for the cases, and notes the
>problems with the ETH, though readers will detect in his
>selection of cases, and commentary, a general pro-UFO bias.
>However, he has little time for Roswell, pointing out that if
>something as exotic as a spacecraft had been discovered in 1947,
>it would have been months before anyone realised what they were
>dealing with. In Roswell they knew what was up at first sight.
>Hall hints that perhaps some sort of really big military,
>possibly nuclear, secret was involved. He also has a few kind
>words to say about Phil Klass.

>The strength of this book is the detailed study of the US
>government policy, and his use of the private papers of Ed
>Ruppelt, which gives some idea of the complexities involved. Of
>particular interest is his naming of a new candidate for the
>'father of the ETH', the aeronautical engineer Alfred Loedding,

The Sign Historical Group interviewed Victor Bilek who worked closely with Loedding. Bilek remembered Loedding as sort of a chatter box. Bilek couldn't believe that Loedding was in on the UFO investigations as he would constantly be spilling the beans about what happened during the day.

However, official documents do indicate Loedding was deeply involved. One 1947 document cited Alfred Loedding, Engineer in charge of flying disc investigations. Other documents have Loedding meetin with Dr. Carroll at HQ, AF Intelligence, to discuss establishment of a UFO investigation project.

>who seems to have been the driving force behind the infamous
>Estimate of the Situation. The trouble is that no one since
>Ruppelt has seen the Estimate, and we cannot say what the
>arguments used were, though other Air Force documents from this

>period suggest that the idea being floated around was that the
>Martians had seen the nuclear bomb explosions and were coming to
>see what was going on.

Roger, others have discussed the Estimate from claimed personal knowledge. Fournet said he saw the Estimate. He did not have too high an opinion of the document as his comments at the Ozark UFO Conference indicate. Both Keyhoe and Hynek claimed to have seen either the Estimate or summaries of it.

>Hall has met with members of Loedding's
>family, and his son claims to have remembered investigating
>landing reports back in the 1940s. Is this a false memory? If
>not this is very interesting indeed.

There were several "landing" reports in 1947-48. Your own research gave me information on several. The AF investigated some of these. See Joel Carpenter's comments on the Midland Fireball:

<http://www.project1947.com/dow.htm>

>The case reports should be very useful, and there is much early
>material for the ufologists to get their teeth into. One
>low-level report from Circleville, Ohio now appears on the basis
>of the report here to be a CEIII, and there are a lot of cases,
>which if they occurred exactly as reported would be very
>puzzling indeed. Looking at these stories reminds us of how easy
>it was in the early 1950s to argue for the ETH. Hall points out
>that Loedding and others who supported the ETH never had any
>positive evidence in its favour; they argued from elimination.
>There is evidence of an exotic technology, it isn't ours, it
>isn't the Russians, it must be the ETs (which usually meant the
>Martians).

>Looking at these stories today, what strikes us is that they
>don't so much represent what we in 2001 would think of as an
>advanced technology or of the work of ETs, but a kind of
>advanced 1940s and 1950s technology, a mixture of speculative
>ideas about revolutionary aerospace designs and 1930s comic-book
>ideas of 'spaceships'. This is the 'advanced technology' of the
>world before satellites and computers, and remote imaging.

>Though Hall notes the role of the Cold War from time to time, I
>was surprised that as a historian he really paid very little
>attention to the cultural climate. For example, it seems obvious
>now how much war-time experience and imagery pervades these
>stories. The flying saucers behave in many ways like
>ultra-high-performance German or Japanese fighters, flying in
>formation, engaging in dog fights, etc. Just how many of the
>pilot UFO witnesses had been on active service in the war, and
>how many had been trained either explicitly or implicitly to see
>an enemy aircraft behind any ambiguous light in the sky and
>react accordingly? We don't know the answer to that question.

>Is it a coincidence that as the War receded into memory, UFO
>reports become more tenuous, more exotic and "paranormal". Hall
>notes how ufologists now have become diverted into the pursuit
>of crashed-saucer rumours and wild abduction stories, because
>there are no good classical UFO cases around. (It also might be
>that while access to the Project Blue Book files is relatively
>simple for anyone willing to fork out for the microfilms, access
>to the records of civilian UFO groups is next to impossible.)

> One should be able to recommend this book as an excellent
> source of good-quality UFO reports, and when I first obtained
> it, that's what I intended to do, but reading through it gave
> me some serious doubts. For I have come to doubt the accuracy
> of the accounts given, because in a number of cases that I know
> well, the accounts here are inaccurate; indeed the report of
> the Hill case is one of the most inaccurate I have come across.
> Were the reports compiled from memory, reconstructed from
> hastily written notes or what? Also, though Hall does introduce
> more foreign reports than most American UFO writers, I came to
> the conclusion that his knowledge of the subject was not all
> that deep. Perhaps one can only evaluate it after being deeply
> involved for decades.

>That caveat means that two of the most important cases in the
>book, apparent EM-type cases from before the modern UFO wave,
>need to be re-examined in the original sources. US readers

>should try to get hold of a magazine called Sky Trails for June
>1933 and check the story of Colin Murphy who is reported as
>claiming that, in late September 1926, seventy miles from Salt
>Lake City his DC4 biplane was 'buzzed' by a sort of wingless
>cylinder, ninety feet long and eight to ten feet thick. Every
>time the object came within 150 ft his engine misfired, forcing
>him to make an emergency landing only to see the object shoot
>away.

These publications are very hard to trace down. I suspect these
are lore unless actual copies can be found.

>British researchers need to get access to History of the III
>Fighter Squadron RAF, London Press, 1947, for the following
>story from 5 July 1933, when at night a flight of four Hawker
>Fury fighters encountered a "huge circular light" which dropped
>down from above into the centre of their formation. Captain
>Nigel Tomkins's engine cut out forcing him to crash land.
>Another pilot, Bruce Thomas, came even closer, suffering not
>just an engine failure but burns to his hands and face. Clearly
>if the book can be traced and confirms that this account is
>reliable, then all efforts should be made to track down flight
>logs and other original documentation, check the local press for
>the period, and even try to track down descendants of those
>involved. [A preliminary check with the library at the RAF
>Museum, and the British library, has failed to trace this book.
>JR]

Glad to know someone has made an attempt to check this story.

>British resesarchers might also like to try to find something
>more about a vague reference by Ruppelt to an incident on 16-17
>January 1947, in which two fighters intercepted a violently
>moving object over England.

What is more interesting is that Ruppelt indicates that there
were a series of such reports.

>Despite the errors, and the price, this is an important book,
>and one that ufologists should add to their collection.

Jan Aldrich

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Pyramid-Shaped UFO Seen In Northern Chile

From: **Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo** <ufomiami@prodigy.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 03:27:23 -0400
Subject: Pyramid-Shaped UFO Seen In Northern Chile

Pyramid-shaped UFO seen in Northern Chile

From Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo
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A gigantic UFO was seen at the beach of Cavanha, in the northern Chilean city of Iquique. The sighting took place on October 5th of 2001. The eyewitnesses were a taxi driver and two of his passengers. They claimed that the UFO was about 300 yards long and shaped like a pyramid.

Carlos, a local taxi driver, was on his way to drop off two passengers to the coastal city of Iquique. It was around 19:45 PM. He was driving on a highway that runs between the beach and the local airport. Suddenly, he saw what appeared to be some lights coming from the south side of the beach. He initially thought it was an airplane because of the proximity to the airport. Nevertheless, he was very surprised to see that the object got closer and closer, perhaps too close for any ordinary aircraft - as it hovered at about 1 kilometer from the highway.

Carlos kept driving. As he passed a curve, he was able to view the object from a slightly different angle. As he got even closer, he began to notice that around the object, it had red, yellow and green flashing lights, as well as a white light at the top. He also noticed that it was shaped like a giant pyramid.

"It almost looked like a giant stealth bomber. However, this object was about 300 yards in length, so it was not a plane. As it got closer, I began to accelerate the car. Suddenly, a very bright light came out from the bottom of the object, illuminating the entire beach. It was scary; the light was so strong that we were able to see the waves in the ocean. When I turned to see my passengers, they were speechless. We were all astonished", he said. The cab driver claimed that the sighting lasted about 20 minutes.

Jaime Ferrer R.
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Translated by Mario Andrade

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 19:23:55 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 03:40:51 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Vetterick

>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:49:30 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>Date: Tue, 09 Oct 2001 12:16:36 -0500
>>From: Dave Vetterick <veterick@ix.netcom.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

<snip>

>>Excellent comments John, you have hit the nail squarely on the
>>head.

>>This was also demonstrated by Ms. Keith's comment regarding the
>>Alien Autopsy CD review in her Sept. 28, 2001 post to UpDates.

>>>Subject: Re: Caution - AA Autopsy

>>>"Had I known that this was gonna cause this big of stir,
>>>you can bet I would have asked sooner! <G>Nothing
>>>beats a good controversy. "

>>A private e-mail she made to myself and a couple others involved
>>in the CD review didn't deserve a civil reply.

>And as you and everyone else who received knows, I didn't want
>one or expect one.

>But the private email to you and others was only sent after you
>sent me an email that would have been an insult to anyone who
>has half a brain. It was my opinion after reading that email
>that you were trying to act as a moderator for UFO UpDates.

>>To clear up that misguided thread and statements :

>>The CD's of the AA film and a Web site where reviews and
>>comments are being posted now, will be made available to
>>EVERYONE in a few weeks. We'll make a public announcement and
>>strongly encourage open debate and additional discussion.

>Oh I thought Neil made the website public a few weeks ago when
>he posted this:

>"So why not start "elsewhere" to begin with and avoid the
>hassle, if folk are that interested, pop in and have a browse
>round Dave's site and even ask for a set of CD's and join in,
>though we will have to start covering our costs where the CD's
>are concerned."

>The complete post can be found here:

><http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/sep/m28-003.shtml>

>>Initial participation was by invitation only. Logistically, and
>>because some of the participants requested confidentiality and
>>e-mail privacy, the initial discussion is taking place
>>privately. However, all this is being recorded, and documented.

>>Save for those participants who want their info and comments
>>removed, everything else will be made available when concluded
>>in a few weeks.

>IOW, it could be said that people might see only what you want
>to them see. How do we know which people didn't want their
>comments made public and which one y'all didn't want to make
>public?

>>Those original invitees who elected not to honor this
>>temporary confidentiality request have been removed
>>from the current private discussion.

>That's will big of you guys. From everything I've seen posted on
>this List save for Jim M's comments, no one understood your
>confidentiality agreement. But he's hardly a credible source,
>IMO.

>You darn tootin' I sent you an email not worthy of a reply, but
>only because you requested something of me that was ridiculous.
>Your misleading statements concerning this incident doesn't help
>your credibility any at all.

Rebecca, you are not being truthful. No rational thinking person could conclude anything I said was an attempt to act as moderator for UpDates.

The message you're trying to distort for whatever reason, was the 3rd or 4th time we asked a specific person to respect the privacy of the other 40 or so people participating. He deliberately violated this request.

In that message the only part addressed to you said:

"REBECCA...I'm sure you understand why we must handle it this way. I can only ask that you respect the request for privacy and not make any further posts or give out the web site address. If you resolve your PC difficulty I'll keep the offer open to send you a copy & have you participate. When all discussion is done we intend to make the web site public. Key here is that those who don't want their name and comments shown will have that choice before hand. DO I HAVE YOUR AGREEMENT ON THIS CONFIDENTIALITY?"

This is perfectly clear. I was simply asking you not to exasperate the error and problem created by one very inconsiderate person in the group. As you said, what a ridiculous request to make of you.

Your crude use of profanity and insults in your private reply to me can't be justified by anything I said in the entire e-mail much less the above small portion addressed to you.

It seems you have problems with a lot of people on this list, reflecting back on the thread involving Stanton, among others. I understand why now, and ask you can add me to that list.

Dave

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Rebecca

From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 00:50:40 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:51:40 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Rebecca

>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 13:13:38 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse

>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 21:26:17 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Rebecca <xiannekei@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>>John!!

>>Most of those comments above came from me and I certainly hope
>>that you aren't directing your comments to me! If so, I'm gonna
>>have a bone to pick with you.

<snip>

>Sorry for confusion Rebecca. My mistake. ;)

Thank you. That clears that up and that means I have no bones to pick with you! :)

>And BTW, what do you mean by:

>a. You're leaving.

Heading out? Moving on? Blowin' the joint? Hasta la vista, baby?

> b. You've never made a 'contribution.'

Not in a truly significant way. Not in a way that I would have liked, although I never set out to make a contribution. I was just curious. One thing led to another, as things are wont to do, and all this sudden I'm spouting off about all sorts of things.

>I hope you're not going anywhere. You've threatened to pack your bags and leave regularly for years. This time sounds different

Moi? Threatened to leave before? That doesn't sound like me. I typically don't make threats.

>though. I hope you change your mind and choose to stick around.
>I'd miss the hell out of you.

It's not like I'm gonna die or anything. Well, I'm not planning on it. I'll be around but in like a really deep lurk. Who knows maybe something will spark my interest again and I'll be back spouting off once more.

>As for, "no contribution" that is something best left to your peers to determine. My feeling has always been that your input in all the discussions and debates over the years has been invaluable. By your presence and participation you have been a part of helping to form public awareness and opinion on several of the more important issues facing us all as individuals and

>as 'ufologists.' (Whatever the hell the latter is.)

Why thank you for that. I love to give input and I like debate, even when I'm not participating. But I can't agree with your assertion that helped form public opinion. Not the way I define public. I see the public as the people out there who aren't on this List, who don't think about UFOs. I haven't affected them at all. And what truly frightens me is that someone like Steven Greer and his ilk might affect those folks someday and I really think that threat needs to be dealt with. I've thought about that for years. I've commentated on it before. But what have I done to change that? Absolutely nothing.

>Stick around Bex, we need more good, honest, no-nonsense >people like you, not fewer. And if you do walk away, don't walk >away feeling frustrated or let down. You can be proud of your >"contribution" to the day to day doings in ufology over the last >several years. :)

Thank you John. That means so much - it really does. I don't feel let down as much as I feel I have failed. Not that I ever set out to accomplish anything, but I just think there is something that this large group of folks on UpDates could do to get the word out and I don't know why we haven't done it before.

I forget who - forgive me, whoever you are - but someone the other day remarked about the cost of the List. Jeez. That was kind of sobering. It seems like such wasted energy.

For someone who is in a pretty darn good mood, I sound really pessimistic. I think there is a future for this field, but we had better get a grip on the reins and start doing something productive to get the message to the public. Before someone else does. Unfortunately, I don't have the magic pill on how to do it.

I will leave frustrated. But I also leave enriched. What wonderful people you all are (well, most of you, anyway!). Thanks to this subject, I can say I have friends all over the world. I've traveled all over North America and to the UK all because of my thirst for knowledge in ufology. For that I am thankful.

Errol, you can't know how much I value our friendship. What a wonderful service you have given to ufology. This List is the best thing going. A damn sight better than almost all magazines, radio programs (except SDI, of course), and/or TV shows devoted to the subject. Keep up the good work.

And I must add a word of thanks for Glenn Campbell (not the singer <G>) for archiving everything from UpDates!

I'm not quite finished here yet. I need to see how a few things wind down.

Thanks again John.
Mucho (((HUGS)))

Rebecca

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Australian UFO National Conference 2001

From: John. W. Auchettl <Praufu@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:54:09 -0400
Subject: Australian UFO National Conference 2001

List and EBK,

Just a quick reminder.

The Australian UFO National Conference 2001 will take place in Brisbane, Queensland this weekend on the 13th and 14th of October 2001.

So if your in the area, get along. Its a full program put on by one of Australia's best UFO societies, UFO Research (Queensland) [UFOR(QLD)]

The keynote speakers are -

DR MARTIN GOTTSCHALL (Brisbane)

"TIME AS A KEY TO UNDERSTANDING UFOs"

Strange ideas about time have been discussed amongst scientists, in science fiction and by UFO researchers as well. It has now become possible to link some of these ideas to the equations of the theory of relativity, which have been carefully and accurately verified by experimental studies. This means that we can be considerably more confident about the actual existence of such things as reverse time (meaning time progressing backwards), zero time (meaning time standing still) and different rates of time (meaning different levels or dimensions of reality). These ideas help us to begin to understand how UFOs travel in space, where they might be coming from, what their interest in us and our planet might be, and outlines the shape of our own future.

MIKE FARRELL (Port Macquarie)

"FORBIDDEN UFO FOOTAGE - WHAT THE PUBLIC SHOULD SEE!"
(Mike will be showing footage on both days)

A review of the most recent and compelling videos to reach the public domain in 2001. Includes highlights of films and programs from around the world and new NASA UFO footage. These images have not been shown in Australia before! The proof is in the detail!

BRYAN DICKESON (Sydney)

"UFOs: HOW LITTLE THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC KNOWS AND HOW MUCH DOES IT NEED TO KNOW"

The Australian public's view of UFOs has been dominated by events in the United States for the last 50 years. Australian media ignore major local contributions and local UFO

organisations have always had major problem getting their findings to a larger audience. Meanwhile, much excellent information available publicly to researchers is being overlooked. A brief historical review of four, important, identifiable strands of investigation since the 1950s, from "accessible" public groups, "official" RAAF investigations, special Defence projects, to organisations based outside Australia.

BRENDA BUTLER (Melbourne)

"TAKING BACK THE POWER"

Brenda has been facilitating a UFO support group for experiencers (abductees) for the past 8 years. This came about due to her own conscious memories beginning to surface 11 years ago. She found that there was no help in the community, at the time when she desperately needed it and so the idea of forming a group arose from being involved in a Family violence support group for women, which Brenda originally participated in and then co-facilitated for many years. After seeing the often sudden and profound changes which occurred in women involved in the group it led her to believe that maybe the same could happen for abductees.

KEVIN ROBB (Adelaide)

"DIMENSIONAL INTERACTION IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA"

In 1995 at Waitpinga beach in South Australia, Kevin Robb viewed an object in the sky and experienced a period of missing time. Looking for answers to his experience led Kevin to contact the UFO Research group in South Australia. Progressively, Kevin became spiritually aware and developed a technique to aid others with multi-dimensional and extraterrestrial interference. Kevin shares his experiences and how that experience led him on to the healers path.

SHERYL GOTTSCHALL (Brisbane)

"HYPNOSIS AS A TOOL FOR UFO RESEARCH"

Hypnosis is an often used tool to retrieve information about alien abduction experiences but just how valid is it? Since many theories abound from the information gleaned, it would be wise to understand hypnosis more comprehensively to give credence to the information extracted. This presentation gives an overview of hypnosis, discusses memory, memory retrieval and it's pitfalls, hypnotic phenomena and possible hypnotic techniques mimicked by aliens during the abduction experience, and what that may mean.

GARY OPIT (Mullumbimby)

"UNDERSTANDING EXTRATERRESTRIALS - A Biologist's Perspective"

This talk, based on the latest scientific discoveries, will show how ludicrous and dangerous it is to imagine that we have in any way descended from extraterrestrial and why there has been no extraterrestrial interference whatsoever during the lengthy evolution of life on this planet. However it will also reveal why extraterrestrials must colonise living planets, how our planet was colonised by extraterrestrials, where they dwell and why they are here.

To understand extraterrestrials, how they think and behave, we have to be able to understand ourselves. We have to remember that we are the aliens to every other potentially occurring life form throughout the universe. The physical features and behaviour of aliens portrayed in science fiction movies are almost always inefficient. Natural forces will have shaped the inhabitants of other worlds to be efficient, graceful and

harmonious members of complex ecosystems. We, and they, are not individual entities, but are, or were, embedded within and utterly a part of, global living organisms. This talk will reveal the nature of the universal ecosystem of which all are a part.

Just an update about the upcoming National Conference in Brisbane on the 13th and 14th of October.

- * John Auchettl (PRA Melbourne)
"Detecting The Language & Imprints Of The Invisible World"
- * Suzanne Hansen (NZ)
"Is it time? - Corroboration or collaboration."
- * Karim Hashim-Jones (Brisbane)
- * Mary Rodwell (West Australia)

are no longer making a presentation at the conference, due to other commitments.

UFOR(Qld) now have a writer, speaking, who uses his pen name Elron for anonymity. Elron has been abducted by more than one type of extra-terrestrial from around the age of eight and has complete recall of all his experiences.

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Position Statement On Alien Abduction

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In the beginning, 'Ufology' was a pure avenue of adventure. An enigmatic phenomena burst upon the military and public scene. Initially, reports of contacts with the pilots of these strange nuts and bolts craft were dismissed, on the whole, by the military and civilian research groups. It took quite a while for NICAP, CSI, etc. to move in an intellectual position regarding landing cases with humanoid contact and rightly so, for several reasons.

First, the Contactee movement began and tried to attach itself to mainstream ufological research. Adamski, Derenberger, Menger, etc., made life miserable for those who were attempting to approach ufology from a scientific and academic viewpoint in an attempt to understand what the phenomena actually entailed. It was very much like the scene out of the movie, "Contact," where Dr. Ellie Arroway is riding through the wacko crowd seeing Elvis impersonators singing "Viva Las Vega," etc.

The contactees really muddied the waters of ufology by jumping way ahead of the game without proof or documentation. Suddenly, people were claiming they had traveled to Saturn, Venus, etc., and that the space brothers were going to save humanity, etc. The same kind of B.S. today under a different wrapper, i.e., the Disclosure Project, etc. The really hardcore example of putting the cart before the horse, so to speak.

On the one side of the coin were the common sense ufologists. They moved carefully and cautiously. But make no mistake here. We were not totally skeptical or ready to dismiss the phenomena like the scientific community did when they defaulted on their responsibilities to explore a new phenomena. However, the real ufologists of the day were between scientific resistance and the contactee movement. Ufology, as a unique and interesting field of study was in the position of the proverbial middle road, taking neither a blind eye, nor going off the deep end into fanaticism. Fifty plus years later, nothing has changed in this regard. But, ufology itself, has evolved, even under these most trying of circumstances.

From the historical position, first came the disc phenomenon, followed by the humanoid reports. By 1957, a case regarding an illiterate farmer in the boondocks of Brazil named Villas-Boas, was to be the impetus for mainstream ufology to reconnoiter and

face the possibility that there may be some type of 'alien' contact beginning that went beyond aerial dimension. I will let you all go to your UFO literature to read the full details of this case and I'll give a short description here. Villas-Boas had been working in his fields when he observed a flying disc land. He was apprehensive, but not actually scared when he approached this craft. To make a long story short, he was taken inside the craft by humanoids and was sexually propositioned by a humanoid female type. From all practical standpoints, this is the beginning point of the alien abduction scenario.

What made the case so viable as to move mainstream ufological research, was the fact that it was done in an isolated area, not done for publicity and the person traveled hundreds of miles to get medical help from Dr. Olavo Fontes. Thus, from this single case alien abduction entered into the center ring of ufology. It had no connection with the woo-woo contactee movement on the fringes of ufology. It was a hardcore case with far reaching consequences.

Today, various researchers have attempted to grapple with the abduction scenario and formulate possible hypotheses to consider. However, even after all these years, evidence still remain distant to either explain or prove what is actually going on and what to do about it. But, even now, the alien abduction scenario muddies the waters of ufology, as did the contactee movement of the 1950s and 1960s and the Disclosure Projects dancing around in extraterrestrial drag today.

For those who approach the alien abduction scenarios from a practical standpoint, there is little doubt that two shifts have developed within the field of ufological studies. First is the possibility of alien contact, but without documented proof and secondly, that a few people seem to have been contacted against their will by what can only be considered an alien phenomena. Beyond these assumptions all else is total speculation.

There are, however, some real intellectual 'bumps' that exist within this scenario. The most important of these is the very scale as to how many people have been abducted. With estimates ranging in the millions, without documentation, combined with cases from unreliable personalities, etc., there is little doubt that the vast majority of alien abduction cases are bogus and probably arise from other avenues such as, wannabee factors, wishful thinking, etc.

Thus, from this researchers personal perspective and experience, I assume that there is something to the abduction scenario and that some people, indeed, have experienced something that seems connected, in a bizarre and obtuse way, to the ufological phenomenon. I read the posts from the more centrally-grounded abductees on this List and continue to keep an open mind. However, as much as I hate to state it, there is nobody in core ufology that can answer the abductees questions with quantitative factuality. But, as a researcher, I can certainly empathize with an experiencer's feelings of impotence regarding the meaning or reasons for their experiences.

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The difference between a skeptic and a ufologist is very wide. The solid ufological researcher remains skeptical, but open to possibilities and probabilities and works to document the position. The skeptic lacks the elements of possibility and probability and works from the position that nothing is possible or probable due solely to its enigmatic factor. Because of this difference, abductees feel trapped in the middle. What is important is that abductee refrain from taking the fanatical position and not allow the skeptibunker (Pelicanist) position to feel that you don't count in ufological research. You do count and seasoned, knowledgeable/experienced researchers have not abandoned you... but, we take the middle road forward and foray, periodically, down the side roads in an attempt to remain balanced.

Wendy Connors

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AA Enigma News

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Subject: AA Enigma News

EBK & list:

Forgive me if this has been posted previously. There is some interesting news on the alleged alien dissection film:

<http://www.beyondroswell.com/roswell/AA%20Update.htm>

Regards,

Terry

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Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:34:11 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
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Hi Wendy, hi All,

>Right out of the gate I find that the alien abduction scenario,
>from its beginning, scares the hell out of me. Enough so, I have
>never written about it or wanted to do deep research into it.
>This is not easy for a crypto-aeronautical researcher and
>historian to admit openly.

The honest admission you have made is what IMHO separates the 'wheat from the chaff' in terms of intellectual honesty. Something which is sorely lacking in many of those associated with "ufology." Your openness and honesty id refreshing and appreciated. Wish we could all see more of it among those who investigate the UFO phenom.

>That said, I read the literature and the posts from those who
>have admitted to such experiences. Even though I do so with a
>critical eye and intellect, I cannot dismiss it as some type of
>wacko movement within the field. Yet, I have seen no evidence
>that it ties directly with crypto-aeronautics in the
>conventional sense.

That is one of the things I have been talking about since day one. Although I hesitate to use the analogy because it opens up its own 'can of worms' it is only the "Betty and Barney Hill" type encounters involving a "UFO" _and_ its "occupants," (which also includes the Travis Walton case, the Charlie Hickson Pascagoula, Miss. case, the Allagash four case, etc etc etc) should even be considered by "UFO" researchers. That is an opinion that has caused many "abductees" to call me a "traitor" and a "skeptic" (of all things) in the past.

You are quite correct however that _many_ "abductee" reports have nothing to do with a direct encounter/contact with a UFO. I have been saying for years that _all_ of those cases should be set aside in favor of focusing on the ones which involve: a fully awake/alert individual who was 'going about their business' at the time of the "contact/sighting," cases involving multiple witnesses/experiencers, and at all times only cases that involve close-up contact/interaction with a UFO(s) and their occupants.

A big part of the problem has been that "UFO" abduction has not been clearly defined by anyone who does research. Ergo, it has become defined (what an "abduction" is,) by the experiencers themselves. Whatever anyone reports, whether it be a "dream," or "imagination," or whatever, it has all become lumped together with the reports involving a close-up encounter with a UFO which also includes contact with the occupants. That fully conscious and direct kind of contact is what defines a "UFO" abduction. All the rest of those reports that begin with, "I was sleeping in my bed" although they may be true and valid, should all be put on a 'back burner' in favor of investigating the more immediately relevant "UFO/occupant contact" cases.

>Re: Villas-Boas you say: "It was a hardcore case with far reaching
>consequences."

My 'point' (above) precisely!

>Today, various researchers have attempted to grapple with the
>abduction scenario and formulate possible hypotheses to
>consider. However, even after all these years, evidence still
>remain distant to either explain or prove what is actually going
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>scenario muddies the waters of ufology, as did the contactee
>movement of the 1950s and 1960s and the Disclosure Projects
>dancing around in extraterrestrial drag today.

I don't think that is the abductees fault as much as it is a
problem caused by those who report on the phenomenon as
'proponents' of it, rather than as objective investigators.
Sure, there are a lot of abductees out there (myself included)
who broadcast details of these encounters in public. But they
don't hold a candle to the amount influence created by best
selling books on the subject that have been written and
disseminated world-wide by folks like Budd Hopkins, David
Jacobs, Ray Fowler, Dr. John Mack etc.

I would blame them (if 'blame' is a proper term) before I'd
blame the experiencers.

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>practical standpoint, there is little doubt that two shifts have
>developed within the field of ufological studies. First is the
>possibility of alien contact, but without documented proof and
>secondly, that a few people seem to have been contacted against
>their will by what can only be considered an alien phenomena.
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I agree with the latter but not with the former. There is
'documentation' in the form of physical marks, scars, and
foreign objects, as well as ground trace evidence, multiple
witnesses etc., that are associated with these
encounters/reports.

But yes, in terms of what has been proven or established,
most of what goes on is pure speculation. Something I
have strived to avoid assiduously over the years.

>There are, however, some real intellectual 'bumps' that exist
>within this scenario. The most important of these is the very
>scale as to how many people have been abducted. With estimates
>ranging in the millions, without documentation, combined with
>cases from unreliable personalities, etc., there is little doubt
>that the vast majority of alien abduction cases are bogus and
>probably arise from other avenues such as, wannabee factors,
>wishful thinking, etc.

I agree. Although I would hesitate to venture a guess as to the
percentage. I think that using a term like "vast majority" is
a bit extreme. It probably reflects a personal bias in thinking
more than it does representation of 'hard' or 'proven fact'.
Truth is, until somebody begins to investigate, and through the
process of elimination actually determines how many such cases
are bogus, we just won't know how many are real or not.

>Thus, from this researchers personal perspective and experience,
>I assume that there is something to the abduction scenario and
>that some people, indeed, have experienced something that seems
>connected, in a bizarre and obtuse way, to the ufological
>phenomenon.

See my first response above. :) I have had such an encounter
Wendy. An uncomfortably 'close-up' encounter with a UFO followed
by hours of missing time and a trip to an emergency room the
next morning, in order to tend to the physical sequelae of the
encounter. It just doesn't get anymore 'close-up and personal'
in terms of being UFO related than that. I am not alone. Budd
has shelves full of such reports. 'Something' (and I don't claim
to know 'what') is going on. That 'something' involves
non-human beings, unconventional flying craft, and it leaves
behind physical evidence. Until someone actually investigates
these cases all we will ever have is guessing, personal opinion,
and speculation.

We can't say "there is no evidence" because no one has taken the time to determine whether what is already in hand actually comprises valid or 'acceptable evidence'. Even the most basic of research has yet to be performed. Yet everyone always feels free to expound on the abduction phenomenon as if they actually knew what the hell they were talking about.

Talk about "muddy water!"

The 'gold' needs to be sifted from the 'lead' among the many reports. Then, those cases which lend themselves to investigation need to be (actually, thoroughly) investigated. Maybe then, and only then, will anyone really be able to speak on the subject with any semblance of authority or reliability.

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I'd like to think that I am considered one of those.

>However, as much as I hate to state it, there is nobody in core
>ufology that can answer the abductees questions with
>quantitative factuality. But, as a researcher, I can certainly
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>the meaning or reasons for their experiences.

The search for "meaning" for me, is secondary to helping get a real investigation started. People need to know what is happening, and they needed to know it yesterday! There is an urgency to all of this that few are able to (genuinely) appreciate. What many of us have been through is no_joke. The implications for our future and the future of our children are monumental.

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That's the reason I got into the public arena in the first place! To make myself available to interested researchers as well as others who were having similar experiences. When I consented to participate in NOVA it was with the assumption that some independent research people were actually going to study our cases and report on them. I volunteered to take a polygraph, undergo psychological and physical evaluation all in order to help eliminate mental illness or intentional deception as a cause for my reports. I was willing to allow them to do anything short of intrusive surgery in order to help substantiate our claims.

Budd armed himself with a couple of his more bullet-proof people and allowed NOVA to have complete access to us, and to his records. You'd think that anyone really interested in doing responsible science-reporting would have jumped all over an opportunity like that. Like the rest of the research community they failed to 'do the job'.

Same thing happened when I joined this List. I made myself available to any and all serious research people who may have wanted to investigate an abduction case for themselves. To 'have a go' at one of Budd Hopkins cases even. I've been here for six years and I'm still waiting.

Sorry but, you can't blame us for not being willing to cooperate. I'm the exception that disproves the rule. The fault lies mostly with the research community itself. It has fallen flat on its pontificating face when it comes to investigating reports of UFO abduction. Like I said, everybody has something to say, but few actually know what the devil they are talking about. Until the research community actually accepts some responsibility for properly investigating abduction reports, all we're going to get is more 'uneducated' opinion.

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Yeah, well if you look over to your left a little you'll see me out there in the middle of the road beside you. Those who know me best will vouch for how hard I work at staying grounded, open-minded, and willing to learn and to work. Now, if we can find some researchers who are willing to do like-wise... we'll be in business. :)

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

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>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>research, was the fact that it was done in an isolated area, not
>done for publicity and the person traveled hundreds of miles to
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Not true!

Vilas-Boas was not an illiterate farmer in the boondocks of Brazil. His family even had a tractor. He was able to read and write. And he was studying Law. Some time later he would become a lawyer.

Surprisingly, he didn't discuss his abduction with anyone in his family, only with the local chemist who suggested he to write to journalist Joao Martins who was writing about flying saucers in a magazine, received even in those boondocks.

They exchanged several letters (unpublished) and even small wooden models made by Vilas Boas himself of the craft and the aliens. Finally, even though he insisted that his work was essential at home, he accepted the money raised by Dr. Fontes to pay for the journey to Sao Paulo, several months later, where he met with Martins and Fontes and told his story. Martins decided not to publish it and Vilas Boas was visibly disappointed. He was not looking for the medical help of Dr. Fontes.

He returned to his life, and was very much surprised when several years later a team from a Brazilian UFO Group (SBEDV) located and reached him. At first, he refused to speak with them, but when they complained of their long voyage, he surrendered and retold his story. The team did not interview any member of his family or the chemist.

It seems, so say some Brazilian ufologists, that he was a bachelor who had to live in the same house with his newly married brother, so maybe it was just a sexual fantasy or a tall tale on the chemist that backfired. The truth is that the case was never investigated in situ, nor additional material collected.

Yours,

Luis R. González Manso

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Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37 - Clarke

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Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:46:29 -0400
Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37 - Clarke

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
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>Subject: Re: Magonia Supplement No. 37
>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 19:36:58 -0400

>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 20:58:53 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Magonia Supplement No. 37

>>British resesarchers might also like to try to find something
>>more about a vague reference by Ruppelt to an incident on 16-17
>>January 1947, in which two fighters intercepted a violently
>>moving object over England.

>What is more interesting is that Ruppelt indicates that there
>were a series of such reports.

Hi Jan,

As you probably are aware, I have been investigating the radar reports by RAF Chain Home stations during January 1947 for some years. 12 months ago I made a major breakthrough in that I was able to interview a Fighter Controller who was involved in the radar tracking of a UFO over the North Sea on 16 January 1947. This resulted in a dramatic chase across the North Sea involving a Mosquito night-fighter diverted from an on-going exercise.

As a result of a lot of good luck and using contacts at the MOD I was able to access a previously unknown RAF file on the incidents that revealed a major operation was mounted to track and intercept the "ghost planes" referred to by Ed Ruppelt in his 1956 memoirs. Not only was there a series of radar trackings but fighter stations were on alert for a period of week, resulting in a number of scrambles involving the RAF's Mosquito night-fighter squadrons. I can reveal that the sightings began in late in 1946 and continued almost until the beginning of the 'flying saucer era' in May 1947.

Eventually I was fortunate enough to trace and interview the pilot of a Mosquito that was involved in one of the incidents and whose navigator tracked the "unidentified high flying aircraft" (his words) over Norfolk on the fighter's AI radar. The pilot, who retired at the rank of Group Captain, has a clear memory of the bizarre incident and a logbook entry that demonstrates this was the first recorded "interception" of a X- (ie unidentified) track mounted by the RAF since the end of hostilities in 1945.

The January 1947 sightings over Eastern England and the North Sea are a fascinating bridge between the 'ghost rockets' and the 'flying saucer' era, and were treated with great seriousness by the British Air Ministry.

The contents of the RAF file and the interviews with those involved in the radar trackings and interceptions will be published early next year in my book with Andy Roberts: "Out of the Shadows."

In the meantime, I hope the above will be sufficient to whet your appetite!

Best wishes

Dave Clarke

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Secret Rendlesham Documents Released

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Subject: Secret Rendlesham Documents Released

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE RELEASE "TOP SECRET" RENDLESHAM DOCUMENTS

Five documents relating to the alleged UFO Landing at RAF Woodbridge in 1980 are no longer a secret following a landmark decision by the MOD's Director of Information Exploitation.

In March 2001 the MOD agreed to release the contents of their file following an application by David Clarke under the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information.

The decision marks a further breakthrough in our understanding of the events in Rendlesham Forest.

Five documents were with-held from the response under exemptions to the code, 2 under Exemption 1 (national security) and 3 under Exemption 2 (internal discussion and advice to ministers less than 30 years old).

We immediately lodged an appeal against the decision and an internal review has now been completed. A senior MOD official has now released the two documents that were with-held on the grounds of national security.

The five documents - described by UFO Magazine as "top secret" - are:

1. A letter from the MOD to RAF Watton (Eastern Radar) and the SOC station, RAF Neatishead, dated 26 January 1981 requesting a statement on radar observations on 29 December 1980.
2. A reply from the Commanding Officer of RAF Neatishead to MOD (Ops) GE dated 3 February 1981 describing the results of checks.
3. An internal minute from an MOD official [Pam Titchmarsh], to a Minister's Office (John Stanley, Ministry of Defence) submitting a draft response and an accompanying background note in respect of a Parliamentary Question tabled by Sir Patrick Wall MP, answered on 24 October 1983.
4. A duplicate copy of the first page of (3) above.
5. An internal Minute from a MOD official to a Minister's office, submitting a draft response and accompanying background material in respect of A letter to the Secretary of State for Defence, Michael Heseltine MP from David Alton MP, which had enclosed a letter from one of Mr Alton's Constituents.

The released documents and a copy of the judgement will be posted on the www.flyingsaucery.com Website.

The documents contain no evidence that a cover-up of a UFO landing ever existed.

We can reveal that the two documents with-held on the grounds of "national security" do not constitute a 'smoking gun' - they simply illustrate how claims of a cover-up arise from secrecy for the sake of secrecy, part of an established tradition in Britain.

What they reveal is that the RAF were making checks on radar records for 29 December 1980, following information supplied by Lt Col Charles Halt in his memo to the MOD.

As we now know the actual date of Halt's sighting in Rendlesham Forest was the night of 27/28 December 1980. This implies incompetence and complacency on behalf of the MOD, who did not see fit to make further inquiries into the details they had been supplied by Halt.

The correct date was subsequently confirmed by the former Commanding Officer of RAF Watton who has described his role in an exclusive interview in June 2001 before any other UFOlogist was even aware of the MOD file release.

The retired Squadron Leader told us: "I recall the incident well [as] I was on duty at the time it occurred. I can confirm that the call came from Bentwaters RAPcom. They requested that we scan the radars for any radar targets in their area; there were NONE. They reported flashing lights in the Rendlesham Forest area, outside the airfield runway [and that] the base police were investigating the incident."

The officer was on duty on the same night as a civilian radar operator Nigel Kerr who claims he saw a "blip" on his screen above the base runway coincident with the report from Bentwaters. The blip disappeared after several sweeps of the radar. Kerr's CO dismisses this claim, saying that no such observation was reported to his Controller at the time, who oversaw the ATC screens at the joint military/civilian facility. This is a fact confirmed by the CO in contemporary note in the MOD file, dated 26 February 1981 that reads:

"On the night of the reported sighting our controller on duty was requested to view the radar; nothing was observed. The facts are recorded in our log book of that night."

He added that the T84 analogue radars at Watton frequently detected spurious echoes that behaved exactly as Kerr described. The lack of radar corroboration was confirmed by Halt in a 1997 interview when he said:

"[I] called the command post, asked them to call Eastern Radar, responsible for air defence of the sector..twice they reported that they didn't see anything.."

The Watton CO also confirmed that he personally ordered that all radar tapes - both from 27/28 December and surrounding dates - should be impounded for examination. This was not unusual but entirely consistent with MOD procedure following reports of unusual sightings. In January, 1981 the evidence was removed by a joint RAF/USAF team from the Military Air Traffic Organisation (MATO) who apparently found some of the tapes were faulty.

This appears to be the basis of the rumour that USAF intelligence officers "confiscated" radar tapes from Watton shortly after the sightings. The CO's evidence can finally lay this myth to rest.

Claims have been made that the release of the MOD file is entirely as a result of pressure placed upon the Ministry by Lord Hill-Norton and Georgina Bruni. Credit is due to both, but this claim is not correct.

The facts are that during the summer of 2000 the MOD invited us to submit specific requests for UFO case files under the terms of the Code of Practice. The Rendlesham File was just one of a number of files closed under the 30 year rule that were subsequently requested and released; their contents will be revealed in our book, "Out of the Shadows: The British Establishment, UFOs and the Cold War", published early next year.

My request for the Rendlesham File was submitted in February 2001 and on 22 March an MOD official wrote as follows:

"[as a result of your request]. there are a number of papers that were generated between 1981 and 1983 and later assembled on one file, along with correspondence received after 1983 from members of the public. Briefings to Ministers in respect of PQs asked on the subject since 1983

are placed on another File. On the file containing papers on the alleged incident in Rendlesham Forest, there is an internalminute that appears to summarise the extent of MOD investigation and draws the conclusion that has been used in all subsequent briefings.

"We are content to photocopy the documents from that file, which consists of somewhere in the region of 70 enclosures. This, along with some sanitising and review will be undertaken free of charge following your application under the Code of Practice."

This proves that our application was made and processed following MOD procedure that was entirely independent of Lord Hill-Norton who received the file some time after we did.

We wish to pay tribute to all those who have contributed to the research into the Rendlesham case, regardless of their opinions and personal approach to the subject. That includes Georgina Bruni, Jenny Randles, James Easton, Ian Ridapth, Nick Redfern and others who have all contributed to our knowledge of the Rendlesham forest mystery in their own way.

Keep watching

www.flyingsaucery.com

for further revelations.

Happy trails,

David Clarke and Andy Roberts

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How Much Lower Will Greer Go?

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:49:35 CST
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 14:00:46 -0400
Subject: How Much Lower Will Greer Go?

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Tsk.

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Subject: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto
Date sent: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:22:00 -0500

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with guest witnesses invited
plus Video Taped Testimony of Military,
Government, & Intelligence Witnesses

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:05:58 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:29:15 +0200

>>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Position Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:22:47 -0600

>It seems, so say some Brazilian ufologists, that he was a
>bachelor who had to live in the same house with his newly
>married brother, so maybe it was just a sexual fantasy or a tall
>tale on the chemist that backfired.

An admittedly every specialized fantasy, involving among - other
erotic elements - vomiting. I think the rest of us will count
that among the less probable explanations for Villas-Boas's
story.

To me the case is interesting as one that, long before Budd
Hopkins's investigations brought the concept into the abduction
controversy, suggests the presence of hybrid beings. At least it
is consistent with that hypothesis, as are the surprising number
of early CE3s (unremarked on by any ufologist, as far as I know,
until I discussed it in my UFO Encyclopedia) wherein human or
near-human entities are described.

Jerry Clark

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Re: How Much Lower Will Greer Go? - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 19:09:26 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:09:33 -0400
Subject: Re: How Much Lower Will Greer Go? - Hall

>From: Chris Rutkowski
>Subject: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:49:35 CST

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>Hear how Classified Projects are withholding Technologies that
>could Replace our need for Oil [Etc.]

Chris,

You ask how much lower Greer & Co. will go. How low is a snake's belly?

Dick

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Secrecy News -- 10/10/01

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Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:12:02 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/10/01

SECURITY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 10, 2001

** BUSH RESTRICTS LAWMAKER ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFO
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** ANTI-TERRORISM LEGISLATION ADVANCES

BUSH RESTRICTS LAWMAKER ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFO

In an extraordinary exercise of official secrecy, President Bush ordered six agency heads to withhold classified information from all but eight designated members of Congress. The move immediately drew sharp criticism from Congressional leaders.

In an October 5 memo on "Disclosures to the Congress," the President said that "the only Members of Congress" who may be briefed "regarding classified or sensitive law enforcement information" are the Speaker of the House, the House Minority Leader, the Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, and the Chairs and Ranking Members of the House and Senate Intelligence Committees.

"It's a reflection of the fact that our nation is now at war, and the rules have changed," said White House press spokesman Ari Fleischer yesterday. "It's a reflection of the reality that disclosure of information in a time of war is far different from an inadvertent disclosure at a time of peace. It could literally mean the loss of lives of people who are embarking on missions."

Congress was quick to object and to assert its prerogatives, threatening to suspend needed legislation until the restrictions are eased.

"The defense bill is not moving until we are included," said Senator Ted Stevens, the ranking Republican on the Senate Appropriations Committee, as quoted in the Washington Times.

"I think it's an overreaction," said Senator Richard Shelby, who is perhaps the most outspoken congressional critic of "leaks" of classified information. Senator Shelby, speaking on CNN, said that at a minimum, members of the armed services committee and the defense appropriations subcommittee needed to be included in classified briefings. He also volunteered that "I do believe that there is too much information that is classified."

There are a number of categories of classified information that, by statute, may be provided to only a select subset of congressional leaders. These include the reporting of covert actions (see 50 USC 413b) and the reporting of certain Pentagon special access programs known as "waived programs" (see 10 USC 119).

In contrast to those narrow provisions, President Bush's directive appears to overreach because it refers generically to "classified information" and "sensitive law enforcement information" (presumably related to the current anti-terrorist

campaign). Moreover, it completely excludes congressional committees that have related oversight responsibilities, including the armed services, foreign relations, judiciary and appropriations committees.

The text of President Bush's October 5 memorandum to agency heads is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/gwb100501.html>

Excerpts from the October 9 White House press briefing at which the memo was discussed may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/wh100901.html>

PENTAGON RESTRICTS MEDIA CONTACTS

In further evidence of expanding official secrecy, the Department of Defense has called upon its contractors to limit the information that they publicly disclose and directed its own acquisition officers to terminate contacts with the news media.

"I would ... like to stress, during this national emergency, the importance of the use of discretion in all the public statements, press releases, and communications made by your respective companies," wrote Under Secretary of Defense E.C. "Pete" Aldridge in an October 2 letter to major defense contractors.

"As we all know, even seemingly innocuous industrial information can reveal much about military activities and intentions to the trained intelligence collector," Mr. Aldridge wrote. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/aldridge.html>

Deputy Assistant Secretary Darlene Druyun went beyond that to actually prohibit Pentagon acquisition officials from speaking with the media.

"Effective immediately, I do not want anyone within the Air Force acquisition community discussing any of our programs with the media (on or off the record)," Ms. Druyun wrote in an October 4 email message to program officers. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/druyun.html>

These directives were reported and placed in context in an article by Amy Butler in InsideDefense.com, reposted with permission here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/id100901.html>

ANTI-TERRORISM LEGISLATION ADVANCES

Senator Patrick Leahy, the Senate Judiciary Committee chairman, yesterday described at length and somewhat apologetically the Senate's version of the pending anti-terrorism legislation, known as the "Uniting and Strengthening America Act of 2001."

He outlined the numerous changes that have been made to the Administration's initial proposal in the course of Senate deliberations to date, but noted that "This is not the bill that I, or any of the sponsors, would have written if compromise was unnecessary."

See Senator Leahy's October 9 remarks on the Senate floor here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/s100901.html>

The pending Senate legislation, introduced October 4, is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/s1510.html>

The American Civil Liberties Union criticized the Senate bill in an October 5 press release saying it "poses significantly more danger to civil liberties than the measure adopted earlier this week by the House Judiciary Committee." See:

<http://www.aclu.org/safeandfree/>

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Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:30:43 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:14:38 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Connors

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:29:15 +0200
>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

<snip>

>Not true!

Just goes to show you that even I screw up speaking from old memories of cases, instead of looking them up before putting my foot into my mouth. <G>

You are absolutely correct, of course, Luis. However, the overall concept of what I was using the Villas-Boas case as a reference, still stands.

I appreciate the butt kick.

Wendy Connors

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 15:47:42 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:16:24 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:29:15 +0200

>>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Position Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:22:47 -0600

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>>By 1957, a case regarding an illiterate farmer in the
>>boondocks of Brazil named Villas-Boas, was to be
>>the impetus for mainstream ufology to reconnoiter and
>>face the possibility that there may be some type of 'alien'
>>contact beginning that went beyond aerial dimension

><snip>

>>What made the case so viable as to move mainstream ufological
>>research, was the fact that it was done in an isolated area, not
>>done for publicity and the person traveled hundreds of miles to
>>get medical help from Dr. Olavo Fontes.

>Not true!

>Vilas-Boas was not an illiterate farmer in the boondocks of
>Brazil. His family even had a tractor. He was able to read and
>write. And he was studying Law. Some time later he would become
>a lawyer.

<snip>

Hola Luis,

You wrote:

>The truth is that the case was never investigated in situ,
>nor additional material collected.

A truthful statement like that one should make anyone who
calls themselves a UFO "researcher" hang their heads in shame.
The first known (reported) case of UFO abduction and it was
never investigated on the spot where it happened, nor properly
recorded or documented. I'd laugh if it wasn't so sad.

The real shame is; it's typical!

Recuerdos,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 16:07:54 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:19:52 -0400
Subject: Re: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto - Velez

>From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>Subject: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:49:35 CST

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>Subject: Campaign For Disclosure - Toronto
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>Steven M. Greer, M.D.
>with guest witnesses invited
>plus Video Taped Testimony of Military,
>Government, & Intelligence Witnesses

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>Chris Rutkowski

Hey Chris!

You sound surprised my brother. Did you by any chance 'expect' any other kind of behavior? C'mon amigo, this is the same guy that had to be threatened with legal action for ripping-off and claiming credit for the work of other ufologists. (You know who you are!) ;)

The first time I ever heard of him was five years ago when some Scottish researchers made a heart rending plea to American

ufologists (right here on this List) to assist them in recovering an original copy of videotaped UFO, -that Greer had ripped off and flown home with. (All done with limos and a lear jet that was supplied by Larry Rockefeller.)

That was the first time I got to meet and speak with the good doctor. I called him on the phone and asked him if there was any truth to the claims of the Scottish researchers. Greer claimed it was all a big misunderstanding. It was months before those sorry sods got their video back. And that was after -weeks- of in-fighting on this List between Dr. Greer and his now deceased assistant and several members of the UpDates List. (Sorry, forget her name. I don't mean to bad mouth the dead but I do recall clearly however that she was one nasty mouthed customer though. Just ask John Stepkowski. Sorry John, didn't mean to open any 'old' wounds. ;)

That was also when he told me that 98% of all alien abductions were being carried out by clandestine agents within our own government. That he gotten that information from a high ranking general from the Pentagon who he could not name. I asked him for -three years- to substantiate that outrageous claim. He never has. In the meantime, I'm sure that statement managed to scare the crap out of more than one or two abductees.

Then there's CSETI.

Almost \$400.00 US per year so you can run around in some one's cow pasture with a flashlight vectoring in UFOs. It's a freakin' scam man.

Now he uses the disaster which ended thousands of lives and has shattered thousands more as a part of one of his many "fund raising" pitches, and you are surprised.

I'm not. Every time I start to think that this guy can't sink any lower, he always manages to drain a little more water out of the pool. :)

Get some rest Chris. This sorry excuse for a human being isn't worth losing any shut-eye over. Whoever wrote the copy for the above, whether it was Greer or someone else, (although he did approve its use apparently) needs to be prayed for. In a case like the above, prayer would be the only remaining hope for such a person. Or maybe an alien rectal probe. For certain, this kind of behavior is clearly way beyond any 'human' help or therapy.

"Hey Dr. Greer! Let's Limbo for moola-boola! How loooooow will you go?" <LOL>

I'd like to lock Greer in a room, for 5 minutes, with several copies of his fund raising ad and few of the larger, male, family members of those who died on the 11th. I'm sure they'd be willing to give him 'something'. <VBEG>

But hey man, at least Greer is "doing something"! Right?

Regards,

John Velez

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Re: CCCRN News: Art and Humour - Anderson

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 20:54:28 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:26:09 -0400
Subject: Re: CCCRN News: Art and Humour - Anderson

CCCRN NEWS
The E-News Service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

October 11, 2001

ART AND HUMOUR

Something a little different, a couple links for your interest and enjoyment:

New Zealand Sand Art

<http://circles.orcon.net.nz/indexc.html>

(Thanks to ilyes for this one, this unknown artist is quite talented!)

Spud Uncovers the Mystery Behind the Crop Circles

<http://www.interlog.com/~chapman/crop.htm>

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UK Government Helps Fund Crop Circle Film

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 09:21:13 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 09:21:13 -0400
Subject: UK Government Helps Fund Crop Circle Film

Source: BBC News

http://news.bbc.co.uk?Query=&@216.92.12.172/sci/tech/newsid_158000/158544.stm

5 October, 2001, 15:17 GMT 16:17 UK

UK Government helps fund blockbuster crop circle film

After *The Sixth Sense* and *Unbreakable* the next release from director M Night Shyamalan is *Signs*.

The film is the third major release from Shyamalan, who received huge accolades for *The Sixth Sense*, one of the most celebrated films of 1999.

Currently in production in Pennsylvania, *Signs* won't be in cinemas until next Summer. As with his previous two releases, at this stage little is known about the plot, but it has been revealed that the film will focus on the crop circle phenomenon. "No aliens will appear in the movie, although they will be heard and communicate through the language of mathematics" said Shyamalan.

The film stars Mel Gibson who will play the farmer on whose land the crop circles appear. Joaquin Phoenix who was recently nominated for a best supporting actor Oscar for his portrayal of the Emperor in Ridley Scott's blockbuster *Gladiator* will play Gibson's brother and 12 year old Rory Culkin younger brother of Macaulay will play one of Gibson's children.

Crop circles started to appear in the mid seventies and developed over the years from simple circles into complex pictograms. The high number appearing in Wiltshire has been linked with the presence of ancient remains such as Stonehenge, Avebury and Silbury Hill.

The film is being part funded along with Walt Disney pictures by the British Film Council which has a three-year budget of £150m from government and lottery funds to "shamelessly" build on links with Hollywood studios, said the Council's chief executive officer, John Woodward.<P>

Self-proclaimed crop circle hoaxer John Lundberg said: "it's ironic that the government are funding a crop circle film, as researchers often accuse them of running a campaign via the media to discredit crop circles."

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Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction -

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>Subject: Position Statement On Alien Abduction
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Dear Wendy,

Thanks for the vote of confidence (if you intended your remarks toward me). I tend to rely too much on others to mirror an image of myself that I would hope others have of me, but which I feel is often slightly shewed toward the belief that I've 'got it together.' I don't. I'm sure you will understand better after reading this peculiar tome in response to your position statement about abduction.

Several people on this List have helped to keep me 'in line', 'down the middle of the road', to remind me to take this whole thing a little less seriously than I would otherwise tend to do. Now, I can add you to that list, Wendy. Your previous email "Subject: Getting A Grip" dated Tue, 9 Oct, had me laughing out loud... "Let me see if I have this X'y Packie Thingy correct... Hmmmmmmmm, which to choose?" I needed that.

In your most recent email, 'Position Statement on Alien Abduction', you stated on a more serious tone:

>Right out of the gate I find that the alien abduction scenario, >from its beginning, scares the hell out of me. Enough so, I have >never written about it or wanted to do deep research into it.

Yep. I'm of the same mindset. Are you thinking about dipping your toe in the muddy waters now? You may change your mind after reading some of the stuff I have to say. Speaking for myself, insatiable curiosity keeps driving me to analyze the whys, to look for some rational answers. After all these years, I've only found a few (I think). I think that's probably just exactly why no one, including myself as an 'experimenter', wants to talk about it much, for fear of 'muddying the waters' more than they already are. Besides, talking and writing about these experiences only brings to the forefront the terror we initially experience with each visit, as well as the 'flash-back' memories that continue to occur over the years, sometimes adding insult to injury.

So, to talk about this is more difficult than you can imagine. I've tried to analyze this to a fault, as you will plainly see. I am ambivalent about why the memories of these experiences are allowed to come in little pieces like they often do for so many abductees, including myself. Of course, if I believe 'they allow' this to occur, the assumptions here are several: 1) that 'they' have control over what and how much we are able to recall; and, 2) for the ETs to 'allow' abductees to continually obsess over past experiences, sometimes serves to deepen the terror and ensuing depression, especially with the additional flash-back of memories over the years.

If that line of thinking is continued, the intent of the beings to allow such to occur means that their motives for doing so must be inherently pathological, and malevolent. Of course, this

is also assuming that they are able to assess 'right' from 'wrong', as our culture dictates. This would be especially true if their intent is to simply terrify the abductee into silence. This is dangerous ground... to assume that their cultural mores match our own. But, do they even try to 'match' our mores? The answer here, I think, is "yes, they do try to take into account what we think". What is scary for them is that they can only control our thinking as it relates to our ability to remember. Because they are incapable of emotion, they cannot control it in us, and so for us to have conscious recall also brings with those memories the associated emotions: feelings of pain, terror, love, hate, mistrust. After all, it's easier for them to simply 'wipe our memory clean' of the experience. Then we can't feel anything. But, in doing so, each visit is just as horrific as the first so that no acclamation to the sequence of events can occur, no 'stringing-out' of the incidents to allow for learning (which might also allow for some continuity of thought based on previous experiences, thus lessening the degree of terror with each visit).

That lack of continuity is what most often happens to many abductees. So, are they doing us a favor by not allowing us to remember, by giving us commands that we will not remember? Are they being 'kind' in some obtuse fashion, because they realize our culture and beliefs in 'self-determination' need to be nurtured, not smashed and destroyed? It is those of us with conscious recall that threaten this little design of theirs. It is possibly why we don't get visited as often in our old age. We have memories, and we can differentiate between dreams and nightmares and real experiences based on our memories and associated feelings. The emotions are attached like super-glue to those memories, unlike dreams. Then, they have compounded their problems for keeping their presence a secret. However, I don't choose to believe that this particular behavior of theirs (to 'wipe our memories clean') is for the sole purpose of scaring the crap out of us each and every time they visit, just to renew some pathological need to see us suffer. In fact, I think their intent is exactly the opposite, and is the answer as to why they do try so hard to 'wipe our memories clean', make us forget, and keep us in the dark. See what you think. On some of us, their methods don't work very well, is all.

One of the first early experiences I had (I was 5) involved trying to get away from the swarms of 'Little People', who I thought were trolls (like the ones in the 'Billy-Goat Gruff' stories, hiding under the bridge, waiting to catch anyone who tried to cross over). BTW, the description of those trolls closely matches the little buggers, in reality. To get away, I made a conscious decision to jump from the second floor landing of our stairs to reach the 1st floor and the front door, to get out of the house, away from 'them'. In the couple of seconds I had to decide, I realized I might kill myself in that jump, but I felt I had no choice, and I thought I was dreaming, anyway, so I probably wouldn't hurt myself. I was in mid-air, at the apex of the fall, when I heard someone yell, "NO!" Suddenly, I was no longer falling. I hung in mid-air, above the staircase, legs and arms flapping like some little bird in an invisible net. While I screamed and cried for my mommy, daddy and sister to come help me, they tried to calm me down, with assurances that they would not hurt me. Finally, I floated ever so gently to the bottom of the stairs, lightly landing on one toe. "I can fly!" That's all my little mind could comprehend. The fear was gone. I scrambled up the stairs toward them, turned and took off again... it was so incredible, I just wanted to fly, over and over. I didn't care if it was a dream. After the 3rd jump, one of the 'Little People' grabbed for me. Again, I heard, "NO! Leave her alone! She is turning this into a game to get over her fear." I looked up and saw a tall grey being. I stopped. He looked like he was wearing a form-fitting sheet with huge black eyes cut out. I looked away, trying to think. I hadn't thought of that! He was right! I was turning it into a game, and I was almost over my terror... until I saw him! I knew in that instant that I wasn't dreaming, but my little mind didn't care. I wanted to fly! And, I knew he would not let me fall to my death, dream or no dream. He was teaching me to trust. That grey became my mentor, teacher, protector over the years. And, for several 'visits' after that, I was allowed to repeat the above scenario, as if my little mind had to check to make sure they would not allow any harm to come to me.

But, the ETs were careful to ensure that I could differentiate

between 'being with them' and 'being on my own.' I tried 'flying' off of a table in school shortly after that first 'flying' experience. For a split-second, I felt myself suspended, but of course, I wasn't. I landed 'splat' on the linoleum floor, knocking the wind out of me. It's a wonder I didn't knock teeth out, or split my chin open. It was an eye-opener for me at 5: there were 2 worlds, one was real, the other was dream-like, and I was not to assume that they would ever intervene to 'save me' in this world. Period.

I never tried to 'fly' again, and I never again assumed they would come and save me from illness, accidents, or whatever else happened in this world. They came uninvited. When they did come, my parents were 'asleep' and could not help me, so I didn't bother to scream. Sometimes, I tried to run into my sister's bedroom, but the couple of times I did, she was no better off than I. I was responsible for myself, by myself. It was over many years, many experiences, that I decided my initial 'blanket trust' was ill-founded, immature and simplistic. By 13, I had 'fallen in love' with my mentor, my teacher, the grey I named "Daniel", (as much as a little girl can love at 13). He told me many things that would happen in the future, none of which I wanted to believe. They have all come true. After spending years building up this trust and friendship, teaching me simple things, from how to save a dying gold fish to showing me the wonders of our little galaxy and way beyond, after all of this, 'Daniel' chose to hurt me intentionally. After that, I could not trust him ever again, and told him so. He was 650+ years old, I was 13. I expected a little more emotional maturity from him. So, when asked to go live with him, I chose not to. A couple of months later, while on vacation in Bermuda, I was visited again and told that 'Daniel' died when his ship crashed somewhere in Alaska, that he had been so dejected after I turned him down, he had gambled away everything he had (including me) to a couple of creepy reptoids. One of them I recognized and despised. He was chosen to come and tell me of Daniel's death. I was devastated, hysterical with grief. I could not be consoled, even after the 'whole gang' came and took me for a walk on the beach, sans the reptoid creeps. I never saw them again. I've never gotten over that grief, guilt and anger. If I had gone...etc., etc. 'They' know how I feel, and sometimes come to comfort me, to make up for their initial insensitivity. I don't care anymore. I take a 'middle road' on most things now, including these phenomena. Nothing I have seen or experienced in this world or the other makes me think 'they' are any more perfect or imperfect than we are. So, now that I've told you all more than I should have, and you think I'm as 'whacko' as the nut-cases in Contact, singing, "Viva Las Vegas", you can hit the 'delete' button. I wish it was all a bad dream. More than you'll ever know.

>This is not easy for a crypto-aeronautical researcher and
>historian to admit openly.

That's ok. I envy you. Your brains, mostly.

>That said, I read the literature and the posts from those who
>have admitted to such experiences. Even though I do so with a
>critical eye and intellect, I cannot dismiss it as some type of
>wacko movement within the field.

Thanks for reading and trying to understand. My experiences are too bizarre to discuss, for the most part. Times haven't changed that much, I fear. If I were 5 again, I'd expect to hear the same lecture as I did from my father then about "The boy who cried 'wolf'...too many times." Dad didn't fly into a rage when I told him about my experiences. He didn't call me a liar. Instead, he told me to be careful I didn't cry "Wolf" until the wolf was really at the door...otherwise no one would believe me if I cried 'wolf' after the wolf had disappeared. He just didn't want me to talk about it with others. I kept quiet, for the most part, after that. 'They' didn't intervene to clear up the confusion either.

>Yet, I have seen no evidence
>that it ties directly with crypto-aeronautics in the
>conventional sense. It seems, on the whole, to lie on the
>borders of it with channels through it. It is pretty scary and
>harrowing stuff.

Yep. I've ordered some books written for the layperson, like myself, to try to understand the possibility of other

dimensions, etc. I've only read one that comes close to explaining what I think I've experienced. So, I've ordered others by the same author. I hope I haven't wasted my time (and money). His name is Michio Kaku. What do you think of his work?

>In the beginning, 'Ufology' was a pure avenue of adventure. An
>enigmatic phenomena burst upon the military and public scene.
>Initially, reports of contacts with the pilots of these strange
>nuts and bolts craft were dismissed, on the whole, by the
>military and civilian research groups. It took quite a while for
>NICAP, CSI, etc. to move in an intellectual position regarding
>landing cases with humanoid contact and rightly so, for several
>reasons.

>First, the Contactee movement began and tried to attach itself
>to mainstream ufological research. Adamski, Derenberger, Menger,
>etc., made life miserable for those who were attempting to
>approach ufology from a scientific and academic viewpoint in an
>attempt to understand what the phenomena actually entailed. It
>was very much like the scene out of the movie, 'Contact', where
>Dr. Ellie Arroway is riding through the wacko crowd seeing Elvis
>impersonators singing 'Viva Las Vega,' etc.

>The contactees really muddied the waters of ufology by jumping
>way ahead of the game without proof or documentation. Suddenly,
>people were claiming they had traveled to Saturn, Venus, etc.,
>and that the space brothers were going to save humanity, etc.
>The same kind of B.S. today under a different wrapper, i.e., the
>Disclosure Project, etc. The really hardcore example of putting
>the cart before the horse, so to speak.

Yep. Too many people crying 'Wolf!'

>On the one side of the coin were the common sense ufologists.
>They moved carefully and cautiously. But make no mistake here.
>We were not totally skeptical or ready to dismiss the phenomena
>like the scientific community did when they defaulted on their
>responsibilities to explore a new phenomena.

I'm not sure I'd make such a blanket statement as 'defaulted on their responsibilities...' I think maybe there are some scientists who have chosen to keep quiet until the 'wolf is at the door.' Some, I know, are abductees themselves. Meantime, 'they' don't intervene, usually.

>However, the real
>ufologists of the day were between scientific resistance and the
>contactee movement. Ufology, as a unique and interesting field
>of study was in the position of the proverbial middle road,
>taking neither a blind eye, nor going off the deep end into
>fanaticism. Fifty plus years later, nothing has changed in this
>regard. But, ufology itself, has evolved, even under these most
>trying of circumstances.

Not much change, from my perspective. Of course, it takes a lot of innovative thinking to be willing to move off the 'middle road', and as Dick pointed out, there's a big question in many scientists and researchers minds as to the relevance and importance of the UFO phenomena, much less the aspect of abductions, and how that all fits into whether the issue is important enough to warrant such deep investigation, time, money, energy, etc.

Terror tends to make one procrastinate until 'hell freezes over' before one decides to move off of the 'middle road', status quo. It's safer standing and doing nothing in the middle of the road. That goes for abductees too, like myself. Just talking about this gives me the heebie-jeebies. I may be setting myself up for another 'visit'. I hope not. Forcing myself to read semi-scientific material that may or may not substantiate what I've experienced is about as far as I can go.

This is the only list I participate in, and I don't attend seminars, conferences, haven't written any books, and can't even bring myself to make some necessary phone calls which might (not saying 'will') substantiate some of what has happened to me. It's all very difficult, whether someone else believes what you tell them or not. The 'giggle factor' is only another facet of trying to keep one's sanity. Having to deal with the likes of Greer et al. doesn't help. They are truly nothing more than a thorn in the sides of those abductees and researchers (both

believers and debunkers) who are trying to 'be serious', get answers and not muddy the waters. But, do 'they' help? Nope. And, 'they' don't intervene, usually.

>From the historical position, first came the disc phenomenon,
>followed by the humanoid reports. By 1957, a case regarding an
>illiterate farmer in the boondocks of Brazil named Villas-Boas,
>was to be the impetus for mainstream ufology to reconnoiter and
>face the possibility that there may be some type of 'alien'
>contact beginning that went beyond aerial dimension. I will let
>you all go to your UFO literature to read the full details of
>this case and I'll give a short description here. Villas-Boas
>had been working in his fields when he observed a flying disc
>land. He was apprehensive, but not actually scared when he
>approached this craft. To make a long story short, he was taken
>inside the craft by humanoids and was sexually propositioned by
>a humanoid female type. From all practical standpoints, this is
>the beginning point of the alien abduction scenario.

Wendy, by 1957, I was so directly steeped in ETs, I'd decided to act 'bored' when they showed up, in hopes of dissuading them from coming so often. It didn't work very well. They only tended to increase my learning curve, by showing me unbelievably, beautiful aspects of our universe. If I told you what I've seen, I wouldn't expect you to believe me. I don't expect anyone on this list to believe what I've told you. Even my husband can't get his head around this stuff. That's ok. I've given up trying. And, 'they' don't intervene, usually.

>What made the case so viable as to move mainstream ufological
>research, was the fact that it was done in an isolated area, not
>done for publicity and the person traveled hundreds of miles to
>get medical help from Dr. Olavo Fontes. Thus, from this single
>case alien abduction entered into the center ring of ufology. It
>had no connection with the woo-woo contactee movement on the
>fringes of ufology. It was a hardcore case with far reaching
>consequences.

We lived in a middle-class suburb of Columbus, Ohio, with houses all around us. Mr. Ruhl (our next door neighbor) saw something in the middle of our backyard one night, and had a heart attack. He was mumbling something about a space ship to the doctor the next morning, and said he saw my sister and me climbing up a rope ladder to the ship. Mrs. Ruhl called Mom about it afterwards. When Mom asked me about it, I lied. "He must be seeing things", I said. My sister didn't remember anything, thank goodness. Mr. Ruhl never recovered. He died 2 weeks later. I always felt guilty, because he was telling the truth. What difference would it have made? He was an old, sick man, and I was a little girl. Who would believe either one of us? Even that that young age, I knew nothing would come of it. And, 'they' don't intervene, usually.

Funny thing. Dr. Stewart Kingsley, head of the CO-SETI at OSU, moved into a tiny little house in 1992, just a 1/2 block from where all of these abductions occurred. He's got a huge dish sitting in the backyard of that house, trained to the SSW...the opposite direction from the old woods where so much happened for 10 years...just 3 blocks away, not 10 light years away. He's still looking...in the wrong direction.

>Today, various researchers have attempted to grapple with the
>abduction scenario and formulate possible hypotheses to
>consider. However, even after all these years, evidence still
>remain distant to either explain or prove what is actually going
>on and what to do about it. But, even now, the alien abduction
>scenario muddies the waters of ufology, as did the contactee
>movement of the 1950s and 1960s and the Disclosure Projects
>dancing around in extraterrestrial drag today.

So, as I said before, my anecdotal experiences don't mean crap, and only serve to muddy the waters.

>For those who approach the alien abduction scenarios from a
>practical standpoint, there is little doubt that two shifts have
>developed within the field of ufological studies. First is the
>possibility of alien contact, but without documented proof and
>secondly, that a few people seem to have been contacted against
>their will by what can only be considered an alien phenomena.
>Beyond these assumptions all else is total speculation.

Yep. The 'wolf' is out there, but I'm not the one who's going to do the 'calling in', and I'm certainly not the one you want to try to clarify things. I have no more answers. Hope your 'toe dipping' wasn't too painful.

>There are, however, some real intellectual 'bumps' that exist
>within this scenario. The most important of these is the very
>scale as to how many people have been abducted. With estimates
>ranging in the millions, without documentation, combined with
>cases from unreliable personalities, etc., there is little doubt
>that the vast majority of alien abduction cases are bogus and
>probably arise from other avenues such as, wannabee factors,
>wishful thinking, etc.

The experiences all sound bogus, no matter what side of the fence you're in; one has the grass cut a little shorter, the other is left to grow untended, and there are snakes in it. Most of the time, I'm standing on the side where the grass is knee-high and the critters are thick, along with all the other abductees. Someday, I want to be over on the other side, where the grass looks greener, shorter and better tended.

>Thus, from this researchers personal perspective and experience,
>I assume that there is something to the abduction scenario and
>that some people, indeed, have experienced something that seems
>connected, in a bizarre and obtuse way, to the ufological
>phenomenon. I read the posts from the more centrally-grounded
>abductees on this List and continue to keep an open mind.
>However, as much as I hate to state it, there is nobody in core
>ufology that can answer the abductees questions with
>quantitative factuality. But, as a researcher, I can certainly
>empathize with an experiencer's feelings of impotence regarding
>the meaning or reasons for their experiences.

You don't need to try to keep an open mind. You don't want your brains to fall out, do you? It's easier to not look too hard. Don't stray off the beaten path. Unless you're really strong, you won't make it.

>Ufology is a science that is still forming. It has a long way to
>go. However, abductees must assist the research from a middle
>ground position if there is to be any hope in charting,
>documenting and understanding such a far-reaching element of
>ufology and their place in it.

There is no way to 'assist' in the research, not with logical questions and answers. Note: 'they' don't even communicate the same way we do (i.e., they make a statement, "A", and jump to "C", leaving you to try and figure out the why of "B".) Be real. It's gonna take a whole lotta work on everyone's part before scientists and ufologists can figure this mess out. In the meantime, keep the 'whackos' like me out of the picture. Keep it simple.

>The difference between a skeptic and a ufologist is very wide.
>The solid ufological researcher remains skeptical, but open to
>possibilities and probabilities and works to document the
>position.

In this case, you're beating your head against a brick wall. There's so little evidence, it's not worth mentioning.

>The skeptic lacks the elements of possibility and
>probability and works from the position that nothing is possible
>or probable due solely to its enigmatic factor.

I like this. It's like grass growing through cement sidewalks. If it does grow, it's valid info to be studied.

>Because of this
>difference, abductees feel trapped in the middle.

Some of us don't care much anymore. We're just worried about our kids and grandkids having to deal with this crap for the next 50 years.

>What is
>important is that abductee refrain from taking the fanatical
>position and not allow the skeptibunker (Pelicanist) position to
>feel that you don't count in ufological research. You do count
>and seasoned, knowledgable/experienced researchers have not
>abandoned you...

I'm hardly fanatical about anything anymore. If the government wants to play games with an intelligence far superior to our own technologically, let 'em. 'They' won't intervene, usually. Not until it's too late to 'right' the 'wrongs', then we'll both be too sorry, too late.

>but, we take the middle road forward and foray,
>periodically, down the side roads in an attempt to remain
>balanced.

Well folks, I hope this little 'foray' hasn't 'unbalanced' your opinion of me too radically, but I expect it has. I don't feel any guilt over telling you what I have. I'm just sorry that I had to blow your opinion of my supposed 'togetherness' all to *ell and gone. Fortunately, I'm in a lot better shape than some who have been dealing with this all their lives, and continue to do so. Now you know why we don't like talking about this too much, too often. It scares the crap out of us too.

Sincerely,

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Further remarks below.

>I have a few bones to pick here. See below.

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>>EDITORIAL

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>>LITERARY CRITICISM

>>Reviews by Peter Rogerson

>>Michael David Hall. UFOs: a Century of Sightings. Galde Press,
>>1999. £32.50

>>This is the first history of ufology and UFO cases by a
>>professional historian since David Jacobs's The UFO Controversy
>>in America a quarter of a century back. As a historian, Hall
>>declines to supply "explanations" for the cases, and notes the
>>problems with the ETH, though readers will detect in his
>>selection of cases, and commentary, a general pro-UFO bias.
>>However, he has little time for Roswell, pointing out that if
>>something as exotic as a spacecraft had been discovered in 1947,
>>it would have been months before anyone realised what they were
>>dealing with. In Roswell they knew what was up at first sight.
>>Hall hints that perhaps some sort of really big military,
>>possibly nuclear, secret was involved. He also has a few kind
>>words to say about Phil Klass.

>>The strength of this book is the detailed study of the US
>>government policy, and his use of the private papers of Ed
>>Ruppelt, which gives some idea of the complexities involved. Of
>>particular interest is his naming of a new candidate for the
>>'father of the ETH', the aeronautical engineer Alfred Loedding,

>The Sign Historical Group interviewed Victor Bilek who worked
>closely with Loedding. Bilek remembered Loedding as sort of a
>chatter box. Bilek couldn't believe that Loedding was in on the
>UFO investigations as he would constantly be spilling the beans
>about what happened during the day.

>However, official documents do indicate Loedding was deeply
>involved. One 1947 document cited Alfred Loedding, Engineer in
>charge of flying disc investigations. Other documents have
>Loedding meetin with Dr. Carroll at HQ, AF Intelligence, to

>discuss establishment of a UFO investigation project.

>>who seems to have been the driving force behind the infamous
>>Estimate of the Situation. The trouble is that no one since
>>Ruppelt has seen the Estimate, and we cannot say what the
>>arguments used were, though other Air Force documents from this
>>period suggest that the idea being floated around was that the
>>Martians had seen the nuclear bomb explosions and were coming to
>>see what was going on.

As indicated by the McCoy memo, Project SIGN was aware of the Books of Charles Fort. This may have had some impact on there thinking. Robertson after the Robertson Panel mentioned that the panel should take care of the Fortean for awhile.

>Roger, others have discussed the Estimate from claimed personal
>knowledge. Fournet said he saw the Estimate. He did not have too
>high an opinion of the document as his comments at the Ozark UFO
>Conference indicate. Both Keyhoe and Hynek claimed to have seen
>either the Estimate or summaries of it.

>>Hall has met with members of Loedding's
>>family, and his son claims to have remembered investigating
>>landing reports back in the 1940s. Is this a false memory? If
>>not this is very interesting indeed.

>There were several "landing" reports in 1947-48. Your own
>research gave me information on several. The AF investigated
>some of these. See Joel Carpenter's comments on the Midland
>Fireball:

><http://www.project1947.com/dow.htm>

>>The case reports should be very useful, and there is much early
>>material for the ufologists to get their teeth into. One
>>low-level report from Circleville, Ohio now appears on the basis
>>of the report here to be a CEIII,

Accounts of the Circleville, Ohio report may be found in the latter part of this page:

<http://www.project1947.com/fig/1948a.htm>

>>and there are a lot of cases,
>>which if they occurred exactly as reported would be very
>>puzzling indeed. Looking at these stories reminds us of how easy
>>it was in the early 1950s to argue for the ETH. Hall points out
>>that Loedding and others who supported the ETH never had any
>>positive evidence in its favour; they argued from elimination.
>>There is evidence of an exotic technology, it isn't ours, it
>>isn't the Russians, it must be the ETs (which usually meant the
>>Martians).

>>Looking at these stories today, what strikes us is that they
>>don't so much represent what we in 2001 would think of as an
>>advanced technology or of the work of ETs, but a kind of
>>advanced 1940s and 1950s technology, a mixture of speculative
>>ideas about revolutionary aerospace designs and 1930s comic-book
>>ideas of 'spaceships'. This is the 'advanced technology' of the
>>world before satellites and computers, and remote imaging.

>>Though Hall notes the role of the Cold War from time to time, I
>>was surprised that as a historian he really paid very little
>>attention to the cultural climate. For example, it seems obvious
>>now how much war-time experience and imagery pervades these
>>stories. The flying saucers behave in many ways like
>>ultra-high-performance German or Japanese fighters, flying in
>>formation, engaging in dog fights, etc. Just how many of the
>>pilot UFO witnesses had been on active service in the war, and
>>how many had been trained either explicitly or implicitly to see
>>an enemy aircraft behind any ambiguous light in the sky and
>>react accordingly? We don't know the answer to that question.

>>Is it a coincidence that as the War receded into memory, UFO
>>reports become more tenuous, more exotic and "paranormal". Hall
>>notes how ufologists now have become diverted into the pursuit
>>of crashed- saucer rumours and wild abduction stories, because
>>there are no good classical UFO cases around. (It also might be
>>that while access to the Project Blue Book files is relatively
>>simple for anyone willing to fork out for the microfilms, access
>>to the records of civilian UFO groups is next to impossible.)

>>One should be able to recommend this book as an excellent
>>source of good-quality UFO reports, and when I first obtained
>>it, that's what I intended to do, but reading through it gave
>>me some serious doubts. For I have come to doubt the accuracy
>>of the accounts given, because in a number of cases that I know
>>well, the accounts here are inaccurate; indeed the report of
>>the Hill case is one of the most inaccurate I have come across.
>>Were the reports compiled from memory, reconstructed from
>>hastily written notes or what? Also, though Hall does introduce
>>more foreign reports than most American UFO writers, I came to
>>the conclusion that his knowledge of the subject was not all
>>that deep. Perhaps one can only evaluate it after being deeply
>>involved for decades.

>>That caveat means that two of the most important cases in the
>>book, apparent EM-type cases from before the modern UFO wave,
>>need to be re-examined in the original sources. US readers
>>should try to get hold of a magazine called Sky Trails for June
>>1933 and check the story of Colin Murphy who is reported as
>>claiming that, in late September 1926, seventy miles from Salt
>>Lake City his DC4 biplane was 'buzzed' by a sort of wingless
>>cylinder, ninety feet long and eight to ten feet thick. Every
>>time the object came within 150 ft his engine misfired, forcing
>>him to make an emergency landing only to see the object shoot
>>away.

>These publications are very hard to trace down. I suspect these
>are lore unless actual copies can be found.

>>British researchers need to get access to History of the III
>>Fighter Squadron RAF, London Press, 1947, for the following
>>story from 5 July 1933, when at night a flight of four Hawker
>>Fury fighters encountered a "huge circular light" which dropped
>>down from above into the centre of their formation. Captain
>>Nigel Tomkins's engine cut out forcing him to crash land.
>>Another pilot, Bruce Thomas, came even closer, suffering not
>>just an engine failure but burns to his hands and face. Clearly
>>if the book can be traced and confirms that this account is
>>reliable, then all efforts should be made to track down flight
>>logs and other original documentation, check the local press for
>>the period, and even try to track down descendants of those
>>involved. [A preliminary check with the library at the RAF
>>Museum, and the British library, has failed to trace this book.
>>JR]

>Glad to know someone has made an attempt to check this story.

>>British resesarchers might also like to try to find something
>>more about a vague reference by Ruppelt to an incident on 16-17
>>January 1947, in which two fighters intercepted a violently
>>moving object over England.

>What is more interesting is that Ruppelt indicates that there
>were a series of such reports.

I was aware of the research of Clarke and Roberts, but not the extent of
their haul. Impressive. Nor was I aware that the "ghost aeroplanes" went
back to 1945, especially interesting. There is more work to be done in the
AAF message files in our National Archives to see if the American attachees
informed Washington of these reports. I do indeed await their book.

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/2001/oct/ml1-011.shtml>

Other interesting leads are:

1) A supposed attempted UFO interception near Hong Kong by the
RAF on about 10 July 1947. Newspaper reports in Hong Kong
referred to such rumors which the RAF denied.

2) Radar tracks of unknown objects by the Royal Navy off of
Japan in 1948. A report is listed in USAF intelligence index
cards, but the report is not available in the large, still
classified, AF intelligence report library turned over to the
National Archives.

3) References to "Gizmos" in various news reports and
intelligence reports, that is unknown radar tracks for US
radars. I can't pin any of these down, but obviously these
bothered radar people in the US. Loren Gross mentioned a rather
short report in 1946.

4) I think we will find a rather more extensive investigation into ghost rockets than previously thought with the use of both radar and radio direction finders. One Top Secret US Navy document does mention the use of a Navy plane with special radio interception gear in 1947.

5) If ghost rockets were a Scandinavian psychosociological phenomena should we not expect find similar stories in the northern Norwegian Islands, Iceland and Greenland. (Limited research to date in a few Icelandic newspapers has turned up nothing but reports from the main land of Europe.)

>>Despite the errors, and the price, this is an important book,
>>and one that ufologists should add to their collection.

Jan Aldrich

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Re: Nexus Magazine? - Danks

From: **Darren Danks** <darrend@blueyonder.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 01:06:16 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:31:49 -0400
Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - Danks

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>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Nexus Magazine? - McGonagle
>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 16:57:01 +0100

>I wouldn't trust them as far as I could throw them - they got
>quite nasty when I suggested (contrary to their assertions) that
>the Transistor is of completely terrestrial origin, a natural
>progression from the semiconductor diode.

>In the end, they threatened me with legal action (after calling
>me all sorts of names, and accusing me of being racist!).

>Regards,

>Joe

Hi Joe and the list

I agree with the transistor bit. It definately IS of terrestrial origin but not from the U.S. as a lot of people think. It was actually developed at the Mullard laboratories at (now) DERA facility at Malvern, UK. They grow silicon crystals there amongst other things, non of this "the ETs invented it all" type stuff. Humans can think for themsleves even though some people don't seem to think so. They invented the P-N junction diode and then started playing around with different variations to see what happens. Who of us haven't played around with chemicals in science at school to see what happens :-)

We all know the ETs are here but they didn't invent all the technology we have around us. WE are much much smarter than WE give ourselves credit for!!

Re. Nexus, I've always enjoyed the mag but I didn't realise they can get so nasty if someone disagrees with any of the articles.

Take care

Darren

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Re: Book Sale - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 02:58:24 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:10:54 -0400
Subject: Re: Book Sale - Hale

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 8 Oct 2001 10:34:10 EDT
>Subject: Re: Book Sale
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Dear Roy, Listers and Errol,

>Thank you for the book sale, however the only book I was
>interested in purchasing was "Women on Top" and my wifey won't
>let me have it. Well, actually that is not quite accurate. She
>told me that she WOULD let me have it. If I bought the book.

Jim,

I am sorry to say, that the book you mention does not contain
any pictures of naked women, simply a lot of text from women
about their sexual fantasies.

A slight over spill on my Psycho-social readings.

Thank you to those who have e-mailed privately for certain
books.

<http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/Booksell.htm>

Roy..

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:35:40 +0200
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:17:21 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 15:47:42 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

Hello John,

You wrote

>The first known (reported) case of UFO abduction and it was
>never investigated on the spot where it happened, nor properly
>recorded or documented. I'd laugh if it wasn't so sad.

I do not explain myself properly. Vilas Boas was interviewed at length by Dr. Fontes and Martins about 4 months after the incident. This happened in Rio de Janeiro (not in Sao Paulo as I wrote before). The SBEDV investigation team did visit Vilas Boas at home, in San Francisco de Sales, and visited the place of the incident but 5 years later and without interviewing any additional family member, etc.

On the main question, I strongly agree with you in that bedroom visitors are a different phenomena from UFO abductions, or at least, should be analyzed differently. But...

Let us center in your own case (as I read it in Brokesmith's 'Alien Abductions'). Let's accept for the sake of the argument that you did see a non-human craft in Brooklyn that night. Even though, you yourself did not qualify as an abductee, because you did not have conscious recall of being abducted.

You panicked, started running, and "the next second, it's daylight, and I'm sitting bolt upright in bed. It's 7 o'clock in the morning. And I've got blood all over me (...) and my eye is out here, very red and swollen, and the white of the eye is completely red". You were not mugged because all your valuables were still in your pants (One question: Did you awake dressed, even with your shoes on?).

I have proposed that you might simply had trip over a rubbish can and some foreign substance (solid or liquid) may have entered your eye and produced an allergic reaction. You yourself admitted that the physiological impossibility of having a eye "laying on the cheek" made your statement under hypnosis just a sensation, not a fact.

Not everybody who sees a UFO, even at a short distance is abducted. Why did you think that part of your experience is real?

Yours,

Luis R. González Manso

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:23:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - González Manso

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

Hello, Jerry.

You wrote:

>An admittedly every specialized fantasy, involving among - other
>erotic elements - vomiting. I think the rest of us will count
>that among the less probable explanations for Villas-Boas's
>story.

Of course, you are entitled to think so. My bet would be a tall tale on the chemist which backfired.

The history of ET beliefs in South America is still to be written, but you must remember that the very first human contact with aliens post-Arnold was the Jose C. Higgings encounter, in Brazil. (Not much cited is the last sentence of the newspaper account - no investigation, again - on the case, which points to a possible hoax or a dream. I do not have it at hand but if you are interested I will look for it).

Besides, just a few weeks before the Vilas Boas case, we have the appearance on Brazilian TV of Profesor Guimaraes boasting about his travels in a UFO.

>To me the case is interesting as one that, long before Budd
>Hopkins's investigations brought the concept into the abduction
>controversy, suggests the presence of hybrid beings. At least it
>is consistent with that hypothesis, as are the surprising number
>of early CE3s (unremarked on by any ufologist, as far as I know,
>until I discussed it in my UFO Encyclopedia) wherein human or
>near-human entities are described.

Well, we could also consider Greek semi-gods (like Hercules) hybrid beings. And, what did the B.E.M.s of the SF pulps in the 30s have in mind abducting so many damsels? Peter Rogerson wrote a series of articles in Magonia about the precedents of abduction up to the Hills.

What I am trying to say is that talking about hybrids is just speculation. And a speculation shared by many people (remember the Bible stories about giants messing around with human women?). Human or humanoid beings are so because of the lack of imagination exhibited by contactees and eyewitness, or because of a convergent evolution? Even Swords, who admits the convergent evolution option, denies the possibility of hybridisation.

The only solution (for its reality) is the one commented by Däniken et al, that aliens created humans. But this solution really creates more problems than it solves.

Yours,

Luis R. González

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Re: Position Statement on Alien Abduction - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 16:19:46 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:54:25 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement on Alien Abduction - Connors

>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:12:49 -0400
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Position Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:22:47 -0600

>>Hi Wendy, hi All,

>>Right out of the gate I find that the alien abduction scenario,
>>from its beginning, scares the hell out of me. Enough so, I have
>>never written about it or wanted to do deep research into it.
>>This is not easy for a crypto-aeronautical researcher and
>>historian to admit openly.

>The honest admission you have made is what IMHO separates the
>'wheat from the chaff' in terms of intellectual honesty.
>Something which is sorely lacking in many of those associated
>with "ufology." Your openness and honesty is refreshing and
>appreciated. Wish we could all see more of it among those who
>investigate the UFO phenom.

Well, John, I ain't as smart as I wish I was, but then again,
I'm human, so that accounts for the times I stumble over my
tongue and butcher my own reasoning. Guess trying is what really
counts in the whole scheme of things, but I appreciate the
compliment. <G>

>>That said, I read the literature and the posts from those who
>>have admitted to such experiences. Even though I do so with a
>>critical eye and intellect, I cannot dismiss it as some type of
>>wacko movement within the field. Yet, I have seen no evidence
>>that it ties directly with crypto-aeronautics in the
>>conventional sense.

>That is one of the things I have been talking about since day
>one. Although I hesitate to use the analogy because it opens up
>its own 'can of worms' it is only the "Betty and Barney Hill"
>type encounters involving a "UFO" _and_ its "occupants," (which
>also includes the Travis Walton case, the Charlie Hickson
>Pascagoula, Miss. case, the Allagash four case, etc etc etc)
>should even be considered by "UFO" researchers. That is an
>opinion that has caused many "abductees" to call me a
>"traitor"and a "skeptic" (of all things) in the past.

I know what you mean, John, about "opening a can of worms." I
should have kept my mouth shut...60 emails and counting since I
posted. I gotta feeling I'll be up all night again. <G>

>You are quite correct however that _many_ "abductee" reports
>have nothing to do with a direct encounter/contact with a UFO. I
>have been saying for years that _all_ of those cases should be
>set aside in favor of focusing on the ones which involve: a
>fully awake/alert individual who was 'going about their

>business' at the time of the "contact/sighting," cases involving
>multiple witnesses/experiencers, and at all times only cases
>that involve close-up contact/interaction with a UFO(s) and
>their occupants.

I agree. It is kind of like the nocturnal light scenario in ufology. What can you really do with them except chart them in a database? I dunno. I don't have the expertise of Larry Hatch, etc. in that area and rely on him and others to inform me of what it might mean. Besides, I go blind trying to connect the dots on the maps and then am more confused than ever. <G> On top of that, people who write me asking me to tell them what the "big blue, hazy light" was that "zigged and zagged" they saw. Now, in all honesty, how can that question be answered that would be acceptable? It can't.

>A big part of the problem has been that "UFO" abduction has not
>been clearly defined by anyone who does research. Ergo, it has
>become defined (what an "abduction" is,) by the experiencers
>themselves.

<snip>

Wish I could help you here, John, but I've perambulated around the field for a heck of a long time and I still beat my head against the wall trying to clearly define what "Ufology" is supposed to be. That's why I keep saying that the UFO phenomena is reality based and we really don't know diddly squat what it really is and what it means yet.

Also, that is why I stopped using "ufology" and switched to using the term: crypto-aeronautics. It just sounds better and seems easier to grapple with because it isn't so obtuse and enigmatic sounding. I think its a start, but then again, what the hell do I know? I am schlepping around like everybody else.

The more I study the more I know and the more I know the more I forget...thus, the less I know. Yet, like caged dog, I keep trying to understand and make sense of something that doesn't make sense. Good intellectual exercise, but even though I learned a lot of really good stuff, I'm no closer to an answer than I was on day one.

No wonder people go wacky in this field at times. In a nutshell, we know more about what crypto-aeronautics isn't, than what it really is and that's a start, anyway. So, I can understand your frustration with your work in the alien abduction scene.

>>Today, various researchers have attempted to grapple with the
>>abduction scenario and formulate possible hypotheses to
>>consider. However, even after all these years, evidence still
>>remain distant to either explain or prove what is actually going
>>on and what to do about it. But, even now, the alien abduction
>>scenario muddies the waters of ufology, as did the contactee
>>movement of the 1950s and 1960s and the Disclosure Projects
>>dancing around in extraterrestrial drag today.

>I don't think that is the abductees fault as much as it is a
>problem caused by those who report on the phenomenon as
>'proponents' of it, rather than as objective investigators.

<snip>

>I would blame them (if 'blame' is a proper term) before I'd
>blame the experiencers.

I'm not blaming the Experiencers, John. At least in the way you are perceiving it. What I am saying is that some Experiencers make demands on researchers that cannot be met and then fulminate to the point of making researchers want to ignore them or the abduction scenario in total.

Kinda like being a parent and having the rug rompers in the back seat constantly saying, "Are we there yet? Huh? Are we there yet? Why aren't we there yet?" Well, you get the point, I'm sure. The Experiencer is undoubtedly desperate for answers (who wouldn't be in the same circumstances), but some cannot accept, or will accept, that researchers really don't know any more than what they, themselves know. In other words, Experiencers sometimes want the researcher to handle the situation and guide them, but that cannot really be done. Assisted, yes, but not

given definitive answers or make the experience more palatable.

>>For those who approach the alien abduction scenarios from a
>>practical standpoint, there is little doubt that two shifts have
>>developed within the field of ufological studies. First is the
>>possibility of alien contact, but without documented proof and
>>secondly, that a few >people seem to have been contacted against
>>their will by what can only be considered an alien phenomena.
>>Beyond these assumptions all else is total speculation.

>I agree with the latter but not with the former. There
>_is_'documentation' in the form of physical marks, scars, and
>foreign objects, as well as ground trace evidence, multiple
>witnesses etc., that are associated with these
>encounters/reports.

Well, John, I think you are half correct on this point. But, collateral documentation is just that and does not prove conclusively alien abduction. I'll give you an example. Reference the Cash/Landrum incident. Radiation type burns, helicopters, diamond-like craft, etc. Obviously an unknown aeronautical craft is observed, witnesses injured, etc. But no definitive proof of an extraterrestrial craft. Same with Experiencer's trace elements. Those alone do not conclusively point to alien abduction, torture, etc.

There is no actual proof, as yet, that the abduction scenario is extraterrestrial in nature, interdimensional, etc. These remain hypotheses with secondary evidence. This documentation gives only hard circumstantial evidence that an enigmatic event took place. Nothing more. Alone, such evidentiary elements do not prove an alien abduction actually took place, but suggests only a possibility and not a probability. What it does prove is that the incident cannot be discounted or ignored. It requires further study and research. The skeptic won't even go this far.

<snip>

>>There are, however, some real intellectual 'bumps' that exist
>>within this scenario. The most important of these is the very
>>scale as to how many people have been abducted. With estimates
>>ranging in the millions, without documentation, combined with
>>cases from unreliable personalities, etc., there is little
>>doubt that the vast majority of alien abduction cases are bogus
>>and probably arise from other avenues such as, wannabee
>>factors, wishful thinking, etc.

>I agree. Although I would hesitate to venture a guess as to the
>percentage. I think that using a term like "vast majority" is a
>bit extreme. It probably reflects a personal bias in thinking
>more than it does representation of 'hard' or 'proven fact'.
>Truth is, until somebody begins to investigate, and through
>the process of elimination actually determines how many such
>cases are bogus, we >just won't know how many are real or not.

Well, I think you kinda split hairs here, John. Common sense tells me that if 3 or 4 million Americans (let's forget the millions world-wide for the sake of argument) of all economic, political, social, etc., status have been abducted by aliens, then a portion of those would be in positions of power (economically and politically) to do something about getting it researched. Smaller groups of people have destroyed governments, etc. I'm pretty convinced such a phenomena is taking place, but I believe that "alien abduction" is on a very small scale and even at that, it presents very serious problems.

<snip>

>See my first response above. :) I have had such an encounter
>Wendy.

<snip>

I know, John. Kinda singing to the choir, eh? <G>

>We can't say "there is no evidence" because no one has taken
>the time to determine whether what is already in hand actually
>comprises valid or 'acceptable evidence'. Even the most basic
>of research has yet to be performed. Yet everyone always feels
>free to expound on the abduction phenomenon as if they
>actually knew what the hell they were talking about.

John, from your experience and perspective, whom (persons, organizations) do you suggest has the expertise via, political, scientific, medical, economic, social/psychological, etc. to address the problem and exactly what do you want done about a problem that seems beyond human comprehension? Further, exactly how do you feel this should be accomplished and by what methodology?

>>I read the posts from the more centrally-grounded abductees on >>this List and continue to keep an open mind.

>I'd like to think that I am considered one of those.

You are and I'm listening.

<snip>

>The search for "meaning" for me, is secondary to helping get a >real investigation started. People need to know what is >happening, and they needed to know it _yesterday!_ There is an >urgency to all of this that few are able to (genuinely) >appreciate. What many of us have been through is _no_joke_. >The implications for our future and the future of our children >are monumental.

Wouldn't a search for possible "meaning" be an important core element of a real investigation? Secondly, what you and others have been through is certainly "no joke" by any conceivable stretch of the imagination. Thirdly, there is more "urgency" in many other things, too, John. At the moment, I am more concerned for the welfare of the free world, but that does not mean that does not mean I don't care about you or people who are experiencing such a phenomena. But, I don't count dead bodies in alien abduction incidents. Psychological stress...definitely. But psychological stress can be just as monumental in other things besides an alien abduction incident.

>>Ufology is a science that is still forming. It has a long way >>to go. However, abductees must assist the research from a middle >>ground position if there is to be any hope in charting, >>documenting and understanding such a far-reaching element of >>ufology and their >place in it.

<snip>

>Sorry but, you can't blame us for not being willing to >cooperate. I'm the exception that disproves the rule. The fault >lies mostly with the research community itself. It has fallen >flat on its pontificating face when it comes to investigating >reports of UFO abduction. Like I said, everybody has something >to say, but few actually know what the devil they are talking >about. Until the research community actually accepts some >responsibility for properly investigating abduction reports, all >we're going to get is more 'uneducated' opinion.

Ummm, I didn't "blame [Experiencer's] for not being willing to cooperate." I put forth the concept that by "demanding" something be researched that is probably beyond human ability at this time, is muddying the waters. I asked above what should be done, how should it be done and what expectations are possible? In other words, what methodology does a researcher follow when facing such an enigma? Moral support and an ear to listen is what is available, currently. If crowd chanting takes over, how can that help? Thus, muddying the waters. Thus, the middle of the road scenario to understanding and developing a methodology to research.

>>What is important is that abductee refrain from taking the >>fanatical position and not allow the skeptibunker (Pelicanist) >>position to feel that you don't count in ufological research. >>You do count and seasoned, knowledgable/experienced researchers >>have not abandoned you... but, we take the middle road forward >>and foray, periodically, down the side roads in an attempt to >>remain balanced.

>Yeah, well if you look over to your left a little you'll see me >out there in the middle of the road beside you. Those who know >me best will vouch for how hard I work at staying grounded, >open-minded, and willing to learn and to work. Now, if we can >find some researchers who are willing to do like-wise... we'll >be in business. :)

I think you've made good strides in your quest, John, but taking the position that insinuates that it's researchers fault for not doing something about the abduction scenario is pretty lame. Therefore, that is certainly not a middle of the road approach.

Nobody gives me medals or glory for the new material I've brought to the field, so why should you be courted differently? I'll give you an example: I posted information about what a single page from a classified document actually detailed by bringing the entire manual to the eyes of ufological researchers (AFM 200-3) on various lists, including this one. By doing so I conclusively documented and destroyed the speculation about the illustration and wording that has puzzled ufologists since 1966. Yet, only two people even acknowledged the contribution, which I deeply appreciated, but my doing so is not for alocades (sp?), it is what I do and how I contribute. I certainly don't blame NICAP, Dick Hall, Frank Edwards, etc. for not doing so, even though Edwards gave it to NICAP and researchers have speculated on it for decades.

Regards,

Wendy Connors

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Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 09:57:45 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:03:52 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Connors

This post is addressed to the members of the List who have been experiencers of what the alien abduction scenario in Ufology and anyone else who may be interested.

First, I want to thank Sue, John, et. al., who have replied to my position statement, both on the List and privately. It is quite impossible to personally reply to all of you, not because I did not read your email or post, but because of time constraints. For example, this morning I waited for 18 minutes for emails sent to finish D/loading. I did respond personally to some of you last night, but I don't want any of you to be offended because you are not getting a personal reply. If the situation were reversed, I am sure you would understand. That said, I want to respond to all of you in a different way... on this List.

John Velez seems to have taken the lead, more or less, in a position as spokesperson for many Experiencers and has a List for those of you who feel more comfortable discussing the issues away from the eyes of the 'world' and researchers. John plainly stated yesterday that one of the commonalities among Experiencers is that researchers are not really doing anything. I've responded to John and you should have seen it on the UFO Updates List by now.

I want to try an experiment on the List. Those who wish to participate can send their answer to me privately. But, before I explain what I want to do, I must ask you to consider the following:

1. I am not a scientist, physician, psychologist, psychiatrist, etc. I am a crypto-aeronautic researcher who just looks, learns and make my own decisions.
2. It does not matter whether I believe or disbelieve what all of you shared with me (are you listening, Sue?). What does matter, is that I am willing to keep an open mind and allow you to teach me before I make a definitive belief regarding alien abduction one way or the other. Hopefully, other researchers on this list will learn too.
3. The responsibility to teach the crypto-aeronautic researcher about alien abduction is the primary responsibility of the Experiencers themselves. Researchers cannot teach you what you already know from personal experience. However, researchers worth their salt, so to speak, are willing to listen and learn, but the Experiencer must learn the "language" of crypto-aeronautic research, while the researcher must learn the "language" of alien abduction scenarios so that channels of communication don't end up in a semantic quagmire. As an example: Medical doctors speak in medical terminology so that there is no misunderstanding of what is being related. This leaves discussion or disagreements to be considered without having to hash through just what another doctor is talking about. This same specific language model is found in all professions and undertakings. The engineer, architect, etc., all use commonality of terminology. Crypto-aeronautics has not reached this level, as yet, but it is progressing.

The above said, I give notice to the Experiencer that much of their frustration with the research end of the alien abduction scenario from both sides, is due to the lack of proper terminology. The experiment I want to do is very, very simple in language, but will be excessively difficult, as those who wish to participate will quickly take note and wonder if you can do it at all. But I ask you to really give it all you've got. It is important for several reasons.

First, a baseline is needed for research. I haven't seen this to date. From this baseline, or core meaning, are all other elements of study and research derived. I will explain as simply as I can by using an example. A young man is arrested for holding up a convenience store and is taken into custody and questioned by the police about why he did it. Through the questioning the police learn he is unemployed, addicted to drugs, etc. He is tried for the crime and sentenced accordingly. However, even with all of the information given and learned the bottom line is not addressed. This bottom line would be called the "Baseline" and is the beginning point of understanding the whole situation. The absolute baseline, once the police, court and lawyers got through, would be: "I needed the money." It isn't quite that simple though. The baseline is necessary to understand the whole scenario of the crime. He needs money to buy drugs, but he's on drugs as an escape from an abusive father or parents who did not give him a moral ground from which to grow; that he was hungry or needed money to feed his sister, etc. Further, he might not have learned the process for getting assistance without resorting to crime, but may feel the process for doing so makes him feel belittled, etc. The list is endless. But, the absolute bottom line is: He needed money.

Secondly, the baseline is critical for building the process in order to find or determine answers to questions and then for the eventual building of a methodology that can be used to study, track and deal with the alien abduction scenario. Remember, research and understanding isn't easy and it doesn't come to full circle for quite awhile. But it is a way, I believe, for the Experiencer and researcher interested in unraveling the phenomena together (are you listening, John?).

Here's the experiment and I'll put it in simple terms and with a simple statement.

Statement: People who have experienced what they feel is alien abduction feel isolated, scared, etc. Further, they don't know what to do about the experience(s) and fear for the possibilities it may have for their children, spouses, etc. Desperate, they seek understanding, acceptance, etc. Due to the emotional issues involved and the stress of the issue, Experiencers are generally taken for wackos, weirdos or hysterical types by a large percentage of their society. The reason for this is that the experiences are so weird and bizarre, most people don't want to listen or it scares them in some way. In other words, most people, if given a choice, would rather the Experiencer just go away and stop confusing things. However, that won't happen. From a common sense standpoint alone, regardless of the psychological mumbo-jumbo, etc., too many people have had an experience that closely relates to others experiences, thus are an actual community of people with a common factor of experience. Therefore, in order to set a baseline, the following is offered and those who desire to participate are welcome to do so.

Rules: Participation can be via the List or directly to me by private email. I will not personally respond to those who wish to participate, but will gather the individual answers, compile them and send them on (without names) to those researchers more adept than I am in this particular aspect of crypto-aeronautics. I will then share with the List, in general terms, what seems to be the consensus as to the baseline of alien abduction from the researchers standpoint. I will give until January 31, 2002 for all responses from those who desire to participate.

The Question:

The "Experiencer" must select a time to quietly reflect on their experiences and without using emotion or explanation, give a single sentence to the following question:

The bottom line meaning of the experience I have had or continue to have for me, is: (Remember, just one sentence)

Thank you,

Wendy Connors

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Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:30:57 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

I have now received the information I needed from the Ordnance Survey office, and it identifies the NRPB grid reference for RAF Woodbridge and most of Rendlesham forest to be:

63(E) 24(N)

The corresponding figure for background radiation in that 10 km square is given as:

20 nanoGrays/Hour (0.00000002 Gy/hour)

1 Gray=100 Rad, therefore, this figure equates to:

100x20/1,000,000,000 Rad/hour
=0.000002 Rad/hour or 2 microRad/hour

I am fallible, though I have tried to be as accurate as possible, so if I have made any error in the grid reference or the calculations, please feel free to correct me.

If we accept the reading given on Halt's tape as 0.07 mRad/hour, and allow an error factor of 50%, the minimum reading would be around 0.035 mRad/hour, or 35 microRad/hour, seventeen times the "official" background level.

I suppose it is now up to the individual to decide whether this comparatively massive reading (though still harmless, we are assured) was due to the method of measurement used, or radioactive contamination from an unknown source.

Out of interest, the national average natural outdoor dose rate in the UK is given as 34 nGy/hour, or 3.4 microRad/Hour. I also tried to work out the safe exposure levels, but got thoroughly bamboozled by different units of measurement-why do they make things difficult for people? For information and if anyone wants to work out the Rad equivalents, 1 mSv (millisievert) is the recommended annual dose limit for the general public (according to the International Commission on Radiological Protection).

Cheers,

Joe

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The Watchdog (e-update) - 10-12-01

From: Royce J. Myers III <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:38:37 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:33:05 -0400
Subject: The Watchdog (e-update) - 10-12-01

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Statistics On Hoax Cases?

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Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 20:07:36 +0300
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:35:21 -0400
Subject: Statistics On Hoax Cases?

Dear List,

Has anyone compiled any statistics about UFO-hoax cases? If so, where could such statistics be found?

Asks

Minna H

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:36:40 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

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>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

Hi, Luis,

>>An admittedly every specialized fantasy, involving among - other
>>erotic elements - vomiting. I think the rest of us will count
>>that among the less probable explanations for Villas-Boas's
>>story.

>Of course, you are entitled to think so. My bet would be a tall
>tale on the chemist which backfired.

Based, exactly, on what evidence?

>>To me the case is interesting as one that, long before Budd
>>Hopkins's investigations brought the concept into the abduction
>>controversy, suggests the presence of hybrid beings. At least it
>>is consistent with that hypothesis, as are the surprising number
>>of early CE3s (unremarked on by any ufologist, as far as I know,
>>until I discussed it in my UFO Encyclopedia) wherein human or
>>near-human entities are described.

>Well, we could also consider Greek semi-gods (like Hercules)
>hybrid beings. And, what did the B.E.M.s of the SF pulps in the
>30s have in mind abducting so many damsels? Peter Rogerson
>wrote a series of articles in Magonia about the precedents of
>abduction up to the Hills.

Of course, as Eddie Bullard has stated repeatedly, claiming a
pedigree and demonstrating one are entirely different matters.
So far, all I see in this sort of psychosocial guesswork is the
former. Has anybody demonstrated that CE3 witnesses were
students of Greek mythology or immersed in 30s pulp science-
fiction arcana? I don't think so.

In any event, unless you're claiming that all CE3 claimants who
reported what we might now interpret as hybrid beings were
lying, the theory you seem to be proposing makes no sense. We're
talking about experiences, sometimes multiply or independently
witnessed, not ideas and images extant only in mental space. I
find Villas-Boas's anticipation of sexual abductions, plus its
implied hybrid being, interesting, and even more so in the
context of later sexual abductions and in the unremarked-upon
context of early CE3 experiences of humanlike entities.

None of this proves anything, of course, but it surely deserves
more than airy dismissal.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Hyvonen

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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 15:25:18 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Hyvonen

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Position Statement on Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:22:47 -0600

>Right out of the gate I find that the alien abduction scenario,
>from its beginning, scares the hell out of me. Enough so, I have
>never written about it or wanted to do deep research into it.
>This is not easy for a crypto-aeronautical researcher and
>historian to admit openly.

We seem to be biased a bit different way: somehow - I wonder why - I feel no fear while hearing these stories of people's experiences. But I must point out, that the more horrifying experience, the more I hope the person could somehow avoid it. Who would want any harm to same-species individuals? Maybe my attitude developed when I listened, for 4 years, to the stories of different experiencers. The experiences of UFOs and big black-eyed monsters were a piece of cake compared with claims and experiences of evil spirits. I want to point out, that I do not consider that the experiences were originated by spirits. But how can people have horrible experiences even when there is no shred of evidence, that anyone other than themselves has caused them?!

<snip>

>In the beginning, 'Ufology' was a pure avenue of adventure. An enigmatic phenomena burst upon the military and public scene. >Initially, reports of contacts with the pilots of these strange nuts and bolts craft were dismissed, on the whole, by the military and civilian research groups. It took quite a while for >NICAP, CSI, etc. to move in an intellectual position regarding >landing cases with humanoid contact and rightly so, for several >reasons.

Now I'm slipping slightly of the topic.....

What has bothered me on the history of ufology is the question of egg and hen; Which was first, the unidentified flying objects, or horrifying experiences of odd creepers? See, first it seemed there was flying things first. Then I studied (as a lay-man) a bit about sleep paralysis, and found out, that surprisingly far in our history there is stories of odd experiences, that fills the features of sleep paralysis. Is there a starting point at all, or has these phenomenons been with us as long as we have been here?

>The contactees really muddied the waters of ufology by jumping >way ahead of the game without proof or documentation. Suddenly, >people were claiming they had traveled to Saturn, Venus, etc., >and that the space brothers were going to save humanity, etc. >The same kind of B.S. today under a different wrapper, i.e., the >Disclosure Project, etc. The really hardcore example of putting >the cart before the horse, so to speak.

It never ceases to surprise me, that only mentioning the scientific point makes some people so angry, they react like they were beaten. Why? The only explanation I have found is

that they feel that their own values are in danger of being crushed, and they are themselves in danger of being muddled.

>On the one side of the coin were the common sense ufologists.
>They moved carefully and cautiously. But make no mistake here.
>We were not totally skeptical or ready to dismiss the phenomena
>like the scientific community did when they defaulted on their
>responsibilities to explore a new phenomena. However, the real
>ufologists of the day were between scientific resistance and the
>contactee movement. Ufology, as a unique and interesting field
>of study was in the position of the proverbial middle road,
>taking neither a blind eye, nor going off the deep end into
>fanaticism. Fifty plus years later, nothing has changed in this
>regard. But, ufology itself, has evolved, even under these most
>trying of circumstances.

<snip>

Good points. Today in Finland - and surely globally - it seems we have these types of UFO-hobbiists:

- 1) critical UFO-researchers
- 2) non-critical UFO-researchers
- 3) critical experiencers (we do not know them because of their own critiques)
- 4) non-critical experiences (them we know well)

Standing in the middle, walking the Golden Road so to speak is not a easy task, and I wonder how many have succeeded at it. I don't think the religious aspects should be considered in UFO investigation, but the theories of altered mind-states, hallucinations and purely mis-interpretations should. We have also discussed here about studying the experiencer him/herself. Not as believeing everyone is a hoaxer, more like checking out all diseases and disorders, like narcolepsy, sleep paralysis etc. But as many other things, this splits our group in two; one says it is an insult to study the experiencer, the other thinks it is a good idea and should be done.

Do you folks think that examing the health of the experiencer could be any good for UFO research? If it could be of any benefit, how and by whom it should be done?

Minna H

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Gehrman

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Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:29:03 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 15:28:34 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Gehrman

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:57:52 -0400

You wrote to Jim:

>You have defended Vetterick and the AA CD program even when the
>means to the ends involved attacking reputations.

>In this case, mine.

>It has been demonstrated that I had been falsely accused of
>breaking an agreement. Yet, I got no excuse from nobody.

Not quite true. This is what I wrote to you after we exchanged a few angry emails. I thought it was an apology, at least it was intended as such:

Serge

"Sorry for the harshness in the tone of my last post to you. I was mistaken about the understanding between you and Dave . The reason for my impatience is that I wanted to respond, on List of course, but that would interfere with my agreement with Dave and the rest of our research group. Would you mind sending your Updates post to Dave so it can be responded to by me and others?"

<snip>

"I apologize for my unnecessary rudeness and hope you continue to respond."

Ed

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What We Have Here is a Failure to Communicate

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 15:30:58 -0400
Subject: What We Have Here is a Failure to Communicate

Wendy Conners wrote, in a recent post, of her feelings regarding the "language" of communication.

Recently I had the pleasure of speaking at great length, to a man I perceived (up until that point) to be a skeptibunker as well as a traitor to his previous positive opinion regarding the abduction phenom. I was wrong. And the reason(s) I was wrong had nothing to do with language per se. It had to do with my lack of ability to allow what I was reading and hearing to penetrate long enough to be able to comprehend meaning. *Mia culpa*.

You see, one of the most serious problems Experiencers face is our emotions, our own memories, which are so real, so "obviously" real to us as to preclude an attempt to eliminate other possibilities for the event. Instead, we perceive that every attempt to establish a more mundane rationale for our memory is an attempt to debunk. It may be so. But not always. We are trained like Pavlov's dogs, to salivate with angst at every opportunity for some other explanation of our experiences.

For example. I perceive that I've been floated through the walls on a solid blue light, accompanied by three little guys with big heads, big eyes, etc. I am brought to a craft and examined in the most personal way, in the most personal places... and much worse, etc. Who is to say that the entire episode was not merely a dream. Or some other event, the result of some strange, somnolent state or another.

To me, this is only remotely possible. I must admit that there may be another, more down to earth explanation, for the phenomena. If I can admit to that other possibility, then my skeptical counterpart must also admit to the reality of my perceptions, as perceived.

Once we've allowed ourselves to arrive at this point, we are irrevocably bound. The skeptibunker becomes the skeptic. The experiencer, too, has opened up his or her mind to other possibilities. Now there is a channel opened up for communication.

Skeptics allow that we, the experiencers, should open our minds to other possibilities. Experiencers should reflect the same upon our detractors, as well as those righteously researching the phenomena.

Open your minds to the possibility. In lieu of offering at first breath, an alternative possibility, offer this. "I seek answers other than alien intervention in our lives. But I admit to the reality of alien intervention. It's just that to me, this is the remote possibility."

And we must be able to say the same. "I admit to the possibility that there may be another explanation. But this other possibility is remote in my paradigm."

With good reason. It happened. At least to our minds and memory. It really happened. What happened? I cannot admit to an absolute truth for my belief.

And so, this inability to communicate may require some other intervention, some other methodology for our understanding. It may be as simple as opening our minds. Maybe not to other realities for our experiences, but to the possibility of same. And most important of all, to me personally, it allows others to have other realities, without going ballistic, without rancor, without abusive behavior, without the need to challenge and fight. See, that achieves nothing at all. Uh, well, actually it does achieve something.

Dissonance. Anger. Finger pointing. Hatred. Rants. Etc.

Which would you choose?

One last thought. When one combines a lifetime of events, memories and a level of silliness, of strange happenings, of marks on our bodies which are associated with the events ... then by the simple application of statistical analysis, one comes to the conclusion that any mundane explanation is highly remote. But possible.

Jim Mortellaro

Nothing is more sacred than truth - especially truth to ourselves.

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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 17:04:16 -0400
Subject: Re: Statistics On Hoax Cases? - Vike

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>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Statistics On Hoax Cases?
>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 20:07:36 +0300

>Dear List,

>Has anyone compiled any statistics about UFO-hoax cases? If so,
>where could such statistics be found?

Hi List

Talking about "hoaxes", I just got burnt about a month and a half ago. I received a sighting report, from two independent people in terrace, British Columbia.

I contacted each of them by telephone, to set up an interview on the same day. Well after making arraignments I headed off on a 3 hour drive from Houston to Terrace. After arriving in Terrace, and spending the whole day talking to each of these fellows, and a bit of shopping, I turned around for a 3 hour drive back home.

As a researcher said to me, it sounded to good to be true. I had two people reporting the same craft over and around Terrace. I got home and started to go through the tape I had recorded from the two of them. I started to think about the whole thing, and picked up the telephone and called another guy in Terrace, B.C. to see if he had heard anything about this sighting. To my surprise he said "yes"! After I explained who I had interviewed, the two names popped up of these fellows. He told me they had stopped to see him, asking where to make a report, since they knew him and knew he was into all this stuff. Of course he gave them the information they required, and as they were leaving, they told him the whole thing was a joke.

My friend could not get a hold of me at the time, so I got the contacted by these 2 goofs first, and off I went before I could get warned.

Anyway, there are certainly a lot going around, and is certainly hard to filter the bad ones out. After I got stuck with egg on my face, and a long drive, I now do my best to gather information before leaving for an interview. Well as much as I can before heading out. I have found that my media contacts have been really helpful to some degree, but of course they have to hear about something strange that has taken place.

I guess it was a good experience for me, keeps me on my toes from now on. I am sure like many of you, get emails telling about a sighting and giving a number to call. well I always write back asking for a little information about the event before I pick up the phone. In a lot of cases, I don't get a reply to my email, so I am certainly not willing to call.

I am sure everyone who investigates UFOs would have a few stories kicking around about being hoaxed. So maybe this would be for good reading if nothing else.

Take good care,

Brian

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I would like to share with the List members and anyone else who might be interested the following actual personal event.

Not so long ago I awoke from a troubled sleep. During the night I experienced a weight upon my chest and difficulty breathing, but I didn't really wake up... just "felt" it. The following morning I noticed three small cuts on my right knee. These cuts looked evenly spaced, of approximately the same length and were parallel, one to the other. I noticed a blood stain on my pillow and looking in the bathroom mirror, I noticed that blood was on my upper lip.

Certainly sounds like an unremembered alien abduction event. I mean, I've read of similar incidents in the abduction literature and the thought did cross my mind. However, being the yo-yo I am, I dismissed it from my thoughts and continued on with my day.

Several more times I would have the same feeling of a heavy weight on my chest and find blood on my pillow when I awoke. "Ummm," I said to myself. "Maybe these little grey goobers people talk about are messing with me and I don't realize it." Back to the literature I went. Sure enough, similar events have been reported.

Now, I ask you, how on earth can anyone ignore this since it happened several times. I'm not usually prone to going off the deep end, but the incidents were very disturbing in a psychological sort of way. Enough so that I couldn't flippantly dismiss it any more. It had happened several times. The funny part was, that I didn't remember anything about being taken aboard a space craft or having real nasties done to me, but something weird was going on.

Well, I found out what I was experiencing. You see, I am a brittle asthmatic and have been for years. I use an aerosol inhaler that contains medication to keep my airways open. Over the years, I reach for the inhaler several times during the night and have done so much, that I actually do so without really waking up or remembering I did so. But, being an asthmatic, the weight on my chest was heavier than what I normally experience when my bronchial tubes tighten up and begin to close.

Now, I have this damnably wonderful cat, named Dingus T. McGee. Dingus, for 13 years has always slept down around my ankles. He learned that was his place, because even though I am not allergic to him, having him too close to my face will, after awhile, trigger an asthma episode. So, after all these years you'd think he would be set in his ways and vary his normal routine. Not so, however. I had purchased a new night gown with a longer than usual ribbon that hung from the front of the collar. The little creep had been crawling up on my chest (all 18 pounds of him) and playing with the ribbon (OK, I'm a big person <G>).

But, what about the scratches that one time and the several incidents of blood on my pillow? Well, that's kinda funny too. I couldn't understand what that was all about. I got to the bottom

of the weight issue on my chest, but darned if I could figure out why blood kept appearing on my pillow periodically. First there was blood on my lip, then I find blood on my left ear. How very strange.

It didn't take long to figure out what was going on with the blood incident. I had purchased two feather pillows (cheap ones from Wal Mart... hey, I ain't exactly Bill Gates, ya know) and assiduously put them into anti-allergen cases, followed by pillow cases. As I laid my head down I got the biggest poke... like somebody drove an ice pick into my left ear. I raised up my head faster than lightning and saw a splotch of blood on the pillow and felt blood on my ear. Sure enough, cheap feather pillows ain't all soft down from birds that quack and honk... no siree! Cheap feather pillows sometimes contain pretty large feathers and there was a quill sticking out of the pillow like a candle in a cake!

Second concern tackled. But, what of the scratches? Well, I got an itchy back... so I have three or four back scratchers laying around the house and one next to my bed. That one is one of those really cheapy plastic jobbers you get at the dollar store. My other ones are made of bamboo. Seems like plastic back scratcher had been on the bed, hidden under the covers and sure enough, the prongs matched exactly the marks on my knee.

The moral of this story? There really isn't one, except, being human we sometimes can imagine all sorts of things. I tell this because I have been thinking about a "Experiencers" and how harrowing their incidents must be. But, taking the middle of road approach, I wonder if sometimes, just sometimes, an "Experiencer" might think those little grey goobers (blue ones,too), visited that night, when really they didn't this time around. Being gun shy comes from being burned one time too many.

Anyway, for what it's worth. Please, don't inundate me with emails. <G>

Wendy Connors

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Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 17:51:49 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 17:58:35 -0400
Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse - Salvaille

>From: Ed Gehrman <egerman@psln.com>
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>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:29:03 -0700

>>From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Same Song, Second Verse
>>Date: Wed, 10 Oct 2001 17:57:52 -0400

<snip>

>>You have defended Vetterick and the AA CD program even when the
>>means to the ends involved attacking reputations.

>>In this case, mine.

>>It has been demonstrated that I had been falsely accused of
>>breaking an agreement. Yet, I got no excuse from nobody.

>Not quite true. This is what I wrote to you after we exchanged a
>few angry emails. I thought it was an apology, at least it was
>intended as such:

>Serge

>"Sorry for the harshness in the tone of my last post to you.
>I was mistaken about the understanding between you and Dave .
>The reason for my impatience is that I wanted to respond, on List
>of course, but that would interfere with my agreement with Dave
>and the rest of our research group. Would you mind sending your
>Updates post to Dave so it can be responded to by me and others?"

><snip>

>"I apologize for my unnecessary rudeness and hope you
>continue to respond."

<snip>

Ed,

Let's not conveniently re-write history, shall we?

On September 5, I received an email from you starting with: "I don't mind an act of anarchy but you made an agreement to abide by the etiquette that Dave explained; otherwise I wouldn't have sent you a set of AA CDs. Please adopt those guidelines for your next posting and please repost your comments to Dave so I can respond."

Your reaction had been triggered by my September 4 post on "AA Puppet".

I immediately replied to you with a quote from the August 2 agreement. My reply was all but hostile.

You "apology" came on September 6.

Blame it on Rebecca, the subject came back on the Updates on September 23.

The AA CD proposal came from Dave Vetterick, Neil Morris and Ed Gehrman. The AA CD group accused me of violating an agreement: a false accusation.

You never apologized for your September 26 insinuation. Neil Morris, although open to discussion, seems to have been gagged in the process.

Don't think your hands are any cleaner because you guys obviously let Dave do the dirty work.

And we wouldn't be having this discussion if Dave had not tried a cheap shot on Rebecca.

Are we gonna put this one to rest?

Regards,

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 18:48:17 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Rimmer

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:40:19 -0500

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

>>Well, we could also consider Greek semi-gods (like Hercules)
>>hybrid beings. And, what did the B.E.M.s of the SF pulps in the
>>30s have in mind abducting so many damsels? Peter Rogerson
>>wrote a series of articles in Magonia about the precedents of
>>abduction up to the Hills.

>Of course, as Eddie Bullard has stated repeatedly, claiming a
>pedigree and demonstrating one are entirely different matters.
>So far, all I see in this sort of psychosocial guesswork is the
>former. Has anybody demonstrated that CE3 witnesses were
>students of Greek mythology or immersed in 30s pulp science-
>fiction arcana? I don't think so.

>In any event, unless you're claiming that all CE3 claimants who
>reported what we might now interpret as hybrid beings were
>lying, the theory you seem to be proposing makes no sense. We're
>talking about experiences, sometimes multiply or independently
>witnessed, not ideas and images extant only in mental space. I
>find Villas-Boas's anticipation of sexual abductions, plus its
>implied hybrid being, interesting, and even more so in the
>context of later sexual abductions and in the unremarked-upon
>context of early CE3 experiences of humanlike entities.

Jerry,

I don't know if you're doing this deliberately to provoke an argument, but you know as well as I do that Luis - or any other psycho-social ufologist - is not suggesting that CE3 claimants are steeped in 1930's pulp science fiction, any more than most 1930's pulp writers were scholars of Greek mythology. Beliefs in human-alien hybrids are a common feature of the mythology of many ages and societies. Medieval peasants' were familiar with beliefs in demonic-human coupling; they did not have to read Greek legends to have these ideas, any more than modern abductees need to. Tales of fairy changlings and supernatural abductions from the eighteen and nineteenth centuries are not dependent on those reporting them being familiar with ancient Assyrian creation myths. The psycho-social point is that these beliefs arise independently in all cultures at all times - including ours.

Now there's two ways of looking at this: you can say that all these tales are the results of actual meetings and interbreeding between humans and real, physical aliens but reported using the familiar imagery of the period. Some people, indeed, do believe this. I think it's a silly idea, but it does at least have the virtue of consistency.

The other way of looking at it is that all cultures produce these legends, for a variety of reasons - mostly as a way of explaining otherwise puzzling events or rationalising aberrant aspects of human behaviour - and the form of the legend is determined by the nature and structure of the culture, its religious beliefs, the level of scientific knowledge and the way in which such knowledge is disseminated and mediated. And we're not talking 'literary criticism' here, as David Hufford has clearly demonstrated, we are dealing with actual human experiences.

Oh, I forgot. There's a third, Jerry Clark, way of explaining this. All other cultures have had mythologies and folk beliefs about human- supernatural intercourse (both social and sexual), but uniquely, not ours. Such tales which arise in our era are the result of actual alien encounters. The trouble is that here Jerry is being the rather chauvinistic Literary Critic - because he cannot accept that these earlier tales in other societies were also, in most part, accounts of real experiences undergone by real people - not "ideas and images extant only in mental space". And he seems unable to accept that modern Westernised people - people rather like Jerry Clark - could have the same sorts of subjective experiences as earlier generations or those living in other societies.

I have been typing up Peter Rogerson articles, "A Revisionist History of Abductions" which Luis refers to, for posting on the Magonia website. I shall have to redouble my efforts to do this, and let UpDates readers know when they are available.

John Rimmer
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Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID System

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>TECHNOLOGY LEADERS PONDER FINGERPRINT ID SYSTEM
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*** Two high-tech CEOs say their technology supports a national ID system, now gaining favor in response to the recent terrorist attacks ***

The chairman and CEO of Sun Microsystems, Scott McNealy, thinks the United States needs a national identification system.

Speaking to reporters at a high-tech symposium in Orlando, Florida, McNealy touted the Java computer platform developed by Sun, with statements sure to grab the attention of anyone even mildly interested in privacy or civil liberties.

"Absolute anonymity breeds absolute irresponsibility," said McNealy. "We need a thumbprint Java card in the hand of everybody in the country."

The smart-card ID system would be accessed by computers in places like airports, shopping malls, and any other location where, according to McNealy, anonymity could be dangerous.

As reported by Reuters, "McNealy said it would be the job of Congress to decide when people can be anonymous and when they cannot."

THE ILLUSION OF PRIVACY

McNealy isn't the first high-tech CEO to suggest that technology offered by his company could empower a national identity system. Last month Oracle CEO Larry Ellison said his company would provide the software for such a fingerprint-based system, for free.

"We need a national ID card with our photograph and thumbprint digitized and embedded in the ID card," said Ellison, speaking with typical candor during a televised interview in San Francisco.

Ellison argues that in a computerized and globally networked world, there isn't much privacy left anyway.

"Well, this privacy you're concerned about is largely an illusion," said Ellison. "All you have to give up is your illusions, not any of your privacy."

As reported online by Silicon Valley.com, "Oracle has a longstanding relationship with the federal government. Indeed, the CIA was Ellison's first customer, and the company's name stems from a CIA-funded project launched in the mid-1970s that sought better ways of storing and retrieving digital data."

MUST PRIVACY BE SACRIFICED?

Does our nation inevitably give up privacy and freedom as government agencies tighten the screws on terrorism? That's the question Red Herring's Rafe Needleman put to members of the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF).

Needleman, who writes a daily column offering investment advice to the high-tech community, said Lee Tien, and attorney for the EFF cast the subject in terms he could easily understand.

"Speaking my language, he makes the point that government is entrepreneurial: any strong agency will take advantage of the right situation to further its mission. The mission of the FBI, for example, is to catch bad guys, not to protect privacy. Given a chance to increase its powers, it's to be expected that it will try to widely deploy new tools like the ISP snoop Carnivore."

Carnivore, presumably named for its ability to consume networked data, is an electronic surveillance system developed by the FBI. The system is being used in the war against terrorism, under newly enacted federal wiretap legislation.

Officially renamed DCS1000, the unfortunate name has stuck. In the wake of the recent World Trade Center catastrophe, Wired News reported, "An administrator at one major network service provider said that FBI agents showed up at his workplace on Tuesday 'with a couple of Carnivores.'"

RELATED RESOURCES

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[ZDNet News]-- Scott McNealy, chairman and CEO of Sun Microsystems Inc., said Thursday his long-held belief the United States needs a national identity system has gained a lot of traction since the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

22-Sep-01 Oracle boss urges national ID cards, offers free software

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[Red Herring]-- Fortunately, both police and legislature in this country are ultimately counterbalanced by the courts, which can compel agencies to honor the U.S. Constitution, in particular the 4th Amendment... Initiatives like Carnivore are dangerous but not inherently wrong. Criminals use technology, and so can police. What remains to be seen is whether technology can serve both national interests and constitutional rights.

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

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Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez
>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:35:40 +0200

>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 15:47:42 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>Hello John,

>You wrote

>>The first known (reported) case of UFO abduction and it was
>>never investigated on the spot where it happened, nor properly
>>recorded or documented. I'd laugh if it wasn't so sad.

>I do not explain myself properly. Vilas Boas was interviewed at
>length by Dr. Fontes and Martins about 4 months after the
>incident. This happened in Rio de Janeiro (not in Sao Paulo as I
>wrote before). The SBEDV investigation team did visit Vilas Boas
>at home, in San Francisco de Sales, and visited the place of the
>incident but 5 years later and without interviewing any
>additional family member, etc.

Hello Luis,

You wrote:

>On the main question, I strongly agree with you in that bedroom
>visitors are a different phenomena from UFO abductions, or at
>least, should be analyzed differently. But...

>
>Let us center in your own case (as I read it in Brookesmith's
>'Alien Abductions'). Let's accept for the sake of the argument
>that you did see a non-human craft in Brooklyn that night. Even
>though, you yourself did not qualify as an abductee, because
>you did not have conscious recall of being abducted.

1. Peter left out a lot of details that would not have fit in
very well with his "theory" (explanation) for that event. What
you are reading in Peter's book is not the complete report.

2. The "abduction" part of the story came out during a hypnosis
session. I have already stated repeatedly on this List my own
attitudes towards hypnosis and any material that is recovered by
that method. I don't automatically discount it, but I do not put
much stock in it either. I rely on what I can recall
consciously. On what happened to me while I was wide awake and
aware.

3. I do have (many) conscious recollections spread throughout my
lifetime (beginning in childhood) that involve bald, large
headed, little grey men with large black eyes. My "memories" are
not all derived from that one event in Brooklyn.

>You panicked, started running, and "the next second, it's
>daylight, and I'm sitting bolt upright in bed. It's 7 o'clock in

>the morning. And I've got blood all over me (...) and my eye is
>out here, very red and swollen, and the white of the eye is
>completely red". You were not mugged because all your valuables
>were still in your pants (One question: Did you awake dressed,
>even with your shoes on?).

No. I had on my underwear, and a blood stained tee-shirt. My clothes were in a heap on the floor. No blood on my outer garments. Only my tee-shirt. (Which was covered by a short sleeve shirt during the events of the night before.

And, my statement that I had not been "mugged" was not based on whether my "valuables" as you put it, were still in my pants. The doctor in the emergency room told me that the swelling of the eye was not caused by "trauma." That I had not been struck. I had told the doctor that I thought I had been mugged only because I could not recall anything that happened after that moment when I was fleeing from the UFO. It was the only explanation that made any sense to me so that is what I told the physician. It was he that caused me to question it when he told me that no, I had not been "hit" by anything and that it didn't appear to be "infected" either.

He also asked me about the "surgical" procedure that had been performed on me (inside my head/sinuses) after looking up my nose to try to determine the source of the nose bleeding. I told him that I had never had any surgery in my head. He called on an ENT specialist (eye, nose and throat) to also have a look at me and the second doctor (the "psecialist") asked me the same question. I told him the same thing I told the first one. I have never had any surgery inside my head. They both became annoyed with me as if I was holding back personal medical information from them intentionally.

Listen man, I've been over and over the details of that night at least 100,000 times in my own head. Trying to find an answer. At no other time in my life has such a thing as this happened to me. Where I am in a certain place doing a certain thing one moment, and from one split-second to the next, unaccounted hours have passed, and I find myself someplace else from where I started.

That "UFO" I saw was not very far away from me either. 60 ft I'd say. Close enough to know that I was not seeing anything conventional and to cause me to run like hell away from it. That 'thing' was no hallucination or weather balloon. I have an illustration of the sighting posted at:

<http://www.spacelab.net/~jvif/myart3.htm>

>I have proposed that you might simply had trip over a rubbish
>can and some foreign substance (solid or liquid) may have
>entered your eye and produced an allergic reaction.

See the diagnosis of (two) physicians above and save your tripped over rubbish "theories" for some 'other' abduction report. :)

>You yourself admitted that the physiological impossibility of having
>a eye "laying on the cheek" made your statement under hypnosis
>just a sensation, not a fact.

What I said was that it "felt like" my eye was out and laying on my cheek during the procedure that was performed by the grey being. That I thought that something like that was physiologically impossible. I had that fact confirmed by a physician I consulted. That is why I adopted the position that I thought that recollection was questionable. I don't know for sure what was done to my eye or by whom. Only that 'something' was done, by 'someone'.

>Not everybody who sees a UFO, even at a short distance is
>abducted. Why did you think that part of your experience is
>real?

Because of the sequence of events Luis.

1. I see a "UFO" up close and personal.
2. I become frightened and I started to run for my front door.

3. One second it is night and I am running from a "UFO", and then without any sensation of time passing, the very next micro-second it is morning, I am in my bed, my clothes are off, and I have a badly swollen eye and I'm bleeding from the nose. All from one moment to the very next.

You add 2+2 and tell me what you come up with.

Close-up UFO encounter + a whole night of missing time + several rather severe 'unexplained' physical symptoms.

Mind you, that even under hypnosis, I recalled the details of the conscious part of the event accurately and the "abduction" part came up/out 'in sequence' followed again by accurate recollection of the subsequent consciously recalled events. It was a 'seamless' sequence of events. (including the missing time) Not the bits and pieces mish-mosh that you wish to perceive it was.

Your "explanations" would be interesting to consider were it not for the fact that I was examined and diagnosed by two physicians within hours of the event. If you want to argue with their (educated) opinions you would need to take that up with them. I can only go by what I was told. (Emergency room/Lutheran Hospital, 57th Street and Second Avenue in Sunset Park, Brooklyn. August of 1977)

It all started in childhood Luis. You would need to explain a lot more than just the odd events of that one night to even begin to address the number and consistency of these events in my life. It's not a case of one oddball, isolated incident. But of many, sprinkled liberally over a lifetime.

Garbage in the eye eh? Nice try Luis. ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Randle

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>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

>Hi, Luis,

>>>An admittedly every specialized fantasy, involving among - other
>>>erotic elements - vomiting. I think the rest of us will count
>>>that among the less probable explanations for Villas-Boas's
>>>story.

>>Of course, you are entitled to think so. My bet would be a tall
>>tale on the chemist which backfired.

>Based, exactly, on what evidence?

>>>To me the case is interesting as one that, long before Budd
>>>Hopkins's investigations brought the concept into the abduction
>>>controversy, suggests the presence of hybrid beings. At least it
>>>is consistent with that hypothesis, as are the surprising number
>>>of early CE3s (unremarked on by any ufologist, as far as I know,
>>>until I discussed it in my UFO Encyclopedia) wherein human or
>>>near-human entities are described.

>>Well, we could also consider Greek semi-gods (like Hercules)
>>hybrid beings. And, what did the B.E.M.s of the SF pulps in the
>>30s have in mind abducting so many damsels? Peter Rogerson
>>wrote a series of articles in Magonia about the precedents of
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>former. Has anybody demonstrated that CE3 witnesses were
>students of Greek mythology or immersed in 30s pulp science-
>fiction arcana? I don't think so.

Hi Jerry, List, All -

I want to comment only on this one, small aspect of the debate,
which is that I don't believe that you must be a student of
Greek mythology or immersed in 30s pulp science fiction arcana
to be aware of some of those stories or images. I believe that
this is, for the lack of a better term, a collective
unconscious, in which this stuff floats... the idea of an urban
myth might be a good example of this. Stories that seem to

circulate with no home, no real written foundation but are out there, spreading from person to person and community to community. I remember, back in the early 70s people collecting cigarette packages because there was an urban myth that the cigarette companies would buy iron lungs as the packages were redeemed.

Or, as an example from my own reason past... I don't watch South Park, but when a question on Who Wants To Be A Millionaire was asked about which character dies in almost every show, I knew the answer was Kenny. I had seen something or heard something that gave me that answer, proving, I suppose, that we do pick up things without being aware of it.

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Subject: Chupacabras Have Been In Chile Since The 70s

Chilean Government Employee: "Chupacabras have been in Chile since 1970's"

10-12-01

A local Calama municipal employee has stated that the Chupacabra-related phenomena occurring in Northern Chile are nothing new. She personally witnessed mysterious deaths of domestic animals during her childhood. According to her testimony, the event took place when she was only 6 or 7 years of age, in 1970 or 1971. She witnessed the appearance of a strange creature when she went for a walk with her 10-year-old sister. Nevertheless, the entity that she describes was not all that similar to the typical blood predator; in her case, it was a serpent-like creature.

EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT

During that time, I lived with my parents in a small rural village near the San Pedro and San Pablo volcanoes. This mountain region is located at about 230 kilometers from Calama.

I remember walking with my sister one afternoon near a brook where our lamas used to go to drink water. Suddenly, we saw a large serpent that did not crawl; instead, it seemed to fly slightly above the ground at a great speed. It was so fast that it left a trail of dust like the roadrunner cartoon characters. Due to our childhood innocence and curiosity, we decided to follow it but it was too fast and it disappeared.

The following morning, my father went out to feed the lamas. To his surprise, he found 10 of them dead. Coincidentally, all of the dead lamas were pregnant and they all died the same way with a neck wound.

My father blamed the strange deaths on the military. He was very suspicious of some troops that coincidentally, were patrolling the towns nearby. My father was very angry because all of the pregnant lamas were dead. In an effort to save some of the meat, my mother decided to cut open five of them. It was then when she realized that the animals did not have a drop of blood in their bodies. The orifice in the neck area of the animals did not have an exit wound. Furthermore, no bullets were found inside the neck; in fact, that was the very reason why my father could not sustain a case against the military troops. He could not find bullet projectiles inside the bodies; therefore, he did not have enough evidence to sustain his claim.

The next day, my mother cooked the dead lama meat. When we began eating it, we all noticed a horrible taste. I remember all of us complained about the bad taste of our lunch.

The other 5 lamas were still outside, in the same place where they died. Vultures and condors soon began to arrive to feed on the dead animals. Nevertheless, they too rejected the lama meat. They began acting strange, flapping their wings against their chest very violently. Some of the birds vomited shortly after they ate. We have never seen anything like that.

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Fwd Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 13:22:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID

>From: Kurt Jonach <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>To: <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>Subject: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID System
>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 01:07:12 -0700

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>TECHNOLOGY LEADERS PONDER FINGERPRINT ID SYSTEM
>technology news
>by The Electric Warrior

>*** Two high-tech CEOs say their technology supports a national
>ID system, now gaining favor in response to the recent terrorist
>attacks ***

>The chairman and CEO of Sun Microsystems, Scott McNealy, thinks
>the United States needs a national identification system.

>Speaking to reporters at a high-tech symposium in Orlando,
>Florida, McNealy touted the Java computer platform developed by
>Sun, with statements sure to grab the attention of anyone even
>mildly interested in privacy or civil liberties.

>"Absolute anonymity breeds absolute irresponsibility," said
>McNealy. "We need a thumbprint Java card in the hand of
>everybody in the country."

>The smart-card ID system would be accessed by computers in
>places like airports, shopping malls, and any other location
>where, according to McNealy, anonymity could be dangerous.

>As reported by Reuters, "McNealy said it would be the job of
>Congress to decide when people can be anonymous and when they
>cannot."

>THE ILLUSION OF PRIVACY

>McNealy isn't the first high-tech CEO to suggest that technology
>offered by his company could empower a national identity system.
>Last month Oracle CEO Larry Ellison said his company would
>provide the software for such a fingerprint-based system, for
>free.

>"We need a national ID card with our photograph and thumbprint
>digitized and embedded in the ID card," said Ellison, speaking
>with typical candor during a televised interview in San
>Francisco.

>Ellison argues that in a computerized and globally networked
>world, there isn't much privacy left anyway.

>"Well, this privacy you're concerned about is largely an
>illusion," said Ellison. "All you have to give up is your
>illusions, not any of your privacy."

>As reported online by Silicon Valley.com, "Oracle has a
>longstanding relationship with the federal government. Indeed,
>the CIA was Ellison's first customer, and the company's name
>stems from a CIA-funded project launched in the mid-1970s that
>sought better ways of storing and retrieving digital data."

>MUST PRIVACY BE SACRIFICED?

>Does our nation inevitably give up privacy and freedom as
>government agencies tighten the screws on terrorism? That's the
>question Red Herring's Rafe Needleman put to members of the
>Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF).

>Needleman, who writes a daily column offering investment advice
>to the high-tech community, said Lee Tien, and attorney for the
>EFF cast the subject in terms he could easily understand.

>"Speaking my language, he makes the point that government is
>entrepreneurial: any strong agency will take advantage of the
>right situation to further its mission. The mission of the FBI,
>for example, is to catch bad guys, not to protect privacy. Given
>a chance to increase its powers, it's to be expected that it
>will try to widely deploy new tools like the ISP snoop
>Carnivore."

>Carnivore, presumably named for its ability to consume networked
>data, is an electronic surveillance system developed by the FBI.
>The system is being used in the war against terrorism, under
>newly enacted federal wiretap legislation.

>Officially renamed DCS1000, the unfortunate name has stuck. In
>the wake of the recent World Trade Center catastrophe, Wired
>News reported, "An administrator at one major network service
>provider said that FBI agents showed up at his workplace on
>Tuesday 'with a couple of Carnivores.'"

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From New York. And more than just a bit concerned,
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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 12:16:08 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 13:24:54 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 09:37:49 EDT
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:40:19 -0500

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

>>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

Hi, Kevin,

>>>Well, we could also consider Greek semi-gods (like Hercules)
>>>hybrid beings. And, what did the B.E.M.s of the SF pulps in the
>>>30s have in mind abducting so many damsels? Peter Rogerson
>>>wrote a series of articles in Magonia about the precedents of
>>>abduction up to the Hills.

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I just don't see the relevance of this, my friend. Folklorists
acknowledge that there is a whole lot of difference between a
story in oral circulation (even in a far more robust tradition
than, as I understand you, you're proposing here) on one hand
and on the other someone's claimed personal experience. They
even have a word for the latter: memorates. At a folklore
conference I attended some years ago on the subject (at the
University of Nebraska in Omaha), I heard no small number of
folklorists express puzzlement at memorates, and some had even
openly embraced the reality of the anomalous phenomena in
question because among their informants were many seemingly
sane, credible individuals who had personal encounters to
relate.

In fact, most folklorists believe that even the most outlandish
folklore (e.g., that concerning fantastic creatures such as

merbeings and fairies) may grow out of experiences, or perceived experiences, and not the other way around. Sometimes (as in at least two centuries' worth of reports of hairy bipeds in Newfoundland) there is no accompanying folk tradition. David Hufford has pointed out that though the Old Hag experience is common in the United States, Americans historically have had no name for it; only those who actually experienced the phenomenon knew of it. In other words, it's at least as likely that seeing is believing than that believing is seeing.

In any event, I wish people knew more about classic Greek mythology. If we did, we'd have a smarter, more literate population than the one we're living in.

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We can speculate endlessly if we're not held to questions of evidence, of course. For me, I remain skeptical of any claim - which I've yet to see demonstrated by anything but ex cathedra declaration - of a link between 1930s pulp SF and modern-day CE3 experiences.

I might add, as long as I have the floor for a moment, that for about 10 years (roughly 1957-1967) I was immersed in SF and read the stuff by the carload, everything from the current writers to many who came before. You could see that in a sense I was immersed in SF arcana. Even though I haven't read SF in a long time, I can still discuss it reasonably intelligently (at least up till the late '60s). As I've followed the abduction phenomenon since, I haven't seen a whole lot that reminds me of the stories and motifs in which I lived during a particularly impressionable time in my life. Any resemblance strikes me as more likely coincidental - given the vast SF literature dealing with human/ET interaction - and probably meaningless.

It seems to me that SF is more productively studied in a UFO context as one way to determine possible sources on which hoaxers can draw. In the 1950s, for example, one writer exposed the roots of SF reader George Hunt Williamson's contactee cosmology in Isaac Asimov's Foundation series. The fit was undeniable, and the exposé didn't have to draw on something as nebulous (and as dubiously extant) as the "collective unconscious."

Cordially,

Jerry Clark

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Fwd Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 14:57:53 -0400
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Thanks for you candid, on the scene report. I think we can all
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sounds a little over-the-top, especially if it doesn't make you feel 'safe'.

Many people think the Anti-Terrorism Bill that passed yesterday is pretty heavy handed. I have to wonder if the nation is too shell-shocked to pay attention.

Anyway, I'm sincerely glad you, (& Jim) are OK.

-kj

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Mortellaro

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Fwd Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 15:01:44 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Mortellaro

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Interesting ...

Dear Kevin, List, Errol,

My Dad was born in Ybor City in Tampa Florida. It was then, the
Cigar Capital of the world. Indeed, most of my family worked in
that business, specifically for Arturo Fuente, whose Claro's I
smoke even as I write this.

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And etc.

Just my two centavos.

Jim

PS: Derogative is a word I made up. Similar to simulacrum, Gesundt, Gripple and all the voices in my head.

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 12:43:00 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 19:12:56 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Tonnies

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I think it would be foolish to ignore the power of urban myth as
a mechanism for "meme dispersal," but I think alien abduction
accounts may have a deeper origin.

My own position on abductions is that a great deal of them are
"noise" produced by a variety of factors, but that there is a
core of truly anomalous events that deserve to be taken
extremely seriously. An alien intelligence of some sort
shouldn't be discounted.

If "aliens" (whatever that word ultimately means) want to
interact with us, they may choose to do so in an archetypal
language, showing us, in effect, what we expect to see. The
"gray" physique may be partly, or even mostly, invented by the
media, but the fact remains that we equate big-headed, big-eyed
bald creatures with literal flesh-and-blood aliens.

Why shouldn't the alien intelligence exploit a pre-existing
image if it helps them interact with us?

I don't have any problems with the idea of alien visitors. But I
tend to doubt they are "nuts and bolts" in the conventional
sense. Already, humans are making remarkable progress with
nanotechnology and neurology. If we are being visited, the
aliens are likely thousands or millions of years ahead of us,
and will likely have advanced on these abilities, and others, to
a degree that would leave us floored...assuming we could
understand it at all.

Perhaps our "visitors," assuming they're out there observing us
for unknown reasons, choose to manifest on a level of
consciousness where, for whatever reason, they can work with
fewer distractions--both mundane, physical inconveniences like
dodging the cops as they yank somebody out of his/her bedroom at

3:00 AM as well as appealing to the abductee's particular sense of reality. This would help account for minor "cosmetic" differences of the aliens and their vehicles (assuming a "vehicle" is present).

Summing up, the "gray" alien we all know and love may be a mask, an illusion. But that doesn't make the person wearing it any less real.

--Mac

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID

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>>TECHNOLOGY LEADERS PONDER FINGERPRINT ID SYSTEM
>>technology news
>>by The Electric Warrior

<snip>

>There is a fine line here between Democracy and Totalitarian
>State. Let's all walk it with our eyes wide open. No BS. Parts
>of Downtown Brooklyn are a lot like 1930's Nazi Germany these
>days. It's one thing to increase security so that people can
>begin to feel 'safe'. (Which is just selling an illusion
>anyway.) It is quite another to allow ourselves to be stopped
>willy-nilly in the streets of our own cities by weapon carrying
>soldiers and then having to produce our "papers" upon demand.
>Sounds like an old war movie eh?

>From New York. And more than just a bit concerned,

John and all,

To quote Sue, "you may think I'm nuts" :) but all of my
experiences with aliens have developed certain skills that I
believe I have always had, but not to this extent. I get moving
pictures of events that happen in the future, usually about what
may happen to the people that I love in the form of warnings or
even if something really great is going to happen. You can ask
my family and they would verify it for me... sometimes dreams.
I understand that all of you think this kind of thing is hogwash
but I can't let that stop me from expressing myself. I feel that
I must have these things happen for a purpose and sometimes I
can help others with it and that makes me happy.

It's just going to get worse and there's is nothing anyone can
really do about it other than help family friends and self.

The governments are going to have no choice about bringing in
some sort of identificaiton system to all of the allied
countries. It's just a matter of time. Especially if there's
another bombing attack.

I've been having visions of a bomb that goes off in a dense city
population. The effect is circular, as I'm in it and I can see

it all around me. The city seems intact with the effects of the bomb all around it. It melts the outer-ring of buildings up to the sky where there's a large round hole that all of the muddy energy is going into and then it impacts on itself on the ground and everything disintegrates and goes wooshing up into the atmosphere through this opening. All I can see after that is people with their hands covering their faces in horrible grief... and thinking to themselves, again, how could this happen?

Take it as you will,

Nancy

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID

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>>Subject: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID System

>>Hi Kurt, hi All,

>>"Carnivore"? "Soldiers, police, and armaments" being paraded on
>>the streets of the one of the largest cities in the world?
>>Welcome to the 'New World Order' kiddies.

>>It's spooky here in New York now-a-days. I can understand the
>>need for some National Guard soldiers to be aiding police
>>efforts in Manhattan near to the site of the tragedy, but what
>>are armed soldiers doing on the streets of Brooklyn?

<snip>

>>From New York. And more than just a bit concerned,

>John,

>Thanks for you candid, on the scene report. I think we can all
>understand the need for more security, but what you've described
>sounds a little over-the-top, especially if it doesn't make you
>feel 'safe'.

>Many people think the Anti-Terrorism Bill that passed yesterday
>is pretty heavy handed. I have to wonder if the nation is too
>shell-shocked to pay attention.

>Anyway, I'm sincerely glad you, (& Jim) are OK.

>-kj

Kurt, List, Errol,

A few comments from the peanut gallery - mine.

Thanks for the concern, Kurt, however we now live well North of
what I would consider to be the "blast area" around the 30 to 40
mile radius of Nueva York. And we are on a mountain (near the
top but not quite) which face is away from NYC. So, unless it is
a huge, megaton job, much more powerful than Hiroshima, we
should be safe.

Except from fallout.

Hell of a thing to hear from someone in the US of A, eh? Reminds
me of the days when I was a kid, and yes, I was a kid once...
back in the early fifties, when we had a real Civil Defense

network and something called "Conalrad" worked with the AM broadcast system to produce a nation-wide alert system in the event one of the evil Russian ICBM's came at us. We were taught to hide under our seats (desk seats in school) and when to get up and when to go to the nearest Air Raid Shelter.

That was then. And this is now. Seems that as I grow old, everything old is new again.

People in this nation are not used to being at war and are certainly not used to being in jeopardy for our lives. But we are.

I was driving from Peekskill, a smallish town on the Hudson River, toward our new home in the country, when I was seeing what reminded me of German and other Continental airports. Soldiers. With automatic weapons. Bayonettes. In battle gear and make that full battle gear. Guarding the Hudson across from the Indian Point Nuclear Generating plant. I could see tanks on the other side with my binocs. And artillery which looked to me like AA.

These turkeys are damned serious. When I stopped on the Bear Mountain Highway to put the glasses on the parade, I was asked to produce ID. I did. But the side arm was not something the soldier expected. What happened next was no fun. But I produced a shield and more ID and he was happy. Just a kid. A very frightened kid. In his teens from his looks. And scared. You cannot easily reason with that level of fear. There is a good reason for his fear. It's the training he received. Musta scared the wits out of him.

Not good.

Americans are a freedom loving people. This is a dangerous time for us in more ways than terrorism. And our concern as citizens is righteous. People should be worried over our freedoms. But the only way to protect these are for all of US to voice those concerns to our elected leader. Elected. Sorry. I was thinking of Clinton.

On the one hand.

On the other hand, there is no way to guard ourselves without the presence of the armed forces. No other way. And no other way to ensure our safety than (in my opinion) to have to put up with the likes of "Show us your papers!"

Sad. But too true. It is however, up to us to make certain it does not spread into a police state. And I think it will not. We are too much used to being free.

The guns which are seen in Brooklyn and elsewhere are AA weapons. In the event we have to shoot down a commercial jet or some other intruder and there are no fighters around.

Never a fighter when you need one, eh?

Jim

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
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My two cents.

Normally, I would be rabid with anger over such a proposal. I'm a Democrat, but liberal on some things, moderate on others and down-right conservative on other issues. But I am considering exactly what is transpiring:

To take nothing from the horrendous loss of life at Pearl Harbor, the casualty amount in New York City has exceeded the Pearl Harbor disaster, almost three-fold. Japan's initial attack was on our military forces. Terrorists initial attacks are aimed most on American civilians.

For the first time our nation has been attacked and war declared on the continental United States by a fanatical branch of a religion that is practiced by over a billion people. This nation is at war and the battleground is the entire world, including the cities of America. If you don't understand that, look at the destruction in NYC and Washington, D.C. "This was no boating accident," a U.S. Embassy or single American naval vessel attacked. Only an absolute dolt would think otherwise. With this particular act of terrorism, using commercial airliners filled with innocent people, as massive bombs, the declaration of war was made by fanatics who have garnered strength over decades to hijack a peaceful and loving religion and turned it into twisted, perverted and evil political and ideological statement. It has been made perfectly clear to anyone with the intelligence quotient of a bacterium, that a large group of fanatics, with money, resources and weapons, want to destroy the United States.

This isn't some insipid incident that can be ignored by any American, or any person in any other country of the world, who believes in peaceful solutions and civilized justice. No amount of political correctness can justify the actions terrorists have taken, nor should political correctness be even given review for this nations defense.

This war was started by fanatics that don't wear uniforms, hide behind a religion and uses it against the free world and for their own nefarious and evil intent. The real Clerics and Holy leaders of Islam knew of the cancer within its ranks, allowed it to grow and fester while the leaders of the Islamic nations did nothing to protect their national religion from fanatics when their Holy leaders failed. Thus, the Kings, Shieks, Royal families, Islamic clerics, etc., by their own inaction and archaic tribal systems, are impotent and unable to clean up the mess they, themselves, have allowed to develop. Their own fears have caused stagnation and failure to evolve as a people. If that isn't a sin against Islam, what is? Tribal leaders, Royal families, Holy clerics, all should be ashamed of themselves. They have shown the other 5/6th of the world just how tarnished their own dictation of Honor really is and allowed their people to be tainted and abused. It is disgusting any way one wishes to slice it.

So, our own military in the streets of our country? That makes you fearful? How ridiculous. Our military personnel live here and have always been among us. We the People govern this nation, not our military. We the People keep and bear arms, just so the

military and our elected leaders are always reminded whom this nations real leaders are and to whom they answer to.

A national I.D. system? A good idea. A sane method of controlling crime, terrorism and other nefarious nasties against the people of our country. Can it be abused? No, because We the People, really do keep close watch. Whenever abuse happens, we address it and stop it. We do this by election, impeachment or taking up arms, depending on the factualities of the abuse. How do I know this to be true? Our Constitution and Bill of Rights is only written on paper, but was done so with the blood of the people. We don't let a religion rule us, We the People, rule and use our religions for personal spiritual enlightenment, not as the owners of our souls, lives, liberties or pursuits of happiness.

Here, being an American is an honor and a priviledge you breath, live and fight for to maintain. Your heritage is a personal thing, as is your religion. Here, you are not an Hispanic-American, Native American, Arab-American or any of that political correctness crap that flows from educational institutional drivel. If you are a citizen, you are an American in total. We Americans celebrate our own culteral heritages and traditions, but don't force those heritages or cultural traditions down another American's throat or use religion to control others or our nation. That's Liberty!

Fear of a national I.D. card? Absolute rubbish. Today I produce photo I.D. to cash a check, apply for loans, federal/state/local assistance, etc., etc., etc. Why, we all have a number assigned to us already. The only trouble is, identity cards in the present form are easy to fake. A national I.D. card only offers protection because it proves your identity and rights of citizenship. As long as the law for it doesn't go beyond that, then I say, fine. I can think of many more positive reasons than negative ones for such a card. People pass across the borders of our nation undetected now, in the thousands. Most because they want a better life. That's fine, but we are civilized and welcome new citizens, but expect those who desire citizenship to follow procedures for doing so. Involving oneself in criminal or terrorist activities would be inherently more difficult with a national I.D. card system in place. Less resources would be wasted when a person has a legal warrant out on them. With vigilance against abuse, a national I. D. card can protect us better and allow us even more freedom, if we institute it to do that.

The national I. D. card is an idea whose time has come. However, before being instituted, it must be debated and safeguards put into place. Our nation is built upon the principles of compromise. That's what makes us so damnably free. Believe me, the majority rules here, via the ballot box, but the minority keeps the majority honest. <G>

Wendy Connors

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Probing Abduction 'Classics'

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Subject: Probing Abduction 'Classics'

Besides discussing theoretical points about abductions in another thread, I would like to begin one addressing some abduction cases. It can serve to illustrate some of the theoretical points discussed.

After my comments on Linda Cortile's and Vilas Boas' abductions, let me tackle another 'classic': the Allagash Four.

After a detailed analysis of Fowler's book, my conclusions were:

According to Fowler, they were "evidence that would demonstrate, beyond a reasonable shadow of doubt, that worldwide reports of humans being abducted by alien entities were really happening".

I do not know if alien abductions are real (although I suspect otherwise). But what I am really sure is that the Allagash abductions are not evidence of their reality. Yes, it is true that after several regressions the witnesses, more or less reluctantly, offered similar accounts, but even a perfunctory analysis reveal much more differences. I have prepared a table showing all the key elements of the multiple abduction as seen by each abductee. The differences are deeply damning. A few examples will be enough.

It is logical for the memories of the four witnesses to differ, if only because hypnosis is not a trustworthy procedure. But there should be some constants where all they should agree:

+ UFO arrival order: Jim said Charlie was the first and Chuck the second. But Jack said Chuck was the first. Charlie did not know but he saw the empty canoe under him (last one?).

+ Exam order: Jack and Jim agreed that they were the first and second respectively to be examined. But Chuck said he was the first. And Charlie said he was after Chuck but before Jim and Jack (in this order).

+ Medical examination:

Charlie.- He described a panel above his chest. Jim and Jack did not see anything but saw him completely naked afterwards. But Chuck did not see any panel, instead he described how the aliens pulled Charlie's ribs outside (!!) and afterwards put a sling around his chest.

Jim.- The aliens took samples while he was standing and undressing himself; then he went to another room where he laid on the table and masturbate. Charlie maintains that he could see him naked with a panel above his chest, and only afterwards the aliens took samples.

Jack.- He awoke naked. The aliens probe his body with a stick. Then he went to another room where he laid on a table with something on his chest and the aliens put something against his penis.

Charlie describes that everybody underwent the same procedure (no semen extraction). Jack describes only the first part. Chuck saw Jack with a sling.

Chuck.- He remembers three aliens who took away his trousers and took a semen sample. Charlie and Jim do not remember anything, but Jack saw Chuck completely naked before the aliens arrived to take him away.

+ UFO interior:

Charlie described only two rooms (one with a bank and a window, and another after climbing down several steps).

Jim described a room with a bank, a dark corridor and the exam room.

Jack mentioned several rooms.

Chuck described only one room where everything (the exam table, the tubes, etc) was.

How can anybody consider all this the best evidence, when they hardly agree on anything (even the aliens' descriptions do not match exactly -Jim and Chuck mentioned 3 digits, Jack said four opposable fingers)? I would expect some differences but how can they do not even agree in the order they were examined!

Any comments?

Luis R. González Manso

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

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>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

>Hi, Luis,

>>>An admittedly every specialized fantasy, involving among - other
>>>erotic elements - vomiting. I think the rest of us will count
>>>that among the less probable explanations for Villas-Boas's
>>>story.

>>Of course, you are entitled to think so. My bet would be a tall
>>tale on the chemist which backfired.

>Based, exactly, on what evidence?

None, just suspicions... Exactly the same that in favour of a very peculiar alien abduction (not to say very peculiar way to obtain hybrids) that really was "one of a kind". Never again did we met the same UFO, the same alien garments or the same alien women. As Patrick Huyghe wrote once, regarding UFOs, if we were talking about thousands of identical incidents, nobody will negate them. The problem is that there are no two cases alike. So, undoubtedly, the human psychology plays a role. Our discussion really is about the importance of such a role. The most serious UFO researchers admit that but insist in a "core experience". The skeptics do not find enough justification for that.

>In any event, unless you're claiming that all CE3 claimants who
>reported what we might now interpret as hybrid beings were
>lying, the theory you seem to be proposing makes no sense. We're
>talking about experiences, sometimes multiply or independently
>witnessed.

No, my claim is that some CE3 claimants did lie, and all the rest were mistaken or believe in their unconscious confabulations or fantasies they recalled under hypnosis.

>In fact, most folklorists believe that even the most outlandish
>folklore (e.g., that concerning fantastic creatures such as
>merbeings and fairies) may grow out of experiences, or perceived
>experiences, and not the other way around

Yes, we are talking about experiences, but are they objective or subjective? Was patrolman Schirmer really abducted by beings from "Mars Needs Women"? Was really a cow abducted at Leroy, Kansas, in 1897? Did really Adamski (or Katharina Wilson) travel to the dark

side of the Moon?

It is normal that no small number of folklorists express puzzlement at memorates. They are used to deal with dead letters from the past, not with living persons talking about personal experiences. But, does it mean that Herakles or the sirens really existed? I suppose at the time, there were some people who were sure to have seen them.

Yours,

LuisR

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:35:40 +0200

Dear John,

If you and the List indulge me, we can discuss your case at length.....

Of course, you have been over the details of that night at least 100,000 times. I cannot even imagine your emotional turmoil. But even if I cannot accept that your abduction was a physical incident, I really respect you and your fellows abductees.

Let's follow an order:

1. You saw a UFO, "A light shaped like a football, the size of a small van floating about 10-12 m above the roofs, at about 18 m from you". Did it appeared suddenly?

On principle, I do not accept at face value any UFO description, even if the witness knocked in its hull! We have been scalded so many times! But nevertheless, your sighting could have been just one more in a long statistic.

2. You got scared. Why? Did it come towards you? Did you have to go near in order to reach your home? Of course, human reactions vary but you must recognize that so a sudden panic is unusual. Awe, surprise, even curiosity, but panic without motive?.

But, of course, if you already know subconsciously that you were going to be abducted again, your panic was totally justified.

3. One split-second later you awoke in your bed, unaccounted hours had passed, your nose bleeding and your eye swollen.

Another question: Was it still bleeding or had the blood already coagulated? Were your bed dressings or pillow stained?.

If we accept your hipnosis recall, you were undressed (totally?) when the mantis alien probed your nose, but no bleeding is described then.

Did you recall under hipnosis how and where did they returned you? Did they drop you in the bed and your garments on the floor nearby?

It is my experience that even with a helping subject, it is quite difficult to totally undress a person (buttons, zippers, bra fasteners -not your case, of course-) in a short time and without tearing. But still worse is to dress him/her again.

We have a fact. Your nose-bleeding. But when did it happen? Each possibility has its problems, the data provided in the book is not enough to dilucidate.

This is going longer than I think, and I do not want to bore the people. Just one more question:

What was your "Realization Event", when all the pieces on your life dropeed in place forming an alien abduction scenario? According to Brookesmith it was in 1993 after reading Missing Time.

14 years after the main event. Is it really there no possibility of some _unconscious_ "embellishment"?

Next: the medical diagnostic.

Yours,

Luis R. González

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The Abduction Of Ann Jefferies

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Subject: The Abduction Of Ann Jefferies

Dear List members,

As I have been preparing an article about early claims of abduction for a popular magazine over here, I thought I'd share my summary of the Ann Jefferies 'case' with other List members, before I translate it into Spanish.

The story itself is open to all kinds of interpretation, but I am concerned that its real contents continue to be ignored and their true value therefore lost. It is not exactly a typical "modern-style" account of abduction, despite Jenny Randles' incorrect statement that it concerns "several human-sized creatures who seemed fascinated by reproduction" that Jefferies "believed she...had a sexual rapport with" ("The Complete Book of Aliens & Abductions," Piatkus, London 1999 p.13). As we will see, the fairies certainly kissed her but I would hesitate before equating this with sexual intercourse, at least without reproducing the relevant quote in full for readers to draw their own conclusions.

Nevertheless, it does contain enough familiar-sounding features to regard it as a forerunner of modern reports. It is unfortunate that it is so often referred to without quoting from the original text.

Ann Jefferies: Taken by the Fairies

One of the most celebrated encounters between a human being and the fairies took place in Cornwall in 1645. Anne Jefferies, the daughter of a poor labourer, was born in the parish of St. Teath in December 1626. At the age of nineteen she went to live in a wealthy family, that of the Pitts, as a servant. It is, in fact, a letter from Moses Pitt to the Right Reverend Dr. Edward Fowler, the Bishop of Gloucester, that contains the most detailed account about Jefferies' experiences.

In the letter, dated May 1st 1696, he explains how one day Jefferies had been knitting in an arbour in the garden when something so shocking happened to her "that she fell into a kind of Convulsion-fit." Soon afterwards members of the family found her writhing on the ground and carried her indoors, where she was taken to her bedroom and allowed to rest. When she regained consciousness she startled everyone gathered at her bedside by crying out, "They are all just gone out of the Window; do you not see them?" This and similar outbursts were immediately "attributed to her Distemper," her employers supposing she was suffering a bout of feverish 'light-headedness.'

Anne Jefferies remained in an unstable condition for some time, unable even to "so much as stand on her Feet." Gradually, however, she managed to recover from her "sickness" and by the following year was able to reassume her duties as a maid. Not long after this she began to reveal that, although she had recovered from her seizures, she had not exactly become her 'old self' again.

Pitt writes that the first indication that Jefferies had

acquired new skills came "one Afternoon, in the Harvest-time," when his mother slipped and broke her leg on the way back from the mill, which was a quarter of a mile from the house. She "lay [there] a considerable time in great Pain," he wrote, "till a Neighbour coming by on Horseback, seeing my Mother in this condition, lifted her up on his Horse, and carried her home." A servant was told to saddle a horse and fetch Mr. Hob, the surgeon, from a nearby town. While the servant was getting the horse ready, Anne Jefferies came into the room and saw Mrs. Pitt with her leg outstretched. She asked her to show her the wound, which the woman did after some persuasion, and to rest the leg on her lap. Stroking it with her hand, Anne asked whether the woman was feeling any better.

"My Mother confess'd to her she did. Upon this she desired my Mother to forbear sending for the Chyrurgeon, for she would, by the Blessing of God, cure her Leg: and to satisfy my Mother of the Truth of it, she again appeal'd to my Mother, whether she did not find farther Ease upon her...which my Mother again acknowledged she did. Upon this my Mother countermanded the Messenger for the Chyrurgeon."

What surprised Mrs. Pitt the most was not the maid's newfound healing powers but the fact that she seemed to know exactly when and where her fall had happened. Yet how could she? Anne had been sent to the orchards (for her own well-being, in case she were to have another fit) while Mrs. Pitt was not at home to keep an eye on her and nobody had had known anything until the neighbour arrived on his horse. Moses writes that his mother demanded an explanation.

"[Ann Jefferies] made answer, that half a dozen Persons told her of it. That, reply'd my Mother, could not be, for there was none came by at that time, but my Neighbour...that brought me home. Ann answers again, that that was the Truth, and it was also true, that half a dozen Persons told her so; for said she, you ! know I went out of the House into the Gardens and Orchards very unwillingly. And now I tell you the Truth of all Matters and Things that have befallen me.

"You know that this my Sickness and Fits came very suddenly upon me, which brought me very low and weak, and have made me very simple. Now the Cause of my Sickness was this.

"I was one day knitting of Stockings in the Arbour in the Gardens, and there came over the Garden-hedge of a sudden six small People, all in green Clothes, which put me into such a Fright and Consternation that was the Cause of this my great Sickness; and they continue their Appearance to me, never less than 2 at a time, nor never more than 8: they always appear in even Numbers, 2, 4, 6, 8. when I said often in my Sickness, They were just gone out of the Window, it was really so; altho you thought me light-headed. At this time when I came into the Garden, they came to me, and ask'd me, if you had put me out of the House against my Will: I told them I was unwilling to come out of the house: Upon this they said, you should not fare the better for it; and thereupon in that Place, and at that time, in a fair Path you fell, and hurt your Leg. I would not have you send for a Chyrurgeon, nor trouble your self, for I will cure your Leg: The which she did in a little time."

A longer account of Jefferies' encounter in the garden can be found in Robert Hunt's 1871 book, *Popular Romances of the West of England*. This literary version contains details that had probably circulated as rumours for two centuries and which were not included in Pitt's letter. Whether these rumours originated in Anne Jefferies' own confessions is difficult to say but the result is a much stranger rendition of the same story, with features that are atypical even of the most surreal fairy tales. Atypical to all but tales of abduction, that is.

Hunt writes that on meeting her in the arbour, one of the little men "clambered upon her bosom and neck, and began kissing her." Before long, all of the beings were kissing "her neck, her lips, and her eyes." When one of the beings "ran his fingers over her eyes...she felt as if they had been pricked with a pin." All of a sudden, "Anne became blind, and she felt herself whirled through the air at a great rate." When she could see again she found herself in a different world. She found herself in a beautiful forest, surrounded by temples and palaces of precious metals and "hundreds" of people "walking about," "idling," dancing and

playing sport. She then realised that the fairies now seemed to be about the same height as herself, and that she was wearing "the most highly-decorated clothes." Anne found a handsome mate, with whom she made love until for some reason the other inhabitants of the realm started getting angry and they had to part. At last "the fairy who had blinded her again placed his hands upon her eyes, and all was dark. She heard strange noises, and felt herself whirled about and about, and as if a thousand flies were buzzing around her." In a short while she was found by the Pitt family, who all mistakenly conceived that "she was recovering from a convulsion fit."

Such is the literary version of Jefferies' abduction.

From that time on, Anne Jefferies became famous throughout England as a faith-healer and fairy contactee. Moses Pitt writes that "People of all Distempers, Sicknesses, Sores, and Ages" travelled from far and wide to Cornwall to see the girl and receive her magical treatment. She charged no fee for her work and even stopped eating lunch and dinner with the family, claiming that the fairies were feeding her. On one occasion, writes Pitt in his letter, a neighbour called Francis Heathman dropped by to visit Anne. He was told she was in her room, so "he goes into her Chamber to see for her; and not seeing her, he calls for her: She not answering, he feels up and down in the Chamber for her; but not finding her, comes and tells us she was not in her Chamber. As soon as he had said this, she comes out of her Chamber to us, as we were sitting at Table, and tells him, she was in her Chamber, and saw him, and heard him call her, and see him feel up and down the Chamber for her, but he could not see her although she saw him, notwithstanding she was at the same time at the Table in her Chamber eating her dinner."

Unfortunately, so many strange goings on and her growing reputation as a seer worried the local authorities. They sent "both the Neighboro-Magistrates and Ministers" to the house to question the maid on the nature of her supernatural contacts. Despite hearing Anne Jefferies' "very rational Answers to all the Questions they then ask'd her," her interrogators concluded that the spirits she spoke to were "the Delusion of the Devil," and they "advised her not to go to them when they call'd her." Not long after this, the Justice of the Peace in Cornwall, John Tregagle Esq., issued a warrant for her arrest. Jefferies spent three months in Bodmin Gaol, where she was not allowed food or drink. "And yet," to everyone's amazement, "she liv'd, and without complaining." The fairies were feeding her! When she was finally freed it was decided that she could not return to the house of the Pitts, so! she went to stay with Moses Pitt's aunt, Mrs. Francis Tom, near Padstow. There "she liv'd a considerable time, and did many great Cures," but later moved into her own brother's house and eventually married.

In his letter Moses Pitt makes it clear that he had made an effort to gather as many details as he could about the case and to find witnesses. He mentions Mr. William Tom, "some time since Mayor of Plimouth...who did aver the Truth of Many, if not all the Passages I here relate," and declares that he "could bring several other Persons now living to justify the Truth of what I write." Unfortunately, Anne Jefferies herself would not make any more statements about what she had experienced, "fancying that if she should do it, she might again fall into Trouble about it." In 1691 Pitt wrote to his nephew, an attorney living in Cornwall, asking him to visit the woman - then in her mid-sixties - and interview her, but she refused to speak about it with anybody. In January 1693 Pitt asked his brother-in-law, Mr. Humphrey Martyn, to try to approach her with the same request. This time Anne Jefferies replied that she did not want her life made into "Books or Ballads" nor her name "spread about the country" in this way. She added that she wouldn't even do it for "five hundred pounds"!

"...for she said, she had been questioned before Justices, and at the Sessions, and in Prison, and also before the Judges at the Assizes; and she doth believe, that if she should discover [reveal] such things now, she should be questioned again for it."

Anne Jefferies died in 1698.

Chris Aubeck

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New Email Address For Larry Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 09:22:22 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 06:00:10 -0400
Subject: New Email Address For Larry Hatch

Hello All:

A few of you might have my old email address <larryhat@jps.net> in your address books.

The jps.net address may die at any time due to an ISP buyout, resulting in bounced emails.

Please check your address book and change my personal email address to:

larry@larryhatch.net (which sounds redundant.)

Note the ".net", dot-com goes to somebody else.

Emails will then be redirected to me regardless of which ISP I finally do wind up with.

Best!

- Larry

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Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact.net?

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@LARRYHATCH.NET>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 10:21:38 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 06:04:13 -0400
Subject: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact.net?

Dear Listerines:

While searching for dead links to my old *U* Database website, I chanced upon this one:

<http://www.etcontact.net/GeneralSightings.htm>

You may recognize the UFO maps, they are mine.

Toward the bottom of the page, there are two DEAD LINKS back to my old pages.

I emailed webmaster@etcontact.net to point out the new URL:

<http://www.larryhatch.net>

but that email bounced.

Actually, www.etcontact.net went dead itself for days or weeks. I thought that ended the matter, but the pages mysteriously reappeared 2-3 days ago.

I checked the domain registry for etcontact.net and learned the following: (Loy found this also)

Rajesh Kumar (ETCONTACT2-DOM)
4505 University Ave NE #537
Seattle, WA 98105 US

Domain Name: ETCONTACT.NET

Administrative Contact, Technical Contact..
Kumar, Rajesh (RK5198) xkumar1@HOTMAIL.COM
Kumar, Rajesh
4505 University Ave NE #537
Seattle, WA 98105 206-729-6190

Record last updated on 05-Aug-2001.
Record expires on 05-Jul-2002.
Record created on 05-Jul-2000.
Database last updated on 12-Oct-2001 ...
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Naturally, I emailed xkumar1@hotmail.com, and that email bounced.

Somewhere I found <rajesh@etcontact.net> and maybe yet another address. All of my emails bounced.

Can anybody tell me how to email this rather slippery fellow?

He put up my maps on his website, without asking permission at all, and only refers visitors back to dead jps.net links.

Very frustrating, any help kindly appreciated. I may try the phone number given, but have understandable doubts about that as well.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 14:24:41 EDT
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 06:06:55 -0400
Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID
>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 17:48:36 -0600

>My two cents.

>Normally, I would be rabid with anger over such a proposal. I'm
>a Democrat, but liberal on some things, moderate on others and
>down-right conservative on other issues. But I am considering
>exactly what is transpiring:

>Snip (but reluctantly)

>Fear of a national I.D. card? Absolute rubbish. Today I produce
>photo I.D. to cash a check, apply for loans, federal/state/local
>assistance, etc., etc., etc. Why, we all have a number assigned
>to us already. The only trouble is, identity cards in the
>present form are easy to fake. A national I.D. card only offers
>protection because it proves your identity and rights of
>citizenship. As long as the law for it doesn't go beyond that,
>then I say, fine. I can think of many more positive reasons than
>negative ones for such a card. People pass across the borders of
>our nation undetected now, in the thousands. Most because they
>>want a better life. That's fine, but we are civilized and
>welcome new citizens, but expect those who desire citizenship to
>follow procedures for doing so. Involving oneself in criminal
>or terrorist activities would be inherently more difficult with
>a national I.D. card system in place. Less resources would be
>wasted when a person has a legal warrant out on them. With
>vigilance against abuse, a national I. D. card can protect us
>better and allow us even more freedom, if we institute it to do
>that.

>The national I. D. card is an idea whose time has come. However,
>before being instituted, it must be debated and safeguards put
>into place. Our nation is built upon the principles of
>compromise. That's what makes us so damnably free. Believe me,
>the majority rules here, via the ballot box, but the minority
>keeps the majority honest.

Dear Wendy, List, Errol,

Very well said, Girl. Very well said. As I would have said it a few years back. And every word is truth - in theory. There are dangers to our freedoms however. Serious ones. And what is most perplexing about the issue of our freedoms is the Lemminglike nature of our citizens. Too busy with life to become involved. Too trusting of their elected leaders for their (our) own good. Deeper involvement in government is needed by ALL people of ALL nations. People need to serve themselves with a full plate of self determination.

The proof of our ill-representation exists in our faces. The UFO and abduction phenomena is a prime proof. The argument which should be used in any apologetic narrative over the rights of humankind. Of US citizens. And in Canada (sorry guys) and England and Australia, there are even fewer rights granted to

their citizens.

But then I guess our neighbors have fewer problems than we with the use of the evil nug. Eh? And the evil weed. And the evil needle with all the damage done. Eh?

I digress with apologeeees.

Jim
a man afraid and not in his cups.....

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 21:55:47 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 06:09:46 -0400
Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>exactly what is transpiring:

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>So, our own military in the streets of our country? That makes
>you fearful? How ridiculous. Our military personnel live here
>and have always been among us. We the People govern this nation,
>not our military. We the People keep and bear arms, just so the
>military and our elected leaders are always reminded whom this
>nations real leaders are and to whom they answer to.

><snip>

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>into place. Our nation is built upon the principles of
>compromise. That's what makes us so damnably free. Believe me,
>the majority rules here, via the ballot box, but the minority
>keeps the majority honest. <G>

Hi Wendy and everyone else,

I would like to say that I am glad Wendy has decided to become more active on this List. I pretty much agree with what she has posted in the last few weeks. Whether I agree or not, I am thankful for such perceptive and well developed views from another person who I think represents what Ufology means to me. In my view, one voice with rational depth is more than equivalent to 100 people who are psychosocial failures and litter the field of popular UFO pronouncements with their narrow minded agendas.

I don't have a fixed opinion on a National ID card. I trust that will be worked out in Congress. I can say that when I moved here to Germany I was surprised that I had to register with the police. Even if I move within Berlin I must register again. One would think that with a history of a police state Germans would fight it with all they could. But here there is also a good democracy to prevent abuses and people accept it as just part of life.

Josh Goldstein

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Alien Technology Documentary?

From: Royce J. Myers III <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 16:55:02 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 06:12:09 -0400
Subject: Alien Technology Documentary?

I was sent this a few days ago. Does anyone know anything about (see below)? Sorry if I may have missed anything on the List. Thanks!

Regards,

Royce J. Myers III
UFOWATCHDOG.COM

A very small advertisement in The Living Arts section of the 'The New York Times', for Monday, September 10, 2001 titled 'Item' had this to say:

Despite Federal Government attempts via the National Security Act to prevent its first public screening, "Alien Technology" 48 minute Documentary hosted by Stacy Keach will commence as scheduled on: Wednesday, September 12th, 7:00 PM at: Clearview Theater 239 E. 59th St. (between 2nd and 3rd Ave.) Admission \$10 Nyfilmvideo.com
Ticketweb.com 1(866) 468-7619

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Declassify This (UFO?) Document

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto**
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 07:06:20 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 07:06:20 -0400
Subject: Declassify This (UFO?) Document

Source: PetitionPetition.com

<http://www.petitionpetition.com/cgi/petition.cgi?id=2635>

Body of Petition:

BACKGROUND: Recently accessed by researchers in charge of the website of <http://www.majesticdocuments.com>, a one-page meeting-agenda memorandum now housed at the U. S. National Archives and Records Administration constitutes a smoking-gun milestone in various private research efforts to determine how much certain current agency officials know (and when they knew it) about the formation, operation, and findings of a supersecret, presidentially chartered UFO-E.T. study group -- "Majestic-Twelve" -- created during the aftermath of the so-called Roswell Incident in early July 1947.

Here's the researchers' summary of the subject memo's authentication:

"FROM NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION
(NARA) &#-106; COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND

"Intelligence Advisory Board, 14th Meeting, 17 July 1947 (20k)

http://www.majesticdocuments.com/documents/archives/pdfiab14meeting_17july47

"From Record Group 353, Entry 411-413, Box 96, Interdepartmental committees, comes a revealing memo concerning the Intelligence Advisory Board. The Central Intelligence Group (CIG) had an Intelligence Advisory Board, which held its 14th meeting on Thursday, July 17, 1947 [in Washington, D.C.]. The agenda memo shows one blacked-out agenda item, number three, and none of the associated tabs are yet declassified. This would have been the first official meeting of the IAB after the reported July 1947 crashes of UFOs in New Mexico, and logically the event(s) would likely have been discussed. This document does not preclude that conclusion, and the question remains open: Why is this material classified to this day -- more than half a century later?"

Unfortunately, we may have to wait another 50 years or so to learn the still-classified contents of the memo's agenda item No. 3 and its various tabbed enclosures -- unless its current custodians decide to declassify its contents fully and promptly.

PETITION TEXT:

-- Whereas it behooves the public's right-to-know to have the IAB memo's current custodians (including all pertinent NARA, DOD, USAF, Navy, and CIA officials) proceed with immediate "mandatory declassification review/release" of the memo in accordance with Executive Order No. 12958; and

-- Whereas their taking this action will help strengthen congressional and body-politic inquiry into, and oversight of, what went wrong (and why) with the Executive Branch's UFO-E.T. policy and practices from their inception more than 50 years ago
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The Gundiah, OZ, Mackay Abduction

From: Leigh Blackmore <troswell151@optusnet.com.au>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 16:39:29 +1000
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 07:21:08 -0400
Subject: The Gundiah, OZ, Mackay Abduction

Hello Errol and List members,

Here is an update on the Queensland abduction case as reported by Diane Harrison and Bill Chalker (AUFORN)

Subject: The Gundiah Mackay abduction milieu

A preliminary report by Bill Chalker and Diane Harrison AUFORN

An extraordinary and controversial milieu has developed around events that reportedly began late on the evening of Thursday, October 4th, 2001, at a Gundiah property near Tiaro, culminating in the early hours of Friday, October 5th, 2001, and then played out in the glare of rapidly escalating media coverage.

Three people were directly involved in these alleged events. Keith Rylance (40), his wife Amy (22), and their business partner, Petra Heller (39) were on their property, which was being developed as "Whispering Winds" winery. Other potential activities were also being developed at the location. The following account comes from interviews conducted by us with them, along with primary source material such as TV interviews.

Keith Rylance told us that he had gone to sleep in the caravan bedroom at about 9.30 pm. Petra retired to her bedroom in the caravan annex. Amy stayed on a couch watching TV in the caravan annex "lounge room". Each of these locations were in close proximity, separated by a window and wall respectively from the lounge room. Petra's room had a door leading to the lounge room, which was left ajar. The door to the bedroom, where Keith was, apparently was open to the lounge room. Amy apparently fell asleep on the couch. A storm was in the area.

Around 11.15 pm, Petra was reportedly woken up and when she entered the adjacent lounge was confronted by an extraordinary sight, that allegedly quickly overwhelmed her. A rectangular beam of light was being projected through the open window of the caravan lounge room. This light beam appeared to be truncated at the end. Inside the beam Petra claims to have seen Amy in a sleep prone position, being carried out head first through the window. Underneath her, also within the beam were the items that had been on the coffee table adjacent to the couch Amy had been on. Before apparently fainting in shock Petra saw that the beam was coming from a disc shaped UFO hovering just above the ground a short distance away, near a tree at the rear of the clear section, immediately behind the annex caravan house.

Petra reports she believes she was only in a faint for a very short period of time. Regaining consciousness, she began screaming. Keith reports that he was awakened by the commotion coming from Petra. As he came from the caravan bedroom and stepped down into the lounge room annex Keith claims he was confronted by the sight of a highly agitated Petra and the contents of the coffee table on the floor in front of the window. He told us that he soon realised that the window screen was torn in both a vertical fashion and along the bottom of the

window frame. Keith indicated that initially he couldn't get any sense out of Petra who was crying and very agitated, so he rushed outside trying to locate Amy. She was reportedly nowhere to be found. Keith states when he started to be less agitated himself he was eventually able to get from Petra an idea of what happened. Keith claims he initially refused to believe what Petra was telling him. He said he rushed outside again trying to find his wife. Eventually as the situation became clearer, Keith indicates he decided to call the police. Keith call the Tiaro police around 11.40 pm reporting that his wife had been abducted and imploring that the police should come out. The manning status at that time meant there were some delays in the police coming out, but about hour and a half after the initial call Senior Constable Robert Maragna from Tiaro and an officer from Maryborough arrived at the site. Initially police thought they might have been walking into a situation involving foul play, even perhaps a murder scene, but then the bizarre circumstances of the alleged events came into focus. The two people, Keith and Petra, at the Gundiah property were claiming that Amy Rylance had been abducted by a "spaceship"! The officers were struggling to keep an open mind. They were joined later by Sgt. John Bosnjak, the officer in charge of the Tiaro police. He had been asleep when the police called him to assist in the investigation.

The three officers continued their investigations at the site. They confirmed that Keith Rylance and Petra Heller appeared to be in an agitated state and that there was no sign of Amy Rylance. The torn screen was examined. A flowering bush, commonly known as "yesterday, today, tomorrow" was located immediately outside the left side of window, had indications of possibly being affected by heat or another mechanism along its right side. Oddly another flowering bush, a hibiscus, located immediately on the right hand side of the window area was not affected in the same way. The police took samples for possible later testing.

While the police were at the property, a phone call came through, which was taken by Keith Rylance. A woman was calling from Mackay indicating that she had taken a somewhat distressed and apparently dehydrated young woman from a BP petrol service station on the northern outskirts of central Queensland city of Mackay, some 790 kilometres to the north of the Gundiah Tiaro area. The young woman turned out to be Amy Rylance, and the female caller was ringing to advise that Amy was apparently all right and was at the Mackay hospital, where she had been examined by a doctor. Keith handed the phone to Snr. Constable Maragna.

Given these extraordinary circumstances Mackay police were called in, making a total of three police stations involved in the investigation Tiaro, on outskirts of central Queensland, Maryborough on the coast and Mackay, some 790 kilometres to the north of the Gundiah Tiaro area.

A statement was notarised by the Mackay police with a Justice Act acknowledgement, that required Amy to acknowledge that she had stated was true to the best of her knowledge and belief, and that if it is admitted as evidence, that she may be liable to prosecution if she had indicated anything in it that she knew was false.

This statement indicated that she last only recollected lying on the couch at the Gundiah property. She had no recollection of the events that Petra described, but claimed she then next remembered waking up lying on a bench in a strange rectangular room. lamination came from the walls and the ceiling. She was alone. She indicated she called out and heard what seemed to be a male voice, asking her to be calm and that everything would be alright and that she would not be harmed. Soon an opening appeared in the wall and "a guy" about 6 feet tall walked into the room. The man appeared to be slender in build but in perfect proportion, covered head to foot in a full body suit. He had what seemed to be a black covering mask on his face, with a hole for his eyes, nose and mouth. He repeated his calming assurances. Amy felt she had been there a while. The guy told her they were returning her to a place not far from where they took her from, because the lights were wrong at the property and it wasn't safe. She then indicates she found herself lying on the bed and falling asleep. The next thing she recollects is that she woke up on the ground with trees around her. She felt

disorientated, could smell the ocean, and indicated she was not sure how long she tumbled through bushland, but seemingly it was for a long time, but she felt she wasn't making much progress. She then came out onto a road that looked like a highway and saw a light from a petrol station. She walked into the station, where staff seeing her state, tried to offer some assistance. She accepted some water, as she felt somewhat dehydrated. Initially she was not able to answer identifying questions, and didn't know where she was. She was also asked if she had been drinking or was on drugs, to which she said no. Amy indicated she felt tired, sore, drained and lethargic. She asked a woman at the service station to take her to the hospital, as she didn't know of where else to go. The woman and her friend took Amy to the hospital. Later Amy spoke with two police officers and also spoke with her husband Keith from the hospital. She then went to Mackay police station where she gave the statement of events. Amy also indicated that this sort of thing had never happened to her before, but when she was in 5th year school she had seen a large UFO surrounded by smaller objects.

The police arranged to put Amy in a motel pending the arrival of her husband. He and Petra arrived during the day and indicated they spent considerable time with Amy discussing what happened. Extensive notes were apparently made and photographs were taken of a triangular arrangement of marks on her inner right thigh, marks on each heel and the growing out of her hair which she had dyed earlier in the week. Her hair had apparently started to show her former colour, suggestive that some considerable time had passed for her, apparently indicative of rather more than a few hours. Body hair had allegedly also become somewhat more pronounced than would otherwise be apparent for the short time involved.

Via an Newsagent's a copy of the Australian Ufologist magazine was purchased, Keith, Petra and Amy started to learn more about UFOs. Keith Rylance contacted the Australian UFO Research Network office number mentioned in the magazine. Diane Harrison took the call Date: Fri, 5 Oct 2001 15:20 p.m and for the next hour or so listened to the story that Keith and Amy told. Petra was apparently sleeping at the time.

Given the nature of the story, its complexity and the fact it apparently featured the alleged use of "solid light", Diane decided to bring Bill Chalker into the investigation, making contact with him during the evening of Friday, October 5th. Paradoxically Bill was scheduled to talk at a Brisbane UFO conference on October 13th, and his topics included "solid light" cases and the application of science to alien abduction cases. Bill put a call through to them at the motel, securing permission to record the conversation. Once again Petra was not available to talk about her part in the alleged events. Keith Rylance went into considerable detail about the events, referring often to the notes they had apparently been compiling during the day. The details described covered the events Petra had witnessed, what Keith had experienced, and what Amy told them had happened to her during her experience. Finally Bill spoke with Amy, focusing mainly on the events before and after the claimed onboard experiences, because Keith had already gone into considerable detail about the latter. Bill discussed with Amy her general responses and her physical state and her current state of thought on her experiences. Keith Rylance seemed to want to control how both media and investigators would get involved. His desire to contact the media promptly drew from both Diane and Bill the suggestion that he should think very carefully about the possible ramifications of doing so. Keith seemed to feel that it was important to get the story out, as it would come out anyway and this way he could control the way it did. He was also trying to restrict the way the investigators could or should look into their experience. He claimed they didn't need to prove the experience. While he didn't directly witness the experiences he believed both Amy and Petra.

Given the possible nature of the event, and that irrespective of the ultimate resolution of the affair, it seemed destined to be a big story, Diane and Bill decided to undertake an investigation. They had been given an indication from Keith Rylance that the three would wait for the investigators to come to Mackay. The claimants were in no apparent hurry to return to Gundiah. They gave permission for Bill and Diane to visit the property on the way. Bill arrived in the Brisbane area on Tuesday afternoon, October 9th.

Diane and Bill then travelled to Gundiah, arriving at the Whispering Winds winery property, just after 10 pm. Because of the lateness of the hour, we got the witnesses permission to stay there overnight and to conduct whatever investigation we needed to do. Keith had arranged for a neighbour to regularly check on the two pets left behind, namely a parrot and a kelpie dog. He indicated to us that it would be okay to let the dog off for a run, but warned us it was very friendly but inclined to jump all over people.

We let the dog off at some point and observed its behaviour. At one point it did jump up on the window where the damaged screen was located. This gave some support to the possibility that at least some, if not all of the damage, could have been caused by the dog. Some of the damage on closer inspection seemed suggestive of possible dog damage. Our inspection of the plant damage also suggested possible prosaic causes, such as heat stress. A plant at the front of the house had similar damage and a healthy flowering bush of the same species that was at the window, was examined by us at Mount Basset lawn cemetery has similar damaged. A gardener there we spoke to indicated that the species often had random or more extensive damage of a heat stress nature from hot sunlight. The prosaic possibilities for both the screen and the plant damage are only suggestive at this point and further investigation is required.

We undertook extensive investigations at the property and the area. Police were very helpful. Our investigation generated many issues and questions, which we feel need resolution, in order to assist interpretations of these events. Further extensive investigations were undertaken in Mackay, focusing in particular at the area where Amy Rylance returned. These included attempts to reconstruct the circumstances of Amy's return, through on-site research. The BP petrol service station staff were spoken with and a surveillance video tape that may contain Amy's visit there was provided to us by the station owner. This part of our investigation also generated many issues and questions that need resolution if we are to approach any measure of certainty about the real nature of the events alleged.

Keith Rylance indicated to us he would be available to us when we got to Mackay, but it was made clear to us early on the first day of our investigations there that this wasn't probably going to be the case. When we contacted the motel where they had been the night before, their third motel in Mackay, we learned they had apparently already checked out that morning. We left messages on their phone but didn't hear from Keith until early on the afternoon of our second day, as we were leaving Mackay. In his mobile call, Keith apologised for not being available, but was indicating they had relocated to an unspecified location after having fled the area. The primary reason for this Keith indicated was that they claimed they had a kind of "men-in-black" experience. In this case Keith was reporting a pursuit of their vehicle by a high powered dark brown 4 wheel truck. The nature of this event apparently frightened Keith, Amy and Petra, prompting Keith to attempt to loose the vehicle and eventually leave the area.

Before the completion of this preliminary report (14th October) we have heard from Keith again. We remain hopeful that they will get into more direct contact with us.

This affair is both extraordinary and controversial. Many have rushed to judgement, but given it's complex and evolving dynamics, caution and patience is necessary. We have many issues and questions we would like to try to resolve. Further contact with the Rylances and Petra Heller may help this process. The case is far from closed and requires an objective, open minded investigation. Only time will give us the possibility of resolution and certainty about this intriguing but controversial affair.

Regards

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Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Connors

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 11:24:17 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 07:23:57 -0400
Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Connors

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Probing Abduction 'Classics'
>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:11:23 +0200

Luis,

I would like to comment on your post.

I spoke recently of a need for an absolute "Baseline" in alien abduction scenarios. I will give an example of why I believe that "details" are not as important in the immediate, than the actual baseline (bottom line) itself and why the baseline is the cementing element to looking at the details from individual perspectives than group perspectives and trying to combine them.

Example:

A family buys a new television set. After setting it up they gather around in their excitement and expectations. The set is turned on and then something perfectly human begins. Most people would assume that the discussion would be what to watch. Nope. That doesn't happen.

First, one family member adjusts the color till they are satisfied. Then, another member attempts to adjust the color to their perception and so forth. Finally, after awhile, compromise and agreement reigns and the family begins to bicker on what to watch first after they have compromised through their perceptions.

Moral of this example is that human beings are basically the same, but perceive things just a little differently. Nobody perceives colors exactly the same as someone else. This applies to taste, hearing, etc. They compromised over the color settings but the baseline remains undisputed. They purchased a TV, brought it home and turned it on. There is no disagreement or variance on this point.

Thus, the Allagash abduction incident is basically the same. Each person experienced the abduction from their own perspective, yet the baseline remains constant. There is absolutely no disagreement among the experiencers that the event itself happened. To look at the incident by looking at it from a group perspective leads to static and nothing is really learned. Rational methodology is to confirm the baseline and then look at the personal scenarios as independent units that support the baseline.

It does not, for example, mean much that one person perceived 3 fingers on an entity and another perceived 4. The undisputed fact is that the entity, no matter from individual perception was the same, i.e., the entities had commonality of hands and fingers and all three experiencers relating the common experience do not dispute this fact. Baseline for this element is that the entities had hands and fingers.

Finally, pouncing and splitting hairs on minute details from the

beginning makes for chaotic research and accomplishes nothing but frustration and semantic argument at the expense of ignoring the absolute facts first.

Anyway, for what this point may be worth.

Wendy Connors

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AA... By The By

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 07:29:28 -0400
Subject: AA... By The By

List & Others,

The AA flim seems to be the Eveready battery of the UFO world, it just keeps on going and going. Given Twin F/X's resent attempt and the recent events here in Australia, I thought it a good time to have another look at the AA flim from the video store.

But it wasn't the AA itself that had me rushing for the remote this time, it was a report about the soldiers who found the live aliens. It was reported that these soldiers used the butt of their rifles to pry a small black box away from one of the terrified aliens.

So this is how we greet a visitor from another world?? Small wonder they are a little shy in making their presence known to us.

This brings up many questions about how visitors from other worlds have been treated by the Military, is the treatment of these Aliens so bad that it is the primary reason why the likes of the US military and other agencies are so keen to keep the whole affair a secret? Was this treatment so bad it caused these races and/or race to treat us with total contempt?

There have been many reports of the bad treatment of Aliens, something I must admit I hadn't paid very much attention to up until now. Though it something I am going to be researching more closely from now on.

If anyone knows of cases relating to the mistreatment of Aliens, could they refer me to these links and/or cases please. There don't seem to be many cases reported after the 1940's. Which is very interesting and raises more questions.

"Once bitten twice shy" one could say. From an Alien's point of view that is.

Tophar

PS: I really didn't think TWIN F/X's AA re-creation was that good, it is easy to copy from a original. I would have been more impressed if they tried something original. Besides, it is the year 2001, I can do a re-creation using LigthWave, Bryce4 and 3D ds MAX. Even down to the point of getting the skin to depress when touched and I am not even that good at doing 3D imagines. The wound on the leg also wasn't that real looking. I don't think it would have fooled many people for all that long.

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Re: The Abduction of Ann Jefferies - Aubeck

From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@email.com>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 11:46:01 -0400
Subject: Re: The Abduction of Ann Jefferies - Aubeck

>From: Chris Aubeck
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 00:19:07 +0800
>Subject: The Abduction Of Ann Jefferies

>Dear List members,

>As I have been preparing an article about early claims of abduction
>for a popular magazine over here, I thought I'd share my summary
>of the Ann Jefferies 'case' with other List members, before I
>translate it into Spanish.

I would just like to clarify my comment on the sexual content in
the Ann Jefferies case (I summarised a longer paragraph in a few
lines to make my post shorter, and then regretted it!).
Yesterday I wrote:

It is not exactly a typical "modern-style" account of abduction,
despite Jenny Randles' incorrect statement that it concerns
"several human-sized creatures who seemed fascinated by
reproduction" that Jefferies "believed she...had a sexual rapport
with."

What I meant was that while it is true that Jefferies finds a
sexual partner in the fairies' realm, it is misleading to state
that this man expresses a "fascination" about "human
reproduction." Furthermore, the emphasis in the earliest (and
most reliable) version is on small creatures, and our only
source which mentions human-sized ones comes from a literary
version of the story published 200 years later. It is safe to
assume this part of the account was not given by Jefferies
herself. Tales of 'fairy lovers' were very popular in the 19th
century (and before) and it would have seemed natural to fill in
the 'missing time' experienced by Jefferies with a romantic
affair.

In any case, the 'kissing' she received in the literary version
came from the little! folk, not the human-sized ones.

Other traditional stories illustrate the similarities between
modern and ancient accounts far better than the Ann Jefferies
case. Take, for example, the story of Mr. Noy.

The Abduction of Mr. Noy

In the Cornish account of The Fairy Dwelling on Selena Moor the
victim is a farmer from Buryan, William Noy. Firstly, he
vanishes. A search party is sent out. Three days later he is
discovered unconscious in an abandoned barn. When awoken he is
oblivious to the fact that so much time has passed. He tells his
story:

As he took a short cut through the moor on his way home he got
lost. He wandered thus until he saw lights in the distance and
heard music. "His horse and dogs shrank back and would not come

with him..." He there came upon a little house and next to it a party of strange people drinking and dancing merrily "but they looked to him very small." Noy spots near them a friend of his who appears to have been kidnapped by them. The woman is pleased to see him and proceeds to explain her predicament:

"One evening she was out on Selena Moor looking for a stray sheep when she heard Mr. Noy hallooing to his dogs, so she took a short cut towards him, and got lost in a place where the ferns were above her head, and so wandered round as if she was pixy-led. At length, worn out with hunger and thirst, she plucked a beautiful golden plum from one of the trees, and began to eat it. It dissolved into bitter water in her mouth, and she fell to the ground in a faint. When she revived she found herself surrounded by a crowd of little people who laughed and rejoiced at getting a neat girl to bake and brew for them and to look after their mortal babies, who were not so strong, they said, as they used to be in the old days.

"She said their lives seemed [to her] unnatural and a sham. 'They have little sense of feeling; what serves them in a way as such, is merely the remembrance of whatever pleased them when they lived as mortals - maybe thousands of years ago.' "

Mr. Noy found out many other things about the weird creatures: "they &nb! sp; are not of our religion but are star-worshippers," said his friend. "They disliked to be seen, above all by daylight, because they then looked aged and grim." (see W. Bottrell's Traditions and Hearthside Stories of West Cornwall Penzance, 1870-1880 vol. II)

The points of interest in this early 19th century story as regards its connection with alien abduction are as follows:

- 1) A man vanishes mysteriously.
- 2) He is entranced by sounds and lights in an isolated setting.
- 3) His animals, a horse and a dog, sense the presence of non-human entities and refuse to accompany him further.
- 4) He finds himself among a group of low-statured creatures.
- 5) He meets another abductee, whom he knows.
- 6) She describes her own abduction.
- 7) This involves her taking a bitter liquid apparently given to her by the beings.
- 8) Her task of nursing the creatures' peevish babies.
- 9) The cold, unemotional attitude of the creatures (contrasting sharply with the joyful gathering which Noy thought he saw at the beginning).
- 10) The "thousands of years" that the creatures had been on the earth.
- 11) The 'star worship' link.
- 12) The beings' dislike for being seen.

The illusionary plum that became bitter liquid in the female abductee's mouth recalls the amnesia-inducing potion administered to other abductees. In her first book about abductions Jenny Randles described two cases, one in England and the other in the USSR, in which strange drinks were used to cause witnesses to forget their UFO encounters. These cases both took place in 1978, one in June and the other in May. In the Russian case the liquid was said to have "tasted like lemonade with salt in it."

In the ancient Celtic tale of Cuchulainn's abduction to fairyland, a similar drink is used to cause him to forget all about his experience in the realm of the Sidhe:

"the druids brought a drink of forgetfulness, and, when he drank that, he forgot...everything he had done."

In October 1991, Katherina Wilson's husband Erik was abducted by aliens which used a bitter-tasting knockout drug.

"The Being told me telepathically, 'It is time for you to go to sleep.' A primal fear set in as I pleaded him not to do this again. As I begged, he quickly raised his left hand over my head and released a metallic powder over my face. I could taste the bitter substance that fell onto my face and lips as I drifted away and lost consciousness." (Katherina Wilson, The Alien Jigsaw, Portland, Oregon: Puzzle Publishing, 1993, p.193)

There are many more cases of this kind. It is not possible to describe them without using the word 'abduction' as in fact this is the very word used even in the last century to refer to incidents of 'kidnap by fairies'!

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Re: Rudolf Fenz 1847-1950? - Aubeck

From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@email.com>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 20:50:46 +0800
Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 11:49:21 -0400
Subject: Re: Rudolf Fenz 1847-1950? - Aubeck

Hello List,

I know I've asked about this before but I'm going to do so again as it's something that keeps cropping up.

I am referring to the case of Rudolf Fenz.

Where did this story originate?

Here's a mention of it at

http://www.inexplicata.com/samizdat/in_the_wink_of_an_eye.html

IN THE WINK OF AN EYE: MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCES

by Scott Corrales

Some of the cases read like science-fiction in their thriller-like quality (bear in mind that science fiction author Isaac Asimov used a mysterious disappearance to transport one of his protagonists to the future in A Pebble in the Sky) and detail.

In 1950, a New York City paper allegedly carried a four-line news item relating the death of a pedestrian hit by a car near Times Square. The car had apparently been unable to stop and a crowd of onlookers ran to offer assistance to the unfortunate victim, one Rudolf Fenz, who was pronounced dead.

There were details to the sad but uneventful story which were impossible to overlook: the late Rudolf Fenz was wearing decidedly vintage clothing - a frock coat, narrow trousers, buckle shoes and a matching hat. His pockets contained several calling cards to his name, an invoice regarding the lodging and upkeep of a horse and carriage, and a letter postmarked 1876.

A search of the New York phone book revealed the number of a Rudolf Fenz, Jr., who had passed away some years earlier. Nonetheless, his widow was able to tell investigator Hubert V. Rihn of the Missing Persons division that her late husband's father had disappeared mysteriously in 1876 while on a trip to the local tobacconist, and never returned home.

Rihn allegedly looked through records for that year and found that one Rudolf Fenz, age 29, had disappeared on the same night, last seen wearing a black frock coat, narrow trousers, and buckle shoes.

And here it is in Spanish:

<http://www.havengar.freesevers.com/pdimensao.html>

My previous post at UFO UpDates was:

<http://www.aliensonearth.com/ufo/updates/2001/aug/m21-019.shtml>

Re: Rudolf Fenz 1847-1950? - Aubeck

Maybe someone at Fortean Times has come across it before? I'd appreciate the feedback.

Chris Aubeck

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Security Precautions in New York City

From: "Jan Aldrich" <jan@cyberzone.net>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 11:56:59 -0400
Subject: Security Precautions in New York City

Hello John Velez,

I can't seem to find your message in the "Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID System" thread, and anyway I don't want to get entangled in that messy thread.

The reason for the show of force in New York and elsewhere with National Guardsmen and barriers and check points has reasons beyond the terrorist threat. Copy cats, idiots and mentally ill people.

When I was in Germany during the Gulf War, one of my assignments was to come up with a plan for security of our post. Since the PX, gas station, commissary, and housing areas were outside the fenced-in areas this presented big problems.

The Special Weapons NCO and I went over to the military intelligence and read everything we could find on the Iraqi terrorists. They weren't too impressive at the time - now they have become more competent and a threat close to the level of Osama. However, at the time it was thought they might have some terrorists in Germany and they might have the help of the Communists governments, especially East Germany. There also was the German "Red Army Faction" (RAF) and various other Euroterrorists who might also take advantage of the scene, but the reminder of this RAF group were cowardly people who were willing to try to kill others as long as there was no possibility that they would get a scratch. However, they had in the past and probably would try to take advantage of any lax security. Other problems that you have in this type of situation involved copy cats, people with grudges, idiots, and mentally ill people.

The idea was, with the soldiers available, to mount a guard force, use barriers and checkpoints to discourage these last groups of people, a show of force firstly and secondly to possible disrupt other more competent terrorists. So we established fixed guard posts, every fixed post had to be visible to the other guard posts to the right and left. In the parking lots vehicles were checked. Vehicles entering the post were searched and checked with mirrors for possible bombs and they had to go through a "snaked" barrier lined route so they could not crash the gates. Similar measures for commercial and contract delivery vehicles involved with the PX and commissary were in place.

Besides this, we established walking patrols of two men each with hand held radios. We sent patrols out in 15 minute intervals each time the rear patrol lost sight of the lead patrol, the rear patrol called in on their radio. In the fenced areas, we had patrols on the outside of the fence one going in a clockwise direction and patrols inside the fence going in a counterclockwise direction.

In addition we had vehicle-mounted patrols that just drove around the area, and a squad of off duty guards to act as a reaction force with a vehicle for any problems.

In one of the highrise apartment buildings we put an overwatch

guard with starlight-scope and binos to keep a watch on everything.

The Germans, of course, had overall police authority, they had assigned civilian police to patrol unprotected areas, and reserve military police had been called up to provide added security. All that I saw was an occasional German military police vehicle, but when a horn got stuck on a school bus, these guys converged from every direction in about a dozen vehicles.

We had several incidents where we thought we had been scouted. In one case we had a license plate number that the German police found had belonged to a junked vehicle and was therefore phony.

No one knows if these measures prevented anything from happening, but it may have just prevented some jerk who identified with Sadam from trying something.

In the US we now have jerks who placed pipe bombs under a bridge here in Connecticut, and idiots who decide to play a prank on a guy station on a local military base by tying a bunch of loose electrical wires under a car to make it look like a bomb. So the show of force in New York is part confidence building and part an attempt to stop people inspired by the terrorists from becoming "heroes" and other jerks that seem to come out when these things happen.

Jan Aldrich

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Re: Baloney Detection - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 12:06:59 -0400
Subject: Re: Baloney Detection - Maccabee

>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:29:14 -0400
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers -
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Baloney Detection

>Source: Scientific American

><http://www.sciam.com/2001/1101issue/1101skeptic.html>

>Baloney Detection

>How to draw boundaries between science and pseudoscience, Part I

>By Michael Shermer

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>When lecturing on science and pseudoscience at colleges and
>universities, I am inevitably asked, after challenging common
>beliefs held by many students, "Why should we believe you?" My
>answer: "You shouldn't."

>I then explain that we need to check things out for ourselves
>and, short of that, at least to ask basic questions that get to
>the heart of the validity of any claim. This is what I call
>baloney detection, in deference to Carl Sagan, who coined the
>phrase "Baloney Detection Kit." To detect baloney--that is, to
>help discriminate between science and pseudoscience--I suggest
>10 questions to ask when encountering any claim.>

>1. How reliable is the source of the claim? Pseudoscientists
>often appear quite reliable, but when examined closely, the
>facts and figures they cite are distorted, taken out of context
>or occasionally even fabricated. Of course, everyone makes some
>mistakes. And as historian of science Daniel Kevles showed so
>effectively in his book The Baltimore Affair, it can be hard to
>detect a fraudulent signal within the background noise of
>sloppiness that is a normal part of the scientific process. The
>question is, Do the data and interpretations show signs of
>intentional distortion? When an independent committee
>established to investigate potential fraud scrutinized a set of
>research notes in Nobel laureate David Baltimore's laboratory,
>it revealed a surprising number of mistakes. Baltimore was
>exonerated because his lab's mistakes were random and
>nondirectional.

Comment: "How reliable is the source of the claim?" For UFOs
this reads as follows:

"How reliable is the UFO skeptic who proposes an explanation for
a particular UFO sighting? "

Note well that to propose an explanation is to make a claim:
such and such a UFO sighting is really a... (explanation or
suggested phenomenon.)

What really happens is that the skeptic proposes, often

publicly, "Candidate Explanatory Phenomenon" (CEP) to explain the sighting.

One presumes that to determine the reliability of the skeptic who proposes an explanation one should look at previous explanations suggested by said skeptic and determine what fraction of these explanations was correct or at least convincing (it may not be possible to determine whether or not an explanation is correct, but it should be possible to determine whether or not an explanation is convincing to at least some level of acceptance or (gulp) "belief.")

Example: How reliable is PJKlass who proposed Mars and Jupiter to explain the Japan Airlines sighting (JAL1628) of Nov. 1986? The explanation was hardly convincing... comparing the known characteristics of Mars and Jupiter with the descriptions by the air crew shows great disparity.

So, should we trust Klass to propose a correct explanation for another sighting... such as Kenneth Arnold (for which PJK proposed a meteor train)

I would suggest that Mr. Shirmer's point #1 be applied to UFO skeptics as well as to believers.

>2. Does this source often make similar claims? Pseudoscientists >have a habit of going well beyond the facts. Flood geologists >(creationists who believe that Noah's flood can account for many >of the earth's geologic formations) consistently make outrageous >claims that bear no relation to geological science. Of course, >some great thinkers do frequently go beyond the data in their >creative speculations. Thomas Gold of Cornell University is >notorious for his radical ideas, but he has been right often >enough that other scientists listen to what he has to say. Gold >proposes, for example, that oil is not a fossil fuel at all but >the by-product of a deep, hot biosphere (microorganisms living >at unexpected depths within the crust). Hardly any earth >scientists with whom I have spoken think Gold is right, yet they >do not consider him a crank. Watch out for a pattern of fringe >thinking that consistently ignores or distorts data.>

2. Does a particular UFO skeptic propose explanations for many sightings? Do these explanations go "far beyond the facts" or ignore the facts in favor of particular explanations? Are the explanations convincing or are they merely "biolerplate"? (Any explanation is better than none... Any explanation in a storm..)

>3. Have the claims been verified by another source? Typically >pseudoscientists make statements that are unverified or verified >only by a source within their own belief circle. We must ask, >Who is checking the claims, and even who is checking the >checkers? The biggest problem with the cold fusion debacle, for >instance, was not that Stanley Pons and Martin Fleischman were >wrong. It was that they announced their spectacular discovery at >a press conference before other laboratories verified it. Worse, >when cold fusion was not replicated, they continued to cling to >their claim. Outside verification is crucial to good science.>

Has a proposed explanation been verified by any other source or skeptic? This is really a "telling" point made by Shirmer. Rarely if ever does skeptic #2 comment on an explanation by skeptic #1, although... there is often a "de facto" review and rejection by virtue of the fact that skeptic #2 might propose a different explanation.

From the scientific point of view it would make sense to propose a second (or third, wt.) explanation only if the proposer can demonstrate that the first (or second) explanation is wrong.

In the JAL1628 case PJK evidently provided his own review of his first (Mars, Jupiter) explanation and then proposed moonlight reflected from clouds. But I don't recall any other skeptic commenting on PJK's explanation(s).

In fact, comment by skeptic #2 on the explanation [proposed by skeptic #1 is a RARE event!

So I suppose Shirmer's criterion here would indicate that explanations proposed by skeptics are quite often pseudoscientific because they aren't independently researched

and then supported by other skeptics.

>4. How does the claim fit with what we know about how the world
>works? An extraordinary claim must be placed into a larger
>context to see how it fits. When people claim that the Egyptian
>pyramids and the Sphinx were built more than 10,000 years ago by
>an unknown, advanced race, they are not presenting any context
>for that earlier civilization. Where are the rest of the
>artifacts of those people? Where are their works of art, their
>weapons, their clothing, their tools, their trash? Archaeology
>simply does not operate this way.

This is a "double edged sword" situation: UFO reality,
presumably, is an extraordinary claim. But very often the
proposed explanation is also an extraordinary claim, when taken
ni the context of the evidence/report.

>5. Has anyone gone out of the way to disprove the claim, or has
>only supportive evidence been sought? This is the confirmation
>bias, or the tendency to seek confirmatory evidence and to
>reject or ignore disconfirmatory evidence. The confirmation bias
>is powerful, pervasive and almost impossible for any of us to
>avoid. It is why the methods of science that emphasize checking
>and rechecking, verification and replication, and especially
>attempts to falsify a claim, are so critical.

This is a good one! Has anyone (skeptic, that is) attempted to
discpove an explanation? The answer is almost universally no.
Very raraly will the explanation proposed by a skeptic be
scientifically studied by another skeptic or scientist with an
intent to try to disprove the explanation. Instead, what
generally happens is that information contained within a UFO
report is ignored as necessary to make an explanation fit. Now,
I should say that "ignoring information" is a part of the
standard scientific process. But in order to 'get away' with
ignoring information the scientist has to prove it is ignorable.
For example, the scientist may claim that certain information
is part of the "noise level" and can be ignored. But arguments
to ignore UFO related information - report information - are
generally not clearly made.)

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

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>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
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>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

Luis,

>>>Of course, you are entitled to think so. My bet would be a tall
>>>tale on the chemist which backfired.

>>Based, exactly, on what evidence?

>None, just suspicions... Exactly the same that in favour of a
>very peculiar alien abduction (not to say very peculiar way to
>obtain hybrids) that really was "one of a kind". Never again did
>we met the same UFO, the same alien garments or the same alien
>women. As Patrick Huyghe wrote once, regarding UFOs, if we were
>talking about thousands of identical incidents, nobody will
>negate them. The problem is that there are no two cases alike.

What a strange notion, and flatly false. How could anyone say
something like that to start with, and then have it, as here,
uncritically repeated? Yes, Eddie Bullard and Dick Hall, I,
too, am trying hard not to crawl the wall.

Beyond that, one could note that here we see the classically
unfalsifiable debunking hypothesis. To wit: If UFO cases are
unlike, it's because there's no UFO phenomenon. If they are
alike, it's because claimants, consciously or unconsciously, are
patterning their accounts after previously known reports (or SF
stories or films, or whatever); therefore, there's no UFO
phenomenon. Just try to get out of that hermetically sealed box,
ufologists!

>>In any event, unless you're claiming that all CE3 claimants who
>>reported what we might now interpret as hybrid beings were
>>lying, the theory you seem to be proposing makes no sense. We're
>>talking about experiences, sometimes multiply or independently
>>witnessed.

>No, my claim is that some CE3 claimants did lie, and all the
>rest were mistaken or believe in their unconscious
>confabulations or fantasies they recalled under hypnosis.

Debunking 101, I see. In any case, that seems a tall order to prove, especially given impressive numbers of credible witnesses and multiply and/or independently witnessed CE3s. In any event, so far debunkers who have taken on individual cases haven't done all that well, in my observation. (See Klass on just about any CE3, or you on John Velez's experiences.) Perhaps it's easier to speak in sweeping generalizations about what may be a discomfoting reality than to deal with the complexities and pigeon-hole-resisting vagaries of UFO-reporting and -experiencing. Or, to put in another way, to pretend that we know a whole lot more than we do.

Where the abduction phenomenon (as opposed to the more general close-encounter experience) is concerned, incidentally, I have set out my views in *The Anomalist 8* (Spring 2000); see my "From Mermaids to Little Gray Men: The Prehistory of the UFO Abduction Phenomenon," 11-31. Allow me to quote myself - this is the last paragraph:

"What may be defeating our understanding ... is a lack of vocabulary as much as anything. Experience anomalies refuse pigeon-holing, and they promise without ever quite delivering. Maybe we need to look at the so far intractable problem of the abduction phenomenon from a new perspective, one that respects witness testimony in a way that such testimony deserves to be respected, yet also does not duck the question of why we are as far as ever from being able to prove that UFO abductions are events that happen in the world. A perspective that puts abduction experiences into a larger historical context, and one that acknowledges how much we don't know about the world outside us, the world inside us, and maybe even that shadowy world that may, in some fashion supremely difficult to grasp, be in both places at once."

>>In fact, most folklorists believe that even the most outlandish >>folklore (e.g., that concerning fantastic creatures such as >>merbeings and fairies) may grow out of experiences, or perceived >>experiences, and not the other way around

>Yes, we are talking about experiences, but are they objective or >subjective? Was patrolman Schirmer really abducted by beings from >"Mars Needs Women"? Was really a cow abducted at Leroy, Kansas, >in 1897? Did really Adamski (or Katharina Wilson) travel to the dark >side of the Moon?

I don't know about Mars Needs Women, but I do know of a case I investigated, years prior to the appearance of that movie, in which very similar entities to those Schirmer reported were described. This is another reason I am not a "skeptic." Come to think of it, Schirmer's story was published more than two decades before MNW. Or are you arguing that Schirmer had precognitive powers? Or that the aliens in a particular SF film were patterned after those Schirmer described?

To the second question you raise: of course not. One doesn't have to engage in sweeping speculation to dismiss the LeRoy story, which I personally and conclusively debunked in 1976 (my article on the subject appearing in the February 1977 issue of *Fate*), as you may not know.

To the third, Adamski was a hoaxer and, unless you have clear and specific evidence showing Katharina Wilson (a manifestly honest woman in my observation, whatever the true nature of her experience) to be the same, you're simply playing a rhetorical game. Unless you believe apples are in fact oranges, their two names should not be appearing in the same sentence.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

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>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID
>>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 17:48:36 -0600

<snip>

>The proof of our ill-representation exists in our faces. The UFO
>and abduction phenomena is a prime proof. The argument which
>should be used in any apologetic narative over the rights of
>humankind. Of US citizens. And in Canada (sorry guys) and
>England and Australia, there are even fewer rights granted to
>their citizens.

>But then I guess our neighbors have fewer problems than we with
>the use of the evil nug. Eh? And the evil weed. And the evil
>needle with all the damage done. Eh?

<snip>

Hello Jim, and List.

Huh?

Fewer rights in Canada?

For the rich maybe..... More to the poor.

Been North of the border lately?

Ahem... In the past 30 years?

And there should be a connection between the terrorist attacks
and the "most free place in the world"?

I prescribe a triple dose of International news programs and
absolute interdiction to watch CNN.

Best,

Serge

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Secrecy News - 10/12/01

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SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 12, 2001

**BUSH YIELDS TO CONGRESS ON ACCESS RESTRICTIONS
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BUSH YIELDS TO CONGRESS ON ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

The White House on Wednesday abandoned its October 5 memo that limited congressional briefings involving classified information to eight members of Congress, following strong congressional criticism.

"It's important that members of Congress have information that they need to do their proper oversight activities," explained newly enlightened White House spokesman Ari Fleischer on October 10. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2001/10/wh101001.html>

On Friday, the White House further eased restrictions so as to permit classified briefings to all members of the Intelligence Committees, not just the Committee leaders, according to an Associated Press report.

HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE STRESSES SECRECY OATH

The House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct sent a memo today to all Members reminding them to comply with their oath to protect classified information.

"Violations of the Classified Information Oath ... are violations of the Code of Official Conduct and are sanctionable as such," the memo stated.

"At all times and especially in this time of our country's war on terrorism the Committee on Standards takes the obligations imposed by the Classified Information Oath with the greatest seriousness."

See the October 12 memorandum here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/congress/2001/oath.html>

PUBLIC ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFO CURTAILED

"Several critics of secrecy in government complained that the Bush administration was using the crisis created by the terror attacks to clamp down inappropriately on the flow of information to the public," writes Ken Fireman in Newsday. See:

<http://www.newsday.com/news/nationworld/sns-worldtrade-secrecy-n>

yn.story

The National Imagery and Mapping Agency has purchased exclusive rights to all of the commercial high-resolution satellite imagery of Afghanistan offered by imagery vendor Space Imaging, thereby precluding public access to this unclassified product, UPI reported on Friday. See:

<http://www.globalsecurity.org/org/news/2001/011012-attack05.htm>

The non-profit OMB Watch is compiling an inventory of government web sites that have modified or removed information from public access following September 11. See:

<http://www.ombwatch.org/info/2001/access.html>

REVISITING INTELLIGENCE REFORM

Senator Arlen Specter is circulating a new draft bill somewhat grandiosely entitled "The Intelligence Reform Act of 2001."

Intelligence reform held out great promise in the mid-1990s, but eventually came to naught. Some of the minor reforms that were adopted, such as intelligence budget disclosure, were later reversed.

Senator Specter's bill focuses modestly on the recommendation of the Aspin-Brown-Rudman Commission to strengthen the role of the Director of Central Intelligence.

He presented the bill, along with companion legislation on homeland security, on the Senate floor on October 10. See:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_cr/s101001.html

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

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>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

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>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 04:04:36 -0400
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>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 12:35:40 +0200

>Dear John,

Hello Luis,

You wrote:

>If you and the List indulge me, we can discuss your case at
>length.....

Already have. Several times. And right here on this List.

>Of course, you have been over the details of that night at least
>100,000 times. I cannot even imagine your emotional turmoil.
>But even if I cannot accept that your abduction was a physical
>incident, I really respect you and your fellows abductees.

Ok, so you admit going into this conversation/discussion with your mind already made up that nothing 'physical' happened. Let me ask you one if I may. Why should I engage you (or anyone else) in a "lengthy" discussion about an event that you have already prejudged?

"Maybe" if you were at least willing to keep an open mind there would be some point to it. But another 'circular' argument over something that you have already decided is not real/physical, no thanks. I've been down this particular path so many times with so many others, that I am really not amenable to conduct any kind of dialog with people who have passed judgement up front. And that without a nod or a second thought for the possibility that the event was a real one and had transpired as reported.

It's like asking me if I wish to participate in a 'circle jerk.' No thanks. I'll answer your questions here Luis. But please understand that I don't care whether you personally "believe me" or not. All I am doing is discharging the dictates of my conscience, being responsible to my fellow creatures, by reporting. What folks do with it after that is their business and entirely up to them. I don't see it as my job (or responsibility) to try to convince anybody of anything.

I am standing up to be counted among those who are reporting UFO/alien abduction. I do so because it has happened to me. I am not under any obligation to endlessly debate/discuss it solely because you cannot accept what is being reported by so many of

your peers at face value.

You don't offer to "investigate," you offer to debate. Been dere done dat. I'll respond to your questions, but I do not wish to enter into (another) lengthy debate with anyone who has already made up their minds before we even begin. It's a complete waste of time.

>Let's follow an order:

>1. You saw a UFO, "A light shaped like a football, the size of a >smal van floating about 10-12 m above the roofs, at about 18 m >from you". Did it appeared suddenly?

I was walking home. I have a tendency to either look straight ahead or to keep my eyes down when I walk. As I approached the corner of the street I lived on the brightness of the light caught my attention immediately and drew my eyes up towards the object. The object was stationary (hovering) over the roof of the corner building.

>On principle, I do not accept at face value any UFO description, >even if the witness knocked in its hull!

Then why bother asking? It's like a cop telling a mugging victim; "I don't believe you were robbed but, tell me your story anyway so I can fill out a report." What's the point?

>We have been scalded so many times!

Which is why it so important to work at maintaining an open mind rather than prejudging every report that comes along because you've been burned a few times. Not everyone who reports this kind of phenomena is full of s**t.

>But nevertheless, your sighting could have been just >one more in a long statistic.

It's one hell of a statistical category to fall into though eh?

>2. You got scared. Why?

Are you serious with this question? It was a frightening and unnatural sight. It was a large, silent, glowing, unidentified flying object. It was not like anything else I had ever seen before. It was not like anything "we" manufacture and put into the air. I didn't think even for a moment that it was "one of ours." Mostly I got scared because the "event" (sighting) seemed to be focused on me! There was nobody else around.

>Did it come towards you?

As I was momentarily frozen in my tracks, standing there staring at it in shock, with my mind reeling/racing to identify the thing, it slowly began to move away from me. Out of my line of sight. That it was 'moving' at all made it all the more frightening. I was entertaining the thought that I was looking at a fixed bank of stadium lights that the landlord had placed on the roof of the building. I was in fact trying to determine if the object was supported by unseen struts when it began to move backwards and away from me. Slowly.

>Did you have to go near in order to reach your home?

My residence was on the same block, but down the street from the building that the object was hovering over. I had to run about 3/4 of a city block to reach my house.

>Of course, human reactions >vary but you must recognize that so a sudden panic is unusual. >Awe, surprise, even curiosity, but panic without motive?.

I have stated many, many times that that kind of 'reaction' was uncharacteristic of me and that the level of the fear/paranoia that I was suddenly feeling was way out of the ordinary for me. I just suddenly felt very insecure. As if, "someone" was going to "get me." So I started (at first) jogging towards my house. I only wanted to put as much distance between myself and that "thing" as I could. I thought I was behaving wisely if you ask me.

By the time I had gotten about half way down the block I was in an all-out pumping run for my life. Yes, I found the level of

"fear" that I was experiencing to be very unusual myself.

Maybe it was an unconscious response to something I 'subconsciously' knew/felt was about to happen. Who knows. The level of fear was unusual though and uncharacteristic of me as I have stated repeatedly in the past. There was something strange about the paranoia that suddenly gripped me. And "grip me" it did.

>But, of course, if you already know subconsciously that you >were going to be abducted again, your panic was totally >justified.

Why "of course" Luis? I "suspect" that that may be true, but I have no way of knowing for sure. And I would never form a firmly held 'belief' based on such an assumption. Neither should you. It's 'plausible' but not "for sure."

>3. One split-second later you awoke in your bed, unaccounted >hours had passed, your nose bleeding and your eye swollen.

Try to put yourself into this picture Luis.

You are running as fast as you can in a state of 'fight or flight.' It is dark/night. One stride hits the ground, and before the next one lands, you are suddenly sitting up in your bed, the streaming morning light fills the room, you are in your underwear, (The clothes you were wearing are now off) there are signs of blood, and you cannot open one of your eyes. I've said it a hundred times and I'll say it again; it was the single most disorienting, confusing, and unsettling moment of my life.

There was absolutely no sensation of any time having passed between that last running step the night before, and sitting up in bed with my clothes off hours later and with my one eye closed shut. I don't know if it's possible for you to imagine what something like that feels like.

Out of the ordinary? You betcha. It was for me anyway.

>Another question: Was it still bleeding or had the blood already >coagulated? Were your bed dressings or pillow stained?.

The bleeding had stopped. There was a trail of blood going down my face, past the corner of my mouth, down the side of my neck, and the collar part of the tee-shirt had blood on it. The pillow case and a small part of the cover sheet of the bed also had blood smears on them.

The downward direction of the blood flow indicates that my body must have been in a vertical position when the active bleeding took place. (On my feet or sitting up) If I had bled while laying on my back, and facing the ceiling, the blood trail on my face would have gone over my cheek and towards my ear. If I had been laying on my stomach, it would have accumulated on the pillow mostly and there would not have been much anywhere else. I bled while vertical or when I moved into a vertical position. That bleeding did not happen when I suddenly sat up in bed because the bleeding had already stopped when I awakened.

>If we accept your hipnosis recall, you were undressed (totally?) >when the mantis alien probed your nose, but no bleeding is >described then.

I'm not asking you or anyone else to "accept" my hypnosis recollections. I myself don't accept them 100% so why would I expect anybody else to?

Yes, I was naked at the time of the (supposed) procedure. And I really don't know if I was bleeding then. I was confronted with the sight of a being that; did not resemble anything human; that was holding some kind of wand/probe in his hand; and that was coming toward me as if it had purpose. I 'could have' released the contents of my bowels for all I knew.

I would imagine that if anything was inserted up my nose, that it could have been the cause of the nose bleed. Two doctors, just hours afterwards, asked me what the "surgery" in my head was for. They both used the word "surgery" when asking their questions.

You might also want to note:

My wife was hospitalized for five days (about eight years ago) for a sudden and very severe nose-bleed. The ENT specialist (head of the ENT department at St. John's Hospital here in New York) after performing his examination of the inside of her head, asked both of us, her and me about her "surgery". My wife hasn't ever had any "surgery" performed inside her head either. Yet we have both (independently) been asked the same question by three different physicians.

I don't know. Maybe it's common to be asked such a thing. Has your personal physician ever asked you why you had a surgical procedure performed inside of your head? I would think that it is an unusual question at best.

>Did you recall under hipnosis how and where did they returned
>you?

Yes.

>Did they drop you in the bed and your garments on the floor
>nearby?

I was placed very gently, as if tucking in a child, into my bed. My clothes were in a small pile on the floor near the foot of the bed. (No blood anywhere on my street clothes.) They, (whatever those "things" were) were very 'gentle' about how I was handled and returned to my bed. The whole experience with 'them' was horrible for me. But from their end they seemed to be as accommodating as they could. They do what they do quickly, efficiently, and with the precision of a planned military operation.

>It is my experience that even with a helping subject, it is
>quite difficult to totally undress a person (buttons, zippers,
>bra fasteners -not your case, of course-) in a short time and
>without tearing. But still worse is to dress him/her again.

They do it on Broadway in shows/plays a hundred times a night. And in lightning fast time in some cases. What's so "hard"? Especially if you have an 'experienced' team performing the operation.

>We have a fact. Your nose-bleeding.

... and the UFO, the missing time, and the nose bleeding along with the badly swollen eye.

>But when did it happen?

Between the time I was running away from the UFO and the moment I awoke the next morning. I thought I reported the sequence of events fairly clearly. (?)

>Each possibility has its problems,

Maybe for you Luis. Not to me. It's eminently clear to me that something highly unusual and way out of the ordinary happened to me that night. You are (of course) entitled to interpret those events any way that you wish. It doesn't change the actuality of them one little bit.

>the data provided in the book is not enough to dilucidate.

I have noted on more than one occasion (on-List and to Peter himself) that he was just a bit 'selective' about leaving out some details that I thought were important and supported my interpretation of the events more than his. I'm not saying that that is why he left them out. Only that it would have put a 'few' difficult to explain holes into his own theories.

>This is going longer than I think, and I do not want to bore the
>people. Just one more question:

Neither do I Luis.

>What was your "Realization Event", when all the pieces on your
>life dropeed in place forming an alien abduction scenario?
>According to Brookesmith it was in 1993 after reading Missing
>Time.

That is correct. I knew nothing about 'ufology' or 'abductions' much less anything about the details being reported by others. It was a jolting experience to read the facts/details/reports of others that were identical to my own. Strangers were talking about things that I thought had only happened to me. Things I would never have spoken aloud to anyone for fear of being thought of as "crazy." Yes, it was a real eye opener to hear my deepest and most secret memories coming from the lips of complete strangers.

>14 years after the main event. Is it really there no possibility of some unconscious "embellishment"?

Nope. Not at all. I am extremely careful about reporting precisely what transpired. Nothing more, nothing less. I know how important it is for me to present only the facts so that any independent person/researcher can formulate their own thoughts/opinions without having to sift through any "embellishments" or spurious content. I report the details of my experiences as if I was reporting them to a cop. Siempre.

I am always very careful, and I go out of my way to do it that way. It is a 'conscious' act.

>Next: the medical diagnostic.

I don't think so Luis. I am not a physician. I have no way to know what kind of visual evidence they were relying on to arrive at the determination that I had had "surgery." You would have to ask them. Like you said earlier, you've already made up your mind that what I am reporting could not represent an "actual/physical" event. I've cooperated by answering these questions (above) for you, but I don't see any point in continuing a discussion with a 'closed mind.' One that has arrived at conclusions before securing all the information. I consider it a waste of my time.

Wanna conduct a formal investigation? Get me somebody who has no arrived at firm conclusions regarding this phenomenon and who is actually qualified to conduct such an investigation. I would let a Royce Meyers (a cop) investigate my case before I would engage with someone who has preconceived notions.

If I'd known what it 'meant' to go to a Budd Hopkins or a John Mack before I reported, I wouldn't have contacted either of them. I prefer as much objectivity as I can get in any investigator.

You ain't 'it' either.

Regards,

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Eras News: Weekly Briefing 10.15.01

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:35:28 -0400
Subject: Eras News: Weekly Briefing 10.15.01

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Global Consciousness Project's Analysis of September 11 Terrorist Attacks
(Princeton University)
<http://noosphere.princeton.edu/terror.html>

New Life on Mars Evidence 'Conclusive'
http://www.ananova.com/news/story/sm_419740.html

Is There Life on Mars?
<http://www.brad.ac.uk/admin/pr/pressreleases/2002/mars.htm>

Hobbled Odyssey Nears Mars
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/odyssey_update_011010.html

Mars Before Odyssey: A Baffling Legacy of Water and Dust
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/mgs_legacy_011002-1.html

If Life Exists on Mars, Our Robotic Probes May Have Brought it There
<http://www.spacedaily.com/news/life-01zql.html>

Returning Rocks from Mars: The Latest Plans
http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/missions/marssample_return_011001-1.html

NASA Picks Lockheed Martin to Build 2005 Mars Craft
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/mro_lockheed_011003.html

The Tricky Science of Aerobraking
http://www.space.com/business/technology/aerobraking_lee_011003-1.html

Asteroid's Mystery 'Blue Ponds'
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/english/sci/tech/newsid_1565000/1565564.stm

'Hot Breath' of Jupiter's Moon
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Space Tourism: Feasible or Flights of Fancy?
http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/space_tourism_011004-1.html

The Top 3 Reasons to Colonize Space
http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/colonize_why_011008-1.html

Map Ready to Take Photographic Trip Back in Time
<http://www.ufocity.com/features.cfm?NewsID=1243>

Perfect Photo of 'Perfect Spiral Galaxy'
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/astronomy/spiral_galaxy_011002.html

Seti@home Expands Its Back Yard
<http://www.wired.com/news/technology/0,1282,47365,00.html>

Lab Tests Suggest Baboons Capable of Reasoning
<http://www.cnn.com/2001/TECH/science/10/15/baboonintelligence.ap/index.html>

Noah's Ark Found?
<http://www.ufocity.com/breaking.cfm?NewsID=875>

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Re: UFO UpDate: AA... By The By - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 11:43:50 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:37:43 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: AA... By The By - Tonnies

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: AA... By The By
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 17:26:42 +1000

>But it wasn't the AA itself that had me rushing for the remote
>this time, it was a report about the soldiers who found the live
>aliens. It was reported that these soldiers used the butt of
>their rifles to pry a small black box away from one of the
>terrified aliens.

<snip>

It's been argued that the "rifle butt" anecdote makes the whole
AA legacy sound less-than-genuine - and I'm the first to dismiss
anything "relayed" by Ray Santilli as bunk.

Then again, I can also envision some panic on behalf of the
military if they had reason to believe the "boxes" held by the
"aliens" were a potential threat.

(These "boxes" have been identified as the "control panels"
featured in the "debris footage." Maybe they doubled as "laptop
computers" when the crew wasn't in flight.)*

*This is written from the purely speculative assumption that the
AA might be real.

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 17:09:47 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:39:33 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Randle

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:47:58 -0500

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:14:55 +0200

>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:40:19 -0500

>>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

>>>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

>major snip<

Jerry, Luis, List, all -

If I might intrude for just a moment -

>I don't know about Mars Needs Women, but I do know of a case I
>investigated, years prior to the appearance of that movie, in
>which very similar entities to those Schirmer reported were
>described. This is another reason I am not a "skeptic." Come to
>think of it, Schirmer's story was published more than two
>decades before MNW. Or are you arguing that Schirmer had
>precognitive powers? Or that the aliens in a particular SF film
>were patterned after those Schirmer described?

If I read this right, Jerry, you are suggesting that Mars Needs Women appeared about two decades after Schirmer made his hypnotically induced statement. The copyright and the original release on the movie is 1966. I know because I looked it up in Phil Hardy's The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction Movies.

I would be interested in the timing of the other abduction which describes the aliens in the way that Schirmer does. As I say, I'm a bit confused by your paragraph.

KRandle

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Easton

From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 00:35:18 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:55:51 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Easton

Regarding:

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 23:56:51 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

Joe wrote:

>In conclusion,

>I don't believe that the readings can be viewed as evidence of
>any sort, either for propounders of a grounded UFO, or the
>detractors, and any further investigation along these lines is a
>waste of effort.

Joe,

Point appreciated, I wouldn't have spent any time on this aspect except that some new information had come to light. Being made aware of what the 'point five scale' to on the 'Halt tape' actually related to, allows a further understanding of events.

The significant question which could now be resolved is whether the levels reported in Halt's memo - between 0.5-0.7 mR/hr - were ten times higher than the readings taken. We do know what they thought was being detected as it's well documented on the tape recording.

To recap, from UFORL discussions:

The most conspicuous clues from Halt's tape recording are:

HALT: That's the best deflection of the needle I've seen yet. OK, can you give me an estimation. We're on the point five scale...we're getting...I have trouble reading the scale...

[...]

HALT: Up to seven tenths? Or seven units, let's call it, on the point five scale.

What was the "point five scale"?

On the AN/PDR-27, there were four ranges of sensitivity which could be selected:

X1 - between 0-.5 milliroentgens
X10 - between 0-5 milliroentgens
X100 - between 0-50 milliroentgens
X1000 - between 0-500 milliroentgens

See for example:

<http://www.execpc.com/~dcshop69/ppttxt.htm>

As an informed source further explains:

"Radiation is frequently measured in units called milliroentgens. A milliroentgen is 1/1000th of a roentgen. In turn, a roentgen by definition is 'the unit of radiation exposure in the air.' Geiger counters, radiac sets, and survey meters measure the radiation at the rate of milliroentgens per hour (mR/h).

Military personnel familiar with the AN/PDR-27 have told me the numeric scale read from 0 to 0.5 in 0.010 intervals. The beta/gamma detection capability is controlled by an adjustment on the probe. The AN/PDR-27 has four ranges of sensitivity: 0 to 0.5 mR/h, 0 to 5 mR/h, 0 to 50 mR/h, and 0 to 500 mR/h. The operator would select the range by use of the multiplier switch on the AN/PDR-27 panel. The multiplier switch has four positions for the four sensitivity ranges. These four positions are labeled X1, X10, X100, and X1000. Example of how this would work: say the operator has the multiplier switch set to X1 and obtains a reading on the scale at 0.3. This would mean that radiation has been detected at the rate of 0.3 mR/h. Now, the operator sets the multiplier switch to the X10 position and obtains a reading at 0.3 on the numeric scale. This would actually mean the radiation has been detected at 3.0 mR/h because we have multiplied the values on the scale by 10 times (X10). The intervals on the scale would also increase in value ten times so on the X10 range they would jump from 0.01 to 0.1. The X100 setting would increase the value on the scale 100 times (0 to 50 mR/h range), and the X1000 setting would increase it a thousand times (0 to 500 mR/h range). Keep in mind that as you increase the multiplier settings; you lessen the detection sensitivity. The most sensitive detection range is the X1 setting (0 to 0.5 mR/h)".

Halt's memo claims:

"...the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (0.5-0.7) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions".

On the 'point five scale', it's obviously impossible to obtain a reading greater than 0.5 mR/h. This has been substantiated.

That could only have occurred if the AN/PDR-27 setting was 'X10 - between 0-5 milliroentgens', or higher.

However, Halt confirms they were utilising, as we would expect, the most sensitive setting.

Consequently, the 'minor clicks' and levels of 'up to seven clicks' etc. which were being observed on the 'point five scale' must have been between 0.05 and 0.07 mR/h.
[END OF EXTRACT]

Note that Halt recalled "Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings...".

However, the scale was graduated from 0 to 0.5 in 0.010 intervals, with each tenth marking being more prominent. Therefore, surely each graduation - which generated a corresponding 'click' - was equivalent with an increase of 0.01 milliroentgens, not 0.1 as Halt believed.

We know how many 'clicks' were being detected:

HALT: OK, we're now approaching the area within about 25, 30 feet. What kind of readings are we getting? Anything?

NEVILLES: Just minor clicks.

[...]

NEVILLES: ...up towards seven...just jumped up towards seven tenths.

[...]

HALT: Up to seven tenths? Or seven units, let's call it, on the point five scale.

[...]

HALT: You're getting readings on the tree you're taking samples from on the side facing the suspected landing site.

NEVILLES: Four clicks max.

HALT: Up to four. Interesting. That's right where you're taking the sample now. Four? That's the strongest point on the tree?

NEVILLES: Yes sir. If you come to the back...there's no clicks whatsoever.

HALT: No clicks at all on the back - it's all on the...

NEVILLES: ...maybe one or two...

[...]

HALT: You just saw a light? Where? [Unclear] Slow down. Where?

ENGLUND: Right on this position here. Straight ahead, in between the trees - there it is again. Watch - straight ahead, off my flashlight there, sir. There it is.

HALT: I see it, too. What is it?

VOICE: We don't know, sir.

VOICE: Can I just have a...

HALT: It's a strange, small red light, looks to be maybe a quarter to a half mile, maybe further out. I'm gonna switch off.

HALT: The light is gone now. It was approximately 120 degrees from the site...

VOICE: It's back again.

HALT: Is it back again?

VOICE: Yes, sir.

HALT: Well douse flashlights then. Let's go back to the edge of the clearing so we can get a better look at it. See if you can get the Starscope on it. The light's still there and all the barnyard animals have gone quiet now. We're heading about 110, 120 degrees from site out through to the clearing now, still getting a reading on the meter, about two clicks.

HALT: Needle's jumped, three to four clicks, getting stronger.

VOICE: Now it's stopped... Now it's coming up... Hold on. There we go... about approximately four foot off the ground, at a compass heading of 110 degrees.

HALT: He's turned the meter off. Better say that again. About four feet off the ground, about 110 degrees, getting a reading of about four clicks?

[END]

>It seems reasonable to assume that the probe was held directly
>over the depressions, and close to, or even inside them.
>Readings taken in such a way could easily be affected by old
>building rubble, or foreign natural rock fragments (by foreign,
>I mean not typical of the local geology). The depressions may
>even have focussed particles onto the sampling tube.

From the above transcript, readings were being at all times - as they walked towards the supposed 'landing site' and away from it, culminating in what seems to be a suspected 'reading' from the 'strange light', seemingly four feet off the ground and at least a quarter of a mile distant!

The AN/PDR-27 operator is instructed to "Hold the probe within 1 inch of the object being monitored".

Aside from the 'point five scale', another clue it was an AN/PDR- 27 is that this standard model - designed to be "a point

source instrument to monitor low levels of radiation contamination on personnel, supplies, and equipment" - detected "GAMMA on all scales and BETA on the two lower scales when the BETA shield has been opened".

On the tape, we then hear:

HALT: Everything else is just deathly calm. There is no doubt about it. There's some kind of strange flashing red light ahead.

VOICE: There. It's yellow.

HALT: I saw a yellow tinge in it, too. Weird. It, it appears to be maybe moving a little bit this way?

[...]

HALT: Keep the flashlights off.

HALT: There's something very, very strange. Check the headset out, and see if it gets any stronger. OK, give us, give us your...

NEVILLES: Make a notation that this is on a beta reading too.

HALT: It's a beta reading?

NEVILLES: The beta shield has been removed.
[END]

Again, they appear to be under the impression that radiation readings could be detected from so far away.

>According to the recorded dialogue between Halt and the PDR
>operator, it appears that the instrument was set to the 0.5
>mRad/hour scale, and the deflection was about 7 graduations on
>the scale, ie, 0.07 mRad per hour.

>This amounts to 14% of the full-scale deflection, and having
>worked on electronic measuring equipment, I would conservatively
>expect an accuracy at this point on the scale to be in the order
>of +/- 50% of the value read. This would suggest an actual value
>of between 0.035-0.105 mRad/hour.

That seems to be what we can evidence, although I'm sure you can agree that the readings are unreliable and largely meaningless - many being taken with the probe in mid-air.

Indeed, we can substantiate this further. At the outset it's recorded:

HALT: Up to seven tenths? Or seven units, let's call it, on the point five scale. OK, why don't we do this: why don't we make a sweep here, I've got my gloves on now - let's make a sweep out around the whole area about ten foot out, make a perimeter run around it, starting right back here at the corner, back at the same first corner where we came in, let's go right back here. I'm gonna have to depend on you counting the clicks. OK, let's...

NEVILLES: I'll tell you as it gets louder.

[...]

HALT: Put it on the ground every once in a while.
[END]

As I've noted before, later we hear:

HALT: 2:44. We're at the far side of the second farmer's field and made sighting again about 110 degrees. This looks like it's clear off to the coast. It's right on the horizon. Moves about a bit and flashes from time to time. Still steady or red in color. Also after negative readings in the center of the field we're picking up slight readings, four or five clicks now, on the meter.
[END]

This is after they had lost sight of the 'strange light' first seen and having headed towards it, Halt now realises it's on the coast. He seems to have forgotten this in subsequent retellings of the tale.

Nonetheless, the 'reading' of four or five clicks in this farmer's field are only marginally lower than the 'landing site'.

Incidentally, at some point I hope to publish John Burroughs' explanation of how and why Penniston, Cabansag and himself - following a similar, if not identical route - did in truth pursue a 'strange light' before they realised it came from a lighthouse.

Meantime, thank you for the interesting and informed comments.

I'll need more time to consider that question of what the normal background radiation would be. It would be interesting to determine this for the record and how we equate an apparently higher reading of 0.05 mR/hr from the 'far side of the second farmer's field', which had nothing to do with perceived 'UFOs'.

Aside of course from the one which was flashing and "clear off to the coast".

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PRESS RELEASE

UFO Politics At The White House: Citizens Rally 'Round Jimmy Carter's Promise

By Larry W. Bryant

The world may never know exactly how many Presidential candidates - and Presidents themselves - have encountered one or more unidentified flying objects. But we certainly do know that one of them - Jimmy Carter, when he was Governor of Georgia - did see one, and formally reported the event to a privately funded UFO research group in Washington, D.C.

The aftermath of that report amounts to a politico-semantic case study, especially now with publication of 'UFO Politics At The White House: Citizens Rally 'Round Jimmy Carter's Promise'.'

Produced by a pioneer in the thick-and-fury of the politics of Ufology, the book brings together a few hundred letters sent to the former President upon his taking office. These letters, postcards, and telegrams center on Carter's election-campaign promise to look into (and reveal) the official evidence for UFO reality and to work toward ending agencies' coverup of the UFO experience. Researcher Larry W. Bryant's selection of the letters for this volume includes a sharp running commentary on their import and aftermath.

This book should appeal to the seasoned UFO researcher and to the Ufological-tyro alike. But its content - its cosmic zeitgeist, if you will - goes deeper than the mere pursuit of UFOtruth.

"On one level," says Bryant, "these letters signify the conscience of the body politic, a conscience that rebukes and resists propagandistic erosion from the keepers of the Ultimate Secret. On another level, they signify a bloc of perennial aid and comfort to all enemies of autocratic decision-making."

He sees this compilation of letters as serving two purposes: to preserve and disseminate them as part of the historical record; and to let their content help rekindle public outcry for further accountability.

As regards the latter aspect, here's the author's comment introducing Chapter 24 (Beaton's Baton):

"Back in the eighties, Rodney T. Beaton, then attending the University of New Mexico, founded the first-ever (and only?) student-campus group devoted to helping resolve the UFO problem. He dubbed it 'Students Against UFO Secrecy.' It was a spin-off, of course, from the public-interest group Citizens Against UFO Secrecy. . . .

"Ufopolitically ahead of his time, Beaton took delight in expressing a novel rationale for the UFO coverup. The feds, he said, simply abhor (and fear) the prospect that 'we, the sheeple' might be induced to swing our allegiance from the

United States of Advertising to some as-yet mysterious, powerful off-world federation unfit (or un-USA-approved) for human eyes, much less for human imagination. Hence, the alien beacon, theorized Beaton, must be beaten back by the bureaucrats - for our own welfare (and for that of generations to come.)"

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With this work, Bryant remains at the forefront of a growing grass-roots effort to mobilize public sentiment toward final/formal/official UFO-E.T. disclosure - as projected by the website:

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In this regard, he recently circulated an electronic petition calling for issuance of a "Presidential Proclamation on UFO Freedom of Information and Accountability".

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Cellphones Spook British Ghosts

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Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 02:12:36 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 09:04:49 -0400
Subject: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts

Now, this is quite interesting: some people believe that there is a relationship between ghosts and other paranormal phenomena and UFOs. If this is so, I would expect a corresponding impact on UFO sightings. Also, why would this only apply to the UK? Is there any similar evidence from other countries? Any comments?

Joe

Source: Yahoo! News

<http://uk.news.yahoo.com/011014/80/c9izn.html>

Sunday October 14, 01:19 AM

Cellphones Spook British Ghosts

LONDON (Reuters) - Mobile phones are killing off ghosts, an expert who has spent years researching the occult has said.

Tony Cornell, of the Society for Psychical Research, told the Sunday Express newspaper that reports of ghost sightings had started to decline when mobile phones were introduced 15 years ago.

"Ghost sightings have remained consistent for centuries. Until three years ago we'd receive reports of two new ghosts every week," said Cornell, of Cambridge in Eastern England.

"But with the introduction of mobile phones 15 years ago, ghost sightings began to decline to the point where now we are receiving none."

According to the paper, haunted tourist attractions in Britain could be under threat if the number of cellphones continues to grow from the present figure of 39 million

Apparently paranormal events, which some scientists put down to unusual electrical activity, could be drowned out by the electronic noise produced by phone calls and text messages.

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Re: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net? - Kelly

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 13:28:11 +1000
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 09:08:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net? - Kelly

>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 10:21:38 -0700
>From: Larry Hatch <larry@LARRYHATCH.NET>
>Subject: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net?
>To: Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>Dear Listerines:

>While searching for dead links to my old *U* Database website, I
>chanced upon this one:

><http://www.etcontact.net/GeneralSightings.htm>

>You may recognize the UFO maps, they are mine.

<snip>

>Can anybody tell me how to email this rather slippery fellow?

<snip>

Larry,

Looks like you may have sorted this out by now as I see he has
put you name up with the maps in question at the site in
question.

Just in case, I found this e-mail for me. rajesh@earthweb.org

Great Maps and Data by the way.

Tophar

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Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 23:59:32 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 09:47:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID -

[I did not post Ms. Johnstone's attempt to join this thread on the UpDates List. Since Wendy probably received it via a 'Bcc:', I must assume that it has been widely circulated and therefore want to ensure that Wendy's response is seen by everyone. --ebk]

>From: Lara <bravehrt@concentric.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Sent: Monday, October 15, 2001 5:57 PM
>Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID

>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 21:55:47 +0100
>>From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID

>>>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Technology Leaders Ponder Fingerprint ID
>>>Date: Sat, 13 Oct 2001 17:48:36 -0600

>All,

>I am just a little amazed.

>An ID card system is going to be about as 'safe'
>as locking yourselves up in a concentration camp,
>with Dr. Mengele as your nanny!

>All the 'terrorists' trained by your own intelligence
>agencies would have been given their TOP SECRET
>little ID cards and would be walking around
>demanding that you show your ID card!!

>Every single 'terrorist' from Lee Harvey Oswald,
>to Osama, to McVeigh, to whomever you wish got
>thier 'ID CARD' from the folks who train their
>troops at Ft. Benning. That ID CARD requires you
>to meditate for hours and hours on the wonderful
>maxim "Blood makes the grass grow, Kill, Kill, Kill"

>Makes Hitler sound like a pacifist!

>Are you nuts?

>Why not simply suggest that everyone get branded
>with their own barcode on their forehead?

>Would that make you feel safe? Get a grip!

>Pardon my anger, but the 'enemy' is not Osama
>Bin Laden, the 'enemy' is your hate and ignorance
>in how you go about creating Osama Bin Ladens and
>then feel self-righteous about being 'good' at
>decimating him. Start with Lenin, whom was setup
>by the US, and sprouted a version of communism which
>was about as close to 'communism' as fascism is
>to democracy. Then your pharmaceutical corporations
>encouraged Hitler to setup concentration camps.

>Interesting how your current DoD Herr Rumsfeld was
>a CEO of a Pharmaceutical company! Wonder how many
>of these 'ID CARDS' will land his buddies warm
>bodies to experiment on in America's
>concentration camps? Dachau in Detroit or
>Denver? That is what you are suggesting!

>Ponder a little history before you doom yourself
>to repeat it and follow the Pied Piper to
>drown in the river of Denial!

>Lara

Lara?

Ah, the little girl that touted the hunger strike that wasn't.
The 2 hour wonder of Greerism at its finest. Thought I
recognized the name from the email address. I'll keep my reply
relatively short.

Princess, I'm an old broad. Been around a long time. Seen and
done much. I lived my ideologies in military uniform when your
only challenge of ideology was sitting on your blankie and
enjoying sucking your thumb. Your response is typical of rabid
little political correctness dweebs that hang around the
Universities. How do I know this to be factual and can document
it? Easy as boiling water:

Anyone with intelligence and common sense can recognize that I
backed up my ideology regarding the issue with rational thought,
example and finesse. Your response is crude, lacks rationality,
as well as originality, and is a textbook example of an hysteric
that believes the louder you shout the more you should be right.
Grown-ups don't do that. Besides, sweetie. I've lived history,
participated in it and contributed to it.

Now, what do you know about history? Not much and I'll tell you
why. You spent a couple of hours getting horn-swaggled by Greer
and became a believer without thought or intellectual exercise;
tried to play Ghandi, which you shouldn't have done because
you're not Ghandi and you're not good at it. Not to mention that
your imitation defamed a great man of ideology and courage and
when you meet him in eternity, you owe him an apology.

You're not worth my time, the List members time or Mr.
Bruce-Knapp's time, in my opinion. You're a waste of space and
life. My suggestion? Well, I don't think a lady commits such in
speech or writing, but certainly thinks it. And I certainly did.
But, you may know that men and women of honor will spill their
blood to keep you free to shriek and wallow in your own
selfishness, stupidity and ignorance. However, don't believe for
one heartbeat that you are worth them doing so. Nope. They'll
sacrifice for something greater than themselves. You just
haven't a clue.

Wendy Connors

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Re: Position Statement on Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 02:58:03 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 09:55:57 -0400
Subject: Re: Position Statement on Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Position Statement on Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 16:19:46 -0600

>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 11:12:49 -0400
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Position Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>>>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Position Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 06:22:47 -0600

>>>Hi Wendy, hi All,

>>>Right out of the gate I find that the alien abduction scenario,
>>>from its beginning, scares the hell out of me. Enough so, I have
>>>never written about it or wanted to do deep research into it.
>>>This is not easy for a crypto-aeronautical researcher and
>>>historian to admit openly.

>>The honest admission you have made is what IMHO separates the
>>'wheat from the chaff' in terms of intellectual honesty.
>>Something which is sorely lacking in many of those associated
>>with "ufology." Your openness and honesty is refreshing and
>>appreciated. Wish we could all see more of it among those who
>>investigate the UFO phenom.

>Well, John, I ain't as smart as I wish I was, but then again,
>I'm human, so that accounts for the times I stumble over my
>tongue and butcher my own reasoning. Guess trying is what really
>counts in the whole scheme of things, but I appreciate the
>compliment. <G>

Hi Wendy,

Sorry for delay in response. I don't know how I missed this one,
but I did. Anyway, here I am now. Better late than never eh? :)

You wrote:

>>>That said, I read the literature and the posts from those who
>>>have admitted to such experiences. Even though I do so with a
>>>critical eye and intellect, I cannot dismiss it as some type of
>>>wacko movement within the field. Yet, I have seen no evidence
>>>that it ties directly with crypto-aeronautics in the
>>>conventional sense.

I responded:

>>That is one of the things I have been talking about since day
>>one. Although I hesitate to use the analogy because it opens up
>>its own 'can of worms' it is only the "Betty and Barney Hill"
>>type encounters involving a "UFO" _and_ its "occupants," (which
>>also includes the Travis Walton case, the Charlie Hickson
>>Pascagoula, Miss. case, the Allagash four case, etc etc etc)
>>should even be considered by "UFO" researchers. That is an

>>opinion that has caused many "abductees" to call me a
>>"traitor"and a "skeptic" (of all things) in the past.

You replied:

>I know what you mean, John, about "opening a can of worms." I
>should have kept my mouth shut...60 emails and counting since I
>posted. I gotta feeling I'll be up all night again. <G>

The flood of e-mail that some of these threads generate can be impressive eh what? Many folks will write in support, some will offer useful and valid critiques, and then there are always a few nasty tirades from some people who will use you to vent anger they picked up somewhere else in life. :) Usually an interesting mix nonetheless.

>>A big part of the problem has been that "UFO" abduction has not
>>been clearly defined by anyone who does research. Ergo, it has
>>become defined (what an "abduction" is,) by the experiencers
>>themselves.

><snip>

>Wish I could help you here, John, but I've perambulated around
>the field for a heck of a long time and I still beat my head
>against the wall trying to clearly define what "Ufology" is
>supposed to be. That's why I keep saying that the UFO phenomena
>is reality based and we really don't know diddly squat what it
>really is and what it means yet.

Tell that to the ones that talk like they have all the answers. I'm with you. We know we have a genuine phenomenon, but the true nature/origin of that phenom remains cloaked in deep mystery. Those who say otherwise only muddy-up already murky waters.

>No wonder people go wacky in this field at times. In a nutshell,
>we know more about what crypto-aeronautics isn't, than what it
>really is and that's a start, anyway. So, I can understand your
>frustration with your work in the alien abduction scene.

Lady, you have no_idea_. I get banged on both ends! From the hard core skeptics on one side, to the hard core New Agers on the other end of the spectrum. I just continue to collect as much data as I can and post it or pass it along to others as opportunities allow. That's how I got into all this to begin with.

When my work/relationship with Budd started to get serious. He began to informally "teach me" by sharing more and more of his research information with me. Most of which had ever been published or exposed to public scrutiny. It took me awhile, but I managed to convince him how important it was to share that information with others. To allow me to post as much of that information as I could on the Internet so that other researchers could access it easily and use it/apply it in their own studies of the phenomenon. The result of that effort was the original Intruders Foundation website.

After our association ended I carried on with the work of presenting to the public the best and most reliable/credible information on the topic of abduction that is available with my own Abduction Information Center website. It has been years of dedicated hard work but I am proud of my small (but I think important/valuable) contribution to the overall work being done by the more serious research people. As part of my multi-pronged activist attack on the ignorance connected to this subject, I have always kept myself available to all interested researchers via this List. Thanks to Errol I get to 'sing in the choir' twice a month on his 'Strange Days... Indeed' program. I am doing all that I can to (responsibly) help to educate and raise awareness about this troubling, unsettling phenomenon.

As for UpDates:

I 'work' here. I'm not here to 'socialize' or to get people to "like" me. It's the reason why I go after the fakers and charlatans with my fangs and claws out. They are the ones who muddy everything up and 'take away' by feeding public incredulity via their shenanigans. They take away hard earned credibility from the more serious work being done by others. It

is righteous indignation that I feel towards them. I try hard (amateur that I am) to maintain as high a personal standard as I can in all of my own efforts. I expect the same from anyone else who chooses to get involved.

>>I don't think that is the abductees fault as much as it is a >>problem caused by those who report on the phenomenon as >>'proponents' of it, rather than as objective investigators. >>I would blame them, (if 'blame' is a proper term) before I'd >>blame the experiencers.

>>I'm not blaming the Experiencers, John. At least in the way you >>are perceiving it. What I am saying is that some Experiencers >>make demands on researchers that cannot be met and then >>fulminate to the point of making researchers want to ignore >>them or the abduction scenario in total.

There's always a "Joker" or two in every deck Wendy. Once the 'culprits' are identified they can either be put to good use or simply ignored. The 'problem' as you say is; that they make it harder on those who are trying, or actively working to advance real research.

>Kinda like being a parent and having the rug rompers in the back >seat constantly saying, "Are we there yet? Huh? Are we there >yet? Why aren't we there yet?" Well, you get the point, I'm >sure. The Experiencer is undoubtedly desperate for answers (who >wouldn't be in the same circumstances), but some cannot accept, >or will accept, that researchers really don't know any more than >what they, themselves know. In other words, Experiencers >sometimes want the researcher to handle the situation and guide >them, but that cannot really be done. Assisted, yes, but not >given definitive answers or make the experience more palatable.

Many have paid the price by finding themselves inextricably involved with unscrupulous characters/researchers. ('alleged' researchers.)

>>>For those who approach the alien abduction scenarios from a >>>practical standpoint, there is little doubt that two shifts have >>>developed within the field of ufological studies. First is the >>>possibility of alien contact, but without documented proof and >>>secondly, that a few >people seem to have been contacted against >>>their will by what can only be considered an alien phenomena. >>>Beyond these assumptions all else is total speculation.

>>I agree with the latter but not with the former. There >>_is_'documentation' in the form of physical marks, scars, and >>foreign objects, as well as ground trace evidence, multiple >>witnesses etc., that are associated with these >>encounters/reports.

>Well, John, I think you are half correct on this point. But, >collateral documentation is just that and does not prove >conclusively alien abduction. I'll give you an example. >Reference the Cash/Landrum incident. Radiation type burns, >helicopters, diamond-like craft, etc. Obviously an unknown >aeronautical craft is observed, witnesses injured, etc. But no >definitive proof of an extraterrestrial craft. Same with >Experiencer's trace elements. Those alone do not conclusively >point to alien abduction, torture, etc.

I agree that the 'source' and 'purpose' of the abductions remains an unknown. That 'something' is happening to great many perfectly credible and ordinary family folk is beyond question. After almost 30 years the most basic of research has yet to be performed. And no help (save that provided by trained/skilled 'volunteers' like myself and others) for the forgotten thousands of victims of this strange phenomenon. (I have over ten years of experience working with individuals and families who are involved in crisis situations. It has really come in handy in my work with "abductees".)

>>I agree. Although I would hesitate to venture a guess as to the >>percentage. I think that using a term like "vast majority" is a >>bit extreme. It probably reflects a personal bias in thinking >>more than it does representation of 'hard' or 'proven fact'. >>Truth is, until somebody begins to investigate, and through >>the process of elimination actually determines how many such >>cases are bogus, we just won't know how many are real or not.

>Well, I think you kinda split hairs here, John. Common sense
>tells me that if 3 or 4 million Americans (let's forget the
>millions world-wide for the sake of argument) of all economic,
>political, social, etc., status have been abducted by aliens,
>then a portion of those would be in positions of power
>(economically and politically) to do something about getting it
>researched. Smaller groups of people have destroyed governments,
>etc. I'm pretty convinced such a phenomena is taking place, but
>I believe that "alien abduction" is on a very small scale and
>even at that, it presents very serious problems.

I completely agree. Which is why I suggest setting the bar as high as possible in terms of 'defining' as narrowly as possible precisely what comprises a "UFO abduction" case. If everyone who has had a "dream" is given a hearing we'll all be old and grey before we've heard them all out. There needs to be a much tighter definition of what a "UFO abduction" is. Both for the sake of clarity and expedience.

>>We can't say "there is no evidence" because no one has taken
>>the time to determine whether what is already in hand actually
>>comprises valid or 'acceptable evidence'. Even the most basic
>>of research has yet to be performed. Yet everyone always feels
>>free to expound on the abduction phenomenon as if they
>>actually knew what the hell they were talking about.

>John, from your experience and perspective, whom (persons,
>organizations) do you suggest has the expertise via, political,
>scientific, medical, economic, social/psychological, etc. to
>address the problem and exactly what do you want done about a
>problem that seems beyond human comprehension? Further, exactly
>how do you feel this should be accomplished and by what
>methodology?

We need a multi-disciplinary approach to this problem. It is why I say we need to clearly define the phenomenon. A large enough group of "experiencers/abductees" could be subjected to physical, psychological, and any other testing deemed necessary in order to acquire the basic data required to definitively/reliably answer basic questions like; are a majority of "abductees" suffering from a 'new' and as yet undiagnosed psychological or physiological disorder? There may be real 'evidence' in the bodies of the abductees for all we know. Until that kind of basic research is performed, we'll just never know for sure.

Multi-disciplinary approach says I. It's the only way to fly with something this complex and that involves so many individuals.

>Ummm, I didn't "blame [Experiencer's] for not being willing to cooperate." I put forth the concept that by "demanding" >something be researched that is probably beyond human ability at >this time, is muddying the waters. I asked above what should be >done, how should it be done and what expectations are possible? >In other words, what methodology does a researcher follow when >facing such an enigma? Moral support and an ear to listen is >what is available, currently. If crowd chanting takes over, how >can that help? Thus, muddying the waters. Thus, the middle of >the road scenario to understanding and developing a methodology >to research.

I made a couple of viable suggestions above Wendy. How about selecting a group of abductees for complete psychological work-ups. In order to confirm or eliminate psychopathology as a reason for what is being reported by so many. Complete double blind physical examinations of both abductees and a group of randomly selected volunteers is another. You might be able to answer questions like: Is there any difference in the blood or the DNA of an "abductee" as opposed to a randomly selected member of the general population who is not having abduction experiences? Are there any foreign objects (implants) in the bodies of those claiming abduction? Are there any physical/organic anomalies among those reporting abduction? The List goes on and on. A great many basic and important questions can be addressed and answered that way. Problem is; it's never going to happen. Not in the present or near future anyway. Shame.

>I think you've made good strides in your quest, John, but taking >the position that insinuates that it's researchers fault for not

>doing something about the abduction scenario is pretty lame.
>Therefore, that is certainly not a middle of the road approach.

Why is it "lame" to fault someone who "claims" to be doing abduction research if they are not actually "doing" abduction research? When an auto-mechanic charges you for working on your car when in fact he never even cracked the hood, you 'pitch a bitch' right? Well, that's what I'm doing. :)

Warmest regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Rajesh Kumar Is Found!

From: Larry Hatch <larry@LARRYHATCH.NET>
Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 16:32:45 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:52:59 -0400
Subject: Rajesh Kumar Is Found!

Dear Listeroos:

Please cancel any search for the mysterious Rajesh Kumar of:

<http://www.etcontact.net>

which showed my maps with dead links back.

It turns out he was having all sorts of troubles due to the Nimda virus, site up and down, and even his email was effected... thus the bounced messages from me.

Rajesh has fixed up the dead links and then some.

Now, how did he know about my concerns? He looked into the Archives for the UFO UpDates List at UFOMIND and found me ranting about him!

All is well. One less dead link (or three)

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

PS: Thanks to the folks who offered their assistance finding Rajesh. When computers die, its their owners and users who vanish.

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Re: Baloney Detection - Hamilton

From: **Bill Hamilton** <skywatcher22@space.com>
Date: 16 Oct 2001 05:30:29 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 11:13:22 -0400
Subject: Re: Baloney Detection - Hamilton

>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 10:13:09 -0400
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Re: Baloney Detection
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 14:29:14 -0400
>>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers -
>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: Baloney Detection

>>Source: Scientific American

>><http://www.sciam.com/2001/1101issue/1101skeptical.html>

>>Baloney Detection

>>How to draw boundaries between science and pseudoscience, Part I

>>By Michael Shermer

>.....

>>When lecturing on science and pseudoscience at colleges and
>>universities, I am inevitably asked, after challenging common
>>beliefs held by many students, "Why should we believe you?" My
>>answer: "You shouldn't."

>>I then explain that we need to check things out for ourselves
>>and, short of that, at least to ask basic questions that get to
>>the heart of the validity of any claim. This is what I call
>>baloney detection, in deference to Carl Sagan, who coined the
>>phrase "Baloney Detection Kit." To detect baloney--that is, to
>>help discriminate between science and pseudoscience--I suggest
>>10 questions to ask when encountering any claim.>

>>1. How reliable is the source of the claim? Pseudoscientists
>>often appear quite reliable, but when examined closely, the
>>facts and figures they cite are distorted, taken out of context
>>or occasionally even fabricated. Of course, everyone makes some
>>mistakes. And as historian of science Daniel Kevles showed so
>>effectively in his book *The Baltimore Affair*, it can be hard to
>>detect a fraudulent signal within the background noise of
>>sloppiness that is a normal part of the scientific process. The
>>question is, Do the data and interpretations show signs of
>>intentional distortion? When an independent committee
>>established to investigate potential fraud scrutinized a set of
>>research notes in Nobel laureate David Baltimore's laboratory,
>>it revealed a surprising number of mistakes. Baltimore was
>>exonerated because his lab's mistakes were random and
>>nondirectional.

>Comment: "How reliable is the source of the claim?" For UFOs
>this reads as follows:

>"How reliable is the UFO skeptic who proposes an explanation for
>a particular UFO sighting? "

>_Note_well_ that to propose an explanation is to _make_a_claim_:
>such and such a UFO sighting is really a... (explanation or

>suggested phenomenon.)

>What really happens is that the skeptic proposes, often
>publicly, "Candidate Explanatory Phenomenon" (CEP) to explain
>the sighting.

>One presumes that to determine the reliability of the skeptic
>who proposes an explanation one should look at previous
>explanations suggested by said skeptic and determine what
>fraction of these explanations was correct or at least convincing
>(it may not be possible to determine whether or not an
>explanation is correct, but it should be possible to determine
>whether or not an explanation is convincing to at least some
>level of acceptance or (gulp) "belief.")

>
>Example: How reliable is PJKlass who proposed Mars and Jupiter
>to explain the Japan Airlines sighting (JAL1628) of Nov. 1986?
>The explanation was hardly convincing... comparing the known
>characteristics of Mars and Jupiter with the descriptions by the
>air crew shows great disparity.

>
>So, should we trust Klass to propose a correct explanation for
>another sighting... such as Kenneth Arnold (for which PJK
>proposed a meteor train)

>
>I would suggest that Mr. Shirmer's point #1 be applied to UFO
>skeptics as well as to believers.

>
>>2. Does this source often make similar claims? Pseudoscientists
>>have a habit of going well beyond the facts. Flood geologists
>>(creationists who believe that Noah's flood can account for many
>>of the earth's geologic formations) consistently make outrageous
>>claims that bear no relation to geological science. Of course,
>>some great thinkers do frequently go beyond the data in their
>>creative speculations. Thomas Gold of Cornell University is
>>notorious for his radical ideas, but he has been right often
>>enough that other scientists listen to what he has to say. Gold
>>proposes, for example, that oil is not a fossil fuel at all but
>>the by-product of a deep, hot biosphere (microorganisms living
>>at unexpected depths within the crust). Hardly any earth
>>scientists with whom I have spoken think Gold is right, yet they
>>do not consider him a crank. Watch out for a pattern of fringe
>>thinking that consistently ignores or distorts data.>

>
>2. Does a particular UFO skeptic propose explanations for many
>sightings? Do these explanations go "far beyond the facts" or
>ignore the facts in favor of particular explanations? Are the
>explanations convincing or are they merely "biolerplate"? (Any
>explanation is better than none... Any explanation in a storm..)

>
>>3. Have the claims been verified by another source? Typically
>>pseudoscientists make statements that are unverified or verified
>>only by a source within their own belief circle. We must ask,
>>Who is checking the claims, and even who is checking the
>>checkers? The biggest problem with the cold fusion debacle, for
>>instance, was not that Stanley Pons and Martin Fleischman were
>>wrong. It was that they announced their spectacular discovery at
>>a press conference before other laboratories verified it. Worse,
>>when cold fusion was not replicated, they continued to cling to
>>their claim. Outside verification is crucial to good science.>

Just wanted to add something to your excellent comments Bruce.
Embedded in the above statement are some misleading if not
false statements.

They mean: Verified by a skeptic. He makes a false statement
here to lure skeptics into their own belief system: "Worse, when
cold fusion was not replicated, they continued to cling to their
claim. Outside verification is crucial to good science". The
statement itself is false and misleading. Cold Fusion has been
replicated in so many independent labs with so many variations
that it would be difficult to list them all. It is not
replication that is the problem, but consistent replication
under various conditions and a plausible theory to explain the
positive results.

Research facilities reporting important cold fusion results
include:

Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)/Stanford Research

Institute (SRI)

Los Alamos National Laboratory
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Naval Weapons Center at China Lake
Naval Research Laboratory
Naval Ocean Systems Center
Texas A&M University
California State Polytechnic University
ENECO, Salt Lake City
Hokkaido National University
ENEA (Italy)
National Institute for Nuclear Physics (Italy)
Osaka National University
National Institute for Fusion Science, Nagoya
Tokyo Institute of Technology
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Bombay, India
IMRA Corporation (Toyota subsidiary)
NTT (Nippon Telephone and Telegraph company)
E-Quest Sciences (California)
Shell Recherche SA (France)
Tsinghua University (China)
University of Illinois at Urbana
Many other private research laboratories, most in Japan

Would you trust a skeptic who makes specious statements?

>Has a proposed explanation been verified by any other source or
>skeptic? This is really a "telling" point made by Shirmer.
>Rarely if ever does skeptic #2 comment on an explanation by
>skeptic #1, although... there is often a "de facto" review and
>rejection by virtue of the fact that skeptic #2 might propose a
>different explanation.

>From the scientific point of view it would make sense to propose
>a second (or third, wt.) explanation only if the proposer can
>demonstrate that the first (or second) explanation is wrong.

>In the JAL1628 case PJK evidently provided his own review of his
>first (Mars, Jupiter) explanation and then proposed moonlight
>reflected from clouds. But I don't recall any other skeptic
>commenting on PJK's explanation(s).

>In fact, comment by skeptic #2 on the explanation [proposed by
>skeptic #1 is a RARE event!

>So I suppose Shirmer's criterion here would indicate that
>explanations proposed by skeptics are quite often
>pseudoscientific because they aren't independently researched
>and then supported by other skeptics.

>>4. How does the claim fit with what we know about how the world
>>works? An extraordinary claim must be placed into a larger
>>context to see how it fits. When people claim that the Egyptian
>>pyramids and the Sphinx were built more than 10,000 years ago by
>>an unknown, advanced race, they are not presenting any context
>>for that earlier civilization. Where are the rest of the
>>artifacts of those people? Where are their works of art, their
>>weapons, their clothing, their tools, their trash? Archaeology
>>simply does not operate this way.

>This is a "double edged sword" situation: UFO reality,
>presumably, is an extraordinary claim. But very often the
>proposed explanation is also an extraordinary claim, when taken
>in the context of the evidence/report.

Also, How many times has the way the world works been challenged
and overthrown? Too many to list. The acceptance of Einstein's
theories (right or wrong) challenged the way the world works and
led to a paradigm shift. Just because something anomalous does
not fit into the way we feel we know the world works, does not
mean that it is false.

>>5. Has anyone gone out of the way to disprove the claim, or has
>>only supportive evidence been sought? This is the confirmation
>>bias, or the tendency to seek confirmatory evidence and to
>>reject or ignore disconfirmatory evidence. The confirmation bias
>>is powerful, pervasive and almost impossible for any of us to
>>avoid. It is why the methods of science that emphasize checking
>>and rechecking, verification and replication, and especially
>>attempts to falsify a claim, are so critical.

>This is a good one! Has anyone (skeptic, that is) attempted to
>discpove an explanation? The answer is almost universally no.
>Very rararly will the explanation proposed by a skeptic be
>scientifically studied by another skeptic or scientist with an
>_intent_ to try to disprove the explanation. Instead, what
>generally happens is that information contained within a UFO
>report is ignored as necessary to make an explanation fit. Now,
>I should say that "ignoring information" is a part of the
>standart scientific process. But in order to 'get away' with
>ignoring information the scientist has to prove it is ignorable.
>For example, the scientist may claim that certain information
>is part of the "noise level" and can be ignored. But arguments
>to ignore UFO related information - report information - are
>generally not clearly made.)

As we know right here on this List, there are many viewpoints
and interpretations of any particular UFO case, but those who
post their views while ignoring information are usually called
on it and that is part of the dialog. Thus, viewpoints may
change, but skeptics will have decided that the information
presented by witnesses cannot possibly be authentic, that it
does not fit in with the accepted world view, that it lacks
sufficient evidence to convince a logical mind, and that such
witnessed events can only be some part of the witnesses' mental
processes, whether fabrication or imagination with huge
allowances for misperception of prosaic phenomena.

-Bill Hamilton

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 08:42:48 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:44:23 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Clark

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 17:09:47 EDT
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:47:58 -0500

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:14:55 +0200

>>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 11:40:19 -0500

>>>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>>Date: Fri, 12 Oct 2001 13:01:11 +0200

>>>>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>>>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 13:13:34 -0500

Kevin,

>If I might intrude for just a moment -

>>I don't know about Mars Needs Women, but I do know of a case I
>>investigated, years prior to the appearance of that movie, in
>>which very similar entities to those Schirmer reported were
>>described. This is another reason I am not a "skeptic." Come to
>>think of it, Schirmer's story was published more than two
>>decades before MNW. Or are you arguing that Schirmer had
>>precognitive powers? Or that the aliens in a particular SF film
>>were patterned after those Schirmer described?

>If I read this right, Jerry, you are suggesting that Mars Needs
>Women appeared about two decades after Schirmer made his
>hypnotically induced statement. The copyright and the original
>release on the movie is 1966. I know because I looked it up in
>Phil Hardy's The Encyclopedia of Science Fiction Movies.

Gulp. I stand corrected and plead ignorance and stupidity. I had
Mars Needs Women confused with Earth Girls Are Easy.

>I would be interested in the timing of the other abduction which
>describes the aliens in the way that Schirmer does. As I say,
>I'm a bit confused by your paragraph.

Is there evidence - any evidence - that Schirmer knew of Mars
Needs Women? I am willing to wager that my abductee, who

reported encountering entities that remind any informed observer Schirmer's, had never heard of either the abductee nor the movie. The abductee I worked with was an intensely devout woman who did not go to movies, was far removed from any popular culture besides country and gospel music, and knew nothing about UFOs. (I know that last is hard to believe, but my investigation confirmed that to my satisfaction.)

Anyway, Kevin, thanks for unconfusing me.

Jerry Clark

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Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 00:41:09 +1000
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:47:43 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 11:43:50 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: AA... By The By
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: AA... By The By
>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 17:26:42 +1000

>(These "boxes" have been identified as the "control panels"
>featured in the "debris footage." Maybe they doubled as "laptop
>computers" when the crew wasn't in flight.)*

I have been lead to believe the boxes were/are soul catches, these devices hold an aliens soul until such time it can be "born again" into a new body. I personally am not to sure about this theory, but it does make sense that someone from another world wouldn't want to be felt behind on an hostile planet. Could also be there the ancient Egyptians got there theories for after life from. Someone or something sure had them believing ones soul can be reborn under the right conditions.

>*This is written from the purely speculative assumption that the
>AA might be real

Maybe someone who really did view the original AA re-created the one we have seen? I think this because, I like most here really cannot believe the Military would let something like that just walk out the door.

Also.....

I have found that most inventions and ideas are brought into this world from other ideas and/or by observing nature, real life events, ECT. For this reason I feel the Alien is just to close to the mark for someone to have just thought it up off the bat, in my humble opinion.

Being a 3D'er and a amateur Scifi writer, I am always trying to think of something new and exciting to write or design. These ideas don't come easy and more often than not something you see or hear will be the seed that gets you started. I don't know of any one, past or present who has had a truly original idea or design, without any outside help what so ever. It's damn hard to come up with a truly original idea or design.

For this reason and this reason alone, I see the AA flim to be a real puzzle. Real or not, I do believe some-one, some-were, saw something and that person or persons wanted others to know about it..... Perhaps?? If I am not correct about this, then whom ever it was involved in the concept and making of the AA flim has my utter-most respect for originality.

Tophar

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Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 14:16:40 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:48:55 -0400
Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Gonzalez

>From: Wendy Connors <projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics
>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 11:24:17 -0600

>Thus, the Allagash abduction incident is basically the same.
>Each person experienced the abduction from their own
>perspective, yet the baseline remains constant. There is
>absolutely no disagreement among the experiencers that the event
>itself happened. To look at the incident by looking at it from a
>group perspective leads to static and nothing is really learned.
>Rational methodology is to confirm the baseline and then look at
>the personal scenarios as independent units that support the
>baseline.

Sorry, I disagree, Wendy.

The witnesses only agree to have seen something strange (a UFO) and an alleged "missing time" based in the recollection of a camp fire very quickly extinguished. Then, some of them suffered others incidents, contacted Fowler and under hipnosis (some of them more reluctantly than others) an abduction surfaces. Even if we accept that they did not discussed the regressions between them, Mr. Fowler was present in all the sessions and could involuntarily guide their recollections.

What I am saying is that, nowadays (and even at the beginning, remember Alvin Lawson's research), what you called the "baseline" can be generated from unconscious imaginery, and the only way we have to validate them is comparing the individual scenarios. In the Allagash case, they did not fit. The number of digits is a very simple variable that should fit, but the differences are much more important.

If you cannot rely in the personal recollections of each witness about what happened to him, you cannot rely in anything. But in the Allagash case, the procedures described by each of the witnesses to have happen on himself did not coincide with what the others saw happening to him. How can that be, if there is the most minimum level of objective reality to their recollections?

Yours,

Luis R. González

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 11:18:54 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:50:40 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:47:58 -0500

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:14:55 +0200

Jerry,

Thanks, I have always consider myself a sceptic. Now I know that I am a debunker. OK.

Some misunderstandings arose from the fact that althought you are quite famous in our circles (to me, as the co-author of The Unidentified, who later change his ideas... so, you see, even a sceptic can change his ideas), you know nothing about me.

I'm a Spanish economist (M.B.A.) and businessman who has been interested in the UFO phenomena since the 70s. I elaborated the very first humanoid catalogue in Spain and I had published quite a few articles in Spanish UFO and skeptical bulletins and also in Magonia. I love reading English so I really consider myself quite update in the UFO situation in the USA and have read most of the titles written about abductions. Besides I'm also a SF buff and I would be delighted to meet a real alien being, even if I were to be exploited. On the other hand I have never personally investigated an abduction (there are in a very short supply here in Spain).

>>The problem is that there are no two cases alike.

>What a strange notion, and flatly false. .

Even Dr. Hynek spoke about the "embarrasment of richness". To you, the notion is strange and false, flatly false. Easy, just point me to another case like Vilas Boas (the same kind of UFO, the same kind of diving suits, etc.). Not coincidence in 1 or 2 points, but similar descriptions down to details as the two prongs in the UFO, etc.

To me UFO reports are alike, but not enough alike. Many years ago, after reading Toffler's "Third Wave" I did comment that UFO could be custom-tailored but even though, such a diversity is too much.

We can discuss all those impressive numbers of credible witnesses and multiply and/or independently witnessed CE3s when you like, but let's us center in UFO abductions. Yes, I have already read your article in The Anomalist. Here, we are dealing with claimed experiences not about brief encounters with a distant UFO, not about close encounters (with a mean duration around 7 minutes) but with the intimate encounter with aliens beings for more than 1 hour, and several times! There_should_ be much more similarities

Before you appeal to him, I have carefully read Eddie Bullard impressive work and found it seriously flawed. This is not the place to detail my objections but I will point to an example. Half of the cases he refers to in Brazil and Argentina are not abductions but teleportations (see my article about them in the next The Anomalist) or contactee tales. Besides, some of the abductions included, such as Llanca's, have been seriously debunked. He is the one mixing oranges and apples. You can do it knowingly (mix UFOs = oranges and hoaxes= apples), but after finding any patterns you must verify if they apply not only to oranges but also to apples. If both sub-samples are alike maybe they are all apples (no the other way around, because we know for sure that hoaxes exists, but we are not sure about UFOs)

>I don't know about Mars Needs Women, but I do know of a case I >investigated, years prior to the appearance of that movie, in >which very similar entities to those Schirmer reported were >described. This is another reason I am not a "skeptic." Come to >think of it, Schirmer's story was published more than two >decades before MNW.

Sorry, something wrong here. Schirmer case took place in December 1967. According to my data, MNW was filmed in 1966, not two decades later.....

Have you published the case you investigated?

>To the second question you raise: of course not. One doesn't >have to engage in sweeping speculation to dismiss the LeRoy >story, which I personally and conclusively debunked in 1976 (my >article on the subject appearing in the February 1977 issue of >Fate), as you may not know.

>To the third, Adamski was a hoaxer and, unless you have clear >and specific evidence showing Katharian Wilson (a manifestly >honest woman in my observation, whatever the true nature of her >experience) to be the same, you're simply playing a rhetorical >game. Unless you believe apples are in fact oranges, their two >names should not be appearing in the same sentence.

I did know that you personally debunked the LeRoy story, and I also share your opinions on Adamski and Katharina Wilson... that precisely was the reason why their names appeared in the same sentence. Mrs. Wilson' story is even more outlandish than Adamski's. Why must I believe her without enough evidence? Just because she is honest?

Many honest people had believed in wrong things. Surely, even I believe in wrong things. To me, the paranormal is like a slide, when you begin to accept things without enough evidence, you cannot stop: first, isolated incidents, then a lifetime of abductions, after not one but several kinds of aliens, then MILABs or wanderers or walks-in. And the fact that some hoaxers or deluded persons have been able to tell stories very similar to those told by honest people, should made us cautious.

LuisR

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Re: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 13:34:52 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:52:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts - Mortellaro

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 02:12:36 +0100

>Now, this is quite interesting: some people believe that there
>is a relationship between ghosts and other paranormal phenomena
>and UFOs. If this is so, I would expect a corresponding impact
>on UFO sightings. Also, why would this only apply to the UK? Is
>there any similar evidence from other countries? Any comments?

>Joe

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>Source: Yahoo! News

><http://uk.news.yahoo.com/011014/80/c9izn.html>

>Sunday October 14, 01:19 AM

>Cellphones Spook British Ghosts

>LONDON (Reuters) - Mobile phones are killing off ghosts, an
>expert who has spent years researching the occult has said.

>Tony Cornell, of the Society for Psychical Research, told the
>Sunday Express newspaper that reports of ghost sightings had
>started to decline when mobile phones were introduced 15 years
>ago.

>"Ghost sightings have remained consistent for centuries. Until
>three years ago we'd receive reports of two new ghosts every
>week," said Cornell, of Cambridge in Eastern England.

>"But with the introduction of mobile phones 15 years ago, ghost
>sightings began to decline to the point where now we are
>receiving none."

>According to the paper, haunted tourist attractions in Britain
>could be under threat if the number of cellphones continues to
>grow from the present figure of 39 million

>Apparently paranormal events, which some scientists put down to
>unusual electrical activity, could be drowned out by the
>electronic noise produced by phone calls and text messages.

Dear Joe, List, Errol,

It is interesting if the causal relationship which explains the
anti-phenom is correct. But might there be some other reason for
this decline in Casper and his friends in jolly old England? An
increase in RF all over the place in general? A bit of
undigested beef? Some underdone potato(e)? Or perhaps, too much
old wine from across the pond! These dudes should really try
Gripple.

Best ,

Jim

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Re: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net? - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 07:12:37 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 16:54:32 -0400
Subject: Re: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net? - Hatch

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net?
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 13:28:11 +1000

>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 10:21:38 -0700
>>From: Larry Hatch <larry@LARRYHATCH.NET>
>>Subject: Rajesh Kumar - www.etcontact/net?
>>To: Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>Dear Listerines:

>>While searching for dead links to my old *U* Database website, I
>>chanced upon this one:

>><http://www.etcontact.net/GeneralSightings.htm>

>>You may recognize the UFO maps, they are mine.

><snip>

>>Can anybody tell me how to email this rather slippery fellow?

><snip>

>Larry,

>Looks like you may have sorted this out by now as I see he has
>put you name up with the maps in question at the site in
>question.

>Just in case, I found this e-mail for me. rajesh@earthweb.org

>Great Maps and Data by the way.

>Tophar

Thanks Tophar (Chris?)

I should add that I responded to Rajesh using three email
addresses, and only the .hotmail one seems to have gotten
through.

Best

- Larry

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:14:19 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 09:03:28 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Velez

>From: "Jan Aldrich" <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Security Precautions in New York City
>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:16:42 -0400

>Hello John Velez,

>I can't seem to find your message in the "Technology Leaders
>Ponder Fingerprint ID System" thread, and anyway I don't want to
>get entangled in that messy thread.

>The reason for the show of force in New York and elsewhere with
>National Guardsmen and barriers and check points has reasons
>beyond the terrorist threat. Copy cats, idiots and mentally ill
>people.

>When I was in Germany during the Gulf War, one of my assignments
>was to come up with a plan for security of our post. Since the
>PX, gas station, commissary, and housing areas were outside the
>fenced-in areas this presented big problems.

>The Special Weapons NCO and I went over to the military
>intelligence and read everything we could find on the Iraqi
>terrorists. They weren't too impressive at the time - now they
>have become more competent and a threat close to the level of
>Osama. However, at the time it was thought they might have some
>terrorists in Germany and they might have the help of the
>Communists governments, especially East Germany. There also was
>the German "Red Army Faction" (RAF) and various other
>Euroterrorists who might also take advantage of the scene, but
>the reminder of this RAF group were cowardly people who were
>willing to try to kill others as long as there was no
>possibility that they would get a scratch. However, they had in
>the past and probably would try to take advantage of any lax
>security. Other problems that you have in this type of situation
>involved copy cats, people with grudges, idiots, and mentally
>ill people.

>The idea was, with the soldiers available, to mount a guard
>force, use barriers and checkpoints to discourage these last
>groups of people, a show of force firstly and secondly to
>possible disrupt other more competent terrorists. So we
>established fixed guard posts, every fixed post had to be
>visible to the other guard posts to the right and left. In the
>parking lots vehicles were checked. Vehicles entering the post
>were searched and checked with mirrors for possible bombs and
>they had to go through a "snaked" barrier lined route so they
>could not crash the gates. Similar measures for commercial and
>contract delivery vehicles involved with the PX and commissary
>were in place.

>Besides this, we established walking patrols of two men each
>with hand held radios. We sent patrols out in 15 minute
>intervals each time the rear patrol lost sight of the lead
>patrol, the rear patrol called in on their radio. In the fenced
>areas, we had patrols on the outside of the fence one going in a
>clockwise direction and patrols inside the fence going in a
>counterclockwise direction.

>In addition we had vehicle-mounted patrols that just drove
>around the area, and a squad of off duty guards to act as a
>reaction force with a vehicle for any problems.

>In one of the highrise apartment buildings we put an overwatch
>guard with starlight-scope and binos to keep a watch on
>everything.

>The Germans, of course, had overall police authority, they had
>assigned civilian police to patrol unprotected areas, and
>reserve military police had been called up to provide added
>security. All that I saw was an occasional German military
>police vehicle, but when a horn got stuck on a school bus, these
>guys converged from every direction in about a dozen vehicles.

>
>We had several incidents where we thought we had been scouted.
>In one case we had a license plate number that the German police
>found had belonged to a junked vehicle and was therefore phony.

>No one knows if these measures prevented anything from happening,
>but it may have just prevented some jerk who identified with
>Sadam from trying something.

>In the US we now have jerks who placed pipe bombs under a bridge
>here in Connecticut, and idiots who decide to play a prank on a
>guy station on a local military base by tying a bunch of loose
>electrical wires under a car to make it look like a bomb. So the
>show of force in New York is part confidence building and part
>an attempt to stop people inspired by the terrorists from
>becoming "heroes" and other jerks that seem to come out when
>these things happen.

Hiya Jan,

If they weren't taking any extra security measures they would be remiss in their duty. The point I was "trying" to make was; we are being asked to give up a lot of our (taken for granted) freedoms right now. The 'reason' is legitimate. We all just need to stay on our toes and pay attention to "which" of these little liberties is being curtailed and which ones are to become a permanent condition. As you know, when the possibility of 'abuse' exists in any system, there are always a few who will try to take advantage and see just how far they can go before being forced to back off by a public outcry.

I used strong language in my original. But, if you read Lara's "never made it to the List" post, (yes, "Lara" of the kinda-like, sorta-like fast,) you'll see that things started to take an ugly turn. Not to mention a huge flying swan dive into the 'deep end' of her empty concrete pool. That poor woman, I really do feel sorry for her. She is the epitome of pathos. She is one angry puppy. You gotta read some of the private tirades that she composes and sends to me privately. There's enough material there to keep a whole team of Viennese shrinks busy for years! No BS.

I hear you Jan. Let's all just wait and see 'how far' it all goes and how long they plan to keep it enforced. Things like increased security at airports and at key locations/buildings is fine by me. Armed soldiers asking citizens to produce identification on the streets of my hometown? It had better be a 'temporary' condition is all I will say.

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Sandow

From: **Greg Sandow** <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:17:55 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 09:04:44 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Sandow

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 11:18:54 +0200

>Before you appeal to him, I have carefully read Eddie Bullard
>impressive work and found it seriously flawed. This is not the
>place to detail my objections but I will point to an example.
>Half of the cases he refers to in Brazil and Argentina are not
>abductions but teleportations (see my article about them in the
>next The Anomalist) or contactee tales. Besides, some of the
>abductions included, such as Llanca's, have been seriously
>debunked. He is the one mixing oranges and apples.

Luis,

You make many good and serious points in your comments to Jerry, but I'm curious about this one. How many cases in Eddie's study come from Brazil and Argentina? How many have been so seriously debunked that you think they're hoaxes? If it's a high percentage, I'd agree that there could be problems. But if it's a low percentage, then maybe his study wouldn't be that badly flawed, even by your criteria.

Which study did you mean, by the way? The original one from 1987?

One methodological note. I'm not sure why a few hoaxes makes Eddie's study invalid. I'd expect hoaxed or fantasized abductions to be very different from each other, especially those from years ago, before the abduction story was so widely known. So if Eddie's study shows great similarities, that would seem to argue that most of them aren't hoaxes, even if some of them are.

Greg Sandow

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Alfred's Odd Ode #354 Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 18:49:44 +0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 09:06:11 -0400
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #354 Lehmberg

Alfred's Odd Ode #354

With pleasure I report "They're Back", and feel a strange relief. For two long months they'd disappeared like burglars or thieves. But back, in force, they've reappeared to crawl the skies again, returning like the flying things that come back every spring.

Yes! FIVE flew by on Sunday, well before the sun came up, well before the coffee's finished from a steaming coffee cup, and wondering where they could go, for such a length of time, I ponder their appearance in these metered words to rhyme.

I thought that they'd forsaken me, these stars that tack and sail. I'd thought that they had gone away to fuel another's tale. But what could make appearance known so plainly up in space, to disappear for days on end, then reappear with grace...

And grace they have in magnitudes of color, speed, and light. Their paths are so uncertain; they are dim or pulsing -- bright. And I feel a satisfaction that I don't have if they're gone. I feel a strange assurance as I watch them glide along.

This morning I would see just one; that's two days in a row. I think they're back I'm saying, but where, then, did they go? I'd think I'm not worth watching, so they're likely not for me, but what have I been seeing in these objects flying free?

And what indeed, I ask myself, appears before my eyes? What might these things, that go away, propitiously provide? To me they are potentials well beyond the threat of war. To me they are the opposite of that callused, shallow bore. To me they are a promise and an answer to a song ... Is that all there is? Peg Lee once asked... their answer's clear and strong.

"No, you're not alone at all, you silly human race. You populate the corner of a wounded mote in space. Adrift in sad belligerence, and complacent to the max, a sea of life surrounds you that exists in heaps and stacks. It's you yourselves won't listen to the rhythms of your seas, it's you yourselves retreating to the safety of your knees. It's you yourselves denying that which flies your troubled skies, and it's you yourselves that's keeping us from landing right outside."

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Re: AA... By The By - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:33:26 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 09:11:40 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tonnies

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 00:41:09 +1000

<snip>

>I have found that most inventions and ideas are brought into
>this world from other ideas and/or by observing nature, real
>life events, ECT. For this reason I feel the Alien is just to
>close to the mark for someone to have just thought it up off the
>bat, in my humble opinion.

I don't think the AA is a real intellectual or creative feat, if
it's made up. But there are oddities that seem against the
"hoax for profit and fun" scenario. For one thing: why not make
a "realistic" alien? We've all seen FX labs do them, yet the AA
features a creature that looks essentially human.

If our hypothetical FX pranksters had chosen to use a standard
"Gray," they would have spared themselves the keen eyes of
medical commentators, who universally approach the AA as they
would the autopsy of a human being. After all, no one knows
what the inside of a "Gray" looks like.

My essay on the AA, with photos, is here:

<http://mactonnies.com/aa.html>

Mac Tonnies

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Aubeck

From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@email.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 18:13:48 +0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 09:15:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Aubeck

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 11:18:54 +0200
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Jerome Clark
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:47:58 -0500

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto
>>>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:14:55 +0200

>Jerry,

>Thanks, I have always consider myself a sceptic. Now I know that am a
>debunker. OK.

<snip>

>>>The problem is that there are no two cases alike.

>>What a strange notion, and flatly false. .

<snip>

>Besides, some of the abductions included, such as Llanca's,
>have been seriously debunked. He is the one mixing oranges and
>apples. You can do it knowingly (mix UFOs = oranges and hoaxes=
>apples), but after finding any patterns you must verify if they
>apply not only to oranges but also to apples. If both
>sub-samples are alike maybe they are all apples (no the other
>way around, because we know for sure that hoaxes exists, but we
>are not sure about UFOs)

>LuisR

Hello Jerry, Luis, etc.,

While we're on the subject of alleged abductions, please allow me to make a brief comparison between the Allagash report and the much earlier Boston UFO sighting (of 1638 or 1639). I know some of you dislike looking back in time for signs of the UFO phenomenon (I'm not referring to Jerome Clark, of course, but I am certainly referring to you, Luis) but history does not go away. In fact there's more of it to look at every year, as old documents come to light and rare manuscripts become available to the general public for the first time, often on the w.w.w.

I wrote a longer version of the following for publication in a Spanish magazine. I found another article dealing with the same two cases somewhere on the Net, but I go into a little more detail in mine.

Anyway, for what it's worth, here it is (please tell me if there are any inaccuracies I haven't spotted):

UFOs over Boston

The settling of the first Puritan colony in Boston was chronicled by Governor John Winthrop, who arrived in Massachusetts Bay in 1630 with one thousand English migrants. A historian himself, Winthrop kept a record of the colony's first years in the *New World*. His journal is far from being a mere collection of unlikely anecdotes or village gossip. It is quite significant, therefore, that he regarded two spectacular UFO sightings as being sufficiently important to be recorded for posterity.

The first sighting took place in March 1638 or 1639. A member of the Puritan Church, James Everell, "a sober, discreet man", was crossing the Muddy River in a small boat with two companions. It was about 10 o'clock in the evening. Suddenly a great luminous mass appeared in the sky above the river, and remained motionless. Everell estimated it to be about three yards square. After a while the rectangular object or light "contracted into the figure of a swine" and began to move: it darted away quickly towards Charlton and then returned to its original position. It did this repeatedly over a period of two or three hours, always returning briefly to the same spot above the water before shooting off again.

The three men, scared half to death, lay still in the boat, unable to row or punt their way to the banks of the river. When the light had finally vanished, Everell and his friends stood up and were surprised to learn that the boat was now further upstream than it should have been, as if it had been pushed, pulled or carried by an unknown force. In fact they had been carried against the tide to their original starting point, one mile away.

It is difficult to speculate about the nature of a supernatural event witnessed so long ago. However it is curious that the men observed that "two or three hours" passed during the spectacle. Can we believe they lay on the bottom of the boat for such a long time? Were they abducted unknowingly? Three hours is how long abductees typically endure at the hands of their alien captors. The mysterious repositioning of the boat reinforces this interpretation and also implies perhaps a 'Missing Time' experience. Everell could not fathom how the boat could have moved upstream against a tide which had not ceased going out. Moreover, we are left wondering why the men did not notice this fact until after the object had gone.

Of course, any speculation at this late date is merely conjecture. Yet it is interesting to note that at least a superficial resemblance exists between this case and an event which took place in the neighbouring state of Maine in 1976.

The Allagash Abduction affair, investigated thoroughly by Raymond E. Fowler in the 1990s, has become a classic in the field. It is the story of four men, two of whom were identical twins, whose camping trip along the Allagash Waterway became an adventure that they had not bargained for.

It happened one evening in late August. The four men reached Smith Brook Campsite, a remote spot on Eagle Lake, and set up their tents for the night. Forced to replenish their food supply, they tried to catch some trout in the Brook, but had no luck. Therefore, after finishing off what remained of their fresh meat, they built a roaring fire with a large pile of logs and set out onto the lake in their canoe.

They had paddled for about a quarter of a mile across the cove when they noticed a huge bright sphere of light some 200 or 300 feet in the air above the shore. The object was completely stationary, though it seemed to pulsate and display swirling patterns on its surface. The men "sat awestricken" as they gazed at the house-sized object from the canoe. One of the men decided to flash an S.O.S. to it with his torch to see whether the object would react. It did. The sphere began to move silently in their direction and as it reached a point some 40 or 50 feet

above the surface of the water, emitted a long cone-shaped beam of light towards them from underneath. Recounting the experience to Fowler for the first time, the men consciously recalled having panicked and to have splashed and paddled frantically to get away from their pursuer... and then arriving calmly at the shore and watching the light hover for a few minutes over the lake before finally disappearing in the night sky.

This is the story of the 'Allagash Four', summarized from their personal accounts of the event before serious investigation began. However, even at that point they knew that something else must have occurred that they were unable to remember.

"...[We] suddenly realized that our campfire was completely burned down to coals. When we left to go fishing, we set very large logs on the fire to burn for a good 2 to 3 hours. The entire experience seemed to last, at the most, 15 or 20 minutes. Yet the fire was completely burned down to red coals!"

Before going into the results of Fowler's investigation of the case, which involves a full-blown classical abduction scenario, we can immediately see some curious correlations between the Allagash affair and the 1639 event in Massachusetts:

- Both events concerned small groups of men in boats crossing large stretches of water.
- The object is described as a huge bright 'light' in both cases.
- The objects are not seen as they arrive and initially hang motionless in the sky over the water.
- There is an element of paralysis (possibly fear-induced) in both cases. In the Allagash episode, one of the men, Chuck Rak, "suddenly became inanimate...still holding his idle paddle, he could not take his eyes off the object." On the shore, they "all seemed to be in a state of shock, because for a few minutes, we just stood there unable to move or talk." Fowler calls this a "strange, anaesthetizing effect."
- The boats are moved by the object.. In the 1976 case, the beam from the sphere "moored the canoe." Fowler writes:
"Chuck explained that, when they were taken from the canoe, it had been about 1,000 feet from the shore. When placed back into the canoe, it was only 30 feet from the shore. It was moving much faster than they could paddle it. The bow was actually out of the water! Chuck did not paddle. Chuck had the only paddle. Yet the canoe was somehow guided directly to their camp landing!"
- The duration of both events is described as "two or three hours."

It may or may not be relevant that the two incidents took place in neighbouring states. Boston and Allagash are not too far apart, and in his journal Winthrop mentions that the light seen over the Muddy River was witnessed on several other occasions, but always in the same area. We must also add that several of the Allagash Four either live or have lived or studied in Massachusetts, and three of them were living in Boston in 1976.

The second report recorded by Winthrop is dated Monday, January 18th 1644:

"About midnight three men, coming in a boat to Boston, saw two lights arise out of the water...in form like a man, and went a small distance to town...and there vanished away. They saw them for about a quarter of an hour..."

Personally I, too, am skeptical of the Allagash case, and I could say why, but that's not what I do, at least at the moment. I just collect pre-1947 cases, write them up, scan or photocopy the original MS if possible, note any similarities there are between old and modern reports (or old and older reports), and then move on to the next one. I honestly don't think there's a great deal more anyone can do most of the time, except of course

dice the apples and peel the oranges whenever the opportunity
arises.

Chris Aubeck

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Re: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts - McGonagle

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 13:38:02 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 20:00:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts - McGonagle

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 13:34:52 EDT
>Subject: Re: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Cellphones Spook British Ghosts
>>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 02:12:36 +0100

<snip>

>Dear Joe, List, Errol,

>It is interesting if the causal relationship which explains the
>anti-phenom is correct. But might there be some other reason for
>this decline in Casper and his friends in jolly old England? An
>increase in RF all over the place in general? A bit of
>undigested beef? Some underdone potato(e)? Or perhaps, too much
>old wine from across the pond! These dudes should really try
>Gripple.

Hi Jim & List,

There are at least two questions in my mind:

1. Is there any relationship between UFOs and other paranormal activity?
2. Has proliferation of mobile phone technology decreased UFO sightings?

Ignoring (1) for the moment, if the answer to (2) is "possibly", then Jim has a very good point: is it the effects of radio energy on the brain that inhibits either the presence of, or sensitivity to UFOs?

Alternatively, if it has nothing to do with the brain, then does a large amount of RF energy at particular frequencies present a hostile environment for UFO's?

How many experiencers on the List own a mobile phone? Have you noticed any change in the frequency or pattern of experiences since you have owned one?

Anyway, Jim, where can I get Gripple in the UK? (Is it legal over here?).

Regards,

Joe

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 14:21:13 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:02:06 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

>From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Easton
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 00:35:18 +0100

>Regarding:

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 23:56:51 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

>Joe wrote:

<very severe snip-apologies, James>

>"...the area was checked for radiation. Beta/gamma readings of
>0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three
>depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the
>depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (0.5-0.7) readings on
>the side of the tree toward the depressions".

>On the 'point five scale', it's obviously impossible to obtain a
>reading greater than 0.5 mR/h. This has been substantiated.

>That could only have occurred if the AN/PDR-27 setting was 'X10 -
>between 0-5 milliroentgens', or higher.

>However, Halt confirms they were utilising, as we would expect,
>the most sensitive setting.

>Consequently, the 'minor clicks' and levels of 'up to seven
>clicks' etc. which were being observed on the 'point five scale'
>must have been between 0.05 and 0.07 mR/h.
>[END OF EXTRACT]

I agree with all of this, but the issue really is (to my way of thinking), that the readings can't be compared to the background readings because of doubt concerning how the readings were taken.

According to the report that I have from NRPB, Appendix A is a copy of the "Guidance for surveyors". Point (10) in the section headed "Notes on measurement procedures" states explicitly:

"Do not measure in densely wooded areas".

Even ignoring the other 13 notes in that section, point (10) excludes all of the readings taken in the forest from any comparison with the background levels.

<snip>

>As I've noted before, later we hear:

>
>HALT: 2:44. We're at the far side of the second farmer's field
>and made sighting again about 110 degrees. This looks like it's
>clear off to the coast. It's right on the horizon. Moves about a

>bit and flashes from time to time. Still steady or red in color.
>Also after negative readings in the center of the field we're
>picking up slight readings, four or five clicks now, on the
>meter.
>[END]

The readings in the field again cannot be compared to the background readings, as it definitely does not comply with three of the guidance notes, and may conflict with several others, eg:

8. Measure at least 10m from 1m high walls and 15m from 2m high walls.

9. Measure at least 10m from roads and other masonry surfaces.

11. Measure away from rivers or other large expanses of water.

12. Measure away from flooded or or very wet land.

[The land in the area is only slightly above sea level, and appears to be very wet-Joe]

14. Measure over relatively even ground, avoiding hollows and hillocks.

The three that it definitely contravenes relate to the equipment used, how the tube is placed, and the duration of the readings, which I covered in my original post.

<snip>

>I'll need more time to consider that question of what the normal
>background radiation would be. It would be interesting to
>determine this for the record and how we equate an apparently
>higher reading of 0.05 mR/hr from the 'far side of the second
>farmer's field', which had nothing to do with perceived 'UFOs'.

I suspect that you wrote this before reading my most recent post, but in case you didn't get it for some reason, the background level from the NRPB document equated to 2 microRad/hour. Let me know if you want me to resend the post to you directly, there was a conversion involved which you may like to check.

Regards, Joe

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 10:16:15 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:07:44 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Aldrich

>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:14:19 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>From: "Jan Aldrich" <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Security Precautions in New York City
>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:16:42 -0400

Sorry, Errol, this is getting way off topic.

>>Hello John Velez,

>>I can't seem to find your message in the "Technology Leaders
>>Ponder Fingerprint ID System" thread, and anyway I don't want to
>>get entangled in that messy thread.

>>The reason for the show of force in New York and elsewhere with
>>National Guardsmen and barriers and check points has reasons
>>beyond the terrorist threat. Copy cats, idiots and mentally ill
>>people.

<snip>

>>In the US we now have jerks who placed pipe bombs under a bridge
>>here in Connecticut, and idiots who decide to play a prank on a
>>guy station on a local military base by tying a bunch of loose
>>electrical wires under a car to make it look like a bomb. So the
>>show of force in New York is part confidence building and part
>>an attempt to stop people inspired by the terrorists from
>>becoming "heroes" and other jerks that seem to come out when
>>these things happen.

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>'abuse' exists in any system, there are always a few who will
>try to take advantage and see just how far they can go before
>being forced to back off by a public outcry.

>I used strong language in my original. But, if you read Lara's
>"never made it to the List" post, (yes, "Lara" of the
>kinda-like, sorta-like fast,) you'll see that things started to
>take an ugly turn. Not to mention a huge flying swan dive into
>the 'deep end' of her empty concrete pool. That poor woman, I
>really do feel sorry for her. She is the epitome of pathos. She
>is one angry puppy. You gotta read some of the private tirades
>that she composes and sends to me privately. There's enough
>material there to keep a whole team of Viennese shrinks busy for
>years! No BS.

John, I received one of these. Her information is limited to

the few things she has read or heard, I am not at all surprised that she gulped down Greer in one sitting. It is not sin to be ignorant, however, to want to remain ignorant that is inexcusable.

>I hear you Jan. Let's all just wait and see 'how far' it all >goes and how long they plan to keep it enforced. Things like >increased security at airports and at key locations/buildings is >fine by me. Armed soldiers asking citizens to produce >identification on the streets of my hometown? It had better be a >'temporary' condition is all I will say.

I would say that things would be the same after a major storm, earthquake or natural disaster. The idea of the military hanging around - even the National Guard - give people the creeps. However, there were special Presidential powers due to a "state of emergency" from the Korean War to the end of the Vietnam War. I see no actions in Congress to restate such a thing. I know within the military this made life easier for us as we didn't going through more thorough procedures, shortcuts were in place.

As for idiots, here in Connecticut the state Dept of Environmental Protection (DEP) was shut down, people had to disrobe and endure decontamination, just because some clown wrote Anthrax on a paper and spilled coffee-cream on it. The DEP is one of our agencies that responds to biological contamination so the agency was hamstrung for almost the whole day by this idiot's hoax. A second threat via telephone to use biological agents on the state capitol was quickly tracked down due to heightened security and the fact that the necessary people and equipment in the proper place to trace the call. The FBI was able to trace the call, and local police caught the guy before he hung up the telephone. Normally, these wackos would get a slap on the wrist. I hope in these time they throw the book at them. The state has a law that allows recovery of twice the cost of the hoax. In the case of the DEP hoax that is over one million dollars.

Now in France during heightened security I have stepped off a train and been faced with French police carrying submachine guns. In the airport in Athens, I saw the airport police swaggering around with automatic weapons in their hands, fingers on the trigger. On closer inspection, they had the safeties off. Not at all reassuring in case one of them slipped.

If you read about the aftermath of Pearl Harbor, you will find that the security measures here were far greater than now.

Regards,

Jan Aldrich

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Re: Security precautions in New York City - McCoy

From: **GT McCoy** <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 08:12:30 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:12:26 -0400
Subject: Re: Security precautions in New York City - McCoy

Hello, all.

Sunday evening, the History Channel had a Program "Secrets of the Cold War" (I think) that explained the Nike/Ajax weapons system. there were 19 or so Nike sites in and around the New York area (and across the U.S.)

The Nike system was to be the last resort to knock down Russian Bombers as they made their way to the U.S. - the Nike/Ajax were armed with a Nuke that had a yield that was "Twice the power of the Hiroshima Bomb." most folks didn't know that. Very few did.

My point is that there were some pretty spooky things we did/had to protect the U.S. from attack. even in the 60's. (There was a rumor that the Nike/Ajax had a modest anti missile capability - I'd like to know more about that.)

While I don't pretend to know about all the precautions that are going on in New York, The U.S. Coast Guard has a Cutter Patrolling the Coos Bay channel and they are searching all the (few) ships that come in here.

Yet, some idiot put a powdery substance on the doorknob of the BLM offices-shutting them down - just for grins. I have a problem with that. It could be called "aiding and abetting the enemy" if you will. Hoaxers are a scourge on humanity anyway. This isn't however, pie plates on a string. This is meant to cause harm. We all are affected.

Note: BLM is an Acronym for Bureau of Land Management. My neighbor works at the Coos Bay office. Even here in the Outback of Southern Oregon, we are affected.

GT McCoy

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CCCRN News: Fall 2001 Lectures

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:17:32 -0400
Subject: CCCRN News: Fall 2001 Lectures

CCCRN NEWS
The E-News Service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

October 17, 2001

UPCOMING LECTURES - FALL 2001

Exclusive overviews, with slides and video, of the Canadian crop circles in 2001 (with a bumper crop of 20 reported formations overall this year) as well as international reports, including the results of Crop Watch 2001, CCCRN's annual field investigation project in the Canadian prairies during the August/September 'circle season', with both aerial and ground documentation and other anomalous effects experienced and recorded.

The Journeys Beyond Conference in Mobile, Alabama will include a joint presentation by CCCRN director Paul Anderson and BLT Research Team field research coordinator Nancy Talbott. As a tie-in with the Canadian overview, Nancy will now provide new information on lab testing results, from three other independent scientists/labs in the US in the fields of mineralogy, x-ray diffraction, geology and statistical analysis, of soil samples from the Edmonton, Alberta seven-circle pictogram formation from 1999 which have provided some of the strongest evidence yet for a real phenomenon, relating to heat effects on soil. These studies support previous findings suggesting the involvement of high, short-duration heat in the creation of at least some crop formations.

In Vancouver, CCCRN gives regular presentations for the Monday Night Free Lectures at Barclay Manor, a beautiful historical house in the heart of Vancouver's West End close to downtown (part of the West End Community Centre).

FIELDS OF DREAMS 2001
Barclay Manor Monday Night Free Lectures
Vancouver, BC
October 22, 2001
Barclay Manor, 1447 Barclay Street, Vancouver, BC
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Free admission (call 604.257.8333 to pre-register as seating is limited)
Presented by Barclay Manor/The West End Community Centre
For further information:
Tel: 604.257.8349 or 604.257.8333 (to pre-register)

FIELDS OF DREAMS 2001
CONTACT Meeting
Bellingham, Washington, USA
November 3, 2001
Bellingham Public Library (Main Conference Room), 2
10 Central Avenue,

Bellingham, Washington
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Free admission (\$5.00 donation requested)
Presented by CONTACT (Center for Ontological Action)
For further information:
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CROP CIRCLES: CANADIAN WONDERS AND BLT's DEFINITIVE EVIDENCE
Journeys Beyond Conference
Mobile, Alabama, USA
November 9 - 11, 2001
Adam's Mark Hotel, 64 South Water Street, Mobile, Alabama
CCCRN/BLT presentation: November 10, 2001, 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm
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Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 01:34:15 +1000
Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:46:34 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:33:26 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 00:41:09 +1000

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>My essay on the AA, with photos, is here:

><http://mactonnies.com/aa.html>

Some very good observations you have made there Mac, you know I had not noticed the Alien was missing a navel until you pointed it out.

I for some time, held the belief that the Greys were taking the reproductive systems of cows and using this to grow the bodies in. But seeing the Greys have no navel brings up the problem of how did they get the nutrients needed into the body for it to grow?

I cannot tell all that much from the AA tape from the video store, but seeing you have the CD, can you tell if there are any scares on the Grey's abdomen? Just wondering if this is why the Grey has no navel and how the artificial heart valve might have gotten in there. If this has been covered else-were just a link would do thank you.

I myself see the human body as being the only way to go as far as designs go, don't think it can be topped as a versatile unit to get around in. Only problem I can fore-see is the fact the human body doesn't fair all that well in outer space or around highly charged magnetic fields. Seems the greys have sorted out these problems though. But I do totally agree with your view about why didn't the makers of this AA flim, (if it is a hoax) use a classic type of alien instead of the one they did. The classic type of alien would have been more believeable. Perhaps.

Tophar

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Filer's Files #42 - 2001

From: **George A. Filer** <WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 22:57:16 -0400
Subject: Filer's Files #42 - 2001

FILER'S FILES #42 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern
October 17, 2001, Majorstar@AOL.COM.
Webmaster Chuck Warren <http://www.filersfiles.com>,

UFO SIGHTINGS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED AROUND THE WORLD. UFOs were spotted in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Nebraska, Puerto Rico, Chili, United Kingdom, Ireland, India, and Australia. Britain and US continue attacks on Taliban in Afghanistan.

ITS A WONDERFUL WORLD

If anyone is out there watching Earth from space apparently we have the appearance of signaling. The sun's light reflects in different ways off the oceans, land, city lights and clouds. Our view from Mars would be fairly spectacular with the shimmering lights. The reason we may have visitors is that our Earth would attract passers by with lights and electronic signals.

ASTRONOMERS DISCOVER EIGHT EXTRASOLAR PLANETS

On October 15, 2001, astronomers announced they have discovered eight more extrasolar planets, including three that scientists called "cousins" of planets in our own solar system. This brings the total number of extrasolar planets to nearly eighty. It also indicates the universe is full of more planets than there are grains of sand on the seashore.
<http://spaceflightnow.com/news/n0110/16solarsystems/>

SUN CAUSES TORNADO RECORD SET FOR EARLY OCTOBER

Mitch Battros writes, "In the last several months the Sun and Earth have experienced an unexpected, some suggest unprecedented, amount of sunspots and solar activity in the way of M-Class, X-Class flares, and numerous CME's (coronal mass ejection's). This is more evidence showing an undeniable connection between the Sun's increased activity and 'record breaking' weather on Earth? I have been documenting evidence ever since I asked the question in 1997, when scientists claimed the bad weather was caused by El Nino. Hmm, what is El Nino?" Well no one seemed to know the answer. This is what started a wondrous journey to discover where all this wild weather was coming from. My research ended with the Sun. It quickly became evident there was a direct correlation between the Sun's activity (Solar Flares, CME's, Geomagnetic storms), and extreme weather to shortly follow. In fact, it occurs within 48 hours after solar events occur.

What has not developed as of yet, is a way of predicting 'where' on Earth we will experience the extreme weather events. I expect this will be developed within the next 2 to 5 years. I was able to create a very simple equation which indicates the chain of events which occur showing the Sun to Earth connection. Equation: Sunspots => Solar Flares => Magnetic Shift => Shifting Ocean and Jet Stream Currents => Extreme Weather. You can sign up, with Mitch Battros by sending an email to: magic@texaseast.com with your name and email address.

NEW YORK BRIGHT BLUE SQUARE

LAFAYETTE -- On October 1, 2001, a low flying object changed from bright blue square to red diamond shape. The witness reports, "I was driving west on Route 20 between Pompey and Lafayette, with my two children ages 13 and 11. About 9:00 PM, 15 feet in front of us were 4 bright blue lights moving above us. They were in the shape of a square. I stopped my car and opened my window and there was a very loud noise. Then all the lights turned red and the shape changed to a diamond shape. The object moved at a rapid rate of speed, then all the noise stopped. There was complete silence and then the object disappeared from view. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director National UFO Center www.ufocenter.com

WORLD TRADE CENTER VIDEO

MUFON's Photo Expert JEFF SAINIO reports that he has reviewed several videos taken on September 11, 2001, during terrorist attacks. He states, "Sorry, I just don't see anything. I guess in "JPG 1 it is seen slightly to the left and above the wing." I simply don't see anything there. There is a tiny spot on the right side in the later frames; it's so small it doesn't mean much. Could be a distant plane, many miles away.

Remember, "everything in the air is unidentified until it's identified." This is not to say that every plane, leaf, balloon, and insect should be investigated. People should look for clear evidence of something unusual, not assume that every tiny blob in a picture is proof of men from Mars. Thanks to Jeff Sainio.

NEW JERSEY FLYING TRIANGLE

A friend and I observed a flying triangle in the early morning of October 7, 2001. We were around mile marker 85-90 on the Garden State Parkway, northbound, at 1:15 AM. It was essentially three lights of even brightness, white like stars, and in a fairly perfect, isosceles triangle. There was no object visible, just the lights, but their precise arrangement gave the impression of it being one object, and motionless. It looked like a triangular Constellation of medium brightness, white stars in the sky, and seemed for some reason to be maybe twice as large as a regular airplane. It was about a mile up. Nearby there was a regular star, and at first we tried to make sure, these were not stars. These didn't twinkle like stars. They were simply three pinpoints of very white lights, very clear and steady, and no other lights could be seen as part of an aircraft, like strobes, red/green markers, etc. It was probably about 20 degrees up on the horizon, I'm guessing, and I would have guessed it was well south of Newark. It certainly wasn't going very fast.

We were not far from McGuire AFB. When I first pointed it out to Mike, in the car with me, he was also clearly struck by how unusual it looked in the sky, and said something like, "What is that?" We probably could see it clearly for about ten seconds before it started to fade, all three lights at the same rate, as if it were entering a cloud or a mist, but the sky was actually very, very clear that night. It dimmed to completely invisible within the next 10-20 seconds. My impression of it was maybe I was seeing the famed "Westchester wing," which I think I might have observed from a car at high altitude once before about 10 years ago. Thanks to bob Larson <http://boblaron.com>

PENNSYLVANIA FIREBALL

Stan Gordon reports that on October 10, 2001, I received reports that fireball sightings were reported from Warren County, PA near the New York line at 9:00 PM. One witness I interviewed, said that she saw a huge blazing orange ball of fire moving north. During the evening I learned that other similar reports originated from Armstrong and Mercer Counties. I was also told that emergency centers near Youngstown, Ohio received many sighting reports. A resident of Allegheny County, near Pittsburgh, had knowledge that police in that area also received reports of something moving across the sky. I also interviewed a witness from Latrobe, PA in Westmoreland County, who watched a big orange-red ball of fire "as bright as

the moon" followed by a glowing tail which tapered off in thickness. I am awaiting additional data concerning this event. Thanks to Stan Gordon-Researcher PA UFO/ 724-838-7768 paufu@westol.com.

MARYLAND SIGHTING

ROCKVILLE -- Mr. Brown writes, "I was 10 years old in 1966, when a very large UFO arrived and stayed over our house for a long time. It took many years for me to remember this event. My first recall was outside watching it go away. Then after talking with family members, because of recurring dreams about seeing technology and UFOs, I began going through a period of time where I was flooded with recall, dreams, waken notions, visions, understandings, and even remote viewing, that ultimately culminated in an accumulated pile of information on how their propulsion works. I have heard reports a certain percentage of close encounters report having been shown technology. My knowledge of antigravity propulsion design is good solid evidence of human contact with alien visitors. I was a drop out in the late 60's with no credits, had no interest in school; but after the recall of these visions and notions, I began research into science, physics and technology. I found a continual ! confirmation to the design as it came to me. There also are other UFO encounters I have recalled immediately after being reminded about them by an old friend who was with me at the time. I also have experienced several more while my wife or our sons are with us. The recall began around 1994, and the sightings have continued until this year, where we now live in Texas. Thanks to Mr. Brown ufolight@yahoo.com <http://www.geocities.com/ufolight>

FLORIDA BULLET SHAPED UFO

STARKE -- Katana Lana writes, "In the late summer of 1997, I was driving in my car with my kids one night down a dark county road. We saw a huge bullet-shaped craft in the sky, so I pulled over and parked. Looking up, we saw a large diameter but short in length bullet like object very high in the sky moving north. It had an orange glow and there were orange-red "sparks" all around the nose of the craft as you would see in a movie when something enters the Earth's atmosphere. It seemed very high, as it didn't appear to be moving much. Only by the sparks could one tell it was traveling at a high rate of speed. Our house was just a mile away, so we hurried home after about 10 minutes of watching this thing. Once there, the craft was still visible, seemingly in the same place as before, still bombarded with sparks at the nose. It was much too large to be a plane of any sort, had no visible wings, windows or lights, just that orange glow. I am assuming it could have been some sort of cargo craft. It seemed far too large to be able to have taken off from the ground, perhaps the nose of a rocket, but, yes, it was huge. Thanks to Katana Lana Austin.

MICHIGAN FIREBALL

HOWELL -- At 7:39 PM Tuesday, October 2, I was driving east on Clyde Road four miles north of Howell, when overhead I noticed a bright white fireball trailing a line of blue and white sparks. The fireball descended at a rapid pace moving east. Its diameter was about the size of a pea held at arm's length. It was much larger and brighter than what is seen during a meteor shower (i.e., falling stars). As I said, I first noticed it through the top left of my windshield as it shot downward at what I guessed to be a 60-degree angle. It descended below the horizon. I thought it might hit maybe 10 miles east. Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com .com

WISCONSIN HIGH SPEED LIGHTS

GRAFTON -- Nick B. writes, "I was with my friends on the night October 6, 2001, and we were walking around at about 9:15 PM. I was just looking up at the North Star and I noticed something that looked exactly like a star but it just started moving across the sky. I watched it and realized it was going fast. One of my friends knows planes really well. When I showed him, he took a moment and said, "It moved too fast to be a plane and it wasn't blinking red or green. Therefore, I finally pointed it out to the rest of my friends and they all agreed with me that it wasn't a satellite or a plane. We watched it until we couldn't see it anymore. There were nine people who saw it

including me. It didn't make any noise it just looked like a star, but moving really fast across the night sky. Thanks to nick

MONTICELLO AND ALBANY -- Also on October 6, 2001, UFOWisconsin reports that at sunset a friend saw something, phoned me as "it" left his area and while on the phone with him, I saw this "thing" too. When it was visible to him, he and his grown son had it in sight through binoculars - and said it looked like a long oval with two spumes of fire coming out. What I saw, with just my eyes, was a long BRIGHT cylinder moving very slowly towards New Glarus (8 miles from Belleville). It was weird. By the time I went in to get a scope, and came back out, it had finally disappeared. Thanks to Jenny Hoppe and ufowisconsin: http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2001_1006_ozaukee.html

MISSOURI DIAMOND SHAPED CRAFT

ASHGROVE -- At 8:03 PM on October 4, 2001, three witnesses watched a saucer shaped object flying above them. They report it had white stationary lights on the bottom and each side with a blinking bright white light on the top. The light on the left side was dimmer than the rest and sometimes went out. Then came back on again. Not flashing just turned off, and then back on in a few minutes, it did this 4 times. It sat in a stationary position for about 7 minutes then slowly "floated" to the south. It bobbed up and down slightly and moved from side to side slightly, there was no sound except for the planes that passed close to it landing at the Springfield airport. This object appeared to be about 9 miles east of us over Springfield's Branson Airport. A 727 landed while this object was still overhead. The object was five times wider, and much taller than the 727. In addition, this was not any kind of blimp. This object stayed in sight for 14 minutes and then disappeared. No movement, no nothing, just gone. Thanks to Peter Davenport who indicates this case is under investigation by Missouri Investigators Group.

NEBRASKA DISK-LIKE OBJECT FLYING

FREDERICTON -- My boyfriend and I were walking back from seeing a movie and it was around midnight on September 28, 2001. We had stopped to look at the Little Dipper in the sky when he said, "Did you see that falling star?" I was disappointed that I hadn't seen it, and then he said, "What's that! Look!!" I looked up to where he was pointing and it was obviously something shaped like a disk or saucer. We saw the curve to it perfectly, and it had a series of six or seven red lights on it. It was flying through the sky slowly, but we had to run to keep up with it, so we wouldn't lose it behind some trees. There were NO clouds except for a few that were obvious to the eye, but there were none around the object. We couldn't hear anything that would have made it an airplane and it was moving too flawlessly to be an airplane. We watched it for nearly a minute, and then it just disappeared. It was so beautiful! Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

PUERTO RICO UFO SPOTTED

SAN JUAN -- On Tuesday, October 9, 2001, a correspondent for ovni.net reported having sighted a UFO over Rio Piedras at 4:40 PM. He spotted a flattened oval silvery white craft flying horizontal towards the west when it suddenly tilted ten degrees downward. The speed was faster than an aircraft and its height was low as it passed behind some buildings and disappeared. The witness was driving along Expreso las Americas highway. The witness immediately phoned Orlando Pla who climbed onto his roof, since from that vantage point the area in question can be perfectly seen. Thanks to Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology. Translation (c) 2001 Lucy Guzman, <http://www.ovni.net/>

CHILE PYRAMID-SHAPED UFO

BEACH OF CAVANCHA -- On October 5, 2001, a gigantic pyramid-shaped UFO was seen in the Northern Chilean City of Iquique. The eyewitnesses were a taxi driver and two of his passengers. They claimed that the UFO was about 300 yards long and shaped like a pyramid. Carlos was driving at 7:45 PM, when some lights were seen coming from the south side of the beach.

At first, it looked like an aircraft, but as it got closer and closer, perhaps too close for any ordinary aircraft -- it hovered a kilometer from the highway. As Carlos passed a curve, he was able to view the object from a slightly different angle and noticed that around the object was red, yellow, and green flashing lights, as well as a white light at the top. It almost looked like a giant stealth bomber. However, this object was about 300 yards in length, so it was not a plane. As it got closer, Carlos began to accelerate the car. Suddenly, a very bright light came out from the bottom of the object, illuminating! the entire beach. "It was scary; the light was so strong that we were able to see the waves in the ocean. When I turned to see my passengers, they were speechless. We were all astonished," he said. The cab driver claimed that the sighting lasted about 20 minutes. Thanks to Jaime Ferrer Calama UFO Center translated by Mario Andrade, and reports@ufoinfo.com <ufoupdates@home.com>

IRELAND BRIGHT MOVING LIGHTS

BRAY/COUNTY WICKLOW -- On October 11, 2001, The witness reports seeing a remarkable, bright light, that was very low, too bright to be a star and very clear. I got the video camera and started to record, when I zoomed the camera, I could see the lights circling around an object, and turning. I kept recording but it was very cloudy and sometimes the clouds prevented it to be seen, I waited till it came back and went on recording between 8:26 to 8:47 PM, When I was tired, I left recording. It was still there, when a big piece of cloud stopped our view. The object moved from the northwest to north east Thanks to frank@indigo.ie and Joe Trainor Masinaigan

UNITED KINGDOM TRANSPARENT DISK

LONDON -- The witness reports, On October 4, 2001, I was on the 9:30 AM Flight leaving Heathrow Airport. The plane was in a steady climb and when we reached about 10 to 15 thousand feet above the puffy sparse clouds I was looking out the forward window. Looking as close to straight down as I could, I saw some sort of movement between the ground and the puffy clouds right below us. I could see that the ground was being distorted as this object passed above it. It caused a wavy appearance to the ground. Looking closer I could see a definite line where the distortion ended, it looked like a huge contact lens, or a clear plastic disk flying beneath us. I watched the disc pass under three or four clouds and always continue on the other side. I could only track it so far because of the small windows on a 777. I then leaned back and could still see it in the window that was in line with my shoulder. It was traveling in the opposite direction as the airplane, and going maybe ! three times faster than the clouds passing below us. I watched it until I could see it no more due to the small windows. Right after it was gone I noticed directly below us a nuclear power plant. This object was traveling away from the power plant. I believe this was not a reflection as it was observed from two different windows. It took me a few seconds to realize that what I had seen was really there. Thanks to NUFORC

INDIA DISC

NEW DELHI -- Sunila reports that on August 15, 2001, a huge dark silver gray flying saucer shaped UFO was observed for 7 or 8 minutes. The object was flying low. The witness indicated the color was silver gray. The object looked like two saucers inverted over each other and moved slowly across the sky. There were no known other witnesses in the neighborhood. Thanks to sunilatandon@hotmail.com (sunila) and Joe Trainor reports@ufoinfo.com

AUSTRALIA ORANGE OVAL UFO

BRISBANE, QUEENSLAND -- The witness reports I was in my car near the small town of Dayboro on the 8th of October 2001 at around 6:00 PM when we struck a dog crossing the road. We turned into a nearby house to ask if they owned the dog. As we entered the driveway an orange, oval shaped object in the sky caught my eye. It moved slowly to the left and then suddenly shifted its course diagonally downward. It disappeared behind a shed. The orange glowed brightly but did not change. As soon as I saw it I new it was something weird. COLOR/SHAPE: Bright

Orange, Oval. It moved slowly at first but when it changed direction its speed tripled instantly. It was 3 to 4000 feet high. There was a report of two other very similar sightings at the same time at different locations in Brisbane on a popular radio station called JJJ (107.7fm) Thanks to Joe Trainor Masinaigan

DISCLOSURE PROJECT

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Secrecy News -- 10/17/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@fas.org>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 12:14:40 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:46:54 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/17/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 17, 2001

** ASHCROFT TELLS AGENCIES TO RESIST FOIA RELEASES
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ASHCROFT TELLS AGENCIES TO RESIST FOIA RELEASES

Attorney General John Ashcroft has issued a new statement of policy that encourages federal agencies to resist Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests whenever they have legal grounds to do so.

The new statement supersedes a 1993 memorandum from Attorney General Janet Reno which promoted disclosure of government information through the FOIA unless it was "reasonably foreseeable that disclosure would be harmful."

The Ashcroft policy rejects this "foreseeable harm" standard.

Instead, the Justice Department instructs agencies to withhold information whenever there is a "sound legal basis" for doing so.

"When you carefully consider FOIA requests and decide to withhold records, in whole or in part," the Attorney General advised, "you can be assured that the Department of Justice will defend your decisions unless they lack a sound legal basis...."

The new FOIA policy statement, issued October 12, is posted here:

<http://www.usdoj.gov/oip/foiapost/2001foiapost19.htm>

For purposes of comparison, Attorney General Reno's 1993 memorandum may be found here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/clinton/reno.html>

As with many of the Bush Administration's new restrictions on public information, the new policy is only peripherally related to the fight against terrorism. Rather, it appears to exploit the current circumstances to advance a predisposition toward official secrecy.

FRUS VOLUME ON GREECE DUE IN DECEMBER

The long-delayed publication of the official Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS) volume on US policy towards Greece, Cyprus and Turkey in 1964-1968 is now scheduled for December of this year, according to the State Department's latest status report on the FRUS series.

Publication of this unclassified volume has been fiercely

resisted by senior CIA officials because it alludes to covert US intervention in Greek elections during the 1960s.

The anticipated FRUS publication schedule, updated as of this month, is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/advisory/state/frusstat.html>

The State Department Historical Advisory Committee on Monday approved release of minutes of its June 2001 meeting. The minutes include discussion of current declassification disputes with the CIA, a forthcoming retrospective volume on the Congo, and National Security Agency declassification activity in support of FRUS. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/advisory/state/hac0601.html>

OCTOBER 17 COMES AND GOES

Today marks a deadline that was established by the Clinton Administration for declassification of 25 year old records, but this milestone is not expected to have much of an impact.

One of the "revolutionary" features of the 1995 executive order 12958 on classification and declassification policy was its requirement that historically valuable 25 year old records (that are not otherwise exempt) were to be automatically declassified after 5 years "whether or not the records have been reviewed" (Sec. 3.4).

In 1999, executive order 13142 extended that 5 year deadline for automatic declassification by 18 months for general records and by 36 months for intelligence records or those requiring multi-agency review. See:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/isoo/amendfact.html>

Today, October 17, 2001, the 18 month extension period comes to an end.

What is the practical effect of this automatic declassification deadline? "Not much," said an Administration official.

The volume of records that might have affected by today's date has been diminished by a number of factors: many records have been specifically exempted under one of the executive order's nine exemptions; other records have already been declassified; and many of the remainder have been excluded from automatic declassification by congressional intervention.

Meanwhile, the Bush Administration is quietly developing a new executive order on classification and declassification policy to amend or replace the 1995 Clinton order. No details concerning a new order have been disclosed.

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'Hooked On The Outdoors' Magazine

From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 18:34:48 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:49:49 -0400
Subject: 'Hooked On The Outdoors' Magazine

The winter, 2001, issue of "Hooked on the Outdoors" magazine published in the US - see: <http://www.ruhooked.com>

will feature a special section on the paranormal by writer Todd Wilkinson. To be included are stories on the Allagash abduction case, among other "outdoors-y" paranormal stories.

Purrrrrs...

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 18:48:13 +0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:53:08 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:14:19 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>permanent condition. As you know, when the possibility of
>'abuse' exists in any system, there are always a few who will
>try to take advantage and see just how far they can go before
>being forced to back off by a public outcry.

We couldn't be in any more agreement especially in these extreme times. A nation as large and powerful as ours must be able to bear relevant criticism of suspect actions or we are nothing more than just another bully on the international playground. This Rome of the 21st Century has additional responsibilities when it can impose its will anywhere in the world. Our agreement is so synchronous that the irony of your following words is an unpleasant, ill-founded, and uncalled for disappointment.

>I used strong language in my original. But, if you read Lara's
>"never made it to the List" post, (yes, "Lara" of the
>kinda-like, sorta-like fast,)

She was nothing more than up-front with everyone about her proactive action, John. And while she stands to the left of me (if that's possible <g>.), I can find no justification for the sneering derision I find from you here.

She lost (by her own report) forty pounds, a place to live, and a job for something that she believed in. I think she paid the freight, assuming her veracity and accurate reporting. Her proactive stance was something, even as the current *efforts* you champion are for nothing, or just how much further along are we now than five years ago when you and I hooked up in cyberspace? Or 35 years ago when Hynek and Vallee wrote their seminal books on the subject. Or 50 years ago when "something" went down at Roswell.

>you'll see that things started to
>take an ugly turn. Not to mention a huge flying swan dive into
>the 'deep end' of her empty concrete pool.

All things being equal John? You could be providing for me this same kind of dismissing diagnosis. The irony is that she is passionately interested in the same things that you identify in the first paragraph. The situation does not necessarily impose the social rigidity that your harsh evaluations imply. IOW? She's not in the deep end of an empty pool as much as she's just willing to wade out into a vaster ocean a little farther than you are. That's not the deep end... that's the beginning of the "deep".

>That poor woman, I
>really do feel sorry for her. She is the epitome of pathos. She
>is one angry puppy.

Pard? She's got every right, reason, and authority to be angry. We all do, remember? And she's willing to be a little more vocal about it than anyone else is. And she's staying within the law... it doesn't get any better than that.

>You gotta read some of the private tirades
>that she composes and sends to me privately. There's enough
>material there to keep a whole team of Viennese shrinks busy for
>years! No BS.

Hyperbole is always rather empty on reflection, John, and just more irony given the male-centric worldview of those "Viennese shrinks" you, too casually, employ. I've corresponded with her briefly and she seems refreshingly sane to me (saner than Shermer!), forgetting that I am perhaps no standard for even a non-standard illustration of sanity, and forgetting also her ardent enthusiasm and abundant passion. Efficacious use might be made of both of those in the trying days to come.

>I hear you Jan. Let's all just wait and see 'how far' it all
>goes and how long they plan to keep it enforced. Things like
>increased security at airports and at key locations/buildings is
>fine by me. Armed soldiers asking citizens to produce
>identification on the streets of my hometown? It had better be a
>'temporary' condition is all I will say.

There's no disagreement here, but we'll complete the irony pointing out that it will be persons of Lara's caliber (forgetting you and me)willing to throw themselves against the officious ramparts implicit in a burgeoning police state we all fear. She'll do that in a strident effort to preserve those evaporating liberties we watch going up in the still smoking rubble of Manhattan, and she'll do it, I'll bet, despite any derision she encounters on UpDates.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmborg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.

<http://www.alienview.net>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: AA... By The By - Tonnie

From: **Mac Tonnie** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 21:33:20 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:57:30 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tonnie

>From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 01:34:15 +1000

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>I for some time, held the belief that the Greys were taking the
>reproductive systems of cows and using this to grow the bodies
>in. But seeing the Greys have no navel brings up the problem of
>how did they get the nutrients needed into the body for it to
>grow?

I'm not sure I'd call the being the the AA a "Gray". I'd qualify it as (genetically) human, if it's an actual body. (When I think of Grays, I think of the spindly bodied, big-headed entities drawn by abductees. The AA being is a far cry from the "Gray" ideal.)

>I cannot tell all that much from the AA tape from the video
>store, but seeing you have the CD, can you tell if there are
>any scars on the Grey's abdomen?

None that I can make out. The body looks fairly blemishless except for the leg-wound and a possible bruise on the head.

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Murray

From: **Marty Murray** <mmurray31@home.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 00:56:28 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:59:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Murray

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City
>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 10:16:15 -0400

>>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:14:19 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>>From: "Jan Aldrich" <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Security Precautions in New York City
>>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:16:42 -0400

Jan Aldrich wrote:

>.....It is not sin to be
>ignorant, however, to want to remain ignorant that is
>inexcusable.

Howdy Jan & John!

Amen to that, Jan. Wiser words have seldom been spoken!

Take care,

Marty

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Message For Larry Hatch

From: John Hayes <webmaster@ufoinfo.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:14:24 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:01:10 -0400
Subject: Message For Larry Hatch

Hello Larry,

If Errol permits this is being sent via the List due to delivery problems.

On 15th October when you posted your request for information about Rajesh Kumar I posted two messages to you on 15th Oct. The first was sent at approximately 12.40 UK time and the second at 19.07 UK time.

Both messages have bounced back to me within the last 12 hours, the reason given is:

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-----Transcript of session follows -----  
larry@larryhatch.net  
Remote connection was abruptly disconnected.
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This might be a temporary glitch but I thought it best to let you know in case other mail is bouncing to that address.

Best wishes,

John Hayes

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Re: Security Precautions In New York City - Aldrich

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:06:35 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:03:39 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions In New York City - Aldrich

>From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions In New York City
>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 08:12:30 -0700

>Hello, all.

>Sunday evening, the History Channel had a Program "Secrets of
>the Cold War" (I think) that explained the Nike/Ajax weapons
>system. there were 19 or so Nike sites in and around the New
>York area (and across the U.S.)

>The Nike system was to be the last resort to knock down Russian
>Bombers as they made their way to the U.S. - the Nike/Ajax were
>armed with a Nuke that had a yield that was "Twice the power of
>the Hiroshima Bomb." most folks didn't know that. Very few did.

>My point is that there were some pretty spooky things we did/had
>to protect the U.S. from attack. even in the 60's. (There was a
>rumor that the Nike/Ajax had a modest anti missile capability -
>I'd like to know more about that.)

>While I don't pretend to know about all the precautions that are
>going on in New York, The U.S. Coast Guard has a Cutter
>Patrolling the Coos Bay channel and they are searching all the
>(few) ships that come in here.

>Yet, some idiot put a powdery substance on the doorknob of the
>BLM offices-shutting them down - just for grins. I have a
>problem with that. It could be called "aiding and abetting the
>enemy" if you will. Hoaxers are a scourge on humanity anyway.
>This isn't however, pie plates on a string. This is meant to
>cause harm. We all are affected.

>
>Note: BLM is an Acronym for Bureau of Land Management. My
>neighbor works at the Coos Bay office. Even here in the Outback
>of Southern Oregon, we are affected.

>
>GT McCoy

Hi GT,

There were different models of the Nike missile:

Nike-Ajax was a liquid fueled rocket with conventional warheads,
that had a range of about 25 miles. It had to be close in to the
installations and cities it defended. Liquid fuel was a definite
problem. I think, but don't know for sure that it had some
capability to engage air breathing missiles and V-1 type
rockets.

Nike-Hercules had solid fuel propulsion, a range of about 85
miles against aircraft, a great maximum altitude than Nike-Ajax,
and a surface to surface mode with a range of over 100 miles. It
had both conventional and nuclear warheads of 2 kilotons (KT),
20KT and 40 KT. Nuclear warheads were for use against supersonic
jet formations. The idea was to destroy both the aircraft and
the nuclear weapons before they could be detonated. The surface
to surface mode gave this missile additional missions in Korea

and Europe.

Nike-Zeus, an anti-missile-missile, was never fully developed due to the ABM treaty.

I have wondered about the lack of UFO reports from Nike sites and their radars. Several UFO radar reports were within the radius of Nike site, but there seem to be few reports in BB. Perhaps they are somewhere in the Army records.

Hadn't thought of hoaxers as aiding and abetting the enemy, but you hit the nail on the head, that is exactly what they are doing.

Jan Aldrich

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'The Highest Step In The World'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:30:55 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:30:55 -0400
Subject: 'The Highest Step In The World'

Last week, I had the opportunity of previewing a very tasty documentary that will run tonight at 9:00pm on the Discovery Channel, here in Canada.

Its the first in a new series called 'Science Highway' by the Toronto based Foolish Earthling Productions, written and directed by Michael Lennick.

Michael Lennick and I go back to before 'The All-Night Show' which featured Chuck The Security Guard and with which we were both heavily involved.

The program I screened is titled 'The Highest Step In The World' about the early pioneering work done by a group of scientists to get the first human to over 100,000 feet - by balloon no less. Its full of footage that, literally has never been seen before.

This might sound like a shameless plug for an old friend's new project, but Michael Lennick has produced some damn fine work over the years - which, those of you who saw his documentary, earlier this year, on the making of Stanley Kubrick's 2001 - will doubtlessly agree with.

No, the reason I'm suggesting you tune in to Discovery Canada tonight at 9 is because in 'The Highest Step In The World' is a mention of the infamous 'Roswell Crash Test Dummies', along with footage of the parachuted dummies, by one of the scientists involved, Duke Gildenberg. Dr. Bernard "Duke" Gildenberg is a name you may be familiar with from the 'Skeptical Enquirer' magazine.

Let me mention the station and time again - because the various television magazines don't have the correct information listed. Its tonight at nine [Eastern] on the Canadian Discovery Channel. Its one of those 'must see' programs..... So do try and see it.

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>sneering derision I find from you here.

>She lost (by her own report) forty pounds, a place to live, and
>a job for something that she believed in. I think she paid the
>freight, assuming her veracity and accurate reporting.

Hi Alfred,

A huge "assumption" considering the source. But ...

You're right. I _was_ "sneering." And I shouldn't have stooped

to venting it in public. But in my own defense I will add that I have not once responded with anger (which I have every right to) to any of the many nasty and truly convoluted tirades that she has aimed at me personally and sent to me privately. I "leaked" (if you will) my feelings of anger towards her for that and her glaring presumptuousness on this public List. I could have been more of a 'gentlemen' and held my mud.

Sorry Alfred. I just can't find it in myself to "admire" or "respect" her as you do. From day one she has not demonstrated or earned that kind of consideration from me or anyone else. I meant it when I said I felt sorry for her. There is definitely something seriously amiss with Lara. Because of the nature of her personal problems I should not have mouthed off about her in public.

My apologies to all concerned for allowing, what I consider to be righteous - as in; she earned it - anger at her to get the best of me. I know better - usually.

Once again you have been a good friend and have looked out for me. What she needs is serious help, not derision. It was unfair of me to blast her that way in public.

Point taken.

Warmest regards,

John

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:09:15 +0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:37:29 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

>From: Marty Murray <mmurray31@home.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 00:56:28 -0400

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City
>>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 10:16:15 -0400

>Jan Aldrich wrote:

>>.....It is not sin to be
>>ignorant, however, to want to remain ignorant that is
>>inexcusable.

>Howdy Jan & John!

>Amen to that, Jan. Wiser words have seldom been spoken!

Given that the ignorance you pronounce upon is endemic to our system, officiated by our institutions, bolstered by our culture, encouraged by the media, and a pervasive invasion of the very process of our thinking, I'm twice blessed to be exposed to two who so obviously have the dead-lock nut on the universal conundrum. Please, relieve us of this easily avoided ignorance, an ignorance so obviously self inflicted... oh teachers, oh leaders, oh holders of that guiding light of enlightened process...

Guys -- your unwarranted hubris is showing...

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Re: Security Precautions In New York City - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:03:16 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:45:35 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions In New York City - McCoy

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions In New York City
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:06:35 -0400

>>From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions In New York City
>>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 08:12:30 -0700

<snip>

>>The Nike system was to be the last resort to knock down Russian
>>Bombers as they made their way to the U.S. - the Nike/Ajax were
>>armed with a Nuke that had a yield that was "Twice the power of
>>the Hiroshima Bomb." most folks didn't know that. Very few did.

>>My point is that there were some pretty spooky things we did/had
>>to protect the U.S. from attack. even in the 60's. (There was a
>>rumor that the Nike/Ajax had a modest anti missile capability -
>>I'd like to know more about that.)

<snip>

>>Yet, some idiot put a powdery substance on the doorknob of the
>>BLM offices-shutting them down - just for grins. I have a
>>problem with that. It could be called "aiding and abetting the
>>enemy" if you will. Hoaxers are a scourge on humanity anyway.
>>This isn't however, pie plates on a string. This is meant to
>>cause harm. We all are affected.

>>Note: BLM is an Acronym for Bureau of Land Management. My
>>neighbor works at the Coos Bay office. Even here in the Outback
>>of Southern Oregon, we are affected.

>>GT McCoy

>Hi GT,

>There were different models of the Nike missile:

>Nike-Ajax was a liquid fueled rocket with conventional warheads,
>that had a range of about 25 miles. It had to be close in to the
>installations and cities it defended. Liquid fuel was a definite
>problem. I think, but don't know for sure that it had some
>capabilities to engage air breathing missiles and V-1 type
>rockets.

>Nike-Hercules had solid fuel propulsion, a range of about 85
>miles against aircraft, a great maximum altitude than Nike-Ajax,
>and a surface to surface mode with a range of over 100 miles. It
>had both conventional and nuclear warheads of 2 kilotons (KT),
>20KT and 40 KT. Nuclear warheads were for use against supersonic
>jet formations. The idea was to destroy both the aircraft and
>the nuclear weapons before they could be detonated. The surface
>to surface mode gave this missile additional missions in Korea
>and Europe.

>Nike-Zeus, an anti-missile-missile, was never fully developed

>due to the ABM treaty.

>I have wondered about the lack of UFO reports from Nike sites
>and their radars. Several UFO radar reports were within the
>radius of Nike site, but there seem to be few reports in BB.
>Perhaps they are somewhere in the Army records.

>Hadn't thought of hoaxers as aiding and abetting the enemy, but
>you hit the nail on the head, that is exactly what they are
>doing.

Thanks, Jan on setting straight the Nike system's capabilities.

Here in Coos Bay we have an odd assortment of fruits and nuts ranging from Milita types to "Earth Firsters" that are fully capable of screwing up the system just to make a point. However, the simple act of some Yahoo thinking he/she would pull a funny by shutting down the BLM for a day, caused no end of problems with the emergency services here.

IMHO it revealed weakness in the system-as illustrated by our local newspaper, and while remote, it could be the bad guys were watching. It wouldn't be the first time this happened. In 1942 Oregon was attacked, bombed, and shipping sunk by several I-series submarines (better in some ways than the U-boats of the period) although the U-boats got far more press. Then there were the infamous Fugo balloons later on that killed a family near Lakeview, Oregon.

GT McCoy

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Sandow

From: **Greg Sandow** <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 11:17:02 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:47:08 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Sandow

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:09:15 +0600
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

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>enlightened process...

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Who, then, do we go to for relief of this pervasive ignorance?
Who can tell us the elusive truth? Could it - just possibly - be
you?

Greg Sandow

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:44:39 +0200
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:48:17 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 17:17:55 -0400

>How many cases in Eddie's study
>come from Brazil and Argentina? How many have been so seriously
>debunked that you think they're hoaxes? If it's a high
>percentage, I'd agree that there could be problems. But if it's
>a low percentage, then maybe his study wouldn't be that badly
>flawed, even by your critieria.

>Which study did you mean, by the way? The original one from
>1987?

>One methodological note. I'm not sure why a few hoaxes makes
>Eddie's study invalid. >

I am referring to the original one from 1987.

The real number of cases (counting all the cases of one
abductee, i.e. Betty Andreasson, only once) is 270. To myself
only 144 can be considered abductions properly, but he accepted
47 more (abductions without more details, psychic abductions,
voluntary entries). The rest are hoaxes (only 3!), contactees,
teleportations, etc.

From the 270 total, Argentina and Brazil have 29 and 28 cases.
More than half of them are teleportations, etc. not abductions.
I have no time now, but if you are interested I will present my
data on this cases for your judgement next week.

The mixing of explained and not explained abductions is not
the reason why I think Bullard's work is flawed. That is just a
methodological question. A more serious flaw, for instance, is
that he determined one of his "stages" (Theophany) from only 6
cases! when there are more cases with a forced copulation (Vilas
Boas) that, on numbers alone, could merit an "stage" on
themselves.

I have just written a very long dissection of Bullard's work.
Unfortunately, it is in Spanish and I do not have time now to
translate it into English. If you dare....

Luis R. González Manso

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:59:18 +0200
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:49:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@email.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 18:13:48 +0800
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>I know
>some of you dislike looking back in time for signs of the UFO
>phenomenon (I'm not referring to Jerome Clark, of course, but I
>am certainly referring to you, Luis) but history does not go
>away.

Hi, Chris

You got me wrong. I enjoy as much as everybody else to look for signs of the UFO phenomenon in the past. After all, as I defend a psycho-sociological interpretation of it, there should be precedents in history. If there were not, the PSH would be in serious problems.

What I really dislike is to interpret those old reports from a XX century point of view, centering in some details which remind us of UFOs, but discarding all those that do not fit.

Your efforts are very interesting. I would really like to publish some of them in our magazine, as I have insisted on you several times..

Yours,

Luis R. González

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From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:51:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

>Ok, so you admit going into this conversation/discussion with
>your mind already made up that nothing 'physical' happened. Let
>me ask you one if I may. Why should I engage you (or anyone
>else) in a "lengthy" discussion about an event that you have
>already prejudged?

Dear John,

I do not think to have prejudged any event, just your interpretation of it. Everybody has his own preconceptions. Mine is that the Universe and its inhabitants_ must_ be logical. The abduction phenomena interpreted as the presence here on Earth of multiple races of aliens abducting people in secrecy with highly luminous UFOs is _not_ logical. So, to admit it (even in its apparent illogicality) I must discard before any other alternative.

Of course, you do not have_ any_ reason to explain once more your experiences, and I really appreciate your help. If we continue our exchange, I can only offer you my sincere appraisal of the situation, my comments, etc. Probably at the end, we will have to agree in our disagreement.

>I don't see it as my job (or
>responsibility) to try to convince anybody of anything.
>I am standing up to be counted among those who are reporting
>UFO/alien abduction. I do so because it has happened to me. I am
>not under any obligation to endlessly debate/discuss it solely
>because you cannot accept what is being reported by so many of
>your peers at face value.

You do not have any obligation to convince anybody of anything, but if you are standing up to be counted as an alien abductee, you must accept also that nobody else has any obligation to believe you without enough evidence _from his own point of view_.

>You don't offer to "investigate," you offer to debate.
>(...) It's a complete waste of time.

You must understand that it is quite difficult to investigate a 20 years old case from thousands of kilometers away, when I only have your own recollections of it. The most I can achieve is to point to any illogical element or aspect and to try to offer alternatives.

>>On principle, I do not accept at face value any UFO description,
>>even if the witness knocked in its hull!
>

>Then why bother asking? It's like a cop telling a mugging
>victim; "I don't believe you were robbed but, tell me your story
>anyway so I can fill out a report." What's the point?

More precisely, my cop would have said (speaking of the UFO):
"You say you were robbed, but my experience is that many details
the people mugged describe are inaccurate, so please let us go
once more into your story to see any possible source of
misrecollection".

>The object was stationary (hovering) over the roof of
>the corner building.

>My residence was on the same block, but down the street from the
>building that the object was hovering over. I had to run about
>3/4 of a city block to reach my house.

Sorry, I do not understand. Maybe a map would help. Referring to
your illustration, I assume you put yourself in the point where
you first saw the UFO. Which way did it move? To the right, to
the left or to the back of the drawing? Where was your home in
relation to the same image? Our city blocks are quite different
of yours. How many meters?

>The bleeding had stopped. There was a trail of blood going down
>my face, past the corner of my mouth, down the side of my neck,
>and the collar part of the tee-shirt had blood on it. The pillow
>case and a small part of the cover sheet of the bed also had
>blood smears on them.

>The downward direction of the blood flow indicates that my body
>must have been in a vertical position when the active bleeding
>took place. (On my feet or sitting up) If I had bled while
>laying on my back, and facing the ceiling, the blood trail on my
>face would have gone over my cheek and towards my ear. If I had
>been laying on my stomach, it would have accumulated on the
>pillow mostly and there would not have been much anywhere else.
>I bled while vertical or when I moved into a vertical position.
>That bleeding did not happen when I suddenly sat up in bed
>because the bleeding had already stopped when I awakened.

From which nostril did you bleed? The same side that your
swollen eye or the opposite?

>Yes, I was naked at the time of the (supposed) procedure. And I
>really don't know if I was bleeding then. I was confronted with
>the sight of a being that; did not resemble anything human; that
>was holding some kind of wand/probe in his hand; and that was
>coming toward me as if it had purpose. I 'could have'
>released the contents of my bowels for all I knew.

Let's see if I got it right.

You were dressed with a tee-shirt, covered by a short sleeve
shirt during the night. According to your regression you were
totally naked when subjected to the nose intrusion and eye
operation. Later you awoke with only your tee-shirt and pants,
the rest of your clothes were in a heap besides the bed. The
collar part of the tee-shirt and the pillow were stained in
blood. The direction of the flow (accepting that the aliens did
not manipulate gravity this time -if you are "floating"
horizontally, where does any blood flow?-) shows that you bled
while vertical.

One problem. If the aliens were unable to prevent the bleeding
because of your nose intrusion, how could they have prevented
the bleeding of your posterior eye removal? I understand that
you were upright when the alien inserted his wand in your nose.
That was the proper moment to have a bleeding, but if you were
naked, you did not stain your tee-shirt then. Afterwards, they
made the eye-removal operation (horizontally?). When did they
put your tee-shirt and pants on, but not the rest of your clothes?

>My wife was hospitalized for five days (about eight years ago)
>for a sudden and very severe nose-bleed. The ENT specialist
>(head of the ENT department at St. John's Hospital here in New
>York) after performing his examination of the inside of her
>head, asked both of us, her_and_me_about her "surgery". My
>wife hasn't ever had any "surgery" performed inside her head
>either. Yet we have both (independently) been asked the same
>question by three different physicians.

I cannot judge how unusual is to ask such a question confronted with a nose-bleed, but if they had some signs pointing in such direction (scars...) surely it must be in your medical historial. Maybe they did not write anything in your case, but a 5-day stay in a hospital should be properly justified. You stopped short of explaining the mystery! If a physician asks me an unusual question, I would just question him myself why did he asked that, if he has any signs, etc. Maybe they were just probing around, discarding possibilities

>I have noted on more than one occasion (on-List and to Peter >himself) that he was just a bit 'selective' about leaving out >some details that I thought were important and supported my >interpretation of the events more than his

Up to now, I have found Peter's exposition of your case quite accurate. Can you give me some examples of his selection bias?

>It was a jolting experience to read the facts/details/reports of >others that were identical to my own. Strangers were talking >about things that I thought had only happened to me. Things I >would never have spoken aloud to anyone for fear of being >thought of as "crazy." Yes, it was a real eye opener to hear my >deepest and most secret memories coming from the lips of >complete strangers.

So, are you are saying that you did have conscious recall of alien beings and abductions, before reading "Missing Time", or just vague recollections or uneasiness like Steven Kilburn? In other words, in 1981 Hopkins spoke about 5 types of abductions:

Type 1 - general recall of portions of the full scenario.
Type 2 - UFO sighting + missing time. No conscious recall of the on-board experience
Type 3 - Bedroom visitors. No ufo.
Type 4 - Only a time-lapse or a dislocation.
Type 5 - Vague, ephemeral clues.

Which Type were you? I will say Type 2.

>I am extremely careful about reporting >precisely what transpired. Nothing more, nothing less. I know >how important it is for me to present only the facts so that >any independent person/researcher can formulate their own >thoughts/opinions without having to sift through any >"embellishments" or spurious content. I report the details of my >experiences as if I was reporting them to a cop. Siempre.

You think so. Everybody thinks so. But, as the study of "flashbulb" memories (where were you on September 11 attack?) have shown, you may be mistaken. Try to locate your very first deposition about your incident and compare it with your actual recollections. Maybe you will be surprised.

Yours,

Luis R. González

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Wilson

From: Katharina Wilson <kwilson@alienjigsaw.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 12:46:56 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:54:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Wilson

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 11:18:54 +0200
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 09:47:58 -0500

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:14:55 +0200

>Jerry,

>Thanks, I have always consider myself a sceptic. Now I know that
>I am a debunker. OK.

<snip>

Jerry Replied:

>>To the second question you raise: of course not. One doesn't
>>have to engage in sweeping speculation to dismiss the LeRoy
>>story, which I personally and conclusively debunked in 1976 (my
>>article on the subject appearing in the February 1977 issue of
>>Fate), as you may not know.

>>To the third, Adamski was a hoaxer and, unless you have clear
>>and specific evidence showing Katharina Wilson (a manifestly
>>honest woman in my observation, whatever the true nature of her
>>experience) to be the same, you're simply playing a rhetorical
>>game. Unless you believe apples are in fact oranges, their two
>>names should not be appearing in the same sentence.

Thank you Jerry, for your comment above. I appreciate you sharing
this observation about me publicly.

Luis R. Gonzalez also wrote:

>I did know that you personally debunked the LeRoy story, and I
>also share your opinions on Adamski and Katharina Wilson... that
>precisely was the reason why their names appeared in the same
>sentence. Mrs. Wilson' story is even more outlandish than
>Adamski's. Why must I believe her without enough evidence? Just
>because she is honest?

What I have shared with the public in my books and other
writings is the truth as best as I can describe it. I believed I
was doing something good when I wrote my books. I have always
believed that the truth would one day prevail and perhaps if I
live long enough, I will see that truth and the truth that so
many abductees have shared with the research community and the
public, prevail.

>Many honest people had believed in wrong things. Surely, even I

>believe in wrong things. To me, the paranormal is like a slide,
>when you begin to accept things without enough evidence, you
>cannot stop: first, isolated incidents, then a lifetime of
>abductions, after not one but several kinds of aliens, then
>MILABs or wanderers or walks-in. And the fact that some hoaxers
>or deluded persons have been able to tell stories very similar
>to those told by honest people, should made us cautious.

You are correct to be cautious and many, many researchers in American ufology are cautious. It has been shown that in the majority of researched abduction cases, abductions do occur over the lifetime of an abductee and that is the case with me.

It appears - rather obviously so - that prior to Hopkins and Jacobs et al, there were other alien types being reported besides the "greys," so of course, not all of the beings described by abductees

are the same.

MILABs are another issue. A very controversial issue. An issue that I have admitted to having trouble accepting or understanding. I am a patriotic person and have been all of my life, and it disturbs me greatly to think some small faction of our military may be involved in the abductions of humans and/or in interrogating abductees.

I do not know anything about "wanderers" and know very little about "walk-ins." I have not written about "wanderers" or "walk-ins" and have not experienced anything like this.

I hope this helps to clear things up as far as my case and a possible hoax is concerned. Believe me, if I had a choice, being an abductee is the last thing in the world I would choose to be. The public has no idea of what we risk by telling the truth about our experiences. You cannot know how hard it is to "fit in" when people know what you are or what you "claim" to be, as some like to infer.

The last point I would like to clear up is the "Dark Side of the Moon" experience that was referred to. I would include the journal entry, but it would make this posting very long and would probably be quite boring to many people. I will quote what I wrote in my book as an introduction to the journal entry and a paragraph about how I felt about it afterward.

"I believe the implications for this next visit are even more incredible. Although it should have been somewhat disturbing to me, it did not make me feel the way I would have imagined it would if I had heard this from another abductee."

I used the term "visit," not abduction. Clearly, I do not view this as a typical abduction. Also, the second sentence I hope, indicates that had I heard this from another abductee, I don't know what I would have thought. Perhaps I would have thought it "very strange" or "bizarre." Today, since I know more about the phenomenon, perhaps I would have interpreted this as what Bullard describes as an "otherworldly journey" that abductees sometimes experience.

Some might see the visit as a vision and that is perhaps the way it reads. However, I could feel the ground beneath my feet and I could feel the weapon in my hands. In other words, there were tactile sensations and with a vision, there are no tactile sensations, at least for me.

After the journal entry I wrote:

"When I use the term 'dark side of the moon' [which is where I was told I was by the beings who were with me] in my mind it refers to the side of the moon that never faces the Earth. It has nothing to do with where the sun does and does not shine. I have no way of knowing which meaning the Beings who told me this were implying. Do I really believe I was on the dark side of the moon? The answer is yes, if I was in fact on a moon. However, I do not believe I was on the dark side of our moon. If I was on the dark side of our moon, then this base has to exist in another dimension. If it exists in our dimension, then why would the astronauts and cosmonauts have withheld this information from the rest of the world?"

"The Alien Jigsaw" pp 114-115

I would like to remind Mr. Gonzalez and everyone else, that just because the aliens tell an abductee something, it does not mean they are telling us the truth. They could have been lying to me when they told me I was on the dark side of the moon. Then again, they could have been telling me the truth. I have no proof of what they told me - other than the never ending stories about there being a base on the moon or aliens on the moon or what-have-you.

Until this experience, I never believed for an instant that there was a base on our moon or extraterrestrials there. Now, I suppose like some people, I'm not quite sure what to believe. Maybe, in the end, that is the intention of some of the alien beings we have come into contact with. They want to do what they need to do, but they will leave us with more questions than answers. Perhaps that is the way they cover their tracks and protect themselves.

It seems to be working.

Thanks all

K. Wilson

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Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:55:27 -0400
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here - at least I don't think I can - but her research findings, although perhaps controversial, are worth reading and reviewing. I think it will help people understand what we are truly facing in trying to understand an alien species.

In addition, it seems to me that we are not dealing with one extraterrestrial species. Oversimplifying ET phenomena and individuals' experiences may make it easier to digest and fit into our sometimes preconceived theories about what is really going on, but it does not and will not lead us to the truth.

-- K. Wilson

"Encounter Phenomena Defy Set Pattern: All Data Must Be Considered" By Karla Turner, Ph.D.

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Part_II/ktdefysetpattern.html

"Alien Abductions In the Gingerbread House"
By Karla Turner, Ph.D.

Please note her "Abduction Checklist"

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Part_II/ktgingerbread.html

For articles by other researchers see:

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Alberto Sanmartin?

From: Gary Anthony <garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 19:52:28 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 16:57:21 -0400
Subject: Alberto Sanmartin?

Hi List,

Does anyone know where I can obtain a copy of a rare tome called 'O Embaixador das Estrelas' By Alberto Sanmartin? (Any language version will do). Suggestions welcome.

Best Regards

Gary Anthony

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Re: Message For Larry Hatch - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:18:47 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 17:32:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Message For Larry Hatch - Hatch

>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 08:14:24 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Hayes <webmaster@ufoinfo.com>
>Subject: Message For Larry Hatch

>On 15th October when you posted your request for information
>about Rajesh Kumar I posted two messages to you on 15th Oct. The
>first was sent at approximately 12.40 UK time and the second at
>19.07 UK time.

>Both messages have bounced back to me within the last
>12 hours, the reason given is:

> -----Transcript of session follows -----
> larry@larryhatch.net
> Remote connection was abruptly disconnected.

>This might be a temporary glitch but I thought it best to let
>you know in case other mail is bouncing to that address.

Hello John, thanks for the heads-up!

If any emails to me bounce, its almost certainly due to my
dial-up ISP (some struggling remains of www.jps.net). For now,
*****@larryhatch.net is being redirected thru jps to I can
receive it.

I will send myself a few test messages! I can still get messages
at larryhat@jps.net for now, but prefer use of the new domain
unless it bounces of course.

Best

- Larry

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Sandow

From: **Greg Sandow** <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 17:37:40 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 17:59:06 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Sandow

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 10:44:39 +0200

>I have just written a very long dissection of Bullard's work.
>Unfortunately, it is in Spanish and I do not have time now to
>translate it into English. If you dare....

Luis,

Thanks for your answer, and the interesting points it raises.
I'd love to read your study, but unfortunately my Spanish is
just about non-existent. I wonder if Eddie reads Spanish....

Greg Sandow

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 18:02:11 EDT
Fwd Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 19:46:37 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Mortellaro

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200

>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

>>Ok, so you admit going into this conversation/discussion with
>>your mind already made up that nothing 'physical' happened. Let
>>me ask you one if I may. Why should I engage you (or anyone
>>else) in a "lengthy" discussion about an event that you have
>>already prejudged?

>Dear John,

>I do not think to have prejudged any event, just your
>interpretation of it. Everybody has his own preconceptions. Mine
>is that the Universe and its inhabitants_ must_ be logical. The
>abduction phenomena interpreted as the presence here on Earth of
>multiple races of aliens abducting people in secrecy with highly
>luminous UFOs is _not_ logical. So, to admit it (even in its
>apparent illogicality) I must discard before any other
>alternative.

<snip>

>>I am _extremely_ careful about reporting
>>precisely what transpired. Nothing more, nothing less. I know
>>how important it is for me to present _only_ the facts so that
>>any independent person/researcher can formulate their own
>>thoughts/opinions without having to sift through any
>>"embellishments" or spurious content. I report the details of my
>>experiences as if I was reporting them to a cop. Siempre.

>You think so. Everybody thinks so. But, as the study of
>"flashbulb" memories (where were you on September 11 attack?)
>have shown, you may be mistaken. Try to locate your very first
>deposition about your incident and compare it with your actual
>recollections. Maybe you will be surprised.

Dear Luis, List, Errol;

This post is from my own perspective, wishing to set the record straight on the issue of the skeptics' point of view. Luis, in your post you said that you and John (I interpret that as you and all perceived abductees, hence my response), that you must finally agree to disagree. I agree, to an extent.

The skeptic, as opposed to the skeptibunker, has every right in the world to attempt to determine another reason for the perceptions of the abductee. My lesson in this regard, is only

recently learned. Memory is a strange thing to understand. In a conversation I had recently with someone who is also a skeptic, I was asked questions which were quite valid. The only response I had was, "It is a real memory which persists for more than half a century." The reply was, "How do you know?" Well, I know because nothing of these snapshot memories has changed for 55 years. However I am unable to prove a thing.

I too, agreed to disagree, with the person with whom I spoke, for more than two hours. Except for one important detail. As a child, I drew the classic UFO, stick figures of the "little doctors" I met, and more, and did this between 1945 and 1946. The proof of this rests in a vault kept by our family attorney. The drawings are signed by my Mom, dated, and on them she wrote, "Jamey ... " and gave the date it was drawn ... only the year on some of them.

So proof of sorts exists within my family. Witness the verification of my recall by what my parents recall. To add to this, the drawings were made prior to Roswell. Prior to TV since we did not have one until 1950, and prior to my reading anything (certainly not at age three and four) from any book or magazine. There were no UFO type literature before Roswell and even had there been any, I did not see it.

If you wish to view at least one of these, they may be found on the Jeff Rense site archives. The URL is:

<http://www.rense.com/general4/three.htm>

There, you will see a drawing I made in 1946, as notated by my Mother. The book is nearly 3/4 complete. I hope to publish in the early part of 2002.

Proof positive? No. Truth absolute? No. Truth? Maybe. My truth, and the truth of others who have had experiences? Absolutely. So you see, Luis, my truth is mine. Behold your truth. It is yours. We should agree only on one thing. The possibility exists that we have misinterpreted and the possibility exists that we have indeed experienced.

I also uploaded several copies on UpDates. I urge you to see beyond the view of the skeptic and at least do one thing more if you are capable. This "thing" will place you properly in the category of "skeptic" and not "Skpetibunker." And that would be to agree as to the possibility that such UFO abduction scenario may be truth. Maybe. If you cannot agree on the possibility, however remote, then I am sorry to say that you are not a skeptic.

With respect,

Jim Mortellaro

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 19:04:05 +0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 10:21:31 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City -

>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 11:17:02 -0400

>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:09:15 +0600
>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>Given that the ignorance you pronounce upon is endemic to our
>>system, officiated by our institutions, bolstered by our
>>culture, encouraged by the media, and a pervasive invasion of
>>the very process of our thinking, I'm twice blessed to be
>>exposed to two who so obviously have the dead-lock nut on the
>>universal conundrum. Please, relieve us of this easily avoided
>>ignorance, an ignorance so obviously self inflicted... oh
>>teachers, oh leaders, oh holders of that guiding light of
>>enlightened process...

>>Guys -- your unwarranted hubris is showing...

>Who, then, do we go to for relief of this pervasive ignorance?

OK. You seemingly imply that there is no pervasive ignorance,
or if there is we shouldn't do anything about it. Our
institutions are forthcoming, our government is beyond reproach,
our schools produce an abundance of critical thinkers, and our
corporate media is not, largely, the unctuous collection of
two-dollar whores that I suspect it to be. In for a penny, in
for a pound, Mr. Sandow.

Forget your irritation with me, if you can, and tell me what's
on your New York mind. I'm not above learning something if
you've something to teach. And if convinced that I'm out of line
I'll cop to it immediately.

>Who can tell us the elusive truth?

Well, apparently, as I indicated above (plainly if not a little
sarcastically), we could start with the two gentlemen I had
originally replied to. They seemed on the path to an
enlightenment you may appreciate, even if it was a little self
styled, complacently arrogant, and obstinately officious. Would
you care to take a crack at it? You've some thoughts on it,
I'm sure.

>Could it - just possibly - be you?

Anything's possible, however unlikely, Mr. Sandow. And I
wouldn't kick me out of that bed for eating salty crackers,
but after parsing the above reply I can't see where I even
remotely imply your, rather oily, assertion. Maybe my spot on
assessment of the media fudged your drawers a little bit.
"Musta' hit pretty close to the mark to get [you] so riled up,
eh Chewy"? <g>.

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Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 23:32:33 +1000
Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 13:08:18 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 21:33:20 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnie <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 01:34:15 +1000

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>I'm not sure I'd call the being in the AA flim a "Gray". I'd qualify
>it as (genetically) human, if it's an actual body. (When I think
>of Grays, I think of the spindly bodied, big-headed entities
>drawn by abductees. The AA being is a far cry from the "Gray"
>ideal.)

Any alien that uses filters over its eyes are classified as a Grey by me. This filter is used I do believe to help them see inside their craft due to the intense light given off from the power source they use. As we have come to know, all reports of Greys and their craft are associated with very bright light sources, imitating from with-in the craft.

I could rave on for days about theories behind why they don't shield the power source/reactor. But I will spare list members from such a long bombardment, maybe just a short one .

Greys may well have found a way to cross human genes with plants genes. Doing this has its up side; planets do very well around magnetic fields and in low gravity environments. They also don't need the same kinds of food we do, they could get away with a liquid diet. Which would also sort out the problem of storing food as it would be much easier to store liquid than a side of beef in space.

They is some evidence to say they could have done this crossed genetics creating of hybrids from planet and human genes. The light source itself, something a hybrid would need for photosynthesis. The reports of white dust in the ships, a result of the waste from the hybrids, as they wouldn't go to the toilet like us, instead they would get rid of their waste the same way a planet does, through the outer tissue and it would be white like a planets. The green blood, same as a planets and like this someone sent me >"Some abductees have reported seeing them immersing themselves in nutrient tanks."< This is not such a hard thing to believe if they are plant cross hybrids as this would help clean out the pours ECT. Pot planets love a good dunking every now and again it does wanders for the good old house planet.

There is also some evidence in the AA flim, which could support the hybrid planet theory as well. The kind of organs they took out of the alien ECT. Also how did they know it was just a covering over the eye and that the whole eye itself wasn't black?

Anyway, one can see why this damn AA flim has its hooks in me, either it is a real grey or the best hoax ever made? They have

given attention to such small details in this damn flim, it makes it so hard to right off as a hoax. Well it does for me.

Until it is proven an hoax, is just keeps on going on.

Tophar

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 16:49:27 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 13:10:49 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

>From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation
>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 00:35:18 +0100

>Regarding:

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgongagle@yahoo.com>
>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 23:56:51 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

Sorry did I hear that Rendlesham Forest was one of the most convincing cases of UFO Visitation on this planet?

Or was it a case of dodgy machines not working with US Army Staff?

Roy..

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From: Bill Hamilton <skywatcher22@space.com>
Date: 19 Oct 2001 09:51:47 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:09:51 -0400
Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Hamilton

>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 12:47:27 -0400
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>Something related to this topic, I believe, is the research by
>(the late) Dr. Karla Turner. I cannot post entire articles

>here - at least I don't think I can - but her research findings,
>although perhaps controversial, are worth reading and reviewing.
>I think it will help people understand what we are truly facing
>in trying to understand an alien species.

>In addition, it seems to me that we are not dealing with one
>extraterrestrial species. Oversimplifying ET phenomena and
>individuals' experiences may make it easier to digest and fit
>into our sometimes preconceived theories about what is really
>going on, but it does not and will not lead us to the truth.

I have been hesitant to enter this discussion on abduction even though I did some investigation in this area starting in 1976. Abductees were not plentiful at that time.

My finding is that the UFO subject is not composed of simple or straightforward incidents, but is a complex tapestry of events subject to interpretations by investigators, researchers, abductees, skeptics, and onlookers and that this is something to be realized. We may not be dealing with one ET species or even entities that have an ET origin in all cases as it is commonly understood, but to discuss these entities and learn anything about them all it first must be interpreted as a real event generated outside of the psyche or imaginal world of the experiencer of the event or we are then just discussing a psychological or psychic anomaly that has no real substance outside the mind of the perceiver.

Of course, we will then have to determine whether the entities seen gathering soil samples near a landed craft are representative of the real and physical operators of the craft and switch our focus to these cases, or are these also confabulations by unreliable witnesses. If so, then who or what is the guiding intelligence behind the UFO Captain's chair?

I think that reports concerning CE-4s have all been lumped together and judged as some monolithic concept such as "Greys from UFOs abducting humans and producing hybrids" when individual cases may deviate from the standard scenario as given by Jacobs and others. Also lumped into this pile of cases may be many that truly have psychological or psychic origins, especially those that are of the 'vivid dream' category.

Remembering that the classic Betty and Barney Hill case, and those outdoor UFO close encounters with similar elements was not a 'bedroom' case, not that some bedroom abductions may be more than dreams, we still have a number of cases that have elements that are not easily amenable to psychological interpretations.

Bill Hamilton

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Re: AA... By The By

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>

Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 17:30:45 +0000

Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:12:02 -0400

Subject: Re: AA... By The By

>From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 23:32:33 +1000

>>Date: Wed, 17 Oct 2001 21:33:20 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>>From: Chris Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 01:34:15 +1000

>>I'm not sure I'd call the being in the AA flim a "Gray". I'd qualify
>>it as (genetically) human, if it's an actual body. (When I think
>>of Grays, I think of the spindly bodied, big-headed entities
>>drawn by abductees. The AA being is a far cry from the "Gray"
>>ideal.)

>Any alien that uses filters over its eyes are classified as a
>Grey by me. This filter is used I do believe to help them see
>inside their craft due to the intense light given off from the
>power source they use. As we have come to know, all reports of
>Greys and their craft are associated with very bright light
>sources, imitating from with-in the craft.

>I could rave on for days about theories behind why they don't shield
>the power source/reactor. But I will spare list members from such a
>long bombardment, maybe just a short one .

>Greys may well have found a way to cross human genes with plants
>genes. Doing this has its up side; planets do very well around magnetic
>fields and in low gravity environments. They also don't need the same
>kinds of food we do, they could get away with a liquid diet. Which would
>also sort out the problem of storing food as it would be much easier to
>store liquid than a side of beef in space.

>They is some evidence to say they could have done this crossed
>genetics creating of hybrids from planet and human genes. The
>light source itself, something a hybrid would need for
>photosynthesis. The reports of white dust in the ships, a result
>of the waste from the hybrids, as they wouldn't go to the
>toilet like us, instead they would get rid of their waste the
>same way a planet does, through the outer tissue and it would be
>white like a planets. The green blood, same as a planets and
>like this someone sent me >"Some abductees have reported
>seeing them immersing themselves in nutrient tanks."< This is
>not such a hard thing to believe if they are plant cross hybrids
>as this would help clean out the pours ECT. Pot planets love a
>good dunking every now and again it does wanders for the good
>old house planet.

>There is also some evidence in the AA flim, which could support
>the hybrid planet theory as well. The kind of organs they took
>out of the alien ECT. Also how did they know it was just a
>covering over the eye and that the whole eye itself wasn't
>black?

>Anyway, one can see why this damn AA flim has its hooks in me,
>either it is a real grey or the best hoax ever made? They have
>given attention to such small details in this damn flim, it
>makes it so hard to right off as a hoax. Well it does for me.

>Until it is proven an hoax, is just keeps on going on.

Chris,

Coulda, maybe, possibly... doesn't cut it for me. This sort of
groundless (or should I say "ungrounded") speculation is
virtually meaningless. I can easily speculate in equal and
opposite directions, so what does it prove?

In some trivial sense, it may be accurate to say that "anything
is possible." But in the real world some things are a damn sight
more likely than others. Then when you arbitrarily, and
contradictory to well-established facts, change the meaning of
"Gray" to suit yourself, you are indulging in some very
convoluted reasoning.

Dick

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A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:17:17 -0400
Subject: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!

Kate Smith used to sing, "I'll be looking at the moon, but I'll be seeing you!" Which is what people say about the experiencer. The perceived experiencer. We are looking at Pelicans (Swamp Gas, Venus, etc) but are seeing Alien en tittles. Sorry. Did I capitalize that? Must'a been some sort of Freudian thing.

Anyway... the thing I cannot understand is why the skeptic must opine with such certitude, that the phenom absolutely positively must be due to something else. Which, by the way, is the exact moment when the skeptic becomes, as if by Majestic Twelve, a skeptibunker! Ever notice that? Huh?

There is something terribly wrong with any perceived abductee who cannot tolerate a skeptic. By the same token, there is something terribly wrong with any skeptic who cannot admit, even to the remote possibility that the phenomena is real, i.e., the skeptibunker.

What are you?

The only difference between a skeptic and an experiencer is that small percentage. The one which says it is that possible or that unlikely.

'That' number is anywhere between one and five percent points. My mind tells me that the likelihood of the phenomena not being possible is about two percent. To the skeptic, well, that percentage point, that two percent, says that is the possibility of the phenomena being real. See? We are really on the same frequency. It's just that the method of modulation differs a bit.

I thought it would be of some benefit to all concerned, for this to be said. Which is to say, I have this to say about that. Again. 'Cause I did say this about that before. But some of you people just don't listen. Here goes... yet again.....

All which a perceived abductee must say to be acceptable to the skeptic is, "I allow for the possibility, however remote in my view, that what happened to me might not be what I think happened." That is to say, I might not really have been abducted by that ugaly little slant-eyed and hugely misproportioned little son of a bitch.

And all which the skeptic must say, in order to be acceptable to the sane perceived abductee is, "I allow for the possibility, however remote, that what happened to you might be possible the way you perceived it.

Damn I'm good! Ain't I? Come on guys. This is not the answer to the question of God the Universe or Everything. It ain't the equation Einstein and Hawking are looking for... the unified field theory. It's just common freaking sense. And it solves a multitude of problems with understanding. Had I known that the homosexual tendencies which I don't have proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that I was really NOT and abductee, well, heck, I would not have gotten so ticked off at Kevin Randel.. Randle, sorry. Randle et. Al, sorry.

And if Fill Class, that maroon of the 'reality' sector, told me that he allowed for the possibility that I really was abducted by aliens, well, I'd probably choke on my Gripple and fall off my Pia Doll. But I would respect the person. Lacking manhood at this particular moment in time, I shall use that term... "person."

Thank you and good nocht. Mit eine Gluvine (fresh of course), I leave you.

Morty

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Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:21:43 -0400
Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City - Sandow

>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
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>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 19:04:05 +0600
>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
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>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 11:17:02 -0400

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>>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:09:15 +0600
>>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>>Given that the ignorance you pronounce upon is endemic to our
>>>system, officiated by our institutions, bolstered by our
>>>culture, encouraged by the media, and a pervasive invasion of
>>>the very process of our thinking, I'm twice blessed to be
>>>exposed to two who so obviously have the dead-lock nut on the
>>>universal conundrum. Please, relieve us of this easily avoided
>>>ignorance, an ignorance so obviously self inflicted... oh
>>>teachers, oh leaders, oh holders of that guiding light of
>>>enlightened process...

>>>Guys - your unwarranted hubris is showing...

>>Who, then, do we go to for relief of this pervasive ignorance?

>OK. You seemingly imply that there is no pervasive ignorance,

Astounding that you should think that. The point of my brief, sarcastic comment was simply this: You attack others for their "hubris" in talking about ignorance, and then you declare that nearly everyone else is ignorant. You feel you know truths that many others don't know. You may well be right, but the way you put it is far more arrogant than those you criticized.

I didn't say one word about whether I think there's pervasive ignorance or not. Disagreeing with you on one thing doesn't, you know, mean disagreeing with you on everything.

>or if there is we shouldn't do anything about it. Our
>institutions are forthcoming, our government is beyond reproach,
>our schools produce an abundance of critical thinkers, and our
>corporate media is not, largely, the unctuous collection of
>two-dollar whores that I suspect it to be. In for a penny, in
>for a pound, Mr. Sandow.

Wow. One word of criticism of you, and this load of garbage is laid at my door. Do you, in fact, know anything at all about what I think?

>Forget your irritation with me, if you can, and tell me what's
>on your New York mind. I'm not above learning something if
>you've something to teach. And if convinced that I'm out of line
>I'll cop to it immediately.

You criticize others for being arrogant, while acting far more

arrogantly yourself. That's the sum total of my point. You think you're in possession of truths others don't have. You may be right - but that doesn't excuse your attitude. You'll teach far better with humility than with sneering superiority.

But what's most serious, and the real reason I get annoyed, is that you make smug assumptions, instead of learning how things really work. You disbelieve the media, which isn't a dumb thing to do. But then you go and believe whatever you like, whether there's evidence for it or not. Your excuse is that the media is covering up the alleged evidence, and that anyone who disagrees with you has bought the media line. That's not helpful at all.

>>Could it - just possibly - be you?

>Anything's possible, however unlikely, Mr. Sandow. And I
>wouldn't kick me out of that bed for eating salty crackers,
>but after parsing the above reply I can't see where I even
>remotely imply your, rather oily, assertion. Maybe my spot on
>assessment of the media fudged your drawers a little bit.
>"Musta' hit pretty close to the mark to get [you] so riled up,
>eh Chewy"? <g>.

I'm not much of a corporate media insider, but I've been there. I've been there enough to tell you inside stories (about media distortions, self-serving coverups, racism, smugness, arrogance, mistakes that reveal obvious bias, and occasional outright lying) that would curl your hair. Except, of course, that you "suspect" you know all this already.

But then why should I trust your assumptions about the media, when you make such uninformed assumptions about me? At least I've been there. I have nothing to defend, as you'd quickly understand if you knew my professional and political history, and the history of some people who are very close to me. (I might start, for instance, with a piece in the Boston Herald back in the '60s, about the group of radical activists I worked with, fulltime. It detailed our alleged ties to the Soviet communists, who allegedly controlled us, and every word was a lie. The most amusing part was the alleged organizational chart, showing who in our group reported to whom. The truth was that we were a disorganized mess.)

What you need, if I may say so, is precise information, not smug assumptions. That's the only way to fight the real enemies, who truly do contribute to pervasive ignorance. There's no point attacking people like Jan, who know a lot about how things really work.

Greg Sandow

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UFOs Reported Over Suriname

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Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:28:26 -0400

Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:28:26 -0400

Subject: UFOs Reported Over Suriname

<http://europe.cnn.com/2001/WORLD/americas/10/18/suriname.sighting.ap/index.html>

UFOs Reported Over Suriname

October 19, 2001 Posted: 0054 GMT

PARAMARIBO, Suriname (AP) -- Dozens of people in the South American country of Suriname have reported seeing an unidentified flying object near its capital, police and military officials said.

Police, military and air traffic control officials said they received reports of a brightly lit white object that appeared to fly back and forth, sometimes at great speed, during a two-hour period Wednesday morning.

Local media also broadcast reports of the alleged sightings on the southern outskirts of the capital, and most television stations broadcast images of the object.

Surinamese Air Force Officer Tony Comvalius said there were no planes in the area at the time and he confirmed with the weather service that it was not a weather balloon. He said he also saw the object.

"I don't know what it was but was definitely not a flying object I know," Comvalius said.

Not everyone was convinced that the sighting was mysterious.

"I do not believe in UFOs. I think this sighting had something to do with some kind of scientific experiment, nothing more," said Sran Herewood, a 60-year-old civil servant.

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Re: UFOs Reported Over Suriname - Hall

From: **Richard Hall** <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 16:47:29 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Reported Over Suriname - Hall

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>To: "- UFO UpDates Subscribers -";
>Subject: UFO UpDate: UFOs Reported Over Suriname
>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:28:26 -0400

>Source: CNN.com/World

><http://europe.cnn.com/2001/WORLD/americas/10/18/suriname.sighting.ap/index.html>
>UFOs Reported Over Suriname

>October 19, 2001 Posted: 0054 GMT

<snip>

And, as is absolutely typical of 95% of the news media, there is not nearly enough factual information in the story to even make a wild guess as to whether something mundane or truly unusual was seen. The two-hour duration makes me skeptical of the latter until more detailed information becomes available.

Dick

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Goethe's Sighting?

From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@email.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 18:45:06 -0400
Subject: Goethe's Sighting?

Dear List members,

Could anyone please tell me where in Goethe's autobiographies he writes about his 'UFO' sighting? It's a minor 'case' but nobody has ever bothered extracting the exact paragraph from its source.

Apparently he wrote his autobiography, "Aus meinem Leben. Dichtung und Wahrheit", in 4 parts (1811, 1812, 1814, 1831). Then there was a 4th part, published after his death, in 1833. He also wrote, in 1816, "Italiänische Reise", another autobiographical work about his travels in Italy between 1786 and 88, in 2 volumes.

The usual reference for his 1768 sighting is the "6th part" of his autobiography (a reference first used by Vallee, who was given it by a contact). But this doesn't make much sense. Can anyone help me with this?

Thanks,

Chris Aubeck

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

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Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 03:42:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200

>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

>>Ok, so you admit going into this conversation/discussion with
>>your mind already made up that nothing 'physical' happened. Let
>>me ask you one if I may. Why should I engage you (or anyone
>>else) in a "lengthy" discussion about an event that you have
>>already prejudged?

>Dear John,

>I do not think to have prejudged any event, just your
>interpretation of it.

Hello Luis,

You obviously didn't get the message I wrote in my response to you. I'm not going to waste my time rehashing the details of that one event with someone who has already made up their minds that (regardless) of what I have to say, it is, what you say it is.

The one thing that both yourself and Peter continue to miss is that these UFO abductions are gestalt of many components. A lifetime of such events. Any 'physical evidence' is always conveniently explained away or simply left out of your theories. Consistently. And only because any reported physical aspects of the phenom do not quite 'fit-in' with your purely psychological/psychosocial explanations. (ie; ground trace evidence, marks, scars, bruising, nose bleeds, etc.) Until your 'theories' can explain these physical manifestations that are associated with the abductions, those 'theories' are inadequate and do not address the 'whole' of what is being reported.

I'm not even going to mention multiple witness cases where according to the 'psych' (-ological or social) explanations, many people will simultaneously experience some kind of unidentified psychological embolism that causes them all to share the same hallucinations. Gimme a break. Can't you see how limited your scope is when meeting this issue head on?

Another pet peeve I have with the 'psychosocialists' is; ... personally, I'm more than a little tired of being told that I didn't see what I saw with my own eyes by people who have absolutely no idea what they are talking about. Unlike many of the current "pop-psychology today" generation, I trust my senses, and my memory of events that left deep and lasting

impressions on me. In fact, just to turn the tables for a moment, I think people who are so out of touch with themselves and with the world around them to the point where they do not even trust their own faculties, are not psychologically healthy people. ;)

I mean what's up with the 'hard sell' of belief systems like; "Your memories are faulty, so you can't trust any of them. No matter how fresh and vivid they are." Here's another; "Don't believe what your own eyes are showing you." Or, my 'favorite', "What you 'think' happened to you didn't really happen to you. It was something else." On and on like that. To me, that kind of 'thinking' is irrational and doesn't make much sense. Regardless of any psychological tripe that some 'pundits' might be peddling this month.

And all because 'some folks' refuse to believe that what is being reported by so many people world-wide could be true.

As reported.

That's not my (or any abductees) problem Luis. It is a 'problem' that is introduced by those whose dogmatically held beliefs will not allow them to entertain the possibility that people may be reporting their encounters accurately and truthfully.

"They cannot possibly be real. ergo they are not. It must be something 'other' than what people are reporting." To my way of thinking, that kind of stubborn nebbish-ness is more convoluted than a ball park pretzel.

It's not easy maintaining an open mind in today's world. Cynicism rules the intellectual roost. But you and others should make an attempt nonetheless. You are so very sure that we are all wrong... how sure are you that you are so right?

"There are things in Heaven and Earth that are not dreamt of in your philosophy Horatio."

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 00:13:49 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 03:45:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 16:49:27+0100
>From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation

>>From: James Easton <voyager@ufoworld.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation
>>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 00:35:18 +0100

>>Regarding:

>>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>>>Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2001 23:56:51 +0100
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Rendlesham: Landing Deposited 10x Background

>Sorry did I hear that Rendlesham Forest was one of the most
>convincing cases of UFO Visitation on this planet?

>Or was it a case of dodgy machines not working with US Army
>Staff?

Hello, Roy & List,

I don't know if your post was serious or not. Depending on your mindset, the case can be regarded by some as the most convincing case of UFO visitation in the UK. Like Roswell, I am convinced that something took place, but I don't know what.

One excellent hypothesis is that it was a re-entry of a KH-9 film cannister. The measured radiation levels have been used by ETH explanation propounders to support their hypothesis, but is far from the only element indicating that something happened.

Cheers,

Joe

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>>>>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 09:09:15 +0600
>>>>Subject: Re: Security Precautions in New York City

>>>>Given that the ignorance you pronounce upon is endemic to our
>>>>system, officiated by our institutions, bolstered by our
>>>>culture, encouraged by the media, and a pervasive invasion of
>>>>the very process of our thinking, I'm twice blessed to be
>>>>exposed to two who so obviously have the dead-lock nut on the
>>>>universal conundrum. Please, relieve us of this easily avoided
>>>>ignorance, an ignorance so obviously self inflicted... oh
>>>>teachers, oh leaders, oh holders of that guiding light of
>>>>enlightened process...

>>>>Guys - your unwarranted hubris is showing...

>>>Who, then, do we go to for relief of this pervasive ignorance?

>>OK. You seemingly imply that there is no pervasive ignorance,

>Astounding that you should think that.

Not so astounding really, Mr. Sandow. The squeaky wheel gets the grease, and I was just cutting to the proverbial chase. You took issue with my estimation of another's estimation of ignorance that I felt was two dimensional, glaringly unenlightened, and suspiciously quick. You suggest in a terse sarcastic manner that there is nothing to criticize in their convenient and self-serving estimation. I merely remind you of the implications of that kind of thinking.

>The point of my brief,
>sarcastic comment was simply this: You attack others for their
>"hubris" in talking about ignorance, and then you declare that
>nearly everyone else is ignorant.

Attack? If you wish... That wouldn't be my characterization, but you can have it your way. Additionally, nearly every one is ignorant, aren't they, and ignorant largely for the "load of garbage" you sneer at shortly... And taken point for point, I can't see where anyone in their right mind would argue any point in the four: institutions, governments, schools, and the corporate media. But how would you defend them? Garbage

indeed.

>You feel you know truths that
>many others don't know. You may well be right, but the way you
>put it is far more arrogant than those you criticized.

Well pardon the hell out of me, Mr. Sandow, but I spent too much of my life with folks similar to these pissing on my pant leg and telling me it's raining. Looking down and grokking the reality, finally, I feel a righteous empowerment and full-bodied confidence that I never really had before. If that confidence comes across like arrogance I guess I'm just not that sorry. Sorry.

>I didn't say one word about whether I think there's pervasive
>ignorance or not. Disagreeing with you on one thing doesn't, you
>know, mean disagreeing with you on everything.

With some folks adept at communicating between the lines one must read between the lines. I don't think that I misread what's between your practiced lines. Moreover, it was a pretty effective way of flushing you out. It seems to have worked. Finally, I'm glad that we can agree on some things, by your own admission.

>>or if there is we shouldn't do anything about it. Our
>>institutions are forthcoming, our government is beyond reproach,
>>our schools produce an abundance of critical thinkers, and our
>>corporate media is not, largely, the unctuous collection of
>>two-dollar whores that I suspect it to be. In for a penny, in
>>for a pound, Mr. Sandow.

>
>Wow. One word of criticism of you, and this load of garbage is
>laid at my door. Do you, in fact, know anything at all about
>what I think?

There's the so-called garbage. So, our institutions are forthcoming, our government is beyond reproach, our schools produce an abundance of critical thinkers, and our corporate media is not, largely, the unctuous collection of two-dollar whores that I suspect it to be? But, then, the inverse might be what we agree on.

As regards knowing "anything at all about what [you] think..." Well, I've been reading you for several years now, and I would think that I should deserve easy criticism if I didn't have some idea regarding what you think or think about. Besides, I think I understand more (about what you're thinking about) than I would be comfortable with, were it me. <g>.

>>Forget your irritation with me, if you can, and tell me what's
>>on your New York mind. I'm not above learning something if
>>you've something to teach. And if convinced that I'm out of line
>>I'll cop to it immediately.

>You criticize others for being arrogant, while acting far more
>arrogantly yourself. That's the sum total of my point.

...But I think you confuse arrogance for focus and confidence, and I wonder at the real motivation for that.

>You think
>you're in possession of truths others don't have. You may be
>right - but that doesn't excuse your attitude. You'll teach far
>better with humility than with sneering superiority.

I only sneer at sneers Mr. Sandow. And I'm not he one saying I'm superior. Those were your words. So, I'm not trying to teach, as much as I think I have a contribution to make... and will make that contribution. It's what I do.

>But what's most serious, and the real reason I get annoyed, is
>that you make smug assumptions, instead of learning how things
>really work.

Oh come now Mr. Sandow. You think you know how things really work? As good as they've worked so far? And as something of a world traveler, over fifty, and with an ongoing eclectic education, I think I've got a pretty good idea how things do work, after all, for all your cast aspersions on my intelligence, sincerity, and veracity. I can tell the difference

between someone pissing on my pants leg and your garden-variety rainy day, by way of example.

>You disbelieve the media, which isn't a dumb thing
>to do. But then you go and believe whatever you like, whether
>there's evidence for it or not.

Aww rats. I'm gonna have to ask you to trot out some examples of that, and as regards 'evidence'? One man's cheese is another man's rotten milk. I bite my thumb at your 'evidence', it's got the strange scent of used asparagus to it.

>Your excuse is that the media is
>covering up the alleged evidence, and that anyone who disagrees
>with you has bought the media line. That's not helpful at all.

Nonsense. Who disagrees with me, and who is best served by buying in to the media line? And you'll have to trot out an example of somebody disagreeing with me and me accusing them of buying in simply because of that disagreement.

>>>Could it - just possibly - be you?

>>Anything's possible, _however_ unlikely, Mr. Sandow. And I
>>wouldn't kick _me_ out of that bed for eating salty crackers,
>>but after parsing the above reply I can't see where I even
>>remotely imply your, rather oily, assertion. Maybe my spot on
>>assessment of the media fudged your drawers a little bit.
>>"Musta' hit pretty close to the mark to get [you] so riled up,
>>eh Chewy"? <g>.

>I'm not much of a corporate media insider, but I've been there.

We've all been there Mr. Sandow. "There" is wherever the dues are paid. I paid mine in combat and 23 years of tough service. I'm sure your "there" is just as valid.

>I've been there enough to tell you inside stories (about media
>distortions, self-serving coverups, racism, smugness, arrogance,
>mistakes that reveal obvious bias, and occasional outright
>lying) that would curl your hair. Except, of course, that you
>"suspect" you know all this already.

All you tell me here is that my suspicions are accurate, spot on correct, and have every validity. Thank you. I guess we CAN agree after all.

>But then why should I trust your assumptions about the media,
>when you make such uninformed assumptions about me?

It seemed to be what you were communicating between your terse lines. I was as surprised as you were. Glad you were able to clear this up. We only know you from your expressions, Mr. Sandow, perhaps you could be a little more clear?

>At least
>I've been there. I have nothing to defend, as you'd quickly
>understand if you knew my professional and political history,
>and the history of some people who are very close to me.(I might
>start, for instance, with a piece in the Boston Herald back in
>the '60s, about the group of radical activists I worked with,
>fulltime. It detailed our alleged ties to the Soviet communists,
>who allegedly controlled us, and every word was a lie. The most
>amusing part was the alleged organizational chart, showing who
>in our group reported to whom. The truth was that we were a
>disorganized mess.)

I love it when you do this. Go off, that is, on some little detour of erudite confabulation, re-establishing literary bonafides that don't further your arguments very much, but buttressing the ramparts of a smoothly unctuous cosmopolitan exterior, regardless. It's self-lubricating. ...Very Slick.

It's a great performance, and eerily reminiscent of a rainy day... But then I look down. <g>.

>What you need, if I may say so, is precise information, not smug
>assumptions.

While assumptions might make an ass of you and me, the information that you celebrate seems to get less precise with

each passing day. Perhaps you've heard the expression that "everything you know is wrong"? The guys in that old comedy troop "Firesign Theatre" pointed it out thirty years ago, and it appears to be truer now than it ever was. I'd blame the garbage as you have labeled it, and having recognized that, will no longer take blame for it. On the other hand (?) my assumptions have served me remarkably well, seem wonderfully efficacious, and perform no harm or foul. I'll use what works, as the *facts* seem to serve only convenience, get dimmer every moment, and cross the line into crass manipulation with easy indifference. This is not as I would have it. You either, presumably.

>That's the only way to fight the real enemies, who
>truly do contribute to pervasive ignorance. There's no point
>attacking people like Jan, who know a lot about how things
>_really_ work.

Really! I guess that Jan is going to have to prove it to me, Mr. Sandow, just as you're going to have to. I remain unbowed, and with pants legs still, decidedly, undamp.

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Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 14:24:54 +1000
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 04:06:05 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 17:30:45 +0000

>Coulda, maybe, possibly... doesn't cut it for me. This sort of
>groundless (or should I say "ungrounded") speculation is
>virtually meaningless.

Don't know if it is totally Ungrounded Richard, I surely cannot say it is totally grounded on facts. More or less it is grounded on observations and reports made by others. Until one of us gets hold of a Grey, we will not have 100% grounded facts to work with, or until the likes of the NSA/CIA share information with us.

Seems logical to me that being around such a bright light source would require some sort of protection for the eyes. The Greys are the only race of aliens reported using such light sources. So again it would be safe and logical to assume any alien with protection type filters over its eyes would be a Grey. I welcome a more complete explanation from anyone else.

>Then when you arbitrarily, and
>contradictory to well-established facts, change the meaning of
>"Gray" to suit yourself, you are indulging in some very
>convoluted reasoning.

Well no not really, it is based on logic, nothing more. When Copernicus told the world that we travelled around the Sun, not the other way around. He wasn't saying it to suit himself. It was based on observation mostly. After all he couldn't travel out into space and see it for himself. I follow very closely in the foot steps of such great people when dealing with the unknown.

First, I looked at what it would take to live in space. Every problem I encountered, the Greys seemed to have solved. A friend of mine that works for NASA as an engineer told me they could send people to Mars, no problem with the travel arrangements, it was just a case of the astronauts surviving the trip. The human body just isn't cut out for long team stays in outer space. A Human living in outer space for years on end is totally out of the question unless you don't intend on returning to Earth.

So it is logical to also assume one would need to make a few changes to the human body first if one wanted to live in space and travel around in the same way the Grey ECT do.

Plants seemed to be a logical, if not idea gene to cross with. Well maybe not idea from a vanity point of view as Grey aren't the prettiest things around. But from a practical point of view, there seem to be no other species in nature one could use to solve the problem of life in space. There are some insects and reptiles one could consider but I personal wouldn't want to look like a bug and then there is the issue of food to consider, bugs eat the strangest of things. A plant is much easier to cater for. Still from reports we have, it would seem some races have

tried the insect and reptile cross breeding as a solution to the problem. (ugly group of mothers that lot) Though it is said beauty is in the eye of the beholder. So cross breeding with insects and reptile seems to be possible.

>I can easily speculate in equal and opposite directions, so
>what does it prove?

Well it proves I guess Richard, that to live and travel in space one is going to look a lot different to other terrestrial creatures and one has to make a lot of changes. It would seem you either live in space as an extraterrestrial or you live on a planet as a terrestrial. There seems to be no doing both without any side effects. It is also safe to assume that cross breeding to make/create a suitable body for life in space is a necessary evil. There are other factors to bring in when considering a hybrid body, the type of power source being used, the availability of food, storage, then there is the amount of room on the craft itself. Waste is a problem and NO just bumping it out into space is not AN OPTION. Waste would have to be re-used as there is no stopping Off at the 7/11 to pick up supply's.

I'm not saying I have all the answers, but I wouldn't say my research and findings are ungrounded nor are they to suit myself, I tell it how I see it and this is how I see it. What I do think happens though is that a researcher can get locked into one train of thought, which is why decisions boards like this are so helpful, it keeps everyone on their toes and thinking outside of ones our little world.

This is of course a very shorten explanation as I really don't want to bore everyone to death here. Plus I am not a big fan of writing it is such a chore for me to do. I think writing with words like this is so primitive and time consuming. Small wander I like short hand so much. Who ever invented the English language should be blown up, but that's just my opinion.

Cheers,

Tophar.

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Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 22:28:57 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 04:07:06 -0400
Subject: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity

I found and scanned a drawing I did of the entity allegedly encountered by Hickson and Parker in Miss. For whatever it's worth, it can be see here:

<http://mactonnies.com/doodles3.html>

--Mac

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Re: UFOs Reported Over Suriname - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 22:16:28 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:10:07 -0400
Subject: Re: UFOs Reported Over Suriname - Hatch

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>To: "- UFO UpDates Subscribers -";
>Subject: UFO UpDate: UFOs Reported Over Suriname
>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 15:28:26 -0400

>Source: CNN.com/World

><http://europe.cnn.com/2001/WORLD/americas/10/18/suriname.sighting.ap/index.html>

>UFOs Reported Over Suriname

>October 19, 2001 Posted: 0054 GMT

>PARAMARIBO, Suriname (AP) -- Dozens of people in the South
>American country of Suriname have reported seeing an
>unidentified flying object near its capital, police and military
>officials said.

>Police, military and air traffic control officials said they
>received reports of a brightly lit white object that appeared to
>fly back and forth, sometimes at great speed, during a two-hour
>period Wednesday morning.

<snip>

Hello all:

A "brightly lit white object" is somewhere in that nether region of an object, and a brilliant light (perhaps) which it may have been carrying.

Late model UFOs make nice window dressing for my database of course, they make it look "up to date".

I only wish the media could be more descriptive.

Just what was it that convinced the Suriname AF man that it was not a flying object he knew about? Did it maneuver in some impossible way perhaps?

Its not a slow news day, there is no need for fluff.

Thanks for the news quote anyhow. Maybe I'm just getting tired and cranky.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Hatch

From: **Larry Hatch** <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 23:36:55 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:21:10 -0400
Subject: Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Hatch

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 22:28:57 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity
>To: UfoUpdates <ufoupdates@home.com>

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>encountered by Hickson and Parker in Miss. For whatever it's
>worth, it can be see here:

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>--Mac

Hello Mac:

Thanks for the artwork!

The top figure in the top drawing reminds me of nobody so much
as Phil Klass! I wonder if PK has seen this.

Best

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 08:05:34 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 11:10:15 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 18:32:32 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200

>>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

Dear Luis, John, Listers,

Luis, whether you want to look hard at what John has said or not concerning his abduction experience(s), you might want to reconsider questioning the premise on which you have based your doubts.

John said it best (snipped):

>In fact, just to turn the tables for a
>moment, I think people who are so out of touch with themselves
>and with the world around them to the point where they do not
>even trust their own faculties, are not psychologically healthy
>people.

Something really worth considering. Either we trust our senses, or we don't. If you do, then you're psychologically 'sound'. If you don't, or can't, there is something wrong. Pretty simple.

Luis, it's the pain, real physical pain, that drives the reality of those experiences home, ET related or otherwise..

Luis, I was told that I would forget the pain of childbirth after my first baby was born. I've got news for you. Initially, I wanted 11 children. After going through 18 hours of labor the first time, whenever I considered getting pregnant again, I dreamt of that labor pain that I had experienced. The 'dream' wasn't real. The memory of the pain was. It was a 'wake-up' call, Luis. A 'little reminder'. If I hadn't gotten pregnant 'by accident' the second time, I promise you, I wouldn't have gone through that again. Same goes for the radical mastectomy and extruciating reconstructive surgery. Sorry. Once is enough.

The laser burns I got (before lasers were invented) from the ETs transporter - in my bedroom - was not something I will forget, either. The pain was excruciating. The pain drove the reality home. I knew I wasn't dreaming. My senses told me it was very real. At that point, I deduced that all of the other

ET-related experiences I had been having since childhood were also real. Perhaps an invalid jump in reasoning. I think not. I wear the physical scars to this day.

Wake up and smell the coffee, Luis et al.

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Bruni

From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 15:44:30 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 19:02:12 -0400
Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids' - Bruni

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Pope & Rendlesham 'Humanoids'
>Date: Sat, 6 Oct 2001 19:03:26 -0600

Apologies Sue, I have just managed to get around to responding to e-mail

>Dear Georgina, Listers,

>First, I want to thank you for your responses to my questions.
>It bothers me, however, that it took sooooo long for you and
>your investigators to validate the information presented.

>I do appreciate your hard work, Georgina, and hope you will
>forgive my impatient questions.

I don't really understand the above comments Sue. It took three years to do the initial research the case, during which time I wrote the book.

>I also am delighted to hear that the paperback edition of "You
>Can't Tell the People" is about to be released! I want so much
>to read your book, but I can't afford the hardback edition at
>\$50.00. I've been waiting a long time for this paperback to
>come out. Have you added an addendum to the paperback version
>showing the "new" USAF reports you discussed at the Leeds
>Conference last week?

I have added a new chapter which features new witness testimony, I've also added the latest information on the MOD file including the problems caused by my book launch that took place in MOD Main Building, Whitehall, and how senior officials tried to stop it at the last minute.

>Groan. Is this another mis-communication? The question that I
>had about "humanoids" allegedly seen at the Rendelsham Forest
>site was based on information that was included (perhaps
>erroneously) in a synopsis of the Leeds Conference, emailed to
>UFOUpdates (see sentence 2):

I did talk about a witness who has admitted they had interaction with humanoid type beings, but this was not related to my talk on the files.

>Also, in your written response to Larry Warren's questions (see
>below), you strongly suggest that Col. Williams' presence at the
>Rendelsham Forest incident was in doubt. Was he confusing Col.
>Williams' with General Charles Gabriel's presence at the site?.
>Has the testimony of Col. Williams been made public yet? Do you
>have a copy of Col. Williams' and General Gabriel's written
>statements concerning the incident and the supposed (perhaps
>telepathic) communication which allegedly took place?

Gordon Williams was not involved in the actual encounter in Rendlesham Forest, neither was General Gabriel. Charles Halt was the officer referred to. There is a chapter on General Williams in my book. Williams contacted me a few years ago, which was how I came to write the book. He also visited me in London where I

interviewed him at length.

>After seeing the dates posted on 3 of the 5 USAF reports...
>only 3-5 days after the initial incident occurred, it seems
>evident that the reports were intentionally withheld from the
>MOD by the USAFE.

They were withheld from certain departments, but I am in no doubt that the Home Office were alerted. This has now been confirmed by two primary witnesses and it is worth mentioning that the Deputy Base Commander of the AFOSI gave me the names of the Brits who would have been involved in an investigation of this nature.

>Obviously, General Charles Gabriel took his orders from
>someone in a higher position than himself.

I expect he was advised by the Secretary of the Air Force. General Gabriel was the Commander in Chief of the USAFE.

>I should think it important that an updated version including
>these reports be distributed, especially since it took Lord
>Hill-Norton and you such extreme effort to obtain copies of the
>evidence supporting the reality of the incident.

We are working on it.

Best wishes,

Georgina

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Re: Secret Rendlesham Documents Released - Bruni

From: Georgina Bruni <georgina@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 15:44:33 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 19:03:35 -0400
Subject: Re: Secret Rendlesham Documents Released - Bruni

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Secret Rendlesham Documents Released
>Date: Thu, 11 Oct 2001 18:26:19 +0100

>Five documents relating to the alleged UFO Landing at RAF
>Woodbridge in 1980 are no longer a secret following a landmark
>decision by the MOD's Director of Information Exploitation.

Actually there are more than five documents missing.

>Claims have been made that the release of the MOD file is
>entirely as a result of pressure placed upon the Ministry by
>Lord Hill-Norton and Georgina Bruni. Credit is due to both, but
>this claim is not correct.

<snip>

>My request for the Rendlesham File was submitted in February
>2001

There has been more than a little spin from sceptical researchers about the release of various MOD documents, and while reference has been made to MOD's decision to release the material (which was actually made public in May) the work that led to this decision took place last year. This involved my discussions with former Chief of Defence Staff Lord Hill Norton and former CO of RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge General Gordon Williams, together with the involvement of various serving and retired MOD and RAF personnel.

Central to the release of the documents was the pressure put on the Government by Lord Hill Norton in a series of Written Parliamentary Questions based on the material in my book "You Can't Tell The People" (the launch party of which was held on 14 November 2000 at the MOD's Whitehall Headquarters building). Lord Hill Norton also raised various issues about the case with MOD Minister Baroness Symons, and this process is continuing with Baroness Symons' replacement, Lord Bach.

So while several members of the public have submitted successful requests for Rendlesham documents using the Code of Practice, the position is somewhat more complex than they may have realised.(as is usually the case when the MOD is involved) and the groundwork that led to their requests being considered favourably was done at somewhat higher levels last year.

The cover of the main Rendlesham file shows the date on which the file was recalled from archives, 1 November 2000.

There was indeed concern that I was launching a book (which criticised the MOD for withholding information) in the MOD Main Building. You have no idea what took place during that week (details in my paperback) and how efforts were made to stop the launch from going ahead.

I will be posting a detailed statement on all of this in the next few weeks.

Georgina Bruni

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New Fatima Book

From: **Joaquim Fernandes** <j.fernand@netcabo.pt>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 18:59:11 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 19:19:40 -0400
Subject: New Fatima Book

Portuguese historian Dr. Joaquim Fernandes, from the University Fernando Pessoa, has co-authored a newly researched book with his colleague Dr. Fina d'Armada about the Fatima apparitions and phenomena.

This new book has 300 pages and is titled: 'Fatima Beyond The Secret'. It shows new paths and examples of the religious influences on the main seer Lucia dos Santos, who is still alive. The authors were able to trace the Jesuit priests' influence during the first years of her monastic seclusion in the Northern Spain.

The new title will be out in November, edited by the Portuguese Ancora Editora, from Lisbon.

Both historians, Fernandes and d'Armada have been studying the Fatima events since the late 70's. They approached the subject re-analysing in a first book, named 'The Fatima Apparitions And The UFO Phenomenon' - which is being translated into English - where they exposed a criticised version of all the known documents and personal reports yet published and worked with the original archives maintained at the Fatima Sanctuary.

The authors go far beyond the popular religious beliefs built up over 84 years, with neutral perspectives and knowing that a deep cultural background was prevalent in the witness reports, with all the religious patterns of 1917 in a poor, rural and illiterate Portugal.

Their factual investigation shows new paths and examples of the religious influences, quoting religious and devotional texts of Jesuit authors from the XIX century and compare them with Lucia's memoirs, written in the late 30's. They were able to track down and identify the priests who influenced Lucia dos Santos and also document visible anachronisms and artificial arrangements of some major arguments of the Fatima message as it was defined until our days.

Joaquim Fernandes

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Re: AA... By The By - Stickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 12:08:04 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 19:23:32 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Stickland

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 14:24:54 +1000

>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 17:30:45 +0000

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>Don't know if it is totally Ungrounded Richard, I surely cannot
>say it is totally grounded on facts. More or less it is grounded
>on observations and reports made by others. Until one of us gets
>hold of a Grey, we will not have 100% grounded facts to work
>with, or until the likes of the NSA/CIA share information with
>us.

Dear Dick, Chris, Mac, Listers,

Need to jump in here. It's an interesting theory. Sounds pretty far-fetched. I always thought plants had leaves and/or flowers. Can plants be silicon-based, too? Reason I ask is that I got a clue (only a clue) straight from the "horse's mouth" during one of my attempts to find out answers as to what "they" were. This was back in 1956.

I asked a basic question "A" concerning what they were, since they appeared to have no belly-button, no frontal genitalia to reproduce (found out later where that's located) or to eliminate waste, didn't use their mouths to talk, and presumably did not chew, as I looked and saw no teeth, and their heads were way too large to allow for them to be born vaginally.

In answer to my question, "Daniel" jumped to "C" with this question to me: "What kinds of life forms do you know about?" I answered, "Animal, Plant, and Mineral." He nodded in the affirmative, and said, "What else?" I said, "Well, you aren't a rock, so you're not Mineral; you don't eat meat, do you?" "No," was the answer. "So, you're probably not Animal"; and, you don't look like a Plant." Silence. No response to confirm or deny. As if to say, "Bingo!" He didn't say it though, so there was no real confirmation. None. "So, what are you?" I said. Just then, one of the smaller beings walked past and said condescendingly, "Forget it! She doesn't understand. She's carbon-based, what'dya expect?" I was offended and insulted. I thought I was being called a dummy, with no more brains than a lump of coal! After calming me down, "Daniel" said, "we're silicon-based." He showed me a hologram of the DNA/RNA chains, side-by-side, but I didn't understand what he was trying to teach me. I guess he was showing me the differences between us and "them," but I'd never seen such a bizarre piece of art. (They had shown me holograms before, so that wasn't too amazing.) It looked like a 3-D abstract cubical sculpture to me, with red and yellow cubes. Art was my forte, science was not. Portraits were my specialty.

(They often checked to make sure I wasn't doing portraits of them. I wasn't, but I sure did observe them like I was). Besides, this happened in 1956, long before we discovered these DNA/RNA chains. You can imagine how shocked I was, when in 1964, while sitting in a lecture hall in biophysics, a movie was shown of the 3-D chain structure of the DNA molecule. I was glad it was dark in there. My eyes popped open about as wide as humanly possible. Surprise! The only difference between what "Daniel" had shown me in 1956 and the DNA molecule we constructed was that we used cylindrical forms, "they" used cubes. Both look like beautiful 3-D sculptures of art work to me. Does this help or muddy the waters even more?

>Seems logical to me that being around such a bright light source
>would require some sort of protection for the eyes. The Greys
>are the only race of aliens reported using such light sources.
>So again it would be safe and logical to assume any alien with
>protection type filters over its eyes would be a Grey. I welcome
>a more complete explanation from anyone else.

Until I saw the AA film on the TV several years ago, I never knew that the covering over their eyes was a shield. It looked completely opaque when you looked into their eyes. You could not see pupils behind the shields. How did those "doctors" know that there were eye shields over the eyes when they did the dissection? Good question!

Also, only the very tall greys (6' or so, with bleached-white skin) had these huge eyes, flat faces, thin lips, high foreheads that rose symmetrically until the back of the cranium met the lower half, where it protruded out over the spinal column so much so as to appear to be a huge tumor, with the immediate impression that it seemed impossible for such a long, skinny neck to support such weight without the head falling back against the backbone. "Daniel's" tummy was almost flat, very little definition between the waist and hips, long, legs, skinny feet, transparent webbed toes and fingers. He walked with an easy grace, but often held his hands in front of him. "Daniel" had an extra "third finger" I think, which I think I counted as his "pinkie" finger, because his "pinkie" finger was like an appendage that was sorta "stuck on" like an after thought, located further down on the outside of his palm. It didn't look functional. He said it was. I didn't understand how he could zip or button anything or write with his thumb and index finger so far apart. It seemed impossible. That's when he showed me he could write. When he hugged me, he smelled like amonia and over-cooked hard-boiled eggs, with a tiny scent of roses. It wasn't a pleasant odor. It often burned my eyes to breathe in too deeply, and I would think of the famous "Dial" commercial..."I use Dial. Don't you wish everyone did?" I think I even suggested he take a bath, that he needed one, and gave him a bar of "Dial" soap as a gift. I don't think he ever used it.

His hands reached down to his knee caps, with long upper leg bones, and his knee caps were really boney. I could tell that much. I think that's what gave me the idea that he was wearing a skin-tight suit. The indentation at the knee cap was not quite so pronounced as it would have been if it was real skin and not a suit. "Daniel's" fingers were so long that when I held up my hand against his, he could curl his 3 (or 4) middle fingers over the tops of mine and touch the back of my hand! He had claws like a cat. I asked him if he could retract his claws..."nails" (I corrected myself) like a cat does? He sounded offended, "No! I'm not a cat!" (He cut his "claws" off after that...but not in my presence). The thumb was located further down on the palm than ours, closer to where our wrist bone begins. It was very difficult for him to hold a pencil the way we do, because of these anatomical differences, and he ended up pressing way too hard, breaking the lead. Instead, he held the next pen I got him between his index and third fingers. He wrote my name and his, from right-to-left, dropped down a line, and wrote from left-to-right. It looked like a cross between Gregg Shorthand and Arabic writing. At the time, none the letters looked remotely similar, except for the "E" in my name. "Daniel" told me that they did not have a sound for each letter, that the characters were whole words or thoughts. Talk about shorthand! After learning Gregg shorthand, I realized how similar some of the characters actually are.

"Daniel" sometimes wore a hooded, silvery cape (studded with

reflective sequins or stones?) that was knee-high. He used to take it off with such a dramatic flare. One of the smaller beings would stand behind him and take it from him. Only once did I see him and his buddies unzip and take off what looked like white, cotton(?) flightsuits in a hurry, after "Daniel" realized I was inspecting the insignia closely. It had an emblem on the upper right arm that at first appeared to be an Air Force insignia. On closer inspection, it looked like a cross between the Air Force "Wings" insignia of a Sargeant and the American Medical Assoc. insignia of a snake through a triangle. Once, I saw "Daniel" wearing a fake goutee and a mask. I realized it was him, and asked him to take it off. It looked dumb. I thought he was play-acting with me.

The shorter beings (4' or so) had much smaller eyes, also opaque, but not nearly as large, greyish-skin color, very staulkily built, walked as though they were bow-legged (wobble-wobble walk though I never saw their legs), wore floor-length hooded monk's tunics and capes, made of what looked like potato sacks (no kidding). They smelled like moist potting soil. These beings took orders from the taller ones, like "Daniel," and were much more able to express emotion, even showing joy, jumping up and down when excited about something I had delighted in experiencing. (You'd never in a million years see "Daniel" jumping up and down with glee.) They were my usual "teachers" growing up. In 1992, I later saw one of these beings wearing a well-tailored, perfectly pressed, baby-blue military uniform, replete with gold-braided shoulder epaulettes. He was co-piloting a "mini-jet" UFO through the Tijeras Canyon in NM. I never got a good look at the pilot. I suspect he was a being similar in make-up to "Daniel" based on his reactions.

Then there were the "Little People." They looked just like the trolls in the "Billy Goat Gruff" stories. I did not associate them with "good little elves," as in the folk story, "The Elves and the Shoemaker." They were tiny, hairy, beady little opaque black eyes, strong, short (3' or shorter), pug faces, wore all black, sometimes hooded, sometimes wearing little bells on their clothes (sound familiar?). They were the ones that would initially show up (like the advance force of the Marines), scare the crap out of me, chasing me around the house, or if I refused to run, would taunt me to "come out and play" (in the middle of the night). They were subordinate to the other beings, and made sure everyone was kept sound asleep in the house, while I was being abducted by the others.

Then were were the reptoids. They were human in form only. They looked like praying mantis with coppery brown scales all over their bodies. He walked like he had a catch in his git-a-long, stiff, having to lift his long, insect like legs way up in front. If he had been able to stand perfectly upright (which I think was impossible), he would have been taller than 6', closer to 7'. He wore no clothes. He even had scales on his fingers, and his long claws were dirty. They had nasty temperments and very little sense of humor. One of my first physical exams was given by one of these creeps, and I looked him over very carefully. The irises of his eyes were yellow, and the pupils of his eyes were shaped like a cat's, not round. He said to me, noticing how closely I was observing him, "Only a face a mother could love?" I said, "I don't understand what you mean." He said, "You think I'm ugly." I said, "Well, you're different looking. My father says you can't judge a book by it's cover." At the time, I was only in the 4th grade. He proved himself over the years. He was one mean, ugly creep, as malevolent and manipulative as they come. If I saw him again, I'd cut his guts out without any hesitation. After the last pas-de-deux with him, he has wisely not shown himself. If he's smart, he won't. Otherwise, you all will have several viable pieces of physical evidence to examine, albeit at least one anatomical appendage may be "relocated" to a different area of the body. I'm sure you'd recognize it.

Think again, if you think I like all of them. I'm very particular about who I call a "friend." Plants? Some beings may be. The reptoid? I doubt it. He's an animal.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 16:43:20 EDT
Fwd Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 19:25:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Mortellaro

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 22:28:57 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnie <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity
>To: UfoUpdates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>I found and scanned a drawing I did of the entity allegedly
>encountered by Hickson and Parker in Miss. For whatever it's
>worth, it can be see here:

><http://mactonnies.com/doodles3.html>

>--Mac

Dear Mac, List, Errol,

I just don't know how you do it, Mac. Must be psychic or something. The drawing entitled, "Family of Surrealoids," it's my inlaws. Honest. Uggaly bunch ain't they?

(sigh)

The others I can appreciate by virtue of your honest and silly sense of humor. You, sire, are a man after me own heart. For I simply adore silly. As some of you already know.

Good work.

J. Jaime Gesundt and Morty
(and some of the other verses in me head)

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 23:23:51 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 13:29:01 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 08:05:34 -0600

>>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 18:32:32 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200

>>>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

>Dear Luis, John, Listers,

>Luis, whether you want to look hard at what John has said or not
>concerning his abduction experience(s), you might want to
>_reconsider_ questioning the premise on which you have based
>your doubts.

>John said it best (snipped):

>>In fact, just to turn the tables for a
>>moment, I think people who are so out of touch with themselves
>>and with the world around them to the point where they do not
>>even trust their own faculties, are not psychologically healthy
>>people.

>Something really worth considering. Either we trust our senses,
>or we don't. If you do, then you're psychologically 'sound'. If
>you don't, or can't, there is something wrong. Pretty simple.

>Luis, it's the pain, real physical pain, that drives the
>reality of those experiences home, ET related or otherwise..

Hiya Sue,

Noble try Sue. As accurate as your comments are, you're putting
the cart before the horse when you try to discuss the
personal/human aspects of the phenomenon with someone (anyone)
who does not even accept the basic premise of the reports.
That is why I have taken the tack with Luis that I have adopted.

Luis and many others who presume to tell us what may or may not
be happening to us, need to address the elements of physical
evidence that in many cases is a matter of painful reality for
us, but just a minor theoretical/intellectual detail to them. If

they were taking these physical aspects/symptoms/evidence seriously, they would not be able to proffer a purely psychological or 'psycho-social' theory as a plausible explanation for what we are reporting.

"What physical evidence?"

Example:

Over the last six years I have been sent nine photographs of what is popularly referred to as the "scoop marks" that appear on the bodies of people reporting alien contact/abduction. Budd Hopkins has many such photographs/reports. I'm certain that Dave Jacobs, John Mack, Ray Fowler et al. have also accumulated what may be a respectable data base of these odd scoop marks.

For those who don't know what I'm talking about, "scoop marks" are small, circular indentations in the skin. They range in size from an 1/8 to about 3/8's of an inch in diameter. They give the appearance of a mark that could have been made if someone took a very tiny mellow-baller and removed a small amount of tissue from just under the skin. Tiny, well defined 'craters' that "usually" appear on the arms and legs but which may appear on other locations on the torso.

I have been contacted by several physicians over the years because of the 8 or 9 photographs of 'scoop marks' that I have posted at my 'Abduction Information Center' website. I have an open/standing invitation for physicians or anyone else who is a health care, or mental health care professional to comment or ask questions about the material that is presented at the A.I.C. site.

All three doctors (who contacted me at different points in time and independently of each other) wrote to me wanting to know 'where' I had gotten "so many" photographs of what they all referred to as a 'seldom performed' procedure that they called a, "punch biopsy."

They all were struck by 'one' detail in particular; they wanted to know "Why?" this procedure was performed on perfectly healthy tissue. When they do get the opportunity to see one of these punch biopsy scars it always appears over 'suspect' looking tissue. (Skin) It turns out that "punch biopsy's," although seldom performed because of their physically intrusive nature, are only performed to test tissue that may be cancerous or other wise diseased. And in even rarer cases to collect material for the purpose of conducting genetic testing on the tissue samples. According to them, it is a "rarely" performed procedure because there are much less traumatic (to body tissue) to gather sample material for such testing.

They were all equally astounded that I had "so many" examples. I informed them all in turn that; none of the cases presented had ever had a punch biopsy performed by any physician for any reason. I also informed them that the individuals involved claimed to have received these scars as a result of UFO/alien interaction. One of them was so upset when he received my statements that he accused me of out and out lying to him.

All of these marks that I have collected appear on the bodies of individuals that are reporting UFO/alien contact - abduction. These marks are a very personal issue for me as well. Myself, my wife, and my son, all have 'scoop marks' - punch biopsy scars - on our bodies.

Physical details such as these scoop marks - among other such physical phenomena that appear in the abductee population - need to be thoroughly investigated and analyzed by medical experts. We need to know what the incidence of occurrence of identical scars are within the general population. There is a fairly concentrated manifestation of these scars among abductees. Like finding a 'cancer cluster' in a small town, it is highly significant that so many of these identical marks appear on the bodies of those reporting abduction.

Until Luis, or any of the others who put forward purely psychological or 'social' explanations/theories to "explain" the details of the phenomenon we are reporting can explain the physical manifestation of marks and scars as unique and identical as the scoop marks, they will fail to fully address

the issue.

This is the kind of "evidence" (questions) that we, as abductees, need to keep before the skeptical inquirers, Sue. Making appeals for them to understand or relate to the more human aspects/effects of the phenomenon on the experiencers is like standing behind a deaf person and shouting for all your worth. They aren't going to 'hear' you until you turn them around and get their attention.

If this wasn't happening to me, I'd be a skeptic too. That is why I always try to respond to honest skeptics with the kind of information/data/conundrums such as the above. It's the kind of information and evidence that I myself would want to hear about, and look into, if I was on the other side of the fence. I have been relating to Luis the way I have because he has already prejudged us. If he was approaching the phenomenon with an open mind, my 'tone' would be different.

Thanks for your contribution. Maybe between all of us, me in my way and you in yours, we'll motivate a few people to actually look into what we are reporting instead of dismissing us all out of hand before we've had a fair hearing or investigation.

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Tonnies

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Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 13:30:58 -0400
Subject: Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity - Tonnies

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 23:36:55 -0700
>From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity

<snip>

>Hello Mac:

>Thanks for the artwork!

>The top figure in the top drawing reminds me of nobody so much
>as Phil Klass! I wonder if PK has seen this.

Ha! I can sort of see it. Anyway, I highly doubt Klass has seen it since after reading the ignorant dismissal of the 'Face' on Mars he provided David Jinks, Mactonnies.com is doubtlessly not one of his bookmarks!

Glad you liked the drawing.

Mac

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Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 13:33:04 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Tonnies

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
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>us.

I don't know if we have alien bodies in government custody or not. But if we do, I predict they'd be genetically engineered or else mechanical. Like Christopher, I don't see the advantages of sending flesh-and-bone explorers into space unless they've been modified to exist in the medium of space--or unless their craft do away with space conditions altogether via a form of artificial gravity.

The Gray anatomy seems very utilitarian to me. If I had access to an arbitrarily advanced engineering technology and was asked to design an "ideal" space explorer, I might very well come up with something like a Gray.

Questions outweigh answers by a long shot, obviously, but I welcome the occasional foray into pure speculation.

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British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 08:14:23 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 14:00:27 -0400
Subject: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

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For fifty years ufologists have been searching for evidence of a secret study by the British Ministry of Defence into the 'flying saucer' mystery.

Now "the truth" about 'flying saucers' demanded by Winston Churchill in 1952 can finally be revealed.

Dr David Clarke and Andy Roberts have uncovered the existence of a dedicated 'flying saucer' study group created by British intelligence following a wave of sightings in 1950.

During the research for our book 'Out of the Shadows' we discovered the single surviving copy of the report by the 'Flying Saucer Working Party' - DSI/JTIC Report No 7 Unidentified Flying Objects.

This was the "full Intelligence study" referred to by the Air Ministry in a secret briefing to Churchill in 1952. But the very existence of such a study has been carefully concealed from the public for almost half a century.

The investigation was conducted by a team of top intelligence officers drawn from the MOD, RAF, Royal Navy and War Office who worked closely with their opposite numbers in the CIA and USAF.

As one of the authors, a retired RAF Wing Commander, told us: "Our report was never published but was circulated at the highest level and was used as a 'yardstick' for future action."

Report No 7 was the first and only UFO study by the British Government and has formed the basis for all official policy up to present. It is the origin of all subsequent claims of a cover-up and conspiracy of silence.

History-making revelations include:

*That the study was demanded by one of British MOD's most senior scientific advisors, Sir Henry Tizard.

*Evidence that British intelligence interest in UFOs began with the 'ghost rocket' wave of 1946.

*The first documentary evidence of close liaison between the CIA, USAF and British MOD on UFO matters from 1947 onwards.

*Rumours of "the discovery of a crashed 'flying saucer'" in the USA dismissed by intelligence sources.

*a detailed study of the first "radar/visual" UFO report made in Britain by RAF aircrew.

*sightings by RAF Test Pilots of 'flying discs' that appeared above a crowd of senior officers at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough.

*A series of recommendations to the Chiefs of Staff based upon

the principle of Occam's Razor.

In 1955 and again in 1962 the Under Secretary of State for Air, Julian Ridsdale, assured Major Patrick Wall MP there "had been no formal inquiry" in answer to a Parliamentary Question on UFOs. This was a lie.

Following the release of Churchill's memo on flying saucers a string of UFOlogists have been told the MOD were "unaware of such a study" and were referred back to the answer given to Patrick Wall.

Two years of research and detective work in the MOD Archives led us to the "missing link." We can now reveal the facts that have been hidden for half a century.

Read the full, amazing story exclusively at:

www.flyingsaucery.com

See also Paul Harris, 'How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers' The Observer, 21 October 2001:

http://www.observer.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,6903,577850,00.html

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How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>

Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 14:08:12 -0400

Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 14:08:12 -0400

Subject: How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers

http://www.observer.co.uk/uk_news/story/0%2C6903%2C577850%2C00.html

How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers

Paul Harris
Sunday October 21, 2001
The Observer

Scientists and generals drew up a top secret report on Unidentified Flying Objects and then decided to cover up a wave of rumours and sightings that swept Britain in the 1950s, The Observer can reveal.

The existence of the UFO report, written in 1951 and later used to brief Prime Minister Winston Churchill, was denied by the Ministry of Defence for almost 50 years. But the six-page document has recently been unearthed by UFO historians Andy Roberts and David Clarke as they researched a book on UFOs and the Cold War. The report has been a 'holy grail' of British 'ufology' and details the conclusions of a shadowy panel called the Working Party on Flying Saucers. This group was the idea of Sir Henry Tizard, one of Churchill's most trusted scientific advisers during World War II and a key figure behind the development of radar.

But anyone looking for an elusive 'X-file' that confirms the existence of aliens will be disappointed. The report concludes that all sightings were explainable by natural events, such as the weather or meteors, or were of normal aircraft.

But it does speak volumes about the scale of paranoia in Britain at the start of the Cold War. From 1950 onwards, hundreds of UFO sightings were reported across Britain and were regular front page news. Leading public figures, including Lord Louis Mountbatten, came out with their belief that Earth was being visited by aliens.

The phenomenon terrified the top brass on both sides of the Atlantic. Generals were worried that reports of flying saucers could be used by the Soviet Union to disguise an earthly attack or that the sightings were giving the Russians a clue that Britain's radar network was faulty and easy to penetrate - which was actually true but unknown within the Soviet bloc.

'This was a time of great paranoia and fear. The Government took a decision to throw a blanket over the UFO scare and say as little as possible about it,' said Clarke.

'There certainly was a cover-up, but what was being covered up was Cold War paranoia and our fears over our radar system. It was nothing to do with aliens.'

Despite the official silence, the UFO scares did not die down. In 1952 Churchill fired off a memo to his advisers in the wake of fresh UFO sightings in the United States. 'What does all this stuff about flying saucers amount to? What can it mean? What is the truth?' Churchill wrote.

Tizard's report was then used to brief the Prime Minister on

the perceived lack of real threat from UFOs in August of that year. A few months later an order went out expressly banning all RAF personnel from discussing sightings with anyone not from the military.

In trying to underplay the sightings, Britain was following the lead of the United States, which had conducted several studies into its own UFO sightings and also adopted a policy of official secrecy. When the British report was presented, a top CIA scientist travelled over to the meeting to make sure the conclusions of America's closest ally fitted in.

Even today, the report is unlikely to dispel the convictions of thousands of British UFO-believers, despite a collapse in the number of sightings and the closure earlier this year of the British Flying Saucer Bureau. 'Believers will say that this report is fake or a decoy and that the Government is still hiding something. You cannot win,' said Roberts.

The explanation Roberts and Clarke offer for UFOs is more prosaic than the conspiracy theories of secret alien contact. It lies in mass hysteria. They believe the true importance of the UFO phenomenon lies in the fact that it was an urban myth that gained enough public power to panic the highest echelons of British government - all the way to Winston Churchill.

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Re: AA... By The By - Lehmborg

From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 13:27:14 +0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 14:31:25 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Lehmborg

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 21:05:09 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnie <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 14:24:54 +1000

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>Questions outweigh answers by a long shot, obviously, but I
>welcome the occasional foray into pure speculation.

'Zactically! That's what our honored ufological propeller-heads
seem to complacently forget, that but for an attitude like
yours we would still be living in caves, banging rocks
together, and eating moldy bushes.

"A reach must exceed grasp, or what's a heaven for."

Speculation is not the culprit of ufological disservice. The
jealous _mainstream_ is the culprit of ufological disservice!
Reach provides for growth, and grasp is transitory. Like you,
I'll keep reaching and grab what I can!

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UFO/ET Book For Children

From: **Jeff Westover** <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 14:44:44 -0400
Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children

EBK and gentle listers,

A year or so ago there was discussion on this List concerning materials, or lack thereof, to help educate children on the ET/UFO phenomenon.

This past summer a book, which I illustrated, titled 'Almanac of Alien Encounters' was published by Random House, Inc.

<http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0679872884/o/gid%3D985753235/sr%3D8-1/ref%3Daps%5Fsr%5Fb%5F1%5F1/002-2164013-5774409>

The book was written specifically for the 8-12 year old crowd and is a wonderful compendium of the historical presence of various aspects of the UFO/ET phenomena including alternate theories and how to contact a UFO investigator.

This book would be a nice addition to any school or public library.

Peace,

Jeff Westover

<http://www.alienalley.com/jeff1.html>
<http://www.crystaltower.com/jeffw>

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Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 15:44:17 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 17:05:08 -0400
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>a dedicated 'flying saucer' study group created by British
>intelligence following a wave of sightings in 1950.

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Congrats, Andy and David! A real coup! Great additions to your discoveries on foo-fighters, ghost rockets and the early UFO era documents!

I am rather deeply involved with other things right now but would like to make two observations.

Haines' article on the CIA mentions the Working Party document. There have been FOIA request to the CIA in on this and other "new" documents referenced in Haines articles for nearly four years now. No results as yet.

"Discreet Secret" would be equal at the time to the US "Top Secret" which makes this discovery all the more important.

Jan Aldrich
Project 1947
<http://www.project1947.com/>
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P.S. I would like to apologize for my misreading of your post on the Ghost Aeroplane sighting reports. You had definitely said that the reports went back to 1946, not 1945 as I wrote.

Another great discovery!

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 15:56:45 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:23:02 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Salvaille

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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Dave, Andy and all,

A close reading of the documents found at your site definitely
contradicts your following comments:

"UFO believers have claimed that the cover-up of UFO
data was imposed to hide the fact that the American
and British Governments possessed hard, conclusive
evidence of ET-piloted craft. Some of the more wild
rumours suggested the Americans had captured a saucer
that crashed in the desert near Roswell, New Mexico,
in 1947. The Flying Saucer Working Party report lays
that myth to rest."

<http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/comment.htm>

The MOD document states, on page 3:

"We have been informed, in conversation with a member
of the United States investigating team, that the even
more sensational report of the discovery of a crashed
"flying saucer", full of the remains of very small
beings, was ultimately admitted by its author to have
been a complete fabrication."

<http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/home.htm>

You read any mention of Roswell?

Not.

The key notion here is: "ultimately admitted by its author to
have been a complete fabrication." This sounds quite like the
Aztec (New Mexico) UFO Hoax, where:

"Scully claimed that a UFO had landed in Hart Canyon

12 miles northeast of Aztec in March of 1948 and sixteen humanoid bodies were discovered at the crash site inside a metal disk that was 99.99 (not 100) feet in diameter."

<http://skepdic.com/aztec.html>

As for the rest of this MOD report, Winston Churchill obviously never got what he asked for: the truth about flying saucers.

Regards

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Re: AA... By The By - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:33:16 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:26:26 -0400
Subject: Re: AA... By The By - Hall

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>To: "- UFO UpDates Subscribers -";
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: AA... By The By - Tonnies
>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 13:33:04 -0400

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 21:05:09 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
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>>>Coulda, maybe, possibly... doesn't cut it for me.
>>>This sort of groundless (or should I say "ungrounded")
>>>speculation is virtually meaningless.

>>Don't know if it is totally Ungrounded Richard, I surely cannot
>>say it is totally grounded on facts. More or less it is grounded
>>on observations and reports made by others. Until one of us gets
>>hold of a Grey, we will not have 100% grounded facts to work
>>with, or until the likes of the NSA/CIA share information with
>>us.

>I don't know if we have alien bodies in government custody or
>not. But if we do, I predict they'd be genetically engineered or
>else mechanical. Like Christopher, I don't see the advantages of
>sending flesh-and-bone explorers into space unless they've been
>modified to exist in the medium of space--or unless their craft
>do away with space conditions altogether via a form of
>artificial gravity.

>The Gray anatomy seems very utilitarian to me. If I had access
>to an arbitrarily advances engineering technology and was asked
>to design an "ideal" space explorer, I might very well come up
>with something like a Gray.

>Questions outweigh answers by a long shot, obviously, but I
>welcome the occasional foray into pure speculation.

Mac and Christopher,

My point is that I could equally speculate things that
contradict what you speculate, and we could do this endlessly
unless there is some way to test the speculations and what will
it get us?

More speculation, which is exactly what we don't need in this
field.

For example, I could speculate that the Grays are simply
advanced, evolved, biological creatures whose long history of
space travel has caused them to sacrifice muscularity and gain
larger craniums, etc.

I could even cite some space research based on human space

flight to "justify" my speculations.

I could also speculate that the Grays are images or simulacra fed into our sensory system to deceive us, and that the UFO operators (if any) don't have anything resembling humanoid bodies.

But there is no way to determine the truth or falsity of such speculations short of contact and communication with the beings.

If you enjoy mental masturbation, go to it! It's your perfect right.

I consider it a waste of time when we badly need historical and scientific research. It's easy but meaningless.

- Dick

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Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 17:46:30 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:28:31 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Salvaille

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Hello Jan,

Was there something above 'Top Secret' in the US?

When you go to:

<http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/comment.htm>

and hit the "DSI/JTIC Report No 7" link in the bottom of the
page, you get the "xtra3.jpg" graphic, a list of some documents
and their classification:

German C.W. installation at ...: Top Secret Discreet

German C.W. installation at ...: Top Secret Discreet

Russian Volvo List: Top Secret

Russian Electronics: Top Secret

Russian Manufacture of nerve gasses at ...: Top Secret Discreet

Receivers in German and Russian Remote Controlled Missiles:
Secret

Unidentified Flying Objects: Secret Discreet

Regards,

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Johnstone

From: Lara Johnstone <bravehrt@concentric.net>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 15:15:36 -0700
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:34:38 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Johnstone

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
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>House, Inc.

><http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

<snip>

Jeff,

Thanks so much. I ordered it and also another one called Silent Times (for me) and 'yours' for a little 8 year old I met a few days ago, who, I just yesterday found out, is interested in black holes and ETs.

He might like it. I think so.

Thanks a lot,

Lara

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Articles On Exobiology

From: Joe McGonagle <joemcgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 00:00:34 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:40:52 -0400
Subject: Articles On Exobiology

If anyone on the List is looking for scientific references with respect to exobiology, Medline has some (for a price!):

Solid Organic Matter In The Atmosphere And On The Surface Of Outer Solar System Bodies
Author: Khare BN, Bakes EL, Cruikshank D, McKay CP., Volume:27
Issue:2, Page:299-307 Year:2001
Source: Adv Space Res, ID:11605645

Survivability Of Biomolecules During Extraterrestrial Delivery: New Results On Pyrolysis Of Amino Acids And Poly-Amino Acids
Author: Basiuk VA, Douda J., Volume:27 Issue:2, Page:231-6
Year:2001
Source: Adv Space Res, ID:11605637

Extraterrestrial Organic Chemistry: From The Interstellar Medium To The Origins Of Life. Part 2: Complex Organic Chemistry In The Environment Of Planets And Satellites
Author: Raulin F, Kobayashi K., Volume:27 Issue:2, Page:185-7
Year:2001
Source: Adv Space Res, ID:11603399

Exo/Astrobiology In Europe
Author: Brack A, Horneck G, Wynn-Williams D., Volume:31
Issue:4-5, Page:459-80 Year:2001 Aug-Oct
Source: Orig Life Evol Biosph, ID:11599180

Why Biologists Should Support The Exploration Of Mars
Author: Maurel MC, Zaccai G., Volume:23 Issue:10, Page:977-8
Year:2001 Oct
Source: Bioessays, ID:11598966

These can be ordered from the National Center for Biotechnology Information at:

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>

Though I don't believe that they are fully catalogued yet. At least, I was unable to order one of them - it may have been a web site error?

Regards,

Joe

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Re: AA... By The By - Tonnies

From: **Mac Tonnies** <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 20:06:51 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 07:29:31 -0400
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Richard,

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to my comment (see above), seems peculiarly misplaced. I don't
know the anatomy of saucer-pilots anymore than the next guy
(assuming they even have an "anatomy" as we know it), but give
me a break!

Mac
"Mental Masturbator"

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>Was there something above 'Top Secret' in the US?

>When you go to:

><http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/comment.htm>

>and hit the "DSI/JTIC Report No 7" link in the bottom of the
>page, you get the "xtra3.jpg" graphic, a list of some documents
>and their classification:

>German C.W. installation at ...: Top Secret Discreet

>German C.W. installation at ...: Top Secret Discreet

>Russian Volvo List: Top Secret

>Russian Electronics: Top Secret

>Russian Manufacture of nerve gasses at ...: Top Secret Discreet

>Receivers in German and Russian Remote Controlled Missiles:
>Secret

>Unidentified Flying Objects: Secret Discreet

Hi Serge,

Possibly in the UK system there was. I was using notes from the Security Managers course I attended, so the comment was not one of any great insight here. It might not be correct as the class just hit a very few high points of the British system. I am certainly no expert on UK security matters.

During early WWII the Americans were catching up to the British on the handling of important security documents. After the War, the two systems diverged somewhat.

The basic four level classifications:

Restricted
Confidential
Secret
Top Secret

are found in almost every country. Some nations might have more or other classifications. US Army Regulation 380-5 has a section on the equivalent classifications from other countries. The US has/had treaties which Top Secret information was shared with other countries. One treaty, with the Soviets, was to share satellite images that might show aircraft crashes. This involved TS info from both countries hence the translation of security marks in AR 380-5.

In the US system "38 levels about Top Secret" is utter nonsense. Compartmentalization is the way closely held information is secured and not numerous levels of classification. The heart of the US system is 'need to know'.

The US system does not have a classification above Top Secret, but some time, such as in the case of the Soviet defector from the UN. the compartment may be less than 10 people, the President and a few others.

The above is just off the top of my head.

Regards,

Jan Aldrich

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Re: AA... By The By - Tophar

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
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>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
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>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
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>>>From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>>>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 17:30:45 +0000

>>>Coulda, maybe, possibly... doesn't cut it for me. This sort of
>>>groundless (or should I say "ungrounded") speculation is
>>>virtually meaningless.

>>Don't know if it is totally Ungrounded Richard, I surely cannot
>>say it is totally grounded on facts. More or less it is grounded
>>on observations and reports made by others. Until one of us gets
>>hold of a Grey, we will not have 100% grounded facts to work
>>with, or until the likes of the NSA/CIA share information with
>>us.

>Dear Dick, Chris, Mac, Listers,

>Need to jump in here. It's an interesting theory. Sounds pretty
>far-fetched. I always thought plants had leaves and/or flowers.
>Can plants be silicon-based, too? Reason I ask is that I got a
>clue (only a clue) straight from the "horse's mouth" during one
>of my attempts to find out answers as to what "they" were. This
>was back in 1956.

>I asked a basic question "A" concerning what they were, since
>they appeared to have no belly-button, no frontal genitalia to
>reproduce (found out later where that's located) or to eliminate
>waste, didn't use their mouths to talk, and presumably did not
>chew, as I looked and saw no teeth, and their heads were way too
>large to allow for them to be born vaginally.

>In answer to my question, "Daniel" jumped to "C" with this
>question to me: "What kinds of life forms do you know about?" I
>answered, "Animal, Plant, and Mineral." He nodded in the
>affirmative, and said, "What else?" I said, "Well, you aren't a
>rock, so you're not Mineral; you don't eat meat, do you?" "No,"
>was the answer. "So, you're probably not Animal"; and, you don't
>look like a Plant." Silence. No response to confirm or deny. As
>if to say, "Bingo!" He didn't say it though, so there was no
>real confirmation. None. "So, what are you?" I said. Just then,
>one of the smaller beings walked past and said condescendingly,
>"Forget it! She doesn't understand. She's carbon-based, what'dya
>expect?" I was offended and insulted. I thought I was being
>called a dummy, with no more brains than a lump of coal! After
>calming me down, "Daniel" said, "we're silicon-based." He showed
>me a hologram of the DNA/RNA chains, side-by-side, but I didn't
>understand what he was trying to teach me. I guess he was
>showing me the differences between us and "them," but I'd never

>seen such a bizarre piece of art. (They had shown me holograms
>before, so that wasn't too amazing.) It looked like a 3-D
>abstract cubical sculpture to me, with red and yellow cubes. Art
>was my forte, science was not. Portraits were my specialty.
>(They often checked to make sure I wasn't doing portraits of
>them. I wasn't, but I sure did observe them like I was).
>Besides, this happened in 1956, long before we discovered these
>DNA/RNA chains. You can imagine how shocked I was, when in 1964,
>while sitting in a lecture hall in biophysics, a movie was shown
>of the 3-D chain structure of the DNA molecule. I was glad it
>was dark in there. My eyes popped open about as wide as humanly
>possible. Surprise! The only difference between what "Daniel"
>had shown me in 1956 and the DNA molecule we constructed was
>that we used cylindrical forms, "they" used cubes. Both look
>like beautiful 3-D sculptures of art work to me. Does this help
>or muddy the waters even more?

>>Seems logical to me that being around such a bright light source
>>would require some sort of protection for the eyes. The Greys
>>are the only race of aliens reported using such light sources.
>>So again it would be safe and logical to assume any alien with
>>protection type filters over its eyes would be a Grey. I welcome
>>a more complete explanation from anyone else.

>Until I saw the AA film on the TV several years ago, I never
>knew that the covering over their eyes was a shield. It looked
>completely opaque when you looked into their eyes. You could not
>see pupils behind the shields. How did those "doctors" know
>that there were eye shields over the eyes when they did the
>dissection? Good question!

>Also, only the very tall greys (6' or so, with bleached-white
>skin) had these huge eyes, flat faces, thin lips, high foreheads
>that rose symmetrically until the back of the cranium met the
>lower half, where it protruded out over the spinal column so
>much so as to appear to be a huge tumor, with the immediate
>impression that it seemed impossible for such a long, skinny
>neck to support such weight without the head falling back
>against the backbone. "Daniel's" tummy was almost flat, very
>little definition between the waist and hips, long, legs, skinny
>feet, transparent webbed toes and fingers. He walked with an
>easy grace, but often held his hands in front of him. "Daniel"
>had an extra "third finger" I think, which I think I counted as
>his "pinkie" finger, because his "pinkie" finger was like an
>appendage that was sorta "stuck on" like an after thought,
>located further down on the outside of his palm. It didn't look
>functional. He said it was. I didn't understand how he could zip
>or button anything or write with his thumb and index finger so
>far apart. It seemed impossible. That's when he showed me he
>could write. When he hugged me, he smelled like amonia and
>over-cooked hard-boiled eggs, with a tiny scent of roses. It
>wasn't a pleasant odor. It often burned my eyes to breathe in
>too deeply, and I would think of the famous "Dial"
>commercial..."I use Dial. Don't you wish everyone did?" I
>think I even suggested he take a bath, that he needed one, and
>gave him a bar of "Dial" soap as a gift. I don't think he ever
>used it.

>His hands reached down to his knee caps, with long upper leg
>bones, and his knee caps were really boney. I could tell that
>much. I think that's what gave me the idea that he was wearing a
>skin-tight suit. The indentation at the knee cap was not quite
>so pronounced as it would have been if it was real skin and not
>a suit. "Daniel's" fingers were so long that when I held up my
>hand against his, he could curl his 3 (or 4) middle fingers over
>the tops of mine and touch the back of my hand! He had claws
>like a cat. I asked him if he could retract his claws..."nails"
>(I corrected myself) like a cat does? He sounded offended, "No!
>I'm not a cat!" (He cut his "claws" off after that...but not in
>my presence). The thumb was located further down on the palm
>than ours, closer to where our wrist bone begins. It was very
>difficult for him to hold a pencil the way we do, because of
>these anatomical differences, and he ended up pressing way too
>hard, breaking the lead. Instead, he held the next pen I got him
>between his index and third fingers. He wrote my name and his,
>from right-to-left, dropped down a line, and wrote from
>left-to-right. It looked like a cross between Gregg Shorthand
>and Arabic writing. At the time, none the letters looked
>remotely similar, except for the "E" in my name. "Daniel" told
>me that they did not have a sound for each letter, that the
>characters were whole words or thoughts. Talk about shorthand!

>After learning Gregg shorthand, I realized how similar some of
>the characters actually are.

>"Daniel" sometimes wore a hooded, silvery cape (studded with
>reflective sequins or stones?) that was knee-high. He used to
>take it off with such a dramatic flare. One of the smaller
>beings would stand behind him and take it from him. Only once
>did I see him and his buddies _unzip_ and take off what looked
>like white, cotton(?) flightsuits in a hurry, after "Daniel"
>realized I was inspecting the insignia closely. It had an emblem
>on the upper right arm that at first appeared to be an Air Force
>insignia. On closer inspection, it looked like a cross between
>the Air Force "Wings" insignia of a Sargeant and the American
>Medical Assoc. insignia of a snake through a triangle. Once, I
>saw "Daniel" wearing a fake goutee and a mask. I realized it was
>him, and asked him to take it off. It looked dumb. I thought he
>was play-acting with me.

>The shorter beings (4' or so) had much smaller eyes, also
>opaque, but not nearly as large, greyish-skin color, very
>staulkily built, walked as though they were bow-legged
>(wobble-wobble walk though I never saw their legs), wore
>floor-length hooded monk's tunics and capes, made of what looked
>like potato sacks (no kidding). They smelled like moist potting
>soil. These beings took orders from the taller ones, like
>"Daniel," and were much more able to express emotion, even
>showing joy, jumping up and down when excited about something I
>had delighted in experiencing. (You'd never in a million years
>see "Daniel" jumping up and down with glee.) They were my usual
>"teachers" growing up. In 1992, I later saw one of these beings
>wearing a well-tailored, perfectly pressed, baby-blue military
>uniform, replete with gold-braided shoulder epaulettes. He was
>co-piloting a "mini-jet" UFO through the Tijeras Canyon in NM. I
>never got a good look at the pilot. I suspect he was a being
>similar in make-up to "Daniel" based on his reactions.

>Then there were the "Little People." They looked just like the
>trolls in the "Billy Goat Gruff" stories. I did not associate
>them with "good little elves," as in the folk story, "The Elves
>and the Shoemaker." They were tiny, hairy, beady little opaque
>black eyes, strong, short (3' or shorter), pug faces, wore all
>black, sometimes hooded, sometimes wearing little bells on their
>clothes (sound familiar?). They were the ones that would
>initially show up (like the advance force of the Marines), scare
>the crap out of me, chasing me around the house, or if I refused
>to run, would taunt me to "come out and play" (in the middle of
>the night). They were subordinate to the other beings, and made
>sure everyone was kept sound asleep in the house, while I was
>being abducted by the others.

>Then were were the reptoids. They were human in form only. They
>looked like praying mantis with coppery brown scales all over
>their bodies. He walked like he had a catch in his git-a-long,
>stiff, having to lift his long, insect like legs way up in
>front. If he had been able to stand perfectly upright (which I
>think was impossible), he would have been taller than 6', closer
>to 7'. He wore no clothes. He even had scales on his fingers,
>and his long claws were dirty. They had nasty temperments and
>very little sense of humor. One of my first physical exams was
>given by one of these creeps, and I looked him over _very_
>carefully. The irises of his eyes were yellow, and the pupils of
>his eyes were shaped like a cat's, not round. He said to me,
>noticing how closely I was observing him, "Only a face a mother
>could love?" I said, "I don't understand what you mean." He
>said, "You think I'm ugly." I said, "Well, you're different
>looking. My father says you can't judge a book by it's cover."
>At the time, I was only in the 4th grade. He proved himself over
>the years. He was one mean, ugly creep, as malevolent and
>manipulative as they come. If I saw him again, I'd cut his guts
>out without any hesitation. After the last pas-de-deux with him,
>he has wisely not shown himself. If he's smart, he won't.
>Otherwise, you all will have several viable pieces of physical
>evidence to examine, albeit at least one anatomical appendage
>may be "relocated" to a different area of the body. I'm sure
>you'd recognize it.

>Think again, if you think I like _all_ of them. I'm very
>particular about who I call a "friend." Plants? Some beings may
>be. The reptoid? I doubt it. He's an animal.

Dear Sue, List and others,

Thank you for sharing that with us Sue, it was very insightful. I personally won't take anything a Grey told me as being Gospel. They are masters of counter-intelligence. If they are that up-front and honest, why don't they just plug-in to our TV net works and announce they are here and want to be friends? Wouldn't be hard to do and it would be a safe way to contact us with-out fear of being used and abused by any one group or country looking to advance their own technology unfairly.

But they don't do this, they choose to appear as if they do not even exist. Then there is the question of why they treated you the way they did Sue? They seem to know a lot about humans so what is the examination all about? I can see an examination having its merits if it is a first contact situation. But it isn't.

One also has to remember, if we do know a lot about them and it turns out they are up to no good, then we will know how to defeat them. So I cannot see them letting us know to much about them.

Anyway, you seem to be coping well Sue and you are in good health regardless of your ordeal, which is what really matters.

Oh and by saying 'up to no good', I mean 'the collecting of resources'. Something all life through-out the Universe has in common. All life needs resources to exist. Some life forms like us and the Aliens need great amounts and a variety of resources. One thing I dare say no-one can dispute is the fact, that if there are aliens. They would need resources to build their craft, for food and to power their craft.

So were do they get all of these resources? Could it be that these resources are being taken right out from under our eyes? This could be why they are so keen on not appearing to exist, because if we found out this was the case, I dare say we wouldn't be overly pleased about it and we might even do something about it. Personally I feel this is the case and it is why the Grey don't want other races making contact with us. The US Military was said to have been told not to have anything to do with the greys, WHY? Did the USAF ECT find out the dark truth about the Greys? and is this why it looked like someone from Earth was firing at a UFO in some flim footage from one of the space shuttles missions?

Well enough of that, plants were around long before any animals were. It can be said that all animal and insect life forms stem from plants or they had their start from plant DNA. It would take some preparation of plant DNA for use with Human DNA. But not as much as one would think, I hate to think of the kinds of experiments that would have brought this about though.

One wouldn't look like a plant, the whole point is to create a versatile unit/body that will cope well in the conditions that life in space demands and the conditions produced by the magnetic drive units used for travel. So only some plant DNA would be used and I dare say this was not the only DNA used. Plants also live for a long time, I was given a RV'ing of a Grey over 1000 feet tall and being around 100,000 years old. I didn't believe this until I found an article about there being a mother ship of the greys that was over 1500 miles wide. That's one mother of a ship. If it is true, then OMG how much resources must that sucker use up? That thing in area would be much the same as the whole of Australia and Tasmania.

Given the low gravity in space, I can see this old large grey being possible but as far as I am concerned the jury is still out for the moment on this one.

Does anyone have a link or also know about these claims of such a large mother ship? I didn't get to see where the large Alien was that I RV'ed. It was a second hand memory from someone else. I do believe I had a Remote Viewing as someone turned up and tried to look into my mind one night shortly after I was given the RV by the people in question regarding the large grey. They were RV'ing me alright, I got quite violent with one of them as I wasn't expecting it.

He apologised for doing this, which had me thinking how did he

know? As it was someone I had made friends with on the net but didn't tell him about what was I doing in relation to the RV'ing of the large grey. He just came out with the apology in one of our chats. He was the last person on Earth I thought would be trying to RV me.

I had the strangest feeling that this RV'er was a company produced one. (by company I mean CIA/NSA) I started doing some strange things and thinking strange things after that encounter with him, it took me some time to fight those strange impulses I was having and to stop what these impulses were making me do.

Well I have gotten off the track once more, if anyone has a link or information on that mother ship I would be grateful for same.

Cheers

Tophar

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

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>From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
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>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 15:56:45 -0400

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>>Subject: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 08:14:23 +0100

>A close reading of the documents found at your site definitely
>contradicts your following comments:

> "UFO believers have claimed that the cover-up of UFO
> data was imposed to hide the fact that the American
> and British Governments possessed hard, conclusive
> evidence of ET-piloted craft. Some of the more wild
> rumours suggested the Americans had captured a saucer
> that crashed in the desert near Roswell, New Mexico,
> in 1947. The Flying Saucer Working Party report lays
> that myth to rest."

> <http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/comment.htm>

>The MOD document states, on page 3:

> "We have been informed, in conversation with a member
> of the United States investigating team, that the even
> more sensational report of the discovery of a crashed
> "flying saucer", full of the remains of very small
> beings, was ultimately admitted by its author to have
> been a complete fabrication."

> <http://www.flyingsaucery.com/mod/home.htm>

>You read any mention of Roswell?

>Not.

Hi Serge,

You are completely correct, the DSI report does refer to Aztec
not to Roswell - but you completely miss the point, or chose to
ignore the obvious conclusion, that is summed up in my next
paragraph:

"If the Americans did recover a crashed UFO at Roswell, then
clearly their closest allies did not have sufficient 'need to
know.'"

Best Wishes

Dave Clarke

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>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
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>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 21:05:09 -0700 (PDT)
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>>>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
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>My point is that I could equally speculate things that
>contradict what you speculate, and we could do this endlessly
>unless there is some way to test the speculations and what will
>it get us?

>More speculation, which is exactly what we don't need in this
>field.

Good point Richard, but speculation is all we really have to work with here. This does not scare me, nor am I deterred. I know am but a humble researcher living and research in the shadow of greater persons. Galileo, Copernicus, Newton, to name but a very few, had no more to work with than we do. Still it didn't stop them changing the way we see and think about the Universe. I don't think for a second that I would remotely message up to the greatest of these great people but I do use them for my inspiration and guidance. How they worked through the maze of the unknown is nothing short of unbelievable.

So in their footsteps do I dare to walk. I would love to know just what Copernicus thought of UFOs as he is my favourite. If he was to appear before me and tell me UFOs aren't real I would probably believe him.

But he has shown me that what we see is not always as it appears to be. We must look closely and ask many question, while working hard to uncover the truth. Now I am not saying I know the truth, it would be stupid of me to say this. My reasoning in based on what I feel would a safe bet or a means by which to live long team in outer space, based I what we have at hand to work with here on Earth.

NASA has spent billions of dollars and a number of years working on a solution to the this problem of Humans living and travelling large distance in space. At the end of the day, NASA found the human body wasn't up to the task. My friend at NASA told me (off the record), that NASA was looking at something along the idea of putting astronauts into some sort of long sleep to get around the problem we are talking about here, for a trip to say Mars. What NASA and alike says "Off the record" and what their will say "For the record" is so different. Why is this subject so hard for some to deal with? I'm not living in

the 14th century am I? This is the year 2001 is it not?

>For example, I could speculate that the Grays are simply
>advanced, evolved, biological creatures whose long history of
>space travel has caused them to sacrifice muscularity and gain
>larger craniums, etc.

>I could even cite some space research based on human space
>flight to "justify" my speculations.

>I could also speculate that the Grays are images or simulcra
>fed into our sensory system to deceive us, and that the UFO
>operators (if any) don't have anything resembling humanoid
>bodies.

>But there is no way to determine the truth or falsity of such
>speculations short of contact and communication with the beings.

Yes and no Richard, Though, in the spirit of true research, few
if any before us had very much more to work with, but they
worked out things like the Earth being round, the Earth orbiting
the Sun not the other way around, ECT ECT. Let nothing stand in
ones way, for the truth is but a question away.

>If you enjoy mental masturbation, go to it! It's your perfect
>right.

I'm not too sure about this one as I have a girl friend so I
don't masturbate per-say. Besides, my girlfriend would cut my
hands off if she caught me doing things like that. But I do
think a lot about how we came to be and how all matter found its
origin. Is this the same thing? My girlfriend tells me her brain
starts to hurt when I start talking about things like that, I
haven't owned up to it yet, but so does mine. <LOL>

>I consider it a waste of time when we badly need historical and
>scientific research. It's easy but meaningless.

Wow, don't we all wish for such a gift! But I'm not one for
waiting around holding my breath for this to appear out of
no-where. Until this GIFT makes itself known, I for one will
work on regardless. As for scientific research! I didn't know
the scientific world saw what we do as being scientific yet or
would agree with anything we find or theorised about as being
scientific. Maybe I am wrong here.

At this point, it is interesting to note that NASA, or should I
say an ex-astronaut, has said on one of these Discovery type
shows on TV, that NASA felt that a human child conceived and
born in space would have a large head, a small body with thin
long arms and legs. Sound familiar?

Tophar

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>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 15:15:36 -0700
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Lara Johnstone <bravehrt@concentric.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>A year or so ago there was discussion on this List
>>concerning materials, or lack thereof, to help educate
>>children on the ET/UFO phenomenon.

>>This past summer a book, which I illustrated, titled
>>'Almanac of Alien Encounters' was published by Random
>>House, Inc.

>><http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

><snip>

>Jeff,

>Thanks so much. I ordered it and also another one called Silent
>Times (for me) and 'yours' for a little 8 year old I met a few
>days ago, who, I just yesterday found out, is interested in
>black holes and ETs.

It isn't until (well at least for me) you are confronted with
the inquiring mind of a child that you start to question your
own beliefs. This is something I have experienced first hand and
failed at miserably. I really didn't know what to say to a child
asking me these kind of questions.

I have to say I told them that Aliens aren't real, I still
cannot believe I say this. I sure as hell don't believe what I
told them, was I saying this to protect them, shielding them
from the truth or was I just making sure they wouldn't be
laughed at by other children? I think it was the latter.

Nice to see someone is brave enough to take on this minefield,
they are sure braver than I will ever be, bravo to Eric Elfman.

A book I will keep in my library for the next time I am asked.
Thanks for pointing it out Jeff.

Tophar

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 18:40:57 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 08:29:05 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 23:23:51 -0400
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>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 08:05:34 -0600

>>>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 18:32:32 -0400
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>>>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 13:23:02 +0200

>>>>>Date: Mon, 15 Oct 2001 13:29:57 -0400
>>>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>>>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
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>>>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>>>>>>Date: Sun, 14 Oct 2001 13:17:23 +0200

Hi John, Luis, Listers,

>Noble try Sue. As accurate as your comments are, you're putting
>the cart before the horse when you try to discuss the
>personal/human aspects of the phenomenon with someone (anyone)
>who does not even accept the basic premise of the reports.
>That is why I have taken the tack with Luis that I have adopted.

Of course, you may be correct in your approach. But, I gotta tell you, I'm better with a .28 semi-automatic shotgun than a rifle. You might have guessed that from my general approach to this whole phenomenon. I hit 78% of what I aim at with the shotgun, as opposed to only 60% with the rifle. My husband goes elk hunting with his other buddies, and pheasant/chukar hunting with me and our blind dog. Even our blind dog trusts his senses better than some of the people on this list. Groan.

<snip>

>All three doctors (who contacted me at different points in time
>and independently of each other) wrote to me wanting to know
>'where' I had gotten "so many" photographs of what they all
>referred to as a 'seldom performed' procedure that they called
>a, "punch biopsy."

One other reason these doctors may be concerned. 'Punch biopsies' are done very differently than they were back when 'mellon-ballers' were used. You'd have to check to find out when the 'mellon-ball' procedure was eliminated and replaced by the

newer procedure. My guess is that the new procedure was used almost exclusively as soon as it was invented, due in part to its less invasive, nearly painless, little or no need for general anesthesia, and out-patient adaptability. I would guess that it was of considerable interest to these doctors to know the date, especially the year, that the people in the pictures first noticed the "scoop marks," and when the pictures were taken. I'm not surprised that the one doctor called you a liar. I'm just so very saddened by it. It is indicative of how far we have to go.

I had several 'punch biopsies' done in 1995. They don't use a 'mellon-baller' anymore, which term may have originated from the physical force required to extract tissue samples of an affected area with such a crude instrument. I imagine the term just "hung on," even after the procedure changed.

I can only speak about 'punch biopsies' in relation to breast cancer, so there may be lots of other iterations of the same procedure used for other forms of cancer. I don't know. With that in mind, perhaps someone on the list can "broaden" the scope of this discussion.

For breast cancer, preliminary mammograms are first taken to show suspicious tumors. If a "punch biopsy" is deemed necessary, the instrument used now does not, in any way, shape or form, resemble a "mellon baller." To perform a "punch biopsy" a 10"-long metal syringe is used, 2-1/2" in diameter, with a 10" needle attached, measuring about 1/4" in diameter. It looks like something out of Dr. Frankenstein's lab, but the procedure doesn't hurt. It's actually very interesting to watch. Novocaine is used to deaden the affected area, and the big needle is inserted as deeply as necessary to reach the tumor(s). At that point, tissue from the tumor(s) is extracted, drawn up into the needle and syringe and deposited on a slide. The tissue can be examined right there under a microscope to determine if the tissue is cancerous. So, the patient knows within 10 minutes if he/she has cancer. For those tumors which prove cancerous, a little more novocaine is applied to the area, and a tiny little cut is made closest to the tumor(s) showing cancer, so that a bigger piece can be quickly removed and sent to the lab to determine the type of cancer. A stitch or two and you're outta there. A bruise about the size of a quarter is all that shows after all that. No big deal. "Mellon ballers" are out, except when scooping large quantities of tissue, like in an operating room, where the contents of the entire breast must be removed.

>Physical details such as these scoop marks - among other such
>physical phenomena that appear in the abductee population - need
>to be thoroughly investigated and analyzed by medical experts.
>We need to know what the incidence of occurrence of identical
>scars are within the general population.

It might be of some use to find out what year the punch-biopsy procedure changed from the general use of a mellon baller to syringe and needle? Many doctors, although aware that the 'old' procedure is rarely used now, may not be aware just exactly when the old procedure was replaced with the new. Knowing this information may strengthen the argument and possibility of a UFO abduction scenario, both in the docs' minds as they contemplate such a bizarre possibility; and, to help validate the reality of the incident for the abductees, as they relate the belief of their experience to others. This would be especially true for all those people whose "punch biopsy scars" showed up after the old procedure was replaced with the new.

Like you said, John, it's difficult to argue with factual information. I think you're onto something here.

Lotsa luck,

Sue

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Ex-Chilean Naval Chief - "UFOs Are Real"

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Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 10:32:54 -0400
Subject: Ex-Chilean Naval Chief - "UFOs Are Real"

Former Chilean Chief of Naval Operations: UFOs are Real

From Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo
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Santiago de Chile - The former Chilean Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Jorge Martinez declared that "UFOs are real". The ex-CNO made the shocking statement during an interview with a Chilean television network. The interview was conducted by journalist Rodrigo Ugarte from Teletrece, in Chile. The retired admiral admitted that he personally witnessed the sighting of two UFOs at sea.

According to Admiral Martinez, when he was a young lieutenant, he personally saw a very luminous white object in front of his patrol boat. When he took command of his first destroyer, then Captain Martinez saw another similar object emerging from the water, creating a strong interference with the navigation system and the ship's radar.

Guillermo Jimenez, another former Chilean officer claimed that the sonar system onboard his ship detected two submarine-like objects that caused similar malfunctions with shipboard electronics. "They displayed the same size and metallic resonant characteristics that ordinary subs typically show; however, these objects were too fast to be submarines", said Jimenez.

Both Jimenez and Martinez described how the gyrocompass systems were out of control. "The radar displays went completely blank and the gyro was spinning very rapidly, as if a strong magnetic force was present", said Admiral Martinez.

Some UFO investigators call this phenomenon "UUO" or unidentified underwater objects. Upon learning about this special report, we contacted the Chilean journalist that conducted the interviews. Rodrigo Ugarte, the Teletrece interviewer told us that there were many other officers that described similar events but did not want to go on the air with their accounts. Nevertheless, this is the first time a former Chief of Naval Operations reveals that these phenomena are real.

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The Watchdog (e-update) - 10-22-01

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Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 11:52:03 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 15:39:50 -0400
Subject: The Watchdog (e-update) - 10-22-01

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Roberts

From: **Andy Roberts** <aj.roberts@blueyonder.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 16:52:57 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 15:41:31 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Roberts

>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 02:38:10 -0400

Jan wrote:

>I am certainly no expert on UK security matters.

>The basic four level classifications:

>Restricted
>Confidential
>Secret
>Top Secret

>are found in almost every country.

At the time of the Flying Saucer Working Party the UK had five specific security designations. The following are quotes from an internal MOD document (* denotes original italics):

TOP SECRET: With certain exceptions a Top Secret grading on an original paper can only be authorised by a Wing Commander (Group Captain at Air Ministry) or civilian equivalent. The marking should be placed only on those papers which, in the wrong hands, would *cause exceptionally grave damage to the nation**. Clearly very few papers justify this description.

SECRET: A Secret paper can be originated by any commissioned officer provided he considers that *our national security would be endangered** if it fell into unfriendly hands.

CONFIDENTIAL: A Confidential stamp is used by a commissioned officer to safeguard information which, if compromised, would *prejudice our national interest or prestige**, or which from a staff point of view would cause *administrative embarrassment or difficulty**.

RESTRICTED: Restricted is the lowest grading giving security protection, and applies to matters which should not be published or made known to anyone except for official purposes.

UNCLASSIFIED: If a fact does not normally need to be kept within the official net, it is considered to be Unclassified. A very great weight of officially produced papers can properly fall within this category, and can be placed in our shop window.

Worth noting that the Flying Saucer Working Party report was only designated as SECRET, and that it was also cleared for Canada.

Happy Trails

Andy

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 15:44:31 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Velez

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>EBK and gentle listers,

>A year or so ago there was discussion on this List
>concerning materials, or lack thereof, to help educate
>children on the ET/UFO phenomenon.

>This past summer a book, which I illustrated, titled
>'Almanac of Alien Encounters' was published by Random
>House, Inc.

><http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

><http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0679872884/o/gid%3D985753235/sr%3D8-1/ref%3Daps%5Fsr%5Fb%5F1%5F1/002-2164013-5774409>

>The book was written specifically for the 8-12 year old crowd
>and is a wonderful compendium of the historical presence of
>various aspects of the UFO/ET phenomena including alternate
>theories and how to contact a UFO investigator.

>This book would be a nice addition to any school or public
>library.

Hi Jeff, hi All,

This is so very sad for me to hear.

I _love_ kids. I have raised two of my own to adulthood, and I am currently a grandfather of three, with one more 'on the way.');

To my way of thinking, introducing children of the age group that this book is aimed at to UFO/ET phenomena including (of all things) how to contact a UFO investigator, is completely wrong. It seems to me that such a book could only serve to codify a set of 'beliefs' in the impressionable minds of the young ones who read it.

I would not either confirm or deny the existence of such things for a ten or twelve year old, and I routinely advise parents who contact me to do likewise. What I do suggest for them to do is; to "be there" for the child. Without reinforcing _any_ belief system, and simply "listen" (act as an impartial sounding board) if/when the kids bring up the subject of their own volition. "Introduce" it... never.

As a parent I'd like to know 'which' cases are cited in order to "introduce" the phenomenon to a youngster. Which "UFO investigators" are these children and their parents being pointed at. Carpenter? Boylan? Is the subject of alien abduction being introduced as well?

If so, has any consideration been given to the fact that; a ten or twelve year old who 'may be' having disturbing UFO/alien

experiences already, and who has not yet made any connection between those experiences and UFOs/aliens (on their own,) are being "introduced" to an "explanation" that they may wrongly (or rightly) accept and cling to for life?

Cheeses, Mary, and Joseph, talk about "contamination"!

Fact: A ten or a twelve year old does not yet have the intellectual or emotional/psychological foundation and skills to deal with such a complex concept. Especially if they have been having unsettling experiences themselves. They don't have the coping skills needed. Skills that only come with knowledge, education, and most-times 'hard earned' life experience.

Many adults will read a medical text and start to think they have all the diseases that they are reading about. How much more would this effect manifest in a young child reading about UFOs, aliens, or worse yet alien abduction. If "abduction" is discussed in the book, is the kindly space brother concept being "introduced" as well? Has any consideration been given to the fact that a child who may not be having UFO/alien experiences might become frightened to death? What about the ones who are having such experiences but who have not been considering them as "reality?" Who is supposed to calm their fears or terror during each subsequent night?

Sorry, I just don't 'cotton' to the idea of involving children in what is on any level, a completely disturbing phenomenon. I was in my 40's when I "made the connection." I barely had the coping skills I needed myself in order to maintain my sanity and my perspective. What chance does a ten year old have?

This is wrong man. It's one thing if someone who has reached adulthood chooses to investigate this unsettling subject. It is their choice, their decision to do so. To "introduce" children to it is something that strikes me as completely wrong, and even bordering on a form of psychological child abuse.

Please, no need to respond. I'm not looking to "debate," I'm only voicing my own opinions. My opinions and a \$1.50 will get me on a bus. :)

Speaking strictly for myself,

John Velez
Concerned dad

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 14:19:20 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 15:46:01 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Salvaille

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 09:10:17 +0100

>>From: Serge Salvaille <sergesa@sympatico.ca>
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>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
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<snip>

>>You read any mention of Roswell?

>>Not.

>Hi Serge,

>You are completely correct, the DSI report does refer to Aztec
>not to Roswell - but you completely miss the point, or chose to
>ignore the obvious conclusion, that is summed up in my next
>paragraph:

>"If the Americans did recover a crashed UFO at Roswell, then
>clearly their closest allies did not have sufficient 'need to
>know.'"

<snip>

Hello Dave,

You did a great job uncovering the documents and your comments
give a good indication of its content. The images of the
originals are a great addition.

Your conclusion on Roswell stems from the assumption that the
MOD was referring to Roswell. It was not. It was referring to
the Aztec hoax. But the lack of any reference to Roswell in the
document may give weight to your same conclusion... Or not ;)

Considering the tone of the document - an evident dismissal of
any value of the UFO subject, it is quite surprising that the
"experts" did not jump on the occasion to debunk Roswell, a task
as easy as debunking Aztec.

Why not mention it?

Did the MOD ever perform a real evaluation of the situation?
Looks like they have been somewhat briefed by the American
authorities and blindly trusted them - an understandable
position at that time in history. Hynek once said about the USAF
that they simply didn't care about UFOs. The British MOD experts
show the same attitude: they uncritically adhered to the Grudge

project conclusions and _then_ went on to justify their position, hastily and quickly nullifying the quality of the cases they included in their report.

We all know that Grudge was an effort to put UFOs in the cupboard. The same may well apply to this report.

Do you think Churchill got the "Truth About Flying Saucers" ?

Regards

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Shotgun eh? <LOL>Maybe it's just my Latin blood, but I like the
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the instrument actually used in the procedure either resembled
or was a "mellon-baller". I simply coined an appropriately
descriptive phrase. It was just a way for me to paint a picture
with words. I'm a bit shocked that doctors would have actually
used something as crude as anything that even resembles a
'mellon-baller' to remove tissue from a person's body. Yuck! I
wouldn't let a doctor within ten miles of me with a 'mellon-
baller' tiny or not! Although, I have had a liver biopsy where
the doctor used the large needle to gather a tissue sample as
you described. If he had pulled out a "mellon-baller" to do it,
I would have run away in my paper gown screaming. <LOL>

Regards,

John

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Tonnies

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>read it.

John, List,

I know precisely where you're coming from. Nevertheless, it was books on alien contact and the UFO phenomenon that thrilled and fascinated me when I was in elementary school. I knew all the case histories, counter-arguments, theories and sightings, and I don't think it messed me up (although certain readers of my website might disagree :)

In fact, I think the subject challenged and inspired me in numerous ways, and I'm grateful for tbe experience.

I enthusiastically agree with you that children dealing with reality-bending issues such as the abduction phenomenon shouldn't be tainted with reactionary views of self-proclaimed "experts." But if the child in question is bright, s/he's going to seek such material out anyway--and hopefully be able to make up his or her own mind about the accuracy and trustworthiness of the source in question.

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Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 09:30:40 -0400
Subject: Daylight Disc Taped By Hungarian Military Pilot

<http://rense.com/general15/pilotufo.htm>

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Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 10:10:26 -0400
Subject: Eras News: Weekly Briefing 10.22.01

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Eight More Planets Discovered Around Nearby Stars

http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/sci/tech/newsid_1600000/1600716.stm

Mars Odyssey: Why Failure Is Not an Option

http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/odyssey_option_011022.html

Landing Sites for 2003 Mars Exploration Rovers Mission
Identified

http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/missions/mars_2003_landings_011019.html

Astronomers Close in on Solar System's 'Siblings'

<http://www.aao.gov.au/press/planets-16oct01.html>

Stephen Hawking Advocates Colonies in Space

<http://www.portal.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2001/10/16/nhawk16.xml&sSheet=/news/2001/10/16/ixhome.html>

Dashing Through the Snows of Io

http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2001/ast16oct_1.htm

Daylight Disk Filmed by Hungarian Military Pilot

<http://www.rense.com/general15/pilotufo.htm>

Britains' First 'Designer Baby'

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/genes/article/0,,2763,574223,00.html>

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A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:28:51 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 10:18:07 -0400
Subject: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 14:28:31 EDT
>Subject: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>There is something terribly wrong with any perceived abductee
>who cannot tolerate a skeptic. By the same token, there is
>something terribly wrong with any skeptic who cannot admit, even
>to the remote possibility that the phenomena is real, i.e., the
>skeptibunker.

>What are you?

<snip>

Your silogism is not equilibrated. On one side, you simply ask for tolerance on the part of abductees. On the other, you ask the skeptic to renounce to all his knowledge without offering enough evidence.

Of course, there is nothing in our scientific knowledge which denies the possibility of alien beings arriving here, and even abducting some specimens for their research. I do admit that possibility. What I do not admit is any of the contradictory scenarios derived from the abduction narratives we know nowadays. I am completely sure that when (if) the aliens meet us anytime in the future, there will not be any space left for doubting.

>And all which the skeptic must say, in order to be acceptable to
>the sane perceived abductee is, "I allow for the possibility,
>however remote, that what happened to you might be possible the
>way you perceived it.

Yes, Jim, I allow for the possibility, however remote, that what happened to you might be possible the way you perceived it. Even if you say that you passed thru a wall. The problem is that I can only say that once, not to every one of the abductees we know who all offer contradictory stories. What I cannot believe if that all the humanoid aliens of the Universe are crossing the vast, VAST distances of the Universe, just to give a few people unpleasant surprises here in Earth.

What I cannot believe if anything that contradicts with everything we have learned following the scientific method. There might be apparent contradictions (going thru a wall) which could be accepted when properly explained, even if I find it very difficult, but the logical contradictions between all the paranormal narratives are unsurmountable.

I have in front of me the last issue of Fortean Times. Must I believe that between abductions those same aliens enjoy themselves making crop circles? Must I believe that Ron Wyatt did find all the places cited in the Bible - Noah's Ark, the Ark of Covenant, etc.? Must I believe there is widespread Satanic child abuse killing newborn children? All cannot be true at the same time. But, generally speaking, they all offer the same kind of evidence. So you, believers, unless you did believe all these claims (and many others) are true, have a different question to

tackle:

Why you do_not_ believe in... (your option)?

Maybe, when you recognize that you are also skeptics of something, you may understand my position better.

Yours,

Luis R. González Manso

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:28:47 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 10:21:18 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 18:32:32 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>The one thing that both yourself and Peter continue to miss is
>that these UFO abductions are gestalt of many components. A
>_lifetime_ of such events.

Well, not everybody thinks so. Ask Betty Hill.

>I mean what's up with the 'hard sell' of belief systems like;
>"Your memories are faulty, so you can't trust any of them. No
>matter how fresh and vivid they are." Here's another; "Don't
>believe what your own eyes are showing you." Or, my 'favorite',
>"What you 'think' happened to you didn't really happen to you.
>It was something else." On and on like that. To me, that kind of
>'thinking' is irrational and doesn't make much sense.

>And all because 'some folks' refuse to believe that what is
>being reported by so many people world-wide could be true.
>
>As reported.

I will say it again. If so many people world-wide were really
reporting the same thing (allowing for minor differences) we
would not be here discussing it. The problem is that there are
multiple and contradictory scenarios. What to believe?

And, even more important: Why do not believe the discarded ones?

>It's not easy maintaining an open mind in today's world.
>Cynicism rules the intellectual roost. But you and others should
>make an attempt nonetheless. You are so very sure that we are
>all wrong... how sure are you that you are so right?

Please, John, do not mix the issues. Personally, I have nothing
against any abductee as a person, you can believe anything you
want. But if you want to convince me that what you experienced
- I never negate you experienced something - is real, you must
convince me following my rules.

On the other hand, of course, I do not demand that you convince
me or that you agree with me. You can do whatever you like...
and so do I

My rule is simple: "Extraordinary claims demand extraordinary
proof to be accepted". The scientific method is a accumulative
effort, any new theory does not negate the precedent ones, just
improves them.

I have no seem any improvement in UFO theories since the
beginning. Do you?

Yours,

Luis R. González

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Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:49:00 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 10:25:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Gonzalez

>Date: Thu, 18 Oct 2001 12:47:27 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: Katharina Wilson <kwilson@alienjigsaw.com>
>Subject: Probing Abduction Classics

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>Date: Tue, 16 Oct 2001 14:16:40 +0200
>>To: <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Probing Abduction Classics - Gonzalez

>>What I am saying is that, nowadays (and even at the beginning,
>>remember Alvin Lawson's research), what you called the
>>"baseline" can be generated from unconscious imaginery, and the
>>only way we have to validate them is comparing the individual
>>scenarios. In the Allagash case, they did not fit. The number
>>of digits is a very simple variable that should fit, but the
>>differences are much more important.

>>If you cannot rely in the personal recollections of each witness
>>about what happened to him, you cannot rely in anything. But in
>>the Allagash case, the procedures described by each of the
>>witnesses to have happen on himself did not coincide with what
>>the others saw happening to him. How can that be, if there is
>>the most minimum level of objective reality to their
>>recollections?

>I agree with what Wendy states in her paragraph above. I also
>agree with some of what Mr. Gonzalez says. I do not, however,
>understand this statement:

>"... what you called the "baseline" can be generated from
>unconscious imaginery."

>I think this oversimplifies the entire topic of discussion. If
>everyone can come up with a baseline for an experience on an
>unconscious level, then we would have many more people claiming
>alien abduction, not to mention other types of phenomena.
>Wouldn't everyone be experiencing some form of alien
>abduction?

I will clarify further.

Yes, I believe that everyone can come up with a baseline for an
abduction from unconscious data... if properly encouraged.
Depending on who makes the regression you can get past lives
stories, satanic child abuses, religious visions, mind control
experiments, or alien abductions.

Sometimes it is the witness himself who delude himself, but
usually is a shared enterprise between a naive subject and a
persistent therapist.

I insist. Not all the abduction narratives can be true at the
same time. How do believers explain those "false" abduction
narratives?

Luis R. González

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:48:41 +0200
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:13:25 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Gonzalez

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 18:40:57 -0600

>>Physical details such as these scoop marks - among other such
>>physical phenomena that appear in the abductee population - need
>>to be thoroughly investigated and analyzed by medical experts.
>>We need to know what the incidence of occurrence of identical
>>scars are within the general population.

I completely agree. But, let me remember that we know about
"scoop marks" since the 80s. Why nobody has bother to do
something along this line in 20 years?

Luis R. González

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Murray

From: **Marty Murray** <mmurray31@home.com>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 19:05:17 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:18:58 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Murray

>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 12:55:01 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

John Velez wrote:

><snip>

>>To my way of thinking, introducing children of the age group
>>that this book is aimed at to UFO/ET phenomena ncluding (of all
>>things) how to contact a UFO investigator, is completely wrong.
>>It seems to me that such a book could only serve to codify a set
>>of 'beliefs' in the impressionable minds of the young ones who
>>read it.

Mac replied:

>John, List,

>I know precisely where you're coming from. Nevertheless, it was
>books on alien contact and the UFO phenomenon that thrilled and
>fascinated me when I was in elementary school. I knew all the
>case histories, counter-arguments, theories and sightings, and I
>don't think it messed me up (although certain readers of my
>website might disagree :)

>In fact, I think the subject challenged and inspired me in
>numerous ways, and I'm grateful for tbe experience.

>I enthusiastically agree with you that children dealing with
>reality-bending issues such as the abduction phenomenon shouldn't
>be tainted with reactionary views of self-proclaimed "experts."
>But if the child in question is bright, s/he's going to seek
>such material out anyway--and hopefully be able to make up his
>or her own mind about the accuracy and trustworthiness of the
>source in question.

Howdy Mac!

Man, you sound an awful lot like me! My interest in UFOs started when I was nine or ten years old, when I read excerpts from 'The Interrupted Journey' in Weekend Magazine, which came with the local paper every Saturday back in the 60's. After that I was hooked. I found the book at the library and I read it. I also read 'Incident At Exeter', also by John Fuller. I began to read anything about UFOs I could get my hands on, and that continued throughout most of the rest of my life. I got into science-fiction and began to read everything I could find by Arthur C. Clarke and Robert Heinlein, and some of the others. I don't know what sparked this obsession at such a young age. I have spent most of my adult life trying to understand it, and many other things that happened to me in my childhood.

I have a son who is now nine. I can't even imagine him being into the kinds of things I was into at his age. His whole life revolves around bugs and frogs and snakes and things like that, and computer games. He asks me about UFOs, sometimes, and I tend to give him very ambiguous answers. My thinking is a bit like John's - I don't want to give him any preconceived notions or steer him one way or another, and most of all, I don't want to frighten him. I do tell him, though, that I think UFOs and aliens are real, and there is definitely other life in the universe, on other planets. I don't think he understands the concept of the great distances involved or things like that, so I don't go into great detail with him. I just want him to grow up with an open mind.

I understand where John is coming from, and I agree with some of his fears. I don't think children of such a young age should be seeking out abduction researchers. The abduction phenomenon is very frightening, and I don't think kids of that age are equipped to deal with it, particularly if they suspect it may be happening to them, or maybe one of their friends. It is one thing to make children aware that life may exist on other worlds, and may be coming here to study us, but it is another thing to tell them that children their age are being abducted and subjected to frightening medical examinations.

I haven't seen this book, so I don't feel right about pre-judging it without seeing it first, and what it contains. It may be quite benign in nature, and I hope that is so.

Oh, and BTW, Mac, I love your doodles and drawings. I used to do the same thing, but haven't much lately. John Velez can tell you all about my 'Alien Abduction Funnies'!

Take care,

Marty

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:50:16 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:24:27 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Mortellaro

>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>EBK and gentle listers,

>>A year or so ago there was discussion on this List
>>concerning materials, or lack thereof, to help educate
>>children on the ET/UFO phenomenon.

>>This past summer a book, which I illustrated, titled
>>'Almanac of Alien Encounters' was published by Random
>>House, Inc.

>><http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

>><http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0679872884/o/qid%3D985753235/sr%3D8-1/ref%3Daps%5Fsr%5Fb%5F1%5F1/002-2164013-5774409> %

>>The book was written specifically for the 8-12 year old crowd
>>and is a wonderful compendium of the historical presence of
>>various aspects of the UFO/ET phenomena including alternate
>>theories and how to contact a UFO investigator.

>>This book would be a nice addition to any school or public
>>library.

>Hi Jeff, hi All,

>This is so very sad for me to hear.

>I _love_ kids. I have raised two of my own to adulthood, and I
>am currently a grandfather of three, with one more 'on the way.')

>To my way of thinking, introducing children of the age group
>that this book is aimed at to UFO/ET phenomena including (of all
>things) how to contact a UFO investigator, is completely wrong.
>It seems to me that such a book could only serve to codify a set
>of 'beliefs' in the impressionable minds of the young ones who
>read it.

>I would not either confirm or deny the existence of such things
>for a ten or twelve year old, and I routinely advise parents who
>contact me to do likewise. What I do suggest for them to do is;
>to "be there" for the child. Without reinforcing _any_ belief
>system, and simply "listen" (act as an impartial sounding
>board) if/when the kids bring up the subject of their own
>volition. "Introduce" it... never.

>As a parent I'd like to know 'which' cases are cited in order to
>"introduce" the phenomenon to a youngster. Which "UFO
>investigators" are these children and their parents being

>pointed at. Carpenter? Boylan? Is the subject of alien abduction
>being introduced as well?

>If so, has any consideration been given to the fact that; a ten
>or twelve year old who 'may be' having disturbing UFO/alien
>experiences already, and who has not yet made any connection
>between those experiences and UFOs/aliens (on their own,) are
>being "introduced" to an "explanation" that they may wrongly (or
>rightly) accept and cling to for life?

>Cheeses, Mary, and Joseph, talk about "contamination"!

>Fact: A ten or a twelve year old does not yet have the
>intellectual or emotional/psychological foundation and skills to
>deal with such a complex concept. Especially if they have been
>having unsettling experiences themselves. They don't have the
>coping skills needed. Skills that only come with knowledge,
>education, and most-times 'hard earned' life experience.

>Many adults will read a medical text and start to think they
>have all the diseases that they are reading about. How much more
>would this effect manifest in a young child reading about UFOs,
>aliens, or worse yet alien abduction. If "abduction" is
>discussed in the book, is the kindly space brother concept being
>"introduced" as well? Has any consideration been given to the
>fact that a child who may not be having UFO/alien experiences
>might become frightened to death? What about the ones who are
>having such experiences but who have not been considering them
>as "reality?" Who is supposed to calm their fears or terror
>during each subsequent night?

>Sorry, I just don't 'cotton' to the idea of involving children
>in what is on any level, a completely disturbing phenomenon. I
>was in my 40's when I "made the connection." I barely had the
>coping skills I needed myself in order to maintain my sanity and
>my perspective. What chance does a ten year old have?

>This is wrong man. It's one thing if someone who has reached
>adulthood chooses to investigate this unsettling subject. It is
>their choice, their decision to do so. To "introduce" children
>to it is something that strikes me as completely wrong, and even
>bordering on a form of psychological child abuse.

<snip>

Dear All, Errol,

Speaking strictly for myself, imagine if our generation (aged
50-ish) had the opportunity of learning about UFOs and abduction
experience.

Perhaps had folks this knowledge, they would be much more open
to the possibilities once grown up. And less likely to laugh and
make fun of those who admit to having had them.

Further, not every young person has these experiences. To
withhold information and knowledge (which is power) from young
people is to disenfranchise the rest from life. And the
realities of life.

Young people learn much these days. Much from the movies and TV.
Not to mention the press and the propaganda they spew on behalf
of their benefactors in government. And most of it is
balderdash. A dollop of truth might be what is needed.
Especially in this provence of UFO's.

No, I think that it is important to let kids know what it's all
about. Having the knowledge does not mean they will all go out
and think themselves abducted. It means that those young people
interested in the phenom will learn what it's all about.
Adminstrated and guided by parents who love and care, this can
be a most positive part of education.

Jim Mortellaro

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 02:08:40 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:26:27 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

>From: Andy Roberts <aj.roberts@blueyonder.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 16:52:57 +0100

>>From: Jan Aldrich <jan@cyberzone.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 02:38:10 -0400

>Jan wrote:

>>I am certainly no expert on UK security matters.

>>The basic four level classifications:

>>Restricted
>>Confidential
>>Secret
>>Top Secret

>>are found in almost every country.

>At the time of the Flying Saucer Working Party the UK had five
>specific security designations. The following are quotes from an
>internal MOD document (* denotes original italics):

>TOP SECRET: With certain exceptions a Top Secret grading on an
>original paper can only be authorised by a Wing Commander (Group
>Captain at Air Ministry) or civilian equivalent. The marking
>should be placed only on those papers which, in the wrong hands,
>would *cause exceptionally grave damage to the nation*. Clearly
>very few papers justify this description.

>SECRET: A Secret paper can be originated by any commissioned
>officer provided he considers that *our national security would*
>*be endangered* if it fell into unfriendly hands.

>CONFIDENTIAL: A Confidential stamp is used by a commissioned
>officer to safeguard information which, if compromised, would
>*prejudice our national interest or prestige*, or which from a
>staff point of view would cause *administrative embarrassment or*
>*difficulty*.

>RESTRICTED: Restricted is the lowest grading giving security
>protection, and applies to matters which should not be published
>or made known to anyone except for official purposes.

>UNCLASSIFIED: If a fact does not normally need to be kept within
>the official net, it is considered to be Unclassified. A very
>great weight of officially produced papers can properly fall
>within this category, and can be placed in our shop window.

>Worth noting that the Flying Saucer Working Party report was
>only designated as SECRET, and that it was also cleared for
>Canada.

Hi Andy,

Each page of the Working Party Document had "Discreet Secret" at both the top and botton of the page. What you say is correct, but it does not define what "Discreet Secret" is.

Regards,

Jan Aldrich

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LDT [was: AA... By The By]

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:03:35 +1000
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:32:08 -0400
Subject: LDT [was: AA... By The By]

LDT: (Long Distant Travel)

Previously I wrote:

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: AA... By The By
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 21:38:53 +1000

>NASA has spent billions of dollars and a number of years
>working on a solution to the this problem of Humans living and
>travelling large distance in space. At the end of the day, NASA
>found the human body wasn't up to the task. My friend at NASA
>told me (off the record), that NASA was looking at something
>along the idea of putting astronauts into some sort of long
>sleep to get around the problem we are talking about here, for
>a trip to say Mars.

I have had a few off-List e-mails about this so I felt I should point out something. This long sleep idea isn't anything new for NASA, this idea has been kicking around for ages, I don't know all the details about what NASA is doing or thinking of doing is regard to this project. All I know is NASA is looking along these lines to get around the problem of LDT in space for Humans. It may cost more money and time to sort out this problem, but I for one am pleased to see NASA committed to solving the problem without recreating even greater problems. It may cost a little more as I say, but we will all benefit from NASA's commitment to doing things right the first time round.

I feel going down the path to Genetic Engineering of humans for LDT in space will bring about more problems than it will solve. If we went down this path and pulled it off, what would happen to the GE humans after the mission? They wouldn't be able to live on Earth, they would have to sit up there orbiting the Earth until another mission was ready to go. I can see these GE humans becoming resentful of their creators and maybe even turning against them. Maybe this is how the Greys came to be? How knows.

Hmmm, now that sound like the basics for a SicFi novel or movie, Humans make GE humans for Mars mission, GE humans turn against their creators, all hell breaks loss and Mel Gibson or alike comes to the rescue. Hmmm, could be something there for a novel or movie.

If there is I have the Copy Right to the Idea. Sorry.

>What NASA and alike says "Off the record" and
>what their will say "For the record" is so different. Why is
>this subject so hard for some to deal with? I'm not living in
>the 14th century am I? This is the year 2001 is it not?

By 'Subject' I wasn't referring to the Mars missions or Long Sleep programs I was referring to the subject of UFOs in general.

Hope this cleared a few things out.

Cheers Tophar .

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Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 09:44:16 +0100
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Hi Serge,

>You did a great job uncovering the documents and your comments
>give a good indication of its content. The images of the
>originals are a great addition.

Thanks for your kind comments - as it was Report No 7's 50th birthday party this year we thought it was time to invite the world to the celebrations.

>Your conclusion on Roswell stems from the assumption that the
>MOD was referring to Roswell. It was not. It was referring to
>the Aztec hoax. But the lack of any reference to Roswell in the
>document may give weight to your same conclusion... Or not

Exactly. This is where those who wish to believe in conspiracy part from those who draw conclusions based upon evidence and context. The fact remains that Roswell was, in 1947 at least, a flash in the pan that was forgotten by the world's media before the ink had dried on the story. No one - certainly not the likes of Keyhoe and Scully - even so much as mentioned Roswell in a 'cover-up' context during the great flying saucer craze of the 1950s.

More significantly, the lack of any significant mention of an ET element to Roswell in official document of the time simply backs up my suspicions. Others will disagree, and claim that the events were hushed up/are "above top secret" etc but this is speculation, not fact. All we have been presented with as "evidence" of these claims are faked documents, products of modern-day obsessions - not 1947. They are not history, but the invention of an imagined history.

The DSI/JTIC Report No 7 was as high as it could get in British Intelligence circles - the fact that it was kept under wraps for 50 years speaks volumes. Yet despite the very close liaison between UK and USA, and the urgency by which both Tizard and Churchill requested answers to the flying saucer riddle - not one single reference or mention of the discovery at Roswell that would have settled the question altogether.

Serge, this is not simply a matter of the DSI/JTIC report itself; what you have not seen is the background interviews with those who were involved in the research and writing of the report. These will be revealed in our book - but I can say that the chairman of the British Flying Saucer committee, an RAF Wing Commander, spent three weeks at the ATIC and the Pentagon in 1952 on a top secret mission to 'pick' the brains of the USAF on

flying saucers. It will come as no surprise that he heard no mention of crashed flying saucers, Roswell, or any other suchlike, and today at the age of 88 he remains scathing about the whole subject.

This was a guy who had the highest security clearance and served as a senior Technical Intelligence officer during the Second World War. If a flying saucer had been secretly recovered by the US or British authorities, I am certain he would know about it. His testimony does not stand alone, but is complimented by the evidence of the heads of the Deputy Directorate Intelligence (DDI Tech), Air Ministry, several of whom we have traced and interviewed, at the relevant time.

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If all these people are lying, or are having guns held at their heads, then we are being asked to accept a vast conspiracy involving literally hundreds of people spanning more than half a century.

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>Do you think Churchill got the "Truth About Flying Saucers" ?

Churchill got the "truth" about flying saucers as the Air Ministry understood it at the time that Churchill asked (ie July-August 1952). Ironically, he asked and got his answer before a major change in policy that occurred following a series of dramatic sightings in September of that year. This led to a more open-minded attitude that resulted, by 1955, in the acceptance that around 10 percent of reports could not be "explained". So some mystery remains.

Hope this is helpful,

Best Wishes

Dave Clarke

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Lehmborg

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 11:36:15 +0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 17:31:12 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Lehmborg

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:50:16 EDT
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

>>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>>>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>>>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
>>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

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>No, I think that it is important to let kids know what it's all
>about. Having the knowledge does not mean they will all go out
>and think themselves abducted. It means that those young people
>interested in the phenom will learn what it's all about.
>Adminstrated and guided by parents who love and care, this can
>be a most positive part of education.

The present prevaricating approach serves an excuse for
youngsters to resent oldsters for being sold a historical bill
of goods by them. I know I did, and do. I know they do.

No... You've got to tell the kids the unvarnished truth, if you
don't, you only put resentment in reserve to compound interest.
Besides, bad news seldom gets better with age. And it's likely
not the kids one would be so *worried* about; it's the copping
to it _themselves_ that's the real hurdle -- forgetting that
it's better to get that dentist's office visit behind them,
behind us all. Disclosure back in 1947 would have put us
"where", by now? Damn site further than we are now, I'd bet!

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 12:20:17 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 17:59:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:48:41 +0200

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Luis, many people would rather sit in the middle of the road, with a bag over their heads, maintain the status quo, and learn nothing new than to delve into some aspect of a phenomena for which they feel inadequately prepared to handle. History tells us this: Issac Newton, Giordana Bruno, Galileo Galilei, James Clerk Maxwell, and Albert Einstein. None, not one of these men's theories were accepted at the time they lived. It's taken a very long time to get a very short distance in physics and astronomy. It also takes courage just to get the bag off of your head, much less get out of the middle of the road.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark

From: **Jerome Clark** <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:15:44 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:02:22 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
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At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
yourself in this condescending equation. In other words: "What I
know, I know; what you know, you only believe." I state this
not to start another tedious quarrel about Roswell, in which I
will not participate, but simply to point out what rhetorically
is happening here, and how pointless it is.

Meantime, the Summer 2001 issue of International UFO Reporter
(published by CUFOS, 2457 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago,
Illinois 60659; yes, this is a plug) carries a fascinating
article, Joseph Stefula's "The Roswell Testimony of Chester P.
Parton." Yet another piece of testimony, this time from a truly
unexpected (and well-placed) source, casting yet more doubt on
the standard debunking theories about what happened in New
Mexico in July 1947. It is safe to say that, Dave's earnest and
no doubt sincere words above notwithstanding, thoughtful people
will continue to wonder about and debate the Roswell incident.
It seems safe to say, too, that those who demand certainty even
when none is available are doomed only to a lifetime of
frustration.

Jerry Clark

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Copyright On Ideas?

From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:44:55 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:04:00 -0400
Subject: Copyright On Ideas?

>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: LDT
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:03:35 +1000

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There is no such thing as a "copy right to the idea." Ideas and concepts are not copyrightable. In the US (and many other countries), copyright covers the tangible expression of ideas in fixed form, for example, written text, musical score, or graphic image. For details on US copyright law, see:

<http://www.loc.gov/copyright/circs/circl.html>

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

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Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:38:32 -0400
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:04:45 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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Ahaaaa! Now you are asking a really relevant question. Maybe now you can get a sense of the level of frustration that I feel as an experienter/reporter of the phenomena. ;)

'Why' indeed. A part of the answer to that question has to do with the appalling lack of resources available to those who do investigate these cases, in tandem with an even more appalling lack of interest/will to do so, by anyone with the where-with-all to actually make it happen. (ie; research institution, medical facility, etc. or on the private side; with funds from UFO 'regulars' Bob Bigelow or Larry, 'Daddy Warbucks' Rockefeller.) It has nothing to do with not being able to round up enough credible and willing abductee volunteers. The lack of response is on the side of interested researchers and established research institutions/science.

Even the most basic of research has yet to be performed on a large enough sampling of 'abductees' to make any subsequent results statistically significant. Wendy asked me recently what it was that I thought needed to be done in order properly investigate the claims/reports of the 'abductees.' I responded by telling her that IMHO what is needed is a multi-disciplinary approach. Not the least of which (as is made clear by the example we are discussing) is a complete medical profile/work-up of as many abductees as can be corralled.

Until some of the 'basic' questions are addressed, we're all doomed to wander down endless paths of speculation and debate. (Which can get quite contentious at times.) The only solution to the ignorance is knowledge. Knowledge that is gleaned only by using the best minds available, and as much of the available resources as we can throw at it.

I'm still waiting too Luis. And I promise you that my interest in seeing that this work is done is much, much more immediate, personalized, and acute, than your own. :)

Sincerely,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - McCartney

From: Pat McCartney <ElPatricio@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:59:13 EDT
Fwd Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:07:29 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - McCartney

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I am no historian, and would not dispute the documents that Dave and his fellow researchers have obtained. However, he may be underestimating the effectiveness of the compartmentalizing of intelligence information in the United States.

Ralph Noyes understandably concluded that no secret U.S. study of UFOs existed that was based on actual wreckage since Cochrane was unable to confirm its existence, even by a "wink and a nod." But it's all too conceivable, I'm afraid, that he was unable to penetrate the most well-protected compartments within U.S. intelligence.

The example that always comes to mind is the late Barry Goldwater's attempts to personally examine purported UFO relics at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. If anything, Goldwater's credentials far outweighed Cochrane's. He was a general in the Air Force Reserves, and as a U.S. senator chaired the Senate's Select Committee on Intelligence. Banking on his longtime friendship with General Curtis LeMay, the Wright-Patterson commander at the time, Goldwater made repeated requests to visit locations at Wright-Patterson where it was rumored that such artifacts were stored.

As has been reported by several researchers, Goldwater was ultimately told not just 'no', but told not to ask again. My question is, what is so important that the chair of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence cannot be briefed, even quietly with a wink and a nod?

The growth of U.S. intelligence services and their sequestered information and operations has undermined our democratic traditions. That's why the iconoclastic writer Gore Vidal calls today's United States a National Security state rather than a democracy.

Pat McCartney

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:14:05 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 07:31:34 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Hall

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 12:20:17 -0600

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
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Sue,

Well stated, especially for someone who has tipped his hand as
being far less than 'open-minded'.

As a person formally trained in logic and scientific method, I
detect numerous false assumptions on his part. 'Logic' based on
false assumptions yields false conclusions. Logic has to do with
correct reasoning processes given various facts and assumptions,
but those 'facts' and assumptions are open to challenge. And his
can be and should be challenged.

Dick

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Christensen

From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:25:44 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 14:59:30 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Christensen

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Whatever his professional standing, the fact that he is a (by necessity, self-proclaimed) abductee) makes any input he provides automatically suspect. This is called "contamination" and science tries very hard to avoid it. Surely there are 'non-abducted' pathologists who could provide answers to your questions?

Purrrrrs...

wac

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Secrecy News -- 10/23/01

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Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:02:17 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/23/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 23, 2001

** RUMSFELD BLASTS LEAKS
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RUMSFELD BLASTS LEAKS

Citing media reports last week concerning the deployment of special operations forces in Afghanistan, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld yesterday deplored the disclosure of classified information and discussed the limits of Pentagon cooperation with the media.

"We cannot and will not provide information that could jeopardize the success of our efforts to root out and liquidate the terrorist networks that threaten our people," he said.

"I think that the release by a person in the government who had access to classified information to the effect that the United States ... was about to engage in a special operation in Afghanistan clearly was ... a violation of federal criminal law and it was something that was totally in disregard for the lives of the people involved in that operation," he said.

Secretary Rumsfeld did not indicate which federal criminal law was violated. Presumably he was referring to the Espionage Act, specifically 18 U.S.C. 793(d), which prohibits disclosure of "information relating to the national defense" to a person "not entitled to receive it."

Excerpts from Secretary Rumsfeld's press briefing on classified information and the media are posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2001/10/dod102201.html>

The story was elaborated by Vernon Loeb and Bradley Graham in the Washington Post today. See "Rumsfeld Assails Leak on Troops":

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A36209-2001Oct22.html>

PENTAGON CLAMPS DOWN ON INFORMATION

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz has called upon Pentagon employees to minimize disclosure of information to the public and to use discretion even when talking among themselves.

"It is ... vital that Defense Department employees, as well as persons in other organizations that support DOD, exercise great caution in discussing information related to DOD work, regardless of their duties," Wolfowitz wrote in an October 18 memo.

"Do not conduct any work-related conversations in common areas,

public places, while commuting, or over unsecured electronic circuits," he wrote in the memo, which was first reported on October 22 by InsideDefense.com.

Significantly, Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz did not distinguish sharply between classified and unclassified information.

"Classified information may be discussed only in authorized spaces and with persons having a specific need to know and the proper security clearance. Unclassified information may likewise require protection because it can often be compiled to reveal sensitive conclusions."

"If in doubt, do not release or discuss official information except with other DoD personnel," he advised.

Defense Secretary Wolfowitz's memorandum on "Operations Security Throughout the Department of Defense" is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2001/10/wolfowitz.html>

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Maccabee

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 21:18:48 -0400
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:10:53 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Maccabee

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 09:44:16 +0100

<snip>

>Serge, this is not simply a matter of the DSI/JTIC report
>itself; what you have not seen is the background interviews with
>those who were involved in the research and writing of the
>report. These will be revealed in our book - but I can say that
>the chairman of the British Flying Saucer committee, an RAF Wing
>Commander, spent three weeks at the ATIC and the Pentagon in
>1952 on a top secret mission to 'pick' the brains of the USAF on
>flying saucers. It will come as no surprise that he heard no
>mention of crashed flying saucers, Roswell, or any other
>suchlike, and today at the age of 88 he remains scathing about
>the whole subject.

I read the documents and your commentary. If I understood correctly, th special study commenced in October, 1950 and was finished in June, 1951. If I understood correctly, Marshall Chadwell visited Britain as part of this study in 1951. Are you saying there was another study in 1952, or did they simply give Churchill the results of the 1951 study?

The study document bases most of its research on Projects Sign and Grudge and so their conclusions and method of analysis of the three sightings they quoted are not surprising. I was particularly amused by the reference to the "falling leaf" pattern of dynamics of the object seen by 5 people. This was dismissed as a sighting of ordinary aircraft at such a great distance as to be unidentifiable by the witnesses. And the fact that one witness had earlier seen a similar object was used as evidence AGAINST the reality of the sighting (the witness contaminated th other witnesses with his sighting.)

And, speaking of belief, 'We can't believe that such an object could fly around and not be seen by many others who would make sighting reports'. (paraphrase of one of the reasons used to reject even the 5 person sighting).

<LOL>

The MOD learned their ATIC lessons well.

I wonder if the MOD analysts were aware of the number of sightings in the USA in which the motion of a UFO was compared to that of a 'falling leaf'.

I wrote about the CIA's 'investigation' of the ATIC/Blue Book study in the UFO - FBI Connection. Apparently the MOD, in 1951, got the same sort of UFO "indoctrination" that the CIA got in the summer of 1952 (it's all misidentifications, hoaxes and delusions).

Perhaps if the MOD had checked with the Director of Air Force Intelligence, General John A. Samford, the story would have been a little different, especially if they had checked on July 29,

1952. That was the day Samford gave his (then) famous press conference on UFOs and explained the Washington, DC sightings as resulting from temperature inversions (subsequently disputed by Air Force analysts and even at the time by the trained radar engineer who was on the scene during the second series of sightings). Publicly Samford said that everything could be explained. That's not what was said in private!

It was on the morning of July 29 that a sighting occurred in Michigan that involved ground radar, aircraft radar and a visual sighting. In this case, unlike the one MOD case discussed in Report #7, there was no doubt that the radar and visual detections referred to the same object (UFO FBI Connection, pg 223)

It was on that same day that US Air Force Office of Special Investigations was told by US Air Force Intelligence that "no theory exists at the present time as to the origin of the objects and they are to be considered unexplained." (this refers to objects detected during the 25 July 1952 sightings over Washington, D C). UFO-FBI-- pg 228

It was also on that same day that the FBI was told by Air Force Intelligence that there was a category of sightings involving pilots for which there was additional corroboration, such as recording by radar or sighting from the ground. This category made up two or three per cent of the total number of sightings and were the most difficult to explain.

" Some of these sightings are originally reported from the ground, then are picked up by radar instruments. ...in these instances there is no doubt that these individuals reporting the sightings actually did see something in the sky. "

The FBI was told that the sightings in the this category

"have never been satisfactorily explainedit is still possible that these objects may be a natural phenomenon or some type of atmospheric disturbance (but)... it is not entirely impossible that the objects sighted may possibly be ships from another planet such as Mars.at the present time there is nothing to substantiate this theory but the the possibility is not being overlooked."

(See UFO FBI Connection, page 232 or FBI document dated July 29, 1952)

I wonder what the history of the UFO subject would have been like if Samford had stated publicly that several percent of the sightings could not be explained and that the interplanetary hypothesis was under consideration.

(The interplanetary consideration popped up in the FBI files in October, 1952, in a document that states

"...some military officials are seriously considering the possibility of interplanetary ships.")

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:55:24 EDT
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:13:09 -0400
Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Mortellaro

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:28:51 +0200

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Fri, 19 Oct 2001 14:28:31 EDT
>>Subject: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>There is something terribly wrong with any perceived abductee
>>who cannot tolerate a skeptic. By the same token, there is
>>something terribly wrong with any skeptic who cannot admit, even
>>to the remote possibility that the phenomena is real, i.e., the
>>skeptibunker.

>>What are you?

><snip>

Dear Luis, List, Errol,

>Your silogism is not equilibrated. On one side, you simply ask
>for tolerance on the part of abductees. On the other, you ask
>the skeptic to renounce to all his knowledge without offering
>enough evidence.

No, merely to recognize the possibility that the phenom may be real.

>Of course, there is nothing in our scientific knowledge which
>denies the possibility of alien beings arriving here, and even
>abducting some specimens for their research. I do admit that
>possibility. What I do not admit is any of the contradictory
>scenarios derived from the abduction narratives we know
>nowadays. I am completely sure that when (if) the aliens meet us
>anytime in the future, there will not be any space left for
>doubting.

Perhaps. I admit to not knowing.

>>And all which the skeptic must say, in order to be acceptable to
>>the sane perceived abductee is, "I allow for the possibility,
>>however remote, that what happened to you might be possible the
>>way you perceived it.

>Yes, Jim, I allow for the possibility, however remote, that what
>happened to you might be possible the way you perceived it. Even
>if you say that you passed thru a wall. The problem is that I
>can only say that once, not to every one of the abductees we
>know who all offer contradictory stories. What I cannot believe
>if that all the humanoid aliens of the Universe are crossing the
>vast, VAST distances of the Universe, just to give a few people
>unpleasant surprises here in Earth.

Neither can I. However, we do not know, assuming the phenom is
real, what their intentions are. To humanize them is to view the
alien phenomena the way we would. And given that they are here
for purposes of this discussion, they are then far ahead of us in
not only technology, but in their mental and spiritual

development as well. That we cannot find meaning or purpose, or that they may not be doing things in a (human) logical manner, is not an argument against they're being here.

>What I cannot believe if anything that contradicts with
>everything we have learned following the scientific method.
>There might be apparent contradictions (going thru a wall) which
>could be accepted when properly explained, even if I find it
>very difficult, but the logical contradictions between all the
>paranormal narratives are unsurmountable.

Of course. However this is our (human) logic and it is a mistake to think of them in our paradigm. To admit to the possibility that they are here, abducting us, is to admit to not knowing how or why.

>I have in front of me the last issue of Fortean Times. Must I
>believe that between abductions those same aliens enjoy
>themselves making crop circles? Must I believe that Ron Wyatt
>did find all the places cited in the Bible - Noah's Ark, the Ark
>of Covenant, etc.? Must I believe there is widespread Satanic
>child abuse killing newborn children? All cannot be true at the
>same time. But, generally speaking, they all offer the same kind
>of evidence. So you, believers, unless you did believe all these
>claims (and many others) are true, have a different question to
>tackle:

>Why you do_not_ believe in... (your option)?

>Maybe, when you recognize that you are also skeptics of
>something, you may understand my position better.

Truth be known, Luis, I do not know if that which I perceive I've experienced really happened. And I am the first to admit to this fact. I say only that the UFO abduction phenomena is the only one which best explains what I've experienced. Which is why I almost always use the word, "perceived" experiences.

And I believe that skeptics are of value to the conundrum. I do not believe that skeptibunkers are of any value, even to themselves. And I define a skeptibunker as one who cannot admit even to the possibility of alien intervention. One who will cop to any and all excuses, even unreasonable ones, to attempt to explain it. Such is culpable ignorance.

To attempt to find a scientific reason for what is explained by the abductee is more than reasonable. To say it is not possible is ill conceived. In my opinion.

By all means, try hard to find a reason scientific or otherwise, for the phenom. This is just what I've been doing for the past six years. The result? Nothing.

As I explained to someone else recently, a skeptic, my memory is clear as crystal. It is a real phenomenon. But as I step back and attempt to analyse it, it just does not fit ANY paradigm which I can conceive. Logically, intellectually, it cannot be. But it is within the confines of my memory. Does that make sense to you?

So, I choose the one which makes the most sense. If I may use that word, "sense," to me.

Regards,

Jim

PS: I choose not to be believed, but rather for people to believe the possibility. Nothing more. Nothing less.

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Richard Doty Interview?

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:15:05 -0400
Subject: Richard Doty Interview?

Royce,

I was curious if you have been able to conduct your Doty interview yet.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers - Balaskas

From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@yorku.ca>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:34:33 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:17:12 -0400
Subject: Re: How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers - Balaskas

>Source: The Observer - London

>http://www.observer.co.uk/uk_news/story/0%2C6903%2C577850%2C00.html

>How Churchill Chased Flying Saucers

>Paul Harris
>Sunday October 21, 2001
>The Observer

<snip>

>The existence of the UFO report, written in 1951 and later used
>to brief Prime Minister Winston Churchill, was denied by the
>Ministry of Defence for almost 50 years. But the six-page
>document has recently been unearthed by UFO historians Andy
>Roberts and David Clarke as they researched a book on UFOs and
>the Cold War. The report has been a 'holy grail' of British
>'ufology' and details the conclusions of a shadowy panel called
>the Working Party on Flying Saucers. This group was the idea of
>Sir Henry Tizard, one of Churchill's most trusted scientific
>advisers during World War II and a key figure behind the
>development of radar.

Hi everyone!

The mention of Sir Henry Tizard's name, "a key figure behind the development of radar", as the person who suggested the need for such a panel of experts to study flying saucers is very interesting. It is very likely that Tizard personally knew of physics Prof. Paul Santorini of Greece (according to one book I read, it credits Santorini with the invention of radar).

Is it just a coincidence that Santorini was also directly involved in an official investigation of UFOs back in 1946?

According to Timothy Good's 'Above Top Secret', Santorini had secret meetings with foreign scientists (including Tizard?) regarding the mystery rockets flying over Greece. After consultation with foreign officials (who were these?), the Greek army ordered an end to their UFO investigation.

Years later, in 1967, Santorini gave a talk to the Greek Astronautical Society where he confirmed that there was a "world blanket of secrecy" surrounding the UFO question and that authorities were unwilling to admit to the existence of a force which we had "no possibility of defense".

Is the world ready for the blanket of secrecy to be lifted completely and be told of a threat which we still cannot possibly defend against?

Nick Balaskas

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Cydonian Imperative: 10-23-01 Mars Odyssey

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The Cydonian Imperative
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<http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html>

Mars Odyssey Spacecraft in Orbit
by Mac Tonnies

[image]

The Mars Odyssey spacecraft in orbit.

The Mars Odyssey spacecraft, NASA's first Mars research craft since the ill-fated Mars Climate Orbiter and Mars Polar Lander, has successfully entered Mars' orbit. Although the Odyssey is not equipped with a camera (such as the MOC aboard the still-functional Mars Global Surveyor), it is hoped that the Odyssey's mission objectives will help our understanding of Mars geological past. As I've previously maintained (see "NASA's 'Search for Life' a Charade), I think the enigma of probable life on Mars outweighs the demand for geological study. The Mars Odyssey mission, while certain to tell us some interesting things, is not the sort of survey craft warranted by the evidence at hand, and NASA shows every indication of following up on Odyssey with "more of the same."

[image]

The Beagle 2 lander.

Nevertheless, the UK's upcoming Beagle 2 mission is specifically designed to search for life in the Martian soil. Its findings may well turn the tide of Mars research toward biology--and the acceptance of Martian biology is one step closer to the acceptance of the prospect of intelligence.

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Deardorff

From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:51:55 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:21:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Deardorff

>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:38:32 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:48:41 +0200

>>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 18:40:57 -0600

>>>>Physical details such as these scoop marks - among other such
>>>>physical phenomena that appear in the abductee population - need
>>>>to be thoroughly investigated and analyzed by medical experts.
>>>>We need to know what the incidence of occurrence of identical
>>>>scars are within the general population.

>>I completely agree. But, let me remember that we know about
>>"scoop marks" since the 80s. Why nobody has bother to do
>>something along this line in 20 years?

>Ahaaa! Now you are asking a really relevant question. Maybe now
>you can get a sense of the level of frustration that I feel as
>an experienter/reporter of the phenomena. ;)

>'Why' indeed. A part of the answer to that question has to do
>with the appalling lack of resources available to those who do
>investigate these cases, in tandem with an even more appalling
>lack of interest/will to do so, by anyone with the
>where-with-all to actually make it happen. (ie; research
>institution, medical facility, etc. or on the private side; with
>funds from UFO 'regulars' Bob Bigelow or Larry, 'Daddy Warbucks'
>Rockefeller.)

John,

If someone gathered a mass of data on the prevalence of scoop marks on Americans (the general populace), how would you go about trying to decide what fraction of them were associated with abductions - abductees who didn't know they were abductees, or weren't at all certain?

Regards,

Jim D.

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Re: Copyright On Ideas? - Tophar

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 17:12:33 +1000
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:23:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Copyright On Ideas? - Tophar

>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:44:55 -0400
>From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Copyright On Ideas?

>>From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: LDT
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:03:35 +1000

>>Hmmm, now that sound like the basics for a SicFi novel or movie,
>>Humans make GE humans for Mars mission, GE humans turn against
>>their creators, all hell breaks loss and Mel Gibson or alike
>>comes to the rescue. Hmmm, could be something there for a novel
>>or movie.

>>If there is I have the Copy Right to the Idea. Sorry.

>There is no such thing as a "copy right to the idea." Ideas and
>concepts are not copyrightable. In the US (and many other
>countries), copyright covers the tangible expression of ideas in
>fixed form, for example, written text, musical score, or graphic
>image. For details on US copyright law, see:

><http://www.loc.gov/copyright/circs/circl.html>

Thank you for that Wendy, I was really only being silly though when I wrote that, put it down to my strange Australia sense of humour. I just wasn't really thinking anyone would seriously look at it as a good scifi story.

Your right though Wendy I shouldn't have done the copy right idea thingy as it is really a prelude to a story, or an out-lining or format of same. Aust and US law here differs some what here though.

Something as a Scifi writer for role playing groups has been a topic of discussion on more than one occasion. (even though I would rather have my teeth pulled than write I am very committed to better myself literacy wise, even though it is so painful.)

So perhaps I should have said or written: This story outline below is copy righted by HouseWorks 2001.

>>Hmmm, now that sound like the basics for a SicFi novel or movie,
>>Humans make GE humans for Mars mission, GE humans turn against
>>their creators, all hell breaks loss and Mel Gibson or alike
>>comes to the rescue. Hmmm, could be something there for a novel
>>or movie.

The story I have used though for a end of year assignment I got for a literacy course I took this year. It will be posted at www.darktrekvoyages.net sometime in the next week or two.

Thx again Wendy, I really should take something's more seriously.

Cheers

Tophar .

An Australian site for Copy right laws:

http://www.copyright.com.au/about_copyright.htm

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:26:18 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:15:44 -0500

>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 09:44:16 +0100

>At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
>yourself in this condescending equation. In other words: "What I
>know, I _know_; what you know, you only _believe_." I state this
>not to start another tedious quarrel about Roswell, in which I
>will not participate, but simply to point out what rhetorically
>is happening here, and how pointless it is.

Hi Jerry,

I know how fond you are of quoting from the work of David Hufford, but surely you cannot be suggesting that only rationalists have prejudices. "What I know, I know; what you know, you only believe" can be turned on its head just as effectively and directed towards those who continue to 'know' that ET crashed at Roswell, in the face of all that has emerged in the last 20 years.

Our little arguments remind me of the debate between Andrew Lang and Edward Clodd over the Cock Lane Poltergeist. You should give Hufford a rest and have a look at Dr Gillian Bennett's fascinating summary of the belief/disbelief debate as it has evolved since the 17th century in "Alas Poor Ghost" (Utah University Press, 1999, 150-59). As Bennett says:

"...the most astute and ardent of debators do not (and perhaps cannot) step outside the arguments allotted to their team in the philosophical tug of war."

Nothing has changed, only we are now following the same tug of war over Roswell and ET as Lang and Clodd followed over poltergeists a century or more ago. Just for the the purposes of debate, I will adopt the armour of Lang (who argued for belief) and rest my case with:

"Manifestly it is as fair for a psychical researcher to say to Mr Clodd, 'You won't examine my haunted house because you are afraid of being obliged to believe in spirits.' as it is fair for Mr Clodd to say to a psychical researcher, 'You only examine a haunted house because you want to believe in spirits.'"

>Meantime, the Summer 2001 issue of International UFO Reporter
>(published by CUFOS, 2457 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago,
>Illinois 60659; yes, this is a plug) carries a fascinating
>article, Joseph Stefula's "The Roswell Testimony of Chester P.
>Parton." Yet another piece of testimony, this time from a truly
>unexpected (and well-placed) source, casting yet more doubt on
>the standard debunking theories about what happened in New
>Mexico in July 1947. It is safe to say that, Dave's earnest and

>no doubt sincere words above notwithstanding, thoughtful people
>will continue to wonder about and debate the Roswell incident.
>It seems safe to say, too, that those who demand certainty even
>when none is available are doomed only to a lifetime of
>frustration.

When you can produce some authenticated document in support of
your "wonder" I'll be happy to change my mind, but in the
meantime I reserve the right to remain sceptical. Again, "people
will believe what they want to believe", me included.

All best wishes

Dave Clarke

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

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>From: Pat McCartney <ElPatricio@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:59:13 EDT
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>The example that always comes to mind is the late Barry
>Goldwater's attempts to personally examine purported UFO relics
>at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. If anything, Goldwater's
>credentials far outweighed Cochrane's. He was a general in the
>Air Force Reserves, and as a U.S. senator chaired the Senate's
>Select Committee on Intelligence. Banking on his longtime
>friendship with General Curtis LeMay, the Wright-Patterson
>commander at the time, Goldwater made repeated requests to visit
>locations at Wright-Patterson where it was rumored that such
>artifacts were stored.

Hi Pat,

The most important word here is "rumored."

My dictionary defines "rumour" as "general talk or hearsay of doubtful accuracy" and "a current but unverified statement or assertion."

Dave Clarke

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Eras News: 10-24-01 Odyssey Successfully Arrives

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Mars Odyssey Mission Status
October 23, 2001

The United States returned to Mars tonight as NASA's 2001 Mars Odyssey fired its main engine at 7:26 p.m. Pacific time and was captured into orbit around the red planet.

At 7:55 p.m. Pacific time, flight controllers at the Deep Space Network station in Goldstone, Calif., and Canberra, Australia, picked up the first radio signal from the spacecraft as it emerged from behind the planet Mars.

"Early information indicates everything went great," said Matt Landano, the Odyssey project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. "The orbit insertion burn went off just as we planned and we will now begin the three-month long aerobraking phase."

Through tonight and the early morning hours tomorrow, the flight team will be analyzing the information they are receiving from Odyssey. This will help them evaluate the health and status of the spacecraft and determine the precise orbit geometry.

Tonight's firing of the main engine slowed the spacecraft's speed and allowed it to be captured by Mars' gravity into an egg-shaped elliptical orbit around the planet. In the weeks and months ahead, the spacecraft will repeatedly brush against the top of the atmosphere in a process called aerobraking. By using atmospheric drag on the spacecraft, flight controllers will reduce the long, highly elliptical orbit into a shorter, 2-hour circular orbit of approximately 400 kilometers (about 250 miles) altitude for the mission's science data collection.

"Orbit insertion is our single most critical event during the mission, and we are glad it's behind us," said David A. Spencer, Odyssey's mission manager at JPL. "But we cannot rest on our laurels. The aerobraking phase will be a demanding, around-the-clock operation, and it requires the flight team to

react as the atmosphere of Mars changes."

The aerobraking phase is scheduled to begin on Friday, October 26.

JPL manages the 2001 Mars Odyssey mission for NASA's Office of Space Science, Washington, D.C. Principal investigators at Arizona State University in Tempe, the University of Arizona in Tucson, and NASA's Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas, operate the science instruments. Lockheed Martin Astronautics, Denver, Colo., is the prime contractor for the project, and developed and built the orbiter. Mission operations are conducted jointly from Lockheed Martin and from JPL, a division of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. NASA's Langley Research Center in Hampton, Va., will provide aerobraking support to JPL's navigation team during mission operations.

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Filer's Files #43 - 10-24-01

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FILER'S FILES #43 MUFON Skywatch Investigations
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UFO SIGHTINGS HAVE BEEN OBSERVED in Maine, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Idaho, California, Canada, Suriname, Chili, France, Yugoslavia, and Turkey. The Disclosure Project presentations continue in New York and Canada.

MAINE GREEN ORB

GREENE -- The witness reports a bright-greenish Orb with Red Halo spotted in sky over Northern woods on October 1, 2001, at 8:35 PM. It appeared to have come out from the direction of the full moon, which was to my left. The oval shape was speeding somewhat rapidly down at first, and I thought initially that it was a comet, as it appeared to have a tail and it was shooting a bit downward. Then it went off in a very rapid parallel direction, and the comet-like trail or vapors which followed it were no more. It hovered minus the trail(s) and then appeared more round. The orb was incandescent green with a vibrantly bright red halo surrounding it. It absolutely was not of this planet. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

NEW JERSEY FLYING TRIANGLE

LITTLE EGG HARBOR -- Arlene Griffith writes that on October 7, 2001, Sunday morning, at one AM, I was driving home from Sue's who lives right down the street, when I noticed something odd in the night sky. I looked up, marveling at the crisp autumn night sky and noticed three stars close together. My first thought was; "Gee, I've never seen that constellation before." The three stars formed a triangle in the sky. That's when I also noticed that it was too small to actually be a constellation, but too big to be an airplane. There were no blinking lights of any color that differentiates a plane or helicopter from the stars in the sky. I stopped in my driveway. It was hovering (from my viewpoint) at the end of my street, just over the treeline. We live in the woods (the Pine Barrens), three hundred feet from the road. I paused, then drove the rest of the way down the driveway, and ran into the house to get my brother. A minute later, he joined me out by the street. There was no sign of the three "stars" that formed neither a triangle nor anything else. Given recent events, air traffic activity in Southern New Jersey has been slow to return, so there were not any signs of any other aircraft. We live half an hour from the Atlantic City Airport, the FAA Tech Center, and McGuire Air Force Base. So we are well acquainted with the signs of aircraft. The first thing my brother asked me was if I could have mistaken it, maybe it was an airplane. No way. These were three steady lights, bright enough to be mistaken for stars and close enough together and arranged in such a distinct pattern to be shortly mistaken for a constellation. It was big, bigger than any airplane I had ever seen. Considering the events of September 11th, I wouldn't be surprised if some aliens dropped by to see how things were going down here. Thanks to L. Arlene Griffith, laurana70@yahoo.com,

and Lida Griffith/Lenox

PENNSYLVANIA STRANGE OVAL SHAPED CLOUD

PHILADELPHIA -- Dennis Donahue writes that on Thursday morning October 18, 2001, I went into my boss's office around 7:15 AM in west Conshohocken. She pointed out to me a strange looking cloud on an otherwise clear sunny morning. It was hanging in the air out over Bridgeport about 3 or 4 thousand feet in altitude. It was a strange very dark colored cloud, all by itself, with a perfect oval shape. We both joked about it being some kind of UFO because a natural cloud would not be so perfectly shaped, plus it's color was so dark against the morning sky. We both went to get some coffee and less than 60 seconds later I returned to her office to look at the cloud again but it had vanished. We were both stunned; a natural cloud would not have vanished so fast. There was nothing but blue sky. I find it interesting that the Limerick Nuclear Plant can be seen from our office window in the same direction as the cloud was seen. Surely other people must have seen this sight since ! it was near the Pennsylvania Turnpike during rush hour. Thanks to [Dennis in philly@yahoo.com](mailto:Dennis_in_philly@yahoo.com) (Dennis Donahue)

WEST VIRGINIA EGG OBJECT HOVERING OVER A FIELD

SANDYVILLE -- On October 2, 2001, at 6:50-6:55 AM, my sister and nephew were driving out their dirt road, when my nephew spotted a strange object and yelled at my sister to stop the vehicle. She didn't at first but he saw it again, pointing and telling her to pull over. It was a blimp-like but completely smooth object with no ribbing or lines like a blimp. The object was bright glowing red against the overcast cloudy day. There were black square things on the bottom. There were two barn like doors that were open, and a V-shaped object came out, with six circles on each side of the V. They watched it for five minutes and didn't move or make any noise. The object intrigued her, yet scared her. They drove a little farther down the road, and took their eyes off it, and when they looked back, it was gone. A blimp cannot travel that fast!

DUNBAR -- On October 3, 2001, the witness reports two singular lights traveling north with a third appearing to go straight up till fading out at 8:20 PM. The witness says, "I observed three separate lights in the night sky. The first was a bright white light I mistook for a star, before I noticed it was moving at an airliners steady rate. On first seeing the light I dismissed it, until I saw a couple of airplanes flying nearby and realized it wasn't lit like them. There was just one bright white light that continued across the sky until lost to view. I had been lying on a concrete bench looking straight up at the sky and noticed another bright white light overhead. This one, as I watched, got progressively dimmer as if going up. It didn't take but a moment to fade out. It wasn't a star and I'm aware that some stars viewed directly seem to disappear. The third was, obviously, at a very high altitude, also, going north near the area of the faded light. This one appeared to have a slight reddish cast and was moving faster than the first. My background is in mechanical drafting and design and I am an air and space buff so I know what is flying around, and these were strange. Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

OHIO SOARING LIGHTS

AKRON -- Tami writes, "While visiting my sister last night, October 23, 2001, we were out in her yard looking for " the strange lights. It was about 9:03 PM, when we first observed bright star like objects moving up and down in the sky. We observed these lights until the last one disappeared but we were able to get several hours of video. They were gone at 8:00 AM this morning. We first noticed these " lights" while camping on Aug 14, 2001, and we have seen these " lights" every night since then. The "lights" are very bright, and sometimes they can be seen below the clouds. We can only see an actual image of the lights, when viewed through the video. On tape, some of these lights act as though they are alive. They can be seen on video " morphing " other " lights" will move quickly and silently across the sky coming from the west, they can also be seen returning to the west in the early morning hours. We see allot of triangle formations of three lights, that are not as! bright as the others. When seen through binoculars you cannot see through the triangle, and there is a red light in the center of the

triangle. The height of the UFOs varied throughout the night, when clouds were over head, you could see flashes of lights through the clouds, some would shoot straight up in the air and disappear, and some would stay just below the clouds. Thanks to Tami Purpleufo@aol.com and Joe Trainor Masinaigan

ILLINOIS FLYING TRIANGLE SIGHTINGS

PARK FOREST -- On October 6, 2001, the witness reports seeing a Flying Triangle with circle lights in each corner. There was a light in the middle that was reddish orange blinking and going in slow motion at 10:00 PM,

MT. VERNON -- We had pulled into the driveway of the house October 8, 2001, and decided to sit out in the car and talk for a bit. While sitting there talking I had noticed 3 very bright lights, shaped as a triangle, hovering over the neighbor's house. The lights were entirely too bright and close to be stars. I immediately asked my friends what it was. We knew that the lights were too low to be any airplane. As we watched the lights, they began to slowly fade away leaving no trace of existence. We had decided to call my two friends Mom and she told us to come over there. From the stories we heard tonight, this isn't the first sighting that people have seen around this area.

PITTSBURG -- The witness reports, "It was there then it was gone like a bolt of lightning on October 8, 2001. There were three bright lights in the shape of a Flying Triangle. In the middle of the lights there was a really dark gray area. It hovered there for a minute and vanished without making any movements, like it had just gone blank. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

MISSOURI FLYING TRIANGLE

COLUMBIA -- On October 10, 2001, I was driving in my car way out in the country when I saw to my right, three white lights formed in a triangle shape. At first I thought it was just an airplane. The "craft" was moving south very slowly, so slow that I had to stop the car to see if it was moving at all, which it was. I stopped the car at 11:32 PM, and noticed that it was getting close and still wasn't making any noise of any kind. I got back in the car and started the engine. There were some trees in the way so I couldn't see the "craft" now, so I turned around and headed east. I looked to my right and the triangle had changed direction almost like it knew I was trying to follow. Now it headed east as well, and as it started to really pick up some speed I now could no longer follow. The white lights started to turn red and blue; they didn't change like a light going on, more like a transition. The case is under investigation by the Missouri Investigator Group,

FLORIDA STRANGE BLUE LIGHT

MIAMI -- My wife had been walking the dog On October 8, 2001, and came in to tell me that she had seen a strange blue light in the sky. She was concerned about terrorist activity, and wanted me to see it. I rushed out at 10:30 PM, and saw it was the size and intensity of a very bright star, but perhaps brighter than the brightest star. It had bluish cast. Over the ten minute period that I observed the object moved very rapidly, yet erratically, over a broad area of the sky. It moved like a bat, constantly changing directions. Straight for a second, then switch directions for another second, and then continue this erratic movement. It was dark and just beginning to rain but it did not disappear behind clouds or flicker. After a minute of watching, I ran into the house to grab a video camera but was never able to get it into the viewfinder. I speculated that the intensity was not sufficient or that it was moving too fast for me to catch it, though the latter does not seem to be a reasonable explanation. According to Peter Davenport Director of NUFORC this was an exceptionally good witness.

MISSISSIPPI NAVY RETIREE SAYS HE ALSO SAW SPACESHIP

PASCAGOULA -- Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal 10/21/01 by Natalie Chambers states. "When Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker told the world in 1973 they were abducted by aliens while fishing on the Pascagoula River, few people believed them. Now after 28 years, it appears they weren't alone in their experience on that October 11, night. A retired Navy chief petty

officer recently contacted The Mississippi Press about the sighting that he can't forget. Mike Cataldo of Rotonda West, Florida said he was on the pre-commissioning crew of the USS Tunney under construction at Ingalls Shipyard. Dusk was setting in as he and crewmates Ted Peralta and Mack Hanna were on US 90 heading to Ocean Springs. Peralta was driving, Hanna was in the front passenger seat, and Cataldo was in the back seat. "We saw a very strange object in the horizon going from northwest across Highway 90. It was going pretty fast and went down into a wooded area and into a marsh. It hovered over the tree line, for a minute. We actually pulled off the road and watched it. We said, 'My God, what is that.'" Cataldo said. "We saw it, no question about it. The object looked like a large tambourine with little lights flashing on it. "As quickly as we saw it, it just vanished," he said. Cataldo said he had a second sighting minutes later, this time in St. Andrews as he neared his home. "It wasn't as high up as we saw the first time. It was real," he said. Cataldo said he rushed and told his wife what happened. "I was almost hyperventilating. I wasn't shook up, but I was excited I saw this thing," he said. The next morning, Cataldo contacted his executive officer on the submarine and made a report. This helps confirm the famous Hickson and Parker story of being taken aboard a spacecraft. Thanks to FarShores News, www.100megsfree4.com/farshore

LOUISIANA DAYLIGHT SIGHTING

ALEXANDRIA -- Andrew West Griffin from Louisiana MUFON writes, "A coworker of mine told me today that she was driving down a residential street when she saw a strange triangle shaped craft slowly going in a northeast direction on October 15, 2001, at 10:30 AM. It was very unusual looking," she said. "It looked like a big Flying Triangle in a clear sky. I thought at first it might be some new radar plane heading to Barksdale AFB a hundred miles away, but it wasn't going that way." So far, there have been no other reports. Cordially, Andrew Griffin LA MUFON awg_paperboy@hotmail.com

TEXAS CYLINDER SHAPED UFO

FT. WORTH -- Skywatch reports, "Both my fiancée and I on October 19, 2001, were just getting out of the car when I noticed an object that appeared to be a missile. It had a fuselage but no wings and it was descending at a forty-five degree angle towards the ground at 4:30 PM. Suddenly there was a flash, and then the object, disappeared. Less than two seconds later all the way across the horizon I spotted another object moving at what I would say is an impossible speed, on a path that intersected with the first objects flight path. The second object abruptly vanished. Fifteen seconds later an AWACs or some type of large jet came from Carswell AFB heading for the area where the objects disappeared. It seemed cloud cover was not responsible for the disappearance of the two earlier craft. Thanks to Skywatch International skywatcher22@earthlink.net

IDAHO UFO

TWIN FALLS -- Brad Bickford writes, Friday night at around 10:05 we were returning from Twin Falls and in the western sky was a real bright light, it didn't move and after a while I thought it was a planet, so I asked my wife if she thought it looked like a planet, she agreed it did. It was an amber color, and after watching it for about 7-8 minutes (did not move once) it was like it slowly turned or shut its light off slow - but then was gone. There were no blinking lights around the area (thinking it might have been a plane). I was just curious if you had heard of any more reports around this area. Friday the 19th of Oct. pbick@northrim.net (Brad Bickford) at about 22:05. Brad Bickford pbick@northrim.net

CALIFORNIA ROUND UFOs AND GLOWING OBJECTS

BARSTOW -- The witness reports, "I was traveling on Interstate 40 at 7:00 PM when I saw a beautiful sunset on the desert near Needles on October 4, 2001. I noticed a small red, contrail from an airliner, but then I noticed it was "stationary" and not moving for 15 minutes. This contrail was "degrading" yet, a new contrail was being formed. Below the aircraft was a small round, gray "UFO." dancing, and going back and fourth. The airliner was stationary, burning fuel, and creating a contrail, as this UFO

hovered about 7 thousand feet "under" the large liner. I noticed many people watching this in the Daggaet Solar Power area 50 miles from Edwards Air Force Base. I clearly saw a round UFO, and this jet, with small contrail, and it was reddish, with the sun, setting, and was below the horizon, or mountains. It was "beautiful" and "spectacular," and was the most bizarre, thing I ever seen. I felt it was showing off for all the cars traveling along I-40, that evening. I call! led the Highway Patrol in Barstow; they said they got hundreds of phone calls on this. They said it was a helicopter. I say it was a UFO, round, gray, and making a motion, for attention. Then after I was under it, the UFO, went away, and the "airliner" was free, to travel, to its destination.

HAYWARD -- Many different colored glowing objects were observed on October 10, 2001, by brothers. They went outside and looked up at 8:35 PM and watched two small-lighted objects move slowly across the sky. I estimate their altitude to be above 40,000 feet. They observed three objects in a triangle formation all of which were different colors and glowing. These three objects moved as if they were being dropped by parachute. Then three or four other lighted objects appeared in the same general area. The sighting lasted 60 to 90 seconds and were filmed.

LAKE ELSINORE -- My girlfriend and I were up in the Ortega Mountains to sky watch when we notice a dim red star on October 7, 2001. We drove to a more remote location to scrutinize it better. The "red star" started moving slowly, and started doing fast turns and circles in the sky at 11:30 PM. It eventually fades to the point where it was easy to lose sight of. Then, in another area of the sky, the light reappears and moved from left to right slowly before disappearing. Seconds later, the light, with a different appearance and white color, reappeared in a closer mountain range. It is moving towards us now and the light became brighter! Out of extreme fear, we get in the car and drove as fast as we can down the mountain, risking a serious car accident. As I looked back at this object, while driving erratically, I could see that it was close enough to see three white lights. We must have escaped quickly enough because by the time we got on the main road, the object was ! out of sight. Thanks to Peter Davenport at www.ufocenter.com

CANADA ASTEROID OR UFO?

VANCOUVER Sun reports by Patricia Bailey published: October 15, 2001. A woman who told police she witnessed an airplane crash into a hillside near Mission probably saw an asteroid, says one of the province's top astrophysicists. "I think it was probably a fireball," said Jeremy Tatum, a University of Victoria astronomer. Mission RCMP say an unidentified woman called their detachment Sunday afternoon and said she saw an object that "glinted silver in the sun," hit the side of a hill north of Deroche. The woman saw no smoke or fire in the spot where she thought the plane landed, said police. "It's almost universal for a witness to think it's very close. But typically its more than sixty kilometers up in the air," said Tatum. Shortly after the woman contacted the detachment, police from Mission, Calgary, Cranbrook, Golden, Banff and Jasper received calls that a meteor was observed falling. "A plane wouldn't have been seen over that wide an area," said the astrophysicist, ! who added that if the asteroid didn't break up in the sky first, it probably crashed to the earth in Alberta. Thanks to Far Shores News, www.100megsfree4.com/farshore

SURINAME DAYLIGHT UFO

PARAMARIBO -- Far Shores reports, "On October 18, 2001, dozens of people in the South American country of Suriname reported seeing an unidentified flying object near its capital. Police, military and air traffic control officials said they received reports of a brightly lit white object that appeared to fly back and forth, sometimes at great speed, during a two-hour period Wednesday morning. Local media also broadcast reports of the alleged sightings on the southern outskirts of the capital, and most television stations broadcast images of the object. Surinamese Air Force Officer Tony Comvalius said, "He saw the object, There were no planes in the area at the time and he confirmed with the weather service that it was not a weather balloon. I don't know what it was, but it was definitely not a flying object I know." Not everyone was convinced that the sighting was mysterious. The strange object was first seen

around 10:00 AM flying above Flora and the Suriname Air Force Base. It was moving at very high speed, back and forth to a point near the sun. An hour later it disappeared. Thanks to De War Tijd, Paramaribo / Surinam 10/18/01 and farshores@canada.com www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/

CHILEAN CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS SAYS, "UFOs ARE REAL"

SANTIAGO DE CHILE -- Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo reports, "The former Chilean Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Jorge Martinez declared, "UFOs are real." The ex-CNO made the shocking statement during interview with a Chilean television network. The interview was conducted by journalist from Teletrece. The retired admiral admitted that he personally witnessed two UFOs at sea, when he was a young lieutenant, and saw a very luminous white object in front of his patrol boat. When he took command of his first destroyer, then Captain Martinez saw another similar object emerging from the water, creating a strong interference with the navigation system and the ship's radar. Guillermo Jimenez, another former Chilean officer claimed that the sonar system onboard his ship detected two submarine-like objects that caused similar malfunctions with shipboard electronics. "They displayed the same size and metallic resonant characteristics that ordinary subs typically show; however, these! objects were too fast to be submarines," said Jimenez. Both Jimenez and Martinez described how the gyrocompass systems were out of control. "The radar displays went completely blank and the gyro was spinning very rapidly, as if a strong magnetic force was present." Some UFO investigators call this phenomenon "UUU" or unidentified underwater objects. Interviewer Rodrigo Ugarte told us that there were many other officers that described similar events but did not want to go on the air. Thanks to Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo Mario and Miami UFO Center ufomiami@prodigy.net 10-21-1

FRANCE DARK UFO SEEN

SAINTE-SUZANNE -- On October 10, 2001, the witness reports seeing a dark flying object, with a long and large light blue flame trailing behind. The object disappeared after a two second zigzag course at 7:40 PM. The dark object was moving west. The witness was looking to the south, at about 45° above the horizon. The weather was clear with stars, satellites, and planes was visible. There were no falling stars visible. Peter Davenport NUFORC.

YUGOSLAVIA MOVING COLORED LIGHTS

SERBIA -- Andréa Pejic writes that, "It is one hour and half after midnight on October 23, 2001, in the city of Nis, south. There is something in the night sky that is changing colors and is not staying in one place. It is moving in an eastern direction towards Bulgaria. There are several witnesses to this sighting and I will try to get more info in the morning." Sorry about bad English, but I'm writing this so excited and cant believe my eyes. I'm the marketing manager and one of the owners of Mobile Group Yugoslavia. Thanks to Andréa Pejic mgroup@eunet.yu

TURKEY ALIEN LIFE FORM

AMASYA -- The Scientific Research Project of Turkey UFO reports that on July 23, 2001, an alien life form was observed in a 4th Floor apartment at 9:30 PM on a hot evening. The alien, or extraterrestrial creature's height was about 1.05 meters. He had very big jet black eyes, slanting up. The alien was observed for two seconds. His color was gray like smoke. The witness was breast-feeding her 5 month old baby when she turned her head and saw the alien in front of the balcony door four floors up. Suddenly he disappeared. His skull was oval-shaped and bald and looked like it formed as bones only. The witness called her husband who did not see the alien. They kept the story secret until they learned others had seen UFOs the same night. Thanks to TUVPO liastar-0005@coopresources.net (Jeffrey M. Foss)

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TORONTO -- Dr. Steven Greer Disclosure presentation by Major George Filer (ret.) and Commander Graham Bethune (ret.) in Toronto on Sunday, October 28 at the University of Toronto Convocation Hall 32 King's College Circle, St. George Campus at

1:00 PM. Local Sponsor is Allan Jaggard: 416 201-1184.

Web cast of the May 9, Disclosure Project News Conference at the National Press Club can be see at:

<http://www.disclosureproject.org/npcwebcast.htm>

Filer's Files may be late next week due to presentation.

NEW YORK -- Disclosure presentation by Steven Greer, M.D., NYC on October 26, with Video Taped Testimony of Military, Government & Intelligence Witnesses Friday, Oct. 26, 7:30 PM: The New York Academy of Medicine, Hosack Hall, 1216 5th Ave. at 103rd St., NYC \$10 Facility Fee Donation. Parking: Academy, 50 spaces free after 5:30 PM, 1st come basis; Merit Parking, 107th & Madison Ave. Doors open 6:30 PM Disclosure Video Presentation starts at 7:30 PM., Thanks to Jim Schilder Disclosure volunteer

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 13:51:13 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 08:01:53 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

>From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 18:25:44 -0400
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 12:20:17 -0600

>>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 23:48:41 +0200

>>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 18:40:57 -0600

>>I intend to get some straight answers from an nationally known
>>pathologist M.D. tomorrow. He's also an abductee.

>Whatever his professional standing, the fact that he is a (by
>necessity, self-proclaimed) abductee) makes any input he
>provides automatically suspect. This is called "contamination"
>and science tries very hard to avoid it. Surely there are
>'non-abducted' pathologists who could provide answers to your
>questions?

>Purrrrrs...
>wac

Dear Wendy, Listers,

Let's try not to get the cart before the horse here. I've done that enough on this List. The fact that the M.D. happens to be an abductee has nothing whatsoever to do with the fact that he has access to a well-stocked medical library, and I do not. If you do, start researching the question! Furthermore, I do not know at this time that he will find any reference to what I ask. He may find no reference to the old punch biopsy procedure. We shall see.

If, however, he does find some information, it's got to be better than the constant speculation, one way or the other. Right? I will ask him to dictate the passage to me, so that there can be no mistaking what the medical books say, as well as the medical volume and page number. So, any other interested M.Ds or people who do have access to a well-stocked medical library can also check the reference.

Therefore, the fact that he is an abductee will have no bearing on the information provided. Granted, he may look a little harder and research a little longer (which in my book is a "good thing") than a debunker might, but the results will probably be the same. And, I can trust that he has done a thorough job in the search process. I would not trust anyone (except myself) to do as thorough a job. The only other incentive for him may be a

homemade baked pan of lasagna.

You will not be given his name under any circumstances, because it will not be his opinion, but rather the historical published opinion of others. Therefore, anyone's 'inability' to accept the facts (whatever they may be... if there are any!) becomes a 'personal preference'.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 21:00:07 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 08:04:19 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 21:18:48 -0400
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>I read the documents and your commentary. If I understood
>correctly, th special study commenced in October, 1950 and was
>finished in June, 1951. If I understood correctly, Marshall
>Chadwell visited Britain as part of this study in 1951. Are you
>saying there was another study in 1952,or did they simply give
>Churchill the results of the 1951 study?

Hi Bruce,

Not so much a study but a change in policy that followed a series of spectacular sightings/radar cases in Sept/Oct 1952 (during the exercise Mainbrace). This resulted in the Air Ministry/MOD creating a permanent flying saucer committee within a technical branch of DDI (Tech) that included some of the faces from the earlier study, some of whom went to the US for briefings at ATIC. Ruppelt makes a mention of one visit in his 1956 memoirs.

>The MOD learned their ATIC lessons well.

In that we are in agreement!

>I wonder if the MOD analysts were aware of the number of
>sightings in the USA in which the motion of a UFO was compared to
>that of a 'falling leaf'.

There is a lot more to emerge with regards to "falling leaf" motion and the sightings by RAF personnel described in the Working Party report. This will have to wait until the publication of our book early next year. But I promise you will not be disappointed!

Thanks for your comments, which are appreciated.

Dave Clarke

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 16:36:56 -0400
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 08:17:10 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:51:55 -0700
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:38:32 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
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>>>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>>>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 18:40:57 -0600

>>>>>Physical details such as these scoop marks - among other such
>>>>>physical phenomena that appear in the abductee population - need
>>>>>to be thoroughly investigated and analyzed by medical experts.
>>>>>We need to know what the incidence of occurrence of identical
>>>>>scars are within the general population.

>>>I completely agree. But, let me remember that we know about
>>>"scoop marks" since the 80s. Why nobody has bother to do
>>>something along this line in 20 years?

>>Ahaaa! Now you are asking a really relevant question. Maybe now
>>you can get a sense of the level of frustration that I feel as
>>an experienter/reporter of the phenomena. ;)

>>'Why' indeed. A part of the answer to that question has to do
>>with the appalling lack of resources available to those who do
>>investigate these cases, in tandem with an even more appalling
>>lack of interest/will to do so, by anyone with the
>>where-with-all to actually make it happen. (ie; research
>>institution, medical facility, etc. or on the private side; with
>>funds from UFO 'regulars' Bob Bigelow or Larry, 'Daddy Warbucks'
>>Rockefeller.)

>John,

>If someone gathered a mass of data on the prevalence of scoop
>marks on Americans (the general populace), how would you go about
>trying to decide what fraction of them were associated with
>abductions - abductees who didn't know they were abductees, or
>weren't at all certain?

Hiya Jim,

The short answer to that one is; there is no way to know "for
sure" who may or may not be an "abductee." I'm not a scientist
Jim, and I don't pretend to know what the right 'procedures'
are. I do know however that it is important to determine how
'common' or 'uncommon' these scoop marks may be. If every other

person has one, that tells us one thing. If it is a rare occurrence, or something only found on the bodies of those reporting UFO abduction, that will tell us another thing. It has to be taken in steps. My point is however; that steps do need to be taken. They haven't been, so far. I frankly don't think they ever will be either. ;)

Everybody wants answers. The problem is, no one is doing any of the basic research required in order to find those answers. All we have is a plethora of theories and speculations that tend to run around in circles and more often than not, just plain piss people off. The only way we will ever come by 'reliable answers,' ones that are based on careful study and consideration will be when somebody actually takes on the work and does it. It will take real intelligence, talent, time and money. All of which are commodities in short supply in ufology. After all, we're not an endowed foundation. Ufology is a loose association of groups and individuals that all work independently of each other for the most part. Without a united foundation, funding, and the will to do it, work such as I am suggesting will never be done.

I'm waiting for the aliens themselves to end the cover-up. They are the only ones who can convince the world that they exist. What we do on these lists is basically 'mark time' until that day comes.

*Haven't seen much of you on the List lately. Hope all is well with you and yours Jim.

Warmest regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Contents:

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- National Conference on Luminous Phenomena
- New Book by Lissoni

UFO OVER TURIN?

A strange sphere fluttering in the sky, a few hundred meters high over the Porta Nuova railway station, was sighted shortly before noon by a police patrol on duty in Turin on Saturday, 15 September.

Similar to a small hot-air balloon or a parachute, the object seemed to have a kind of metallic cylinder hanging down, and it attracted the attention of a small crowd of witnesses. At police headquarters, they contacted the Caselle Airport control tower, but nothing was observed on the radar screens, which led to the conjecture that the sighting might have involved a weather balloon.

The object then rose very slowly, vanishing in the sky.

[La Repubblica, Turin edition, 16 September; Ufoitalia, 18 September; collaboration by Roberto Labanti.]

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON LUMINOUS PHENOMENA

It's now posted on the Internet by the CISU "Commission on Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere": it is the program for the 16th National UFO Conference, organized as it is each year by the Italian Center for UFO Studies, taking place on Saturday, 13 October, and hosted this year inside of the Planetary Hall of the Astronomic Observatory at San Giovanni in Persiceto (Bologna), with the theme, "Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere and Instrumental Ufology."

Among the topics: "Earthquake Lights and Tectonic Theory" (Massimo Silvestri); "The Italian Wave of Ghost Lights at the End of the Nineteenth Century" (Giuseppe Stilo); "Towards an Instrumental Ufology" (Renzo Cabassi); "The EMBLA 2001 Mission in Hessdalen" (Massimo Teodorani); "The Italian Catalogue of Ball Lightning Cases" (Paolo Toselli); and "The Physics of Ball Lightning" (Albino Carbognani).

[Announcements by Renzo Cabassi and Giuseppe Stilo.]

NEW BOOK BY LISSONI

Following his previous work on UFOs in non-Westernized countries, Alfredo Lissoni now publishes his new book, entitled "UFO progetto Genesi" ("UFO Project Genesis"), whose thesis is the extraterrestrial presence in Ancient Israel, based on the Bible, of apocryphal gospels and other Hebrew texts. The volume, edited by Mir publications in Florence, totals far under 200 pages and lists for 25,000 lire.

[La Rete Cun, 20 September.]

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- Italian Wave of Sightings Appears Over
- Ribera and McDuff Dead
- National UFO Conference in Bologna
- Little UFO Encyclopedia

ITALIAN WAVE OF SIGHTINGS APPEARS OVER

As predicted, the attacks of last 11 September in New York and Washington caused an abrupt halt to the summer wave of sightings of UFO phenomena taking place in Italy since the month of June.

In fact, the attention of the mass media and the general public has shifted to the international political situation. Consequently, the number of reported observations of aerial phenomena remained high during the first ten days of the month, but it has greatly diminished by now.

A comprehensive assessment of the wave will be issued by the Italian Center for UFO Studies before next 11 October. Meanwhile, updates are available on the Internet of the lists of case records gathered through 10 September and updated continuously [<http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/casi0108.htm>].

[Collaboration by Giorgio Abraini and Giuseppe Stilo.]

RIBERA AND McDUFF DEAD

Last 20 September, there died the Canadian Ufologist Claude McDuff, animator during the 1970's for the UFO-Quebec Association, collaborator of Hynek, and author of two books on the on the UFO argument.

[Report by François Bourbeau; Ovni-Sciences, 22 September.]

Meanwhile, on September 24th and just short of 81 years, there passed away in his home on the outskirts of Barcelona Antonio Ribera, probably the most well-known Spanish Ufologist. A pioneer of Ufology in his country, he was among the founders of the Center for Interplanetary Studies in 1958, and during nearly 40 years was the author of hundreds of articles and twenty-odd UFO books, five of which were translated and also published in Italy.

[Report by Josep Guijarro; UFO-Italia, 25 September.]

NATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE IN BOLOGNA

The countdown is on to the 16th National Ufology Conference, currently being organized by the Italian Center for UFO Studies and hosted this year by the Astronomic Observatory of San Giovanni in Persiceto, just out of Bologna, on Saturday 13 October, from 10 am through 7 pm.

The theme of the 2001 edition is: "Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere and Instrumental Ufology: New Avenues for Research?",

which will span from nocturnal lights to the Hessdalen phenomenon, from ball lightning to atmospheric lights.

During the conference, three new monographs will be presented from the series "Documenti UFO", the fruit of the labor of as many CISU workgroups concerning subjects within to realm of unusual luminous phenomena.

LITTLE UFO ENCYCLOPEDIA

A new UFO book from Armenia Publications, delivered with its Eco collection to bookstores for 14,500 lire, is a voluminous pocket-sized work of 510 pages entitled, "La piccola grande enciclopedia degli UFO" ("The Little Giant UFO Encyclopedia"), a translation of a recent text by English Ufologist Jenny Randles.

It is subdivided into four parts: a chronology of the basic facts on UFO history; a presentation of the data divided into categories of typology; a view of the scene in the principal nations worldwide; and a list of names, acronyms, people, researchers and organizations.

As for Italy, the CISU obviously has the lion's share, as it is the only association mentioned and recommended as a reference source for our country.

[Report by Gian Paolo Grassino.]

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

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Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:30:58 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 13:15:44 -0500

>>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 09:44:16 +0100

Dave,

>>At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
>>yourself in this condescending equation. In other words: "What I
>>know, I know; what you know, you only believe." I state this
>>not to start another tedious quarrel about Roswell, in which I
>>will not participate, but simply to point out what rhetorically
>>is happening here, and how pointless it is.

>I know how fond you are of quoting from the work of David
>Hufford, but surely you cannot be suggesting that only
>rationalists have prejudices.

To the contrary, my friend. I'm saying we all have prejudices.
Even you. We just have to recognize them for what they are, and
try not to confuse them with ultimate truth.

>"What I know, I know; what you
>know, you only believe" can be turned on its head just as
>effectively and directed towards those who continue to 'know'
>that ET crashed at Roswell, in the face of all that has emerged
>in the last 20 years.

Actually, the fact of the matter is that where Roswell and many
other contentious ufological issues are concerned, none of us
"knows," yourself and myself included. Condescension is a cheap
sentiment, and a cheaper tactic, and it gets us nowhere.

I have great admiration for your research efforts, and less of it
for your seeming need to spin whatever you come up with into
an object lesson in Dave Clarke's infallible judgments.

Where the UFO phenomenon is concerned, one lesson all of us
ought to have learned by now is intellectual modesty. It ill
behoves us to pretend that we know more than we really know.
At present all we have, wherever we are coming from, are
informed opinions, whose validity only history will be able to
judge, and history takes its own good time.

In the meantime, I am intrigued by Chester P. Barton's
testimony* and can only shake my head at Ralph Noyes's

insistence (cited by you in the previous posting as, I gather, your idea of devastating disconfirmation) that if Roswell-as-extraordinary-event had happened, someone would have told him about it. With all due respect, that statement is, or should be, meaningless to anybody but the late Mr. Noyes. Barton -- who, after all, was there at Roswell -- is the one (among others) to whom we ought to be paying attention and from whom we may actually learn something. Even if that testimony is inconsistent with the hypothesis -- if I were uncharitable, I'd say belief -- that Roswell was about nothing of consequence.

Cordially,

Jerry Clark

*Joseph Stefula (with additional commentary by Mark Rodeghier), "The Roswell Testimony of Chester P. Barton," International UFO Reporter, Summer 2001, pp. 21-23, 29-30.

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 04:44:53 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:39:04 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation
>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 00:13:49 +0100

>One excellent hypothesis is that it was a re-entry of a KH-9
>film cannister. The measured radiation levels have been used by
>ETH explanation propounders to support their hypothesis, but is
>far from the only element indicating that something happened.

Joe,

Is this your theory on what happened? Only I have to ask if you are basing any of this on any of the base witnesses details on the nights in question? I think before we lose the public in hundreds of numbers, we should at least first verify one point. Objects were seen, both in the sky and on the ground, under some intelligent control, therefore making such a theory as the one you mention quite (in my book at least) unfeasible. Can your KH-9 Film canister move between forest trees once it has landed? And again, would any of the people on the base at the time, have any specific knowledge on such a device?

How many film canisters would be needed over the period of nights to cause such a commotion in a rural part of the UK? And surely Georgina Bruni (one of the UKs in-depth rendlesham investigators) would have come across such a theory in her lengthy digging?

Roy...

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New Video

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 05:08:21 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:40:35 -0400
Subject: New Video

Hi All,

Just to highlight a new video by Chris Martin - I wrote and composed the soundtrack.

<http://www.ufomag.co.uk/EXCLUSIVE01.htm>

Thanks,

Roy..

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:42:16 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:06:50 +0100

>>From: Pat McCartney <ElPatricio@aol.com>
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:59:13 EDT
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>The example that always comes to mind is the late Barry
>>Goldwater's attempts to personally examine purported UFO relics
>>at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. If anything, Goldwater's
>>credentials far outweighed Cochrane's. He was a general in the
>>Air Force Reserves, and as a U.S. senator chaired the Senate's
>>Select Committee on Intelligence. Banking on his longtime
>>friendship with General Curtis LeMay, the Wright-Patterson
>>commander at the time, Goldwater made repeated requests to visit
>>locations at Wright-Patterson where it was rumored that such
>>artifacts were stored.

>Hi Pat,

>The most important word here is "rumored."

>My dictionary defines "rumour" as "general talk or hearsay of
>doubtful accuracy" and "a current but unverified statement or
>assertion."

While Dave appears to "focus" on the word "rumored" he
apparently hasn't read the letters from Goldwater stating that
the subject was classified above Top Secret and that not even he
had access to it as either a US Senator or USAF General.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

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Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:45:15 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100

Jerry Clark wrote:

>>Meantime, the Summer 2001 issue of International UFO Reporter
>>(published by CUFOS, 2457 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago,
>>Illinois 60659; yes, this is a plug) carries a fascinating
>>article, Joseph Stefula's "The Roswell Testimony of Chester P.
>>Parton." Yet another piece of testimony, this time from a truly
>>unexpected (and well-placed) source, casting yet more doubt on
>>the standard debunking theories about what happened in New
>>Mexico in July 1947. It is safe to say that, Dave's earnest and
>>no doubt sincere words above notwithstanding, thoughtful people
>>will continue to wonder about and debate the Roswell incident.
>>It seems safe to say, too, that those who demand certainty even
>>when none is available are doomed only to a lifetime of
>>frustration.

Dave Responded:

>When you can produce some authenticated document in support of
>your "wonder" I'll be happy to change my mind, but in the
>meantime I reserve the right to remain sceptical. Again, "people
>will believe what they want to believe", me included.

The skeptical mindset has been over the years:

- 1) No amount of documents or evidence will ever convince... (so)
- 2) Most if not all documents and evidence are proof of misidentification, hoax, stars, balloons or errors by the witness... (but)
- 3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above, then we attack the credibility of the witness...
- 4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)
- 5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with said earthly explanation.

Cheers,

Robert

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EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?

From: Kurt Jonach <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 22:16:50 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 09:48:35 -0400
Subject: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?

The Electric Warrior : News Blog October 24, 2001

RETIRED NAVAL OFFICER CONFIRMS FAMOUS UFO CASE?
UFO & ETI news

This item from the Associated Press touches on a famous
UFO/ETI case in Mississippi...

21-Oct-01 Navy retiree says he also saw spaceship 28 years ago
<http://www.djournal.com/djournal/site/articles/news/699342.htm>

(djournal.com/AP) When Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker told the world in 1973 they were abducted by aliens while fishing on the Pascagoula River, few people believed them... A retired Navy chief petty officer recently contacted The Mississippi Press about the sighting that he can't forget... [Hickson] "These things are robots. I didn't see any eyes. They had no indication of breathing. They didn't have a mouth. It was a straight slit. It seems they had something to do and they just actually done it. Took us back out there, put us down and they left."

HICKSON/PARKER ENTITY DOODLE
ufo & eti news

Mac Tonnies describes himself as a relentless doodler. It turns out Mac recently posted some drawings related to the Mississippi incident...

19-Oct-01 Drawing of Hickson/Parker Entity
<http://mactonnies.com/doodles3.html>

(MacTonnies.com) I found and scanned a drawing I did of the entity allegedly encountered by Hickson and Parker in Mississippi. For whatever it's worth, it can be see here.

NATIONAL IDENTITY CARD
technology news

With regard to the local story EW has been running, it's bad news for Silicon Valley moguls, good news for conspiracy theorists. The Los Angeles Times clears the air on the subject of national identity cards...

24-Oct-01 National ID Card System Failing to Attract Supporters

<http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-102401idcards.story>

(Los Angeles Times) - Calls for a national system of identification cards sparked by the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon have gained little traction, failing to win endorsements from the Bush administration or congressional leaders...the idea of a national ID has run into many of the same criticisms as in previous decades, when it was seen as an answer to illegal immigration and other problems.

Both civil liberties groups and many conservatives oppose it.

MIAMI UFO CENTER

Thanks again to Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo for the use of his story about the former Chilean Naval chief. The plain-text (email) version of the story failed to include a URL to the Web sites. Here they are...

Miami UFO Center (Spanish)
<http://www.angelfire.com/fl/ufomiami/>

Miami UFO Reporter (English)
<http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Corridor/1341/>

THE ELECTRIC WARRIOR
October 24, 2001
Silicon Valley, CA
<http://www.electricwarrior.com>

eWarrior@electricwarrior.com

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Contents:

- Two New Monographs for the Conference
- A Book on Area 51
- Sergio Conti Dead
- A Stop to the Publicity Using Aliens?

TWO NEW MONOGRAPHS FOR THE CONFERENCE

Two new monographs by the Italian Center for UFO Studies have just been issued in the series "Documenti UFO" by UPIAR Publications, in advance of the 16th National UFO Conference, which is dedicated this year to the theme: "Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere and Instrumental Ufology: New Avenues for Research?"

The first monograph is mainly consisting of the research by Giuseppe Stilo on "ghost lights" and, in particular, on the wave of sightings in Italy between the Late 19th and the Early 20th centuries, alongside which the author has provided an ample introduction to the theme of "earthlights" (recurring lights that appear linked to a specific territorial area), and a wide, unprecedented international bibliography on that subject. "Luci lontane" ("Distant Lights") totals a good 92 pages and lists for 18,000 lire (14,500 lire for CISU members, free to donors).

The second monograph ("EQL - Le luci sismiche") is an introduction to earthquake lights, i.e. the mysterious lights described in association with earthquakes and other geological phenomena. It's by Massimo Silvestri, who has directed this sector within the CISU Committee for Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere, and who has himself also edited a rich bibliography about the theme. It totals 52 pages and lists for 10,000 lire (8,000 lire for subscribers).

The monographs will be presented and made available during the announced CISU 16th National UFO Conference, which will be held in the Planetary Hall of the Astronomic Observatory at San Giovanni in Persiceto (Bologna) on Saturday 13 October, beginning at 10 am and running through 7 pm.

[Collaboration by Gian Paolo Grassino.]

A BOOK ON THE AREA 51

Making its way into bookstores from Fanucci publications, is an interesting read penned by Phil Patton and entitled "Dreamland - Un reportage dall'Area 51" ("Dreamland - A Report from Area 51"), totaling 380 pages and listing at 28,000 lire.

The author, a journalist and writer, carries out a journey of

research on the roots of the myth of this location, from the true mysteries of the Cold War to the to the implications for UFOs, and from the actual American superweapons to the conspiracy fanatics.

[Report by Maurizio Morini.]

SERGIO CONTI DEAD

A new struggle for Ufology, this time on the Italian front: the death in Florence of the journalist Sergio Conti.

Born in 1921, and for a long time passionate about puzzles and parapsychology, he played a central role since 1971 in the publication of the monthly, "Il Giornale dei Misteri" (The Journal of Mysteries) from Corrado Tedeschi publ., and was thus among the group of Tuscan scholars who met at the Sezione Ufologica Fiorentina, where for years he penned almost all the articles published on the G.d.M. and relative to inquiries by the various UFO youth groups headed by the SUF.

Author or co-author of various books on arguments dealing with mysteries and the unusual, his name figured on the covers of all three volumes of the series, "UFO in Italia" ("UFO's in Italy").

[Collaboration by Giorgio Russolillo and Gianni Settimo.]

A STOP TO ALIENS IN ADVERTISING?

The terrorist attacks in the United States have led, among other things, to growing difficulties throughout the tourism sector. But the attacks seem also to have instigated what could turn out to be an overall halt to the promotional campaigns making reference to the alien-arrival theme.

In fact, the Regional Union of Thermal Springs has announced, at Salsomaggiore, the suspension of the planned autumn publicity campaign slated for the cinema, with a spot featuring the benefits of a period of R&R from a thermal springs vacation, via a series of images of spaceships from outer space dropping in on the region of Emilia-Romagna.

The campaign was no longer considered appropriate, because it evoked the air assault on New York and, even, a counterproductive feeling of insecurity. The regional tourism agency, which coordinated the "flying saucers" campaign throughout various locations of Emilia-Romagna over the last few months, has left to the Region's president the final decision whether to suspend the planned project.

[Gazzetta di Parma, 3 October; Ufo-Italia, 3 October; collaboration by Roberto Labanti.]

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Subject: Re: Richard Doty Interview? - Myers

>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 23:41:27 EDT
>Subject: Richard Doty Interview?
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Royce,

>I was curious if you have been able to conduct your Doty
>interview yet.

Hi Robert,

I started the interview with Richard some time ago. As you may or may not know, Richard is a Sergeant with the New Mexico State Police and his position, along with his special details for that unit, keep him very busy. Last I heard there was some sort of personal tragedy that had taken place in Richard's life and decided to give Richard some time to deal with whatever he needed to deal with.

I do hope to complete the interview. There appears to be a lot about Richard that some people probably aren't aware of. To say the least, what I have so far is interesting but I will not be publishing it until the interview is complete. Richard, are you out there? I will be sending another e-mail to him shortly.

Regards,

Royce J. Myers III
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>RETIRED NAVAL OFFICER CONFIRMS FAMOUS UFO CASE?
>UFO & ETI news

>A retired Navy chief petty officer recently contacted The
>Mississippi Press about the sighting that he can't forget...

List, all,

For those interested in such things, a chief petty officer is
not a commissioned officer but an *NCO... in the Army, this
would be the same as a sergeant...

KRandle

*[NCO = Non-Commisioned Officer--ebk]

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- National UFO Conference at San Giovanni
in Persiceto
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- A New UFO Book for Kids

ALL THIS SUMMER UFOS

As announced, Giuseppe Stilo made public the definitive summary lists of data gathered by the Italian Center for UFO Studies relative to the wave of UFO sightings over Italy during the summer months of this year: to date, we've got as many as 385 cases, of which 71 occurred in June, 88 in July, 190 in August, and 36 in September.

The new version of the reports list, heretofore catalogued by the CISU working group, is available on the Internet at the URL: <http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/casi0108.htm> Any correction or addition will be most welcome.

Beginning with the month of October, the CISU will keep on with the real-time monitoring of new case reports, through the help of a now well-tested ad-hoc telematic mailing list, where some ten active members are collaborating. In a short time, additionally, summary lists from the preceding months will be made public and kept updated.

[Report by Giuseppe Stilo.]

NATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE AT SAN GIOVANNI
IN PERSICETO

Taking place this weekend at San Giovanni in Persiceto (Bologna) is the 16th National UFO Conference, organized by the Italian Center for UFO Studies at the Planetary Hall of the local Astronomic Observatory.

This year's theme: "Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere and Instrumental Ufology: New Avenues for Research?"

Papers will be presented on: "Earthquake Lights and Tectonic Theory" (Massimo Silvestri), "The Italian Wave of Ghost Lights at the End of the 19th Century" (Giuseppe Stilo), "Towards a Instrumental Ufology" (Renzo Cabassi), "The Embla 2001 Mission in Hessdalen" (Massimo Teodorani), "The Italian Catalogue of Ball Lightning Reports" (Paolo Toselli) and "The Physics of Ball Lightning" (Albino Carbognani).

The day after the conference there will be the CISU members annual general meeting, with the approval of balance sheets and the election of the new council of directors.

TWO MORE CISU MONOGRAPHS

Just before the national conference, two more monographs by the Italian Center for UFO Studies have just been published in the series "Documenti UFO" by UPIAR publications Ltd.

The first one concerns one of the themes of the conference and at the same time is an absolute primer for our country: "BLITA: The Italian Catalogue of Ball Lightning Observations", by Paolo Toselli. It contains 184 detailed forms of as many cases, complete with coordinates, environmental data, sources and a description of every sighting, plus an introduction to the database project, a premise penned by the Russian physicist Vladimir Bychkov, some statistics, and a closing statement on the similarities and differences between ball lightning and UFO sightings (108 pages, lists for 22,000 lire; 17,500 lire for CISU members, free to donors).

The second monograph is another thematic catalogue, but this time more typically UFO-oriented in nature. Marco Orlandi has finally completed his "AirCat - The Italian Catalogue of Sightings Made by Pilots and UFO-Airplane Interactions": 330 detailed cases from 1936 through 2001, with two introductory and concluding articles (52 pages, 11,000 lire; 8,000 lire for CISU members).

[Report by Gian Paolo Grassino and Paolo Toselli.]

A NEW UFO BOOK FOR KIDS

A new little book on UFOs has just been published, aimed at teen-agers. It is titled "UFO Dischi Volanti, Extraterrestri, Avvistamenti, Incontri e Complotti" ("UFO's Flying Saucers, Extraterrestrials, Sightings, Encounters and Conspiracies"), and it's published by Kybernet in Serravalle Pistoiese for the collection, "Le Kikke di Kyber" : tiny monographs dealing with "themes most beloved by teenagers."

[Report by Giancarlo D'Alessandro]

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Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:25:08 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:17:08 -0400
Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:05:50 EDT
>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Kurt Jonach <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>>To: <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>>Subject: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 22:16:50 -0700

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>>RETIRED NAVAL OFFICER CONFIRMS FAMOUS UFO CASE?
>>UFO & ETI news

>>A retired Navy chief petty officer recently contacted The
>>Mississippi Press about the sighting that he can't forget...

>List, all,

>For those interested in such things, a chief petty officer is
>not a commissioned officer but an *NCO... in the Army, this
>>would be the same as a sergeant...

>KRandle

>*[NCO = Non-Commisioned Officer--ebk]

Dear Kevin,

I don't understand your argument? Are you insinuating that because of the person's rank as an NCO (non-commissioned officer) that he is in someway unreliable, or that his testimony is questionable, or that his rank had anything at all to do with his ability to report what he claims to have experienced, or that his senses were somehow diminished by his rank? If that's what you are arguing, your ability to logically reason are certainly in question. What are you saying exactly? Maybe I misunderstood!? I hope so.

I just snipped the excerpt show below from another email and thought you might want to reconsider the premise you are using for such an inane statement. Is the Chief of Naval Operations in Chile a "high" enough rank for you (for you to get your head around the possibility that these people are reporting exactly what they have experienced)? Or, do you now change your argument based on the fact that he is a Chilean, albeit an officer, nevertheless, not as reliable as an American officer holding the same rank?

From: George A. Filer <WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com>
Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:10:16 -0400
To: ufoupdates@home.com
Subject: Filer's Files #43 - 10-24-01

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CHILEAN CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS SAYS, "UFOs ARE REAL"

SANTIAGO DE CHILE -- Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo reports, "The former Chilean Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Jorge Martinez declared, "UFOs are real." The ex-CNO made the shocking statement during interview with a Chilean television network. The interview was conducted by journalist from Teletrece. The retired admiral admitted that he personally witnessed two UFOs at sea, when he was a young lieutenant, and saw a very luminous white object in front of his patrol boat. When he took command of his first destroyer, then Captain Martinez saw another similar object emerging from the water, creating a strong interference with the navigation system and the ship's radar. Guillermo Jimenez, another former Chilean officer claimed that the sonar system onboard his ship detected two submarine-like objects that caused similar malfunctions with shipboard electronics. "They displayed the same size and metallic resonant characteristics that ordinary subs typically show; however, these! objects were too fast to be submarines," said Jimenez. Both Jimenez and Martinez described how the gyrocompass systems were out of control. "The radar displays went completely blank and the gyro was spinning very rapidly, as if a strong magnetic force was present." Some UFO investigators call this phenomenon "UUO" or unidentified underwater objects. Interviewer Rodrigo Ugarte told us that there were many other officers that described similar events but did not want to go on the air. Thanks to Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo Mario and Miami UFO Center ufomiami@prodigy.net 10-21-1

It's no wonder we get nowhere fast in ufology. Is this is the kind of mindset and reasoning we must deal with continuously for the next 50 years? You were born in the wrong era, Kevin. You should have been born back in the 1600's, when everyone but Galileo thought the Earth stood still in the heavens.

Hypothetically speaking, and by following your sort of reasoning, Kevin, even if the ETs land on the Whitehouse lawn, if someone other than the President is photographed meeting the ETs as they emerge from their ship, it may not be "reliable enough evidence." Or is the "Commander in Chief" not a "high" enough rank? Groan. Don't bother to answer me. You need to redefine your thinking for yourself.

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:55:14 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:19:03 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - McGonagle

>From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 04:44:53 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation

Hello Roy/List,

>>From: Joe McGonagle <joem_cgonagle@yahoo.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation
>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 00:13:49 +0100

>>One excellent hypothesis is that it was a re-entry of a KH-9
>>film cannister. The measured radiation levels have been used by
>>ETH explanation propounders to support their hypothesis, but is
>>far from the only element indicating that something happened.

>Joe,

>Is this your theory on what happened? Only I have to ask if you
>are basing any of this on any of the base witnesses details on
>the nights in question? I think before we lose the public in
>hundreds of numbers, we should at least first verify one point.
>Objects were seen, both in the sky and on the ground, under some
>intelligent control, therefore making such a theory as the one
>you mention quite (in my book at least) unfeasible. Can your
>KH-9 Film canister move between forest trees once it has landed?
>And again, would any of the people on the base at the time, have
>any specific knowledge on such a device?

>How many film canisters would be needed over the period of
>nights to cause such a commotion in a rural part of the UK? And
>surely Georgina Bruni (one of the UKs in-depth rendlesham
>investigators) would have come across such a theory in her
>lengthy digging?

This is only one_of_several possible theories, but it does have
a certain appeal to me and is marginally more likely than many
of the other theories that have been proposed. For details,
please visit:

<http://www.kca07.dial.pipex.com/theory.htm>

The reasons that I think it to be MARGINALLY more likely are as
follows:

1. We know that the KH-9 satellite were in use at that time.
2. We know that KH-9 used pods of some kind to deliver the film
back to the earth's surface.
3. We know that recovery of these pods was part of the duties
covered by the 67th ARRS, which was based at Woodbridge.
4. We know that if such an incident did occur, the Military
would want to conceal the fact.

The repetition of events over several nights could well have

been a smoke-screen, to create the belief that it was a UFO event. Even the people involved would not have been told the real nature of the events. They may even have gone to the extent of setting up a pantomime, complete with aliens in order to achieve their intent of covering up the facts that KH-9 existed, how it worked, and that heavy film cannisters were dropping out of the sky over the UK mainland (causing some risk to anyone who happened to be below it!).

Obviously, with the exception of points 1-4, this is pure hypothesis, and I am by no means convinced that this is the answer to the puzzle, but it is a very good contender, in my opinion.

I believe that Georgina became aware of the theory after her book was at an advanced stage, though I may be wrong.

As for whether the cannister could move between the trees, this wouldn't be necessary if the military were employing some pre-planned or hastily developed recovery pantomime, however, even aside from that scenario, if a parachute was still attached it would be possible for it to be dragged through the trees, if the canopy was still above tree-level.

As I said, I am not convinced that this is the answer, but it has to be considered as a possibility.

Regards,

Joe

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:20:31 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:20:50 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 00:26:43 EDT
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100

Robert wrote:

>The skeptical mindset has been over the years:

I'll turn this predictable response upon its head:

>1) No amount of documents or evidence will ever convince... (so)

No amount of documents will ever convince there is no cover-up/
conspiracy. No matter how many are released, the 'ultimate
secret' will always be hidden in those we don't get to see.

>2) Most if not all documents and evidence are proof of
> misidentification, hoax, stars, balloons or errors by the
> witness... (but)

See (3) below

>3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above,
> then we attack the credibility of the witness...

Witnesses are rarely if ever mistaken and we should always
accept what they tell us at face value.

>4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who
> everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)

When something seen in the sky is not readily identifiable the
most logical next step is to believe it was an ET spaceship.

>5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to
> the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with
> said earthly explanation.

We cling to the hope that there is life out there and that it is
visiting us.

Nothing wrong with that, as long as we accept that's what it
amounts to!

Cheers,

Dave Clarke

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From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:18:10 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:23:00 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clarke

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500

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>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100

Hi Jerry,

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>try not to confuse them with ultimate truth.

Thanks for making my point for me so effectively.

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>other contentious ufological issues are concerned, none of us
>"knows," yourself and myself included. Condescension is a cheap
>sentiment, and a cheaper tactic, and it gets us nowhere.

If that is the case, why don't you practice what you preach, 'my friend' ?

>I have great admiration for your research efforts, and less of it
>for your seeming need to spin whatever you come up with into
>an object lesson in Dave Clarke's infallible judgments.

>Where the UFO phenomenon is concerned, one lesson all of us
>ought to have learned by now is intellectual modesty. It ill
>behoves us to pretend that we know more than we really know.
>At present all we have, wherever we are coming from, are
>informed opinions, whose validity only history will be able to
>judge, and history takes its own good time.

As above. History will be our judge; my conclusions are based upon examination of evidence and will stand or fall upon that basis. Nowhere have I ever claimed my conclusions are "infallible" and a truly objective researcher will always be prepared to change his or her mind if new evidence emerges. My *opinions* are no more valid or superior than anyone's else's. But I fail to understand where "intellectual modesty" comes into the equation; if one does original research and then presents it, using that research to make informed comment, then one is portrayed as being "condescending" or lacking in "intellectual modesty."

I do apologise for having had the gall to produce original research backed up by original documents. In every other discipline or science, research and informed conclusions are part and parcel of intellectual progress.

Only in Ufology could such a bizarre topsy-turvy attitude be adopted - no wonder the subject could never be accepted by mainstream science.

>In the meantime, I am intrigued by Chester P. Barton's
>testimony* and can only shake my head at Ralph Noyes's
>insistence (cited by you in the previous posting as, I gather,
>your idea of devastating disconfirmation) that if
>Roswell-as-extraordinary-event had happened, someone would have
>told him about it. With all due respect, that statement is, or
>should be, meaningless to anybody but the late Mr. Noyes. Barton
>-- who, after all, was there at Roswell -- is the one (among
>others) to whom we ought to be paying attention and from whom we
>may actually learn something. Even if that testimony is
>inconsistent with the hypothesis -- if I were uncharitable, I'd
>say belief -- that Roswell was about nothing of consequence.

Jerry, if you feel Roswell was such an important event in Ufological history then how come the case failed to receive an entry of its own in your UFO Encyclopedia? Could it be that you are not quite so "certain" of its status "as extraordinary" after all?

All the best,

Dave Clarke

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Deardorff

From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 11:16:02 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:29:25 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Deardorff

>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 16:36:56 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:51:55 -0700
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: Jim Deardorff <deardorj@proaxis.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

<snip>

>>John,

>>If someone gathered a mass of data on the prevalence of scoop
>>marks on Americans (the general populace), how would you go about
>>trying to decide what fraction of them were associated with
>>abductions - abductees who didn't know they were abductees, or
>>weren't at all certain?

>Hiya Jim,

>The short answer to that one is; there is no way to know "for
>sure" who may or may not be an "abductee." I'm not a scientist
>Jim, and I don't pretend to know what the right 'procedures'
>are. I do know however that it is important to determine how
>'common' or 'uncommon' these scoop marks may be. If every other
>person has one, that tells us one thing. If it is a rare
>occurrence, or something only found on the bodies of those
>reporting UFO abduction, that will tell us another thing. It has
>to be taken in steps. My point is however; that steps do need to
>be taken. They haven't been, so far. I frankly don't think they
>ever will be either. ;)
>...

Hi John,

If a new poll were taken that reported scoop marks (not just
puzzling scars) to be present on from 5 to 15% of the
population, this could support the 1991 Roper poll on the
prevalence of abductions by aliens. Or, it could support a
belief that it has not been uncommon for people to acquire such
markings naturally without recalling how they got them. Or
anything in between.

Of course, if results from a new poll included a finding that
most of the scoop marks were noticed within a day or few after
having had a weird, UFO-like or dream-like experience, this
would impress many of us, but would be regarded by science
skeptics as just "anecdotal" evidence. Even when a UFO report is
accompanied by a UFO photograph or two by the witness, the
skeptics are totally unimpressed, as you know, since their
assumption is that the alleged witness is a liar or hoaxer
unless proven otherwise beyond much greater doubt than any photo
can overcome. So it is with scoop marks. They won't go anywhere
in uncovering the coverup. But I do agree that it would be good
to know this information for our own edification.

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:09:07 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:30:36 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Rimmer

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 13:51:13 -0600

>You will not be given his name under any circumstances,
>because it will not be his opinion, but rather the historical
>published opinion of others. Therefore, anyone's 'inability' to
>accept the facts (whatever they may be... if there are any!)
>becomes a 'personal preference'.

How strange that we hardly ever seem to be given the names,
qualifications or professional backgrounds of doctors,
psychiatrists, engineers, etc. who pronounce on abductions.
Without knowing who these people are and what their positions
are, there pronouncements have no more value than those of you,
me or Joe Soap.

John Rimmer
Magonia Magazine
www.magonia.demon.co.uk

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From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:46:15 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:06:50 +0100

>>From: Pat McCartney <ElPatricio@aol.com>
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 16:59:13 EDT
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>The example that always comes to mind is the late Barry
>>Goldwater's attempts to personally examine purported UFO relics
>>at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. If anything, Goldwater's
>>credentials far outweighed Cochrane's. He was a general in the
>>Air Force Reserves, and as a U.S. senator chaired the Senate's
>>Select Committee on Intelligence. Banking on his longtime
>>friendship with General Curtis LeMay, the Wright-Patterson
>>commander at the time, Goldwater made repeated requests to visit
>>locations at Wright-Patterson where it was rumored that such
>>artifacts were stored.

>The most important word here is "rumored."

>My dictionary defines "rumour" as "general talk or hearsay of
>doubtful accuracy" and "a current but unverified statement or
>assertion."

The story of Goldwater's curious experience is hardly a mere
"rumor."

When The New Yorker profiled him in 1988 (April 25 issue),
Goldwater discussed it openly. He said he had asked his good
friend Air Force Gen. Curtis LeMay if he -- Goldwater -- could
have access to a "Blue Room" at Wright-Patterson, where
Goldwater understood UFO remains were kept. According to
Goldwater, LeMay gave him "holy hell." He informed Goldwater
that he -- Goldwater -- did not have the necessary clearances,
and he warned him never to bring up the subject again.

Some rumor. Some reaction to same.

Jerry Clark

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Correction - people have reported seeing strange objects - its
not the same as people actually seeing strange objects.

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>investigators) would have come across such a theory in her lengthy
>digging?

Try looking at page 349 of 'You Can't Tell The People'. KH9 was
the name of the camera system that was flown on the Big Bird
satellite.

The theory does, IMO, have a fair amount going for it.
Authorities would not be happy to admit that they allowed the
USAF to deliberately de-orbit pieces of space hardware over the
top of Sizewell, a nuclear power station. A UFO smokescreen is
probably as good a cover as any.

Dave B

--

David G Bolton
<David@Bolton.SOL.co.uk>

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>Thanks for making my point for me so effectively.

You just can't help yourself, can you?

Besides the above, I submit as evidence your patronizing words to the Observer (October 21). There you condescend not only to ufologists who don't automatically nod vigorously at any pronouncement from Mount Clarke, but to the British national-security establishment itself. You inform Observer readers that it was mere "Cold War paranoia" that caused officials responsible to fear that the Soviets could make psychological-warfare use of UFO reports. The only paranoia I see here is yours. MOD's concern, given the realities of the time, to which apparently you have paid but modest attention, strikes me as entirely reasonable. I suspect that most people who know something of Cold War history would feel the same.

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>If that is the case, why don't you practice what you preach, 'my
>friend'?

And this is supposed to mean what exactly? Am I supposed to feel personal hostility toward you, as opposed to holding you to be a

colleague, even if (from my point of view) an occasionally erring one, and a friendly acquaintance? My word. Could it be, dare I say, that you're betraying your own paranoia?

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>modesty."

Ah, if only you could see yourself as others see you. Not a revelation or discovery comes from Dave Clarke that is unaccompanied by a lecture or sermon, the point of which is always that you are smart and everybody who thinks otherwise is not just wrong but blind and stupid. See, for example, the above-mentioned Observer piece.

>I do apologise for having had the gall to produce original
>research backed up by original documents. In every other
>discipline or science, research and informed conclusions are
>part and parcel of intellectual progress.

This is precisely the sort of self-serving guff that makes it hard at times to take you entirely seriously. If you really feel the need to apologize, apologize for something real, such as your chronic self-righteousness, in evidence most recently in your words immediately above..

>Only in Ufology could such a bizarre topsy-turvy attitude >be
adopted - no wonder the subject could never be accepted >by
mainstream science.

This so goofy that it amounts to its own refutation. Come on, Dr. Dave. You're smarter than that.

>Jerry, if you feel Roswell was such an important event in
>Ufological history then how come the case failed to receive an
>entry of its own in your UFO Encyclopedia? Could it be that you
>are not quite so "certain" of its status "as extraordinary"
>after all?

I am satisfied with the treatment I gave the case in my encyclopedia. As for the mind-reading effort you so generously provide, let me disappoint you with the news that your mental radio is clearly having serious reception problems.

Cheers,

Jerry Clark

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:00:06 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:11:59 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Rimmer

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500

>>>At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
>>>yourself in this condescending equation.

>To the contrary, my friend. I'm saying we all have prejudices.
>Even you.

Jerry, are you aware of just how condescending your constant use
of the phrase "my friend" is?

John Rimmer

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 19:25:36 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:13:20 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Velez

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:09:07 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 13:51:13 -0600

>>You will not be given his name under any circumstances,
>>because it will not be his opinion, but rather the historical
>>published opinion of others. Therefore, anyone's 'inability' to
>>accept the facts (whatever they may be... if there are any!)
>>becomes a 'personal preference'.

>How strange that we hardly ever seem to be given the names,
>qualifications or professional backgrounds of doctors,
>psychiatrists, engineers, etc. who pronounce on abductions.
>Without knowing who these people are and what their positions
>are, there pronouncements have no more value than those of you,
>me or Joe Soap.

>John Rimmer

Hi John,

In a 'perfect world' physicians would not need fear and professional repercussions for involving themselves in a subject such as UFO abductions. But sadly, such is not the case in the 'real world.' All of the physicians I have communicated with regarding the scoop marks went out of their way to ask me to keep their names and where they work private and anonymous. I asked if they would be willing to go on the record and to a man they all refused.

All I can do is forward the information (report) without identifying the sources. I can tell you that I verified their identities by calling each of them at their offices. One of them works at a major medical university, the other two affiliated with hospitals but are basically G.P.'s in private practice.

Sorry. I wish I could provide names, numbers, etc. No one more than myself wishes that the circumstances were different. I have to honor the requests of those who contact me in terms of protecting their privacy and anonymity. By promising them complete privacy, is just about the only way I can engage some of these professionals in any dialog on the subject at all.

Ahhh for the days when a man's 'word' meant something. :)

Regards,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:17:53 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Stacy

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

<snip>

>The story of Goldwater's curious experience is hardly a mere
>"rumor."

>When The New Yorker profiled him in 1988 (April 25 issue),
>Goldwater discussed it openly. He said he had asked his good
>friend Air Force Gen. Curtis LeMay if he - Goldwater - could
>have access to a "Blue Room" at Wright-Patterson, where
>Goldwater understood UFO remains were kept. According to
>Goldwater, LeMay gave him "holy hell." He informed Goldwater
>that he - Goldwater - did not have the necessary clearances,
>and he warned him never to bring up the subject again.

>Some rumor. Some reaction to same.

Jerry,

Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
not Dave Clarke.

Do you know if anyone other than Goldwater has ever referred to
a "Blue Room" at Wright-Pat? I'm not talking about Hangar 18
stories in general here, but the specific reference to a Blue
Room.

Mark Rodeghier also refers to Barton's introduction of
radioactivity "as a new wrinkle on the Roswell incident",
declaiming that "to my knowledge, no witness before this has
mentioned anything about radioactivity at any site."

What, then, do you make of this lapse among the dozens or
hundreds of Roswell witnesses debriefed prior to Stefula's
interview of Barton, several of them multiple times? How do you
explain, or accommodate, their failure to mention the use of
Geiger counters or the presence of radioactivity at the site, or
even verbal warnings of same?

Curious at the very least, no?

So does this weaken or strengthen your assessment of Barton as a
reliable or unreliable - for whatever reason(s) - Roswell
witness?

Did anyone other than Joe Stefula have the opportunity to
interview Barton. To which one is tempted to ask, if not, why
not?

Furthermore, given some of your past comments re Stefula's role
in the Cortile Case, why did you decide to publish the article
in the first place? Does this mean that you trust Stefula's
Roswell research, but not his Cortile work?

Finally, for the moment, Rodeghier also adds "To be honest, it is difficult to know what to make of this information [sic?], although Barton can hardly be in error since he recalls going to the hospital to be checked, and there would have been no other reason to go unless he had been injured somehow."

I'll leave it to Dick Hall to point out the philosophical failings in the above line of "reasoning," although you can convey my condolences to Mr. Rodeghier in the interval.

"Can hardly be in error?" To put it bluntly: of course Barton could have been in error, unless he has evidence beyond his own anecdotal testimony to the effect that he (and presumably many others) actually were tested for radiation exposure at that time and place.

Sheesh! You can't establish the validity of one aspect of anecdotal testimony by reference to another aspect of same. If it's any consolation, Mark, I feel your embarrassment.

On the other hand, I still await the day when CUFOS, or someone associated with CUFOS, will interview Kent Lorenzo (I hope I have the name right) and accord his memories of what transpired at Roswell at least as much weight as that accorded Chester Barton's.

He was second in medical command at Roswell at that time, if he's to be believed. You might begin by asking him whether he remembers examining Capt. Barton, or others for that matter, for exposure to radiation.

While you're at it, you might ask him about those recovered alien bodies, too. Any questions about autopsies of same are, of course, entirely optional.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Cecchini

From: **Ron Cecchini** <Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 20:22:24 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:21:20 -0400
Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Cecchini

>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:55:24 EDT
>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>Truth be known, Luis, I do not know if that which I perceive I've
>experienced really happened. And I am the first to admit to this
>fact. I say only that the UFO abduction phenomena is the only one
>which best explains what I've experienced. Which is why I almost
>always use the word, "perceived" experiences.

>And I believe that skeptics are of value to the conundrum. I do
>not believe that skeptibunkers are of any value, even to
>themselves. And I define a skeptibunker as one who cannot admit
>even to the possibility of alien intervention. One who will cop to
>any and all excuses, even unreasonable ones, to attempt to
>explain it. Such is culpable ignorance.

<snip>

>PS: I choose not to be believed, but rather for people to believe
> the possibility. Nothing more. Nothing less.

I just wanted to say that the above was well-said and worth a
rereading, especially by "extremist members" of opposing sides
of this Mystery.

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Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 20:49:28 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:24:01 -0400
Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:25:08 -0600

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:05:50 EDT
>>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>From: Kurt Jonach <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>>>To: <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>>>Subject: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 22:16:50 -0700

>><snip>

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>>>RETIRED NAVAL OFFICER CONFIRMS FAMOUS UFO CASE?
>>>UFO & ETI news

>>>A retired Navy chief petty officer recently contacted The
>>>Mississippi Press about the sighting that he can't forget...

>>List, all,

>>For those interested in such things, a chief petty officer is
>>not a commissioned officer but an *NCO... in the Army, this
>>would be the same as a sergeant...

>>KRandle

>>*[NCO = Non-Commisioned Officer--ebk]

>Dear Kevin,

>I don't understand your argument? Are you insinuating that
>because of the person's rank as an NCO (non-commissioned
>officer) that he is in someway unreliable, or that his testimony
>is questionable, or that his rank had anything at all to do with
>his ability to report what he claims to have experienced, or
>that his senses were somehow diminished by his rank? If that's
>what you are arguing, your ability to logically reason are
>certainly in question. What are you saying exactly? Maybe I
>misunderstood!? I hope so.

Sue, List, all -

Of course you misunderstood. I was merely pointing out that the headline was inaccurate and that it wasn't a Naval officer but was, in fact, a non-commissioned officer. I suggested nothing about the quality of the testimony, about the reliability of NCOs, or anything else. I merely corrected an error that was in the headline and provided information for those who might not be aware of the distinction. That's all.

What I said, exactly, was, "For those interested in such things, a chief petty officer is not a commissioned officer but an NCO... in the Army, this would be the same as a sergeant..."

The Knappster then defined NCO as non-commisioned officer.

What about this didn't you understand?

KRandle

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Secrecy News -- 10/25/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@fas.org>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:26:41 -0400
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/25/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 25, 2001

** THE ANTHRAX - BIN LADEN CONNECTION
** REGAN INDICTMENT

THE ANTHRAX - BIN LADEN CONNECTION

While there is no evidence that Usama Bin Laden is responsible for the current anthrax attacks in the United States, there are indications that Bin Laden's network acquired anthrax and other biological agents in recent years by simply purchasing them from laboratories in Eastern European and Asia.

As reported October 24 in the New York Post, Bin Laden's agents are said to have ordered anthrax and other bacteria through the mail from the Czech Republic and elsewhere.

The NY Post article was based on a rather garbled account of the 1999 trial of members of Egyptian Islamic Jihad in Cairo that appeared in the March 6, 1999 issue of the London Arabic newspaper A-Sharq al-Awsat.

See "Bin-Ladin Men Reportedly Possess Biological Weapons," as translated by the CIA's Foreign Broadcast Information Service, here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/news/1999/03/990306-bin-ladin-bw.htm>

A related story, "Islamic Jihad 'Confessions' Described," also from A-Sharq al-Awsat and translated by FBIS, is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/irp/news/1999/03/990306-cairo.htm>

The reports (or translations) do not accurately distinguish between bacteria and viruses, or between gases and liquids.

Officials of the Czech Republic have vigorously disputed claims that anthrax, botulin or other lethal substances were obtained by Bin Laden from their country.

The Czech intelligence agency, known in English as the Security Information Service, maintains a fairly informative web site here:

http://www.bis.cz/eng/a_index.html

Writing in the Village Voice, George Smith warns of anthrax misinformation. See "You Can't Iron Out the Anthrax":

<http://www.villagevoice.com/issues/0143/smith.php>

The National Security Archive has just published a new collection of declassified documents on "The Nixon Administration's Decision to End U.S. Biological Warfare Programs." See:

<http://www.nsarchive.org/NSAEBB/NSAEBB58/>

REGAN INDICTMENT

Brian P. Regan, the Air Force signals intelligence analyst who was arrested last August, was indicted on charges of attempted espionage on October 23.

The indictment describes how Regan used Intelink, "the intelligence community's classified version of the Internet," to collect intelligence unrelated to his job responsibilities. And it notes his efforts to identify potential contacts in foreign embassies.

The text of the indictment, obtained from the US Attorney's Office in Alexandria, Virginia, is posted here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/ops/ci/regan_indict.html

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:28:21 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:20:31 +0100

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>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 00:26:43 EDT
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 11:26:59 +0100

>>3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above,
>>then we attack the credibility of the witness...

>Witnesses are rarely if ever mistaken and we should always
>accept what they tell us at face value.

Talk about beating a strawman. Way to go, Dave! If complicated reality is too, well, complicated, restate your critic's position in such a way that no rational person could take him seriously.

>>4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who >>everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)

>When something seen in the sky is not readily identifiable the
>most logical next step is to believe it was an ET spaceship.

Right. See above.

>>5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to
>>the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with
>>said earthly explanation.

>We cling to the hope that there is life out there and that it is
>visiting us.

I presume that by the above odd remark you are slagging SETI scientists as well as ufologists. Interestingly, critics have accused SETI astronomers of being engaged in what is essentially a religious quest. Perhaps you agree. Is it your view that the idea that intelligent ET life may exist is merely a "hope" that humans "cling" to, for whatever reason?

Jerry Clark

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From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:17:35 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:35:30 -0400
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>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<snip>

>The skeptical mindset has been over the years:

- >1) No amount of documents or evidence will ever convince... (so)
- >2) Most if not all documents and evidence are proof of
> misidentification, hoax, stars, balloons or errors by the
> witness... (but)
- >3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above,
> then we attack the credibility of the witness...
- >4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who
> everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)
- >5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to
> the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with
> said earthly explanation.

How different from the believers' mindset, which says that

- 1) No UFO case must ever be explained. Any attempt to do so is "debunking", "pelicanism" or "skeptibunking".
- 2) Everything any UFO witness or abductee reports must be accepted without question as the literal truth. Anyone who doubts or finds discrepancies in an account is a heartless, unsympathetic monster.
- 3) There are no earthly explanations.
- 4) If documentary evidence which can decisively explain a case is produced it is clearly "disinformation", probably spread by the US government. This is because believing ufologists are so clever that it takes the resources of an entire government to fool them
- 5) If ultimately believers are forced by the weight of evidence to accept a sceptical explanation, they cling to the hope that eventually someday, sometime someone will come up with the "smoking gun" which proves the ETH. 55 years and counting.

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Maneuvers Mistaken For UFOs In Ohio

From: **Kenny Young** <ufo@fuse.net>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 00:45:48 -0400
Subject: Maneuvers Mistaken For UFOs In Ohio

Note: Thanks to John Timmerman of CUFOS for passing along the report and the witness was interviewed by telephone today and the Park Rangers also contacted. For the record, the witness only partially accepted the 'training maneuver' explanation and was doubtful, a common reaction I have noticed -- KY

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Training maneuvers again mistaken for UFOs in SOUTHERN OHIO
Date: Thursday, October 25, 2001

Ohio A.N.G. jets are once again conducting mock combat operations in Southern Ohio's airspace known as the Buckeye MOA (Military Operations Area), resulting in UFO complaints by concerned citizens.

From various Air National Guard bases, including headquarters in Ohio, fighter jets routinely conduct training maneuvers and deploy flares. Flares can be used for battlefield illumination or as a countermeasure to divert heat-seeking missiles from targeting airplanes. These flares, people often report, are seen singularly or grouped in a chain. Some even report the jets 'chasing' the bright colored lights.

Previous Southern Ohio events happened in October of 1996 and March of 1997, resulting in police dispatchers and newspaper offices being swamped with UFO reports. Sightings were reported from Maysville, Kentucky to Wilmington, Ohio. One Ross County resident videotaped a flare chain above Adams County, Ohio in the vicinity of Peebles. The videotape was even featured on the TV show "SIGHTINGS," seeming to baffle MUFON photoanalyst Jeff Sainio on the program, which portrayed the episode as a possible Alien Visitation.

During independent investigation of these complaints, an officer with the Ohio Air National Guard was contacted and he confirmed their participation in combat training maneuvers and flare deployments over much of Southern Ohio. These maneuvers, he explained, could be construed as 'UFOs' due to clear sky conditions in the spring and fall.

Recently this month, a Batavia, Ohio woman vacationing at Rocky Fork Lake near Hillsboro, Ohio observed this activity on October 17th, after 9:00 p.m. She reported seeing two low-flying jets in tight formation heading northeast and traveling fast. Within moments, she saw a green colored light followed by a string of four bright white lights that, she said, "amazed" her. At least two others at Rocky Fork Lake also observed the sky display. Before consultation with UFO researchers on this issue, the Batavia, Ohio resident had sought to report the situation to the Rocky Fork Park Rangers and also to NASA headquarters.

Now more than ever, it is necessary for our pilots to be properly trained. While many are aware that certain airspace above Southern Ohio is set aside for training operations, others are not. The public should be aware that certain events taking place in our skies can be misunderstood and many reported UFO sightings are often explainable.

For more information on this or to report UFO sightings, contact
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Speaker: "Aliens Are Here"

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Speaker: Aliens are here

By NANCY CUNNINGHAM, Middletown Press Staff

Stephen Bassett knew they were capable of learning the truth about the government's attempt to keep alien life forms a secret. Bassett has a message he believes his being ignored by the general public - mainly the media. His message: "You're not being told everything."

On Wednesday night at Wesleyan University, Bassett, a lobbyist and political activist, related that message to about 40 people, mostly students, during a two-hour lecture - "The Politics of UFOs" - a discussion about the government's so far successful attempts to cover-up what they have known about extra-terrestrials since 1947 when the national security act was established.

"We've got extra-terrestrials here," Bassett said. He said the government has always known it could not keep extra-terrestrials a secret, but they could manage it. The government has "managed" the truth all this time based on three axioms, Bassett said. One: "Don't ask, don't tell." Two: "Need to know." Three, and his personal favorite, "You can't handle the truth."

However, Bassett said there have been three major political efforts to expose the cover-up. Bassett said, the first effort started in 1966 when President Gerald Ford held a scripted congressional hearing at which three military speakers testified to UFOs hovering over Strategic Air Command air force bases. Bassett said that effort ended in 1968 when another scripted symposium, at which Carl Segal spoke, was challenged.

Bassett said the second effort took place in 1976 when President Jimmy Carter spearheaded a study to confirm extra-terrestrials existed. But, Bassett said Carter's efforts were sandbagged when various government agencies, like the CIA, refused to divulge any information.

In 1993, Bassett said the third effort was by far the closest to revealing the cover up. The Cold War had ended. President George Bush was seeking a second term. The timing and the players were ideal, Bassett said. It was agreed, that the Bush administration was ready to reveal the cover-up during the first year of his second term, Bassett said. But, he said it all seemed to fall apart when President Bill Clinton was elected. However, all was not lost. Bassett said there are documents to prove that Clinton agreed to move forward with the effort to end the cover-up. Long story, short - Bassett said Clinton was ready to disclose the cover up in 1997, but that same year he was indicted. Effort thwarted. There was a fourth effort in 2001, Bassett said, but that hope was squashed on Sept. 11. Log on to www.paradigmclock.com for more information.

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Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

From: Kurt Jonac <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:41:21 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:48:23 -0400
Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:05:50 EDT
>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>What I said, exactly, was, "For those interested in such things,
>a chief petty officer is not a commissioned officer but an NCO...
>in the Army, this would be the same as a sergeant..."

>The Knappster then defined NCO as non-commisioned officer.

Kevin, you are right the headline was wrong.

I came across this story, and passed it on to this List with a poor headline. (Actually it had a question-mark, meaning I wan't sure if it was correct. Also, it wasn't in your book, 'A History of UFO Crashes', because presumably there was no crash involved. So, of course, I had no authoritative input on the case, right?)

Broadly speaking, people who investigate these incidents look for corroborative evidence. So, here's this fellow who comes forward with additional input, and its written up by AP, so, I thought maybe somebody on this list would like to read the article.

Perhaps some ufologist will read this, investigate, and tell us, "This fellow just wanted his name in the paper!" OK, fine.

Actually, I know very little about the Hickson/Parker case, but I thought this was the right place to post this information.

But, the headline was wrong, and I should have known better.

-kj

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Westover

From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 23:51:10 -0700 (PDT)
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:54:29 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Westover

>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

>>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 09:58:53 -0700 (PDT)
>>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>>Subject: UFO/ET Book For Children
>>To: UFO UpDates <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>EBK and gentle listers,

>>A year or so ago there was discussion on this List
>>concerning materials, or lack thereof, to help educate
>>children on the ET/UFO phenomenon.

>>This past summer a book, which I illustrated, titled
>>'Almanac of Alien Encounters' was published by Random
>>House, Inc.

>><http://www.randomhouse.com/catalog/display.pperl?isbn=0-679-87288-4>

>><http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/0679872884/o/qid%3D985753235/sr%3D8-1/ref%3Daps%5Fsr%5Fb%5F1%5F1/002-2164013-5774409>

>>The book was written specifically for the 8-12 year old crowd
>>and is a wonderful compendium of the historical presence of
>>various aspects of the UFO/ET phenomena including alternate
>>theories and how to contact a UFO investigator.

>>This book would be a nice addition to any school
>>or public
>>library.

>This is so very sad for me to hear.

>I _love_ kids. I have raised two of my own to
>adulthood, and I
>am currently a grandfather of three, with one more
>'on the way.';)

>To my way of thinking, introducing children of the age group
>that this book is aimed at to UFO/ET phenomena including (of all
>things) how to contact a UFO investigator, is completely wrong.
>It seems to me that such a book could only serve to codify a set
>of 'beliefs' in the impressionable minds of the young ones who
>read it.

>I would not either confirm or deny the existence of such things
>for a ten or twelve year old, and I routinely advise parents who
>contact me to do likewise. What I do suggest for them to do is;
>to "be there" for the child. Without reinforcing _any_ belief
>system, and simply "listen" (act as an impartial sounding
>board) if/when the kids bring up the subject of their own
>volition. "Introduce" it... never.

>As a parent I'd like to know 'which' cases are cited in order to
>"introduce" the phenomenon to a youngster. Which "UFO

>investigators" are these children and their parents being
>pointed at. Carpenter? Boylan? Is the subject of alien abduction
>being introduced as well?

>If so, has any consideration been given to the fact that; a ten
>or twelve year old who 'may be' having disturbing UFO/alien
>experiences already, and who has not yet made any connection
>between those experiences and UFOs/aliens (on their own,) are
>being "introduced" to an "explanation" that they may wrongly (or
>rightly) accept and cling to for life?

>Cheeses, Mary, and Joseph, talk about "contamination"!

<snip>

Hello John and List.

Gee, I didn't see that classic 'Velezian' beamship heading my
way! LOL!!!

Just check out the book in one of your local 'book barns' before
raising the spectres of Boylan and Carpenter and projecting
other scary traumas into this rather benign but informative kids
book.

I like to think of the 'Almanac Of Alien Encounters' as 'Jerome
Clark for kids' rather than something in the frightening 'Ceto's
New Friends' universe

http://www.omnimag.com/archives/open_book/d_and_j/

The Almanac provides historical UFO accounts from a
pro-UFO-reality perspective while also providing a 'Skeptics
Speak' response in such a way that it doesn't ridicule the
skeptics and scepti-bunkers.

Cheeseandcrakers, this book is bubble gum... think of N'SYNC as
compared to EMINEM... baked, low-fat tortilla chips as compared
to paint chips... it's heavy on the history, image-laden and
provides a skeptical counterpoint... it's as safe as a Nerff!
;-)

Peace,

Jeff Westover

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 07:55:29 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:56:28 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clarke

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:05:42 -0500

>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:18:10 +0100

Hi Jerry,

>>>Actually, the fact of the matter is that where Roswell and many
>>>other contentious ufological issues are concerned, none of us
>>>"knows," yourself and myself included. Condescension is a cheap
>>>sentiment, and a cheaper tactic, and it gets us nowhere.

>>If that is the case, why don't you practice what you preach, 'my
>>friend'?

>And this is supposed to mean what exactly? Am I supposed to feel
>personal hostility toward you, as opposed to holding you to be a
>colleague, even if (from my point of view) an occasionally
>erring one, and a friendly acquaintance? My word. Could it be,
>dare I say, that you're betraying your own paranoia?

I was going to reply to this, but John Rimmer beat me to it,
with:

>Jerry, are you aware of just how condescending your constant use
>of the phrase "my friend" is?

As for my comments in 'The Observer', you obviously aren't a
reader of the tabloid Daily Star. A couple of weeks ago that
newspaper quoted a "Dr David Clarke" to the effect that the
"missing" Rendlesham documents "constitute the best evidence
that aliens have landed in Britain."

I think that is what you would call a "straw man."

All the best,

Dave Clarke

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'UFO Mayor'? We'll Know In Two Weeks

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Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:59:46 -0400
Subject: 'UFO Mayor'? We'll Know In Two Weeks

It's always interesting when a researcher runs for elected office. Unfortunately nothing in this article refers to any of my 15+ years of research and investigation. I'm sure that it will all 'come out' soon enough. What newspaper wouldn't love to run a story on a 'UFO Mayor'?

John E.L. Tenney
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Michigan Anomalous Information Network
<http://mainorg.tripod.com>

Royal Oak Daily Tribune

Candidate comes of age for Royal Oak mayoral race

by C. Kavanaugh

Royal Oak, Michigan -

Since high school John Tenney has wanted to be mayor, but when he went to pull petitions to run for office at age 18, he was told he was too young. Now, more than a decade later, Tenney, a 29-year-old freelance graphic artist and gallery manager, is the first mayoral candidate to have his signatures verified and earn a spot on the Nov. 6 ballot.

By the petition deadline on Sept. 4, Michael Andrzejak, a former city commissioner who gave Mayor Dennis Cowan a fight in 1999, and Bill Ulrich, a finalist for the latest City Commission appointment who has the backing of some elected officials, also are expected to be in the race.

Resident George DeLorean also has pulled petitions.

But Tenney doesn't consider himself an underdog - at least for now.

"Right now I'd say my chances are great. I'm running unopposed," Tenney said Wednesday. "I'm feeling optimistic."

If elected, Tenney said he will set aside his opinions to represent the views of the community. He set his main goal as encouraging homeowners, business owners and the young and old to work together on local issues.

"I don't think City Hall has helped all these factions interact very well and some lines have been drawn," Tenney said. "Some business people think City Hall is just for residents and some residents think City Hall is just for business. City Hall needs to be an active force in bringing people together."

With a campaign slogan of "make your voice make a difference," Tenney said he is open to the idea of holding weekly commission meetings to give people more opportunities to be heard. He also said he will have the time to follow up on residents' concerns

personally because he doesn't have a wife or children.

Expanding the downtown retail base and creating more parking spaces also are on his agenda. He said the city should explore building a parking deck in front of City Hall to handle new business development.

When he worked downtown last year, Tenney said he got a lot of tickets because he parked at meters so he wouldn't have to carry a nightly bank deposit bag too far.

"I carpeted the new court," he said of 44th District Court, which was funded with parking ticket revenue. "The city has got to put together a more extensive plan to address parking."

Tenney also wants to see a public swimming pool at one of Royal Oak's 50 parks.

As he knocks on doors to introduce himself to voters, Tenney said most residents ask about his stance on human rights ordinances. He doesn't hesitate to say he supports local legislation to ban housing, job and public service discrimination based on sexual orientation.

"I tell them I voted for the human rights ordinance and that's usually all they want to know," Tenney said. "When I was gathering signatures, the majority of people then said, 'OK, give me your clipboard and I'll sign it.'"

Both Tenney and his campaign manager, Elizabeth Carey-Smith, are Web savvy and designed an Internet site that brings a new electronic element to the election. It features fliers for supporters to download and distribute in addition to the candidate's personal information and stances on issues.

Throughout the Web site, which is www.votetenney.com, Tenney emphasizes that he is a "person, not a politician." He also thinks it's an attribute that he isn't a lawyer.

"We don't need more lawyers at City Hall," Tenney said, referring to Urich, a lawyer who sees the commission as having a "legal deficit" with the resignation of Thomas Kuhn and the pending departure of Cowan, also a lawyer.

"Having a sense of community is much more important," Tenney said. "There's even a country I know of where the president isn't an attorney."

Tenney is a lifelong resident who went to both Dondero and Kimball high schools before earning a GED. He owned Neo-Tokyo, a Japanese toy store and coffeehouse, in the mid-1990s. He now is manager at Preston Burke Gallery in Royal Oak and has a home-based design business.

A few years ago Tenney said he was active with The Youth Liberation Front and People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, but he never joined any local service groups or applied to civic boards. He hopes voters see that as an advantage.

"I never got involved with clubs or committees because I don't want to disconnect myself from anyone by being part of a particular group," Tenney said. "I think the best way to network is just by talking to everyone."

Tenney is planning his first fund-raiser for Sept. 7, but he doesn't plan to accumulate the war chest of previous mayoral candidates. He thinks a campaign budget of about \$2,500 to cover lawn signs, bumper stickers and some fliers will be adequate.

"I can't see spending \$30,000 for a \$2,000 job," said Tenney, referring to Cowan's last campaign fund.

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IT'S RAINING "ANGEL HAIR"

October marks a return to the most opportune season of the year for such a notable phenomenon as "angel hair," the whitish filaments falling from the sky and often associated to UFO phenomena.

On the afternoon of Thursday, 11 October, some children playing in a garden in Subbiano (Arezzo) saw some strange whitish filaments descending from the sky, which became entangled in a tree and appeared to cling to the touch. A sample, lifted by the Carabinieri, was delivered to technicians at the Regional Agency for the Protection of the Environment. [La Nazione, Arezzo edition, 13 October; Ufoitalia, 15 October; collaboration by Massimiliano Grandi.]

The following afternoon, on Friday, 12 October, at least two witnesses, from two different areas of Rome (and at two separate times), observed a whitish and filament-like substance falling out of the sky in elongated wads of various sizes, while one or more luminous pinpoints of light appeared high in the sky. Both witnesses gathered samples of the substance, delivering them for analysis to the Centro Ufologico Nazionale. According to a statement by biologist and ufologist Giorgio Pattera, observations conducted by stereomicroscope appeared to show evidence of polyrefracting filaments of a sort of "plastic material" which looked like concurrently subjected to high temperature and traction. [www.cunlazio.net, 12 and 13 October; Ufoitalia, 14 October; La Rete, 15, 16 and 17 October.]

CISU CONFERENCE AND MEETING

Last Saturday at San Giovanni in Persiceto Planetary of the Astronomic Observatory, there was held the previously-announced 16th National UFO Conference, organized as in every year by the Italian Center for UFO Studies.

Appearing before an extremely attentive and prepared audience, the announced speakers discussed various aspects of the theme, "Luminous Phenomena in the Atmosphere and Instrumental Ufology": those in charge of various areas of study at the CISU, and some scientists who are actively involved on the theme (particularly

Massimo Teodorani about the expedition in Norway at Hessdalen, and Albino Carbognani on the physics behind the ball lightning); plus, some brief reports relative to instrument-based research activities underway or being planned (by Stefano Innocenti, Gianfranco Lollino and Goffredo Pierpaoli).

An on-line Photo Gallery of the National UFO Conference is available at the URL:

<http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/16conf01.htm>

The following day, at the same location, the CISU members' annual general meeting was convened, who approved the balance sheets and nominated the new council of directors for the 2001-2003 period, in the persons of Edoardo Russo, President; and Gian Paolo Grassino, Giuseppe Stilo, Paolo Toselli and Maurizio Verga, council members.

ALBERTO LAZZARO AWARD

On the occasion of the meeting of the Italian Center for UFO Studies, it was announced that the "Alberto Lazzaro 2000 Award" was granted to Daniele Parisi for his graduation thesis in Cognitive Sociology, entitled "The UFO Phenomenon as a Social Construction from Flying Saucers to Extraterrestrial Cult", presented at the University of Turin in December of last year. The contents of the thesis may be found on line at the URL:

<http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/tesi2000.htm>

The Lazzaro Award, instituted in 1998 in memory of a founding CISU member who disappeared under tragic circumstances, is given each year to reward the best investigative report about a sighting and the best article or text, written in the preceding year.

Those eligible for participation are all CISU members in the category of "collaborators", while full and honorary members are (by right) excluded.

UFO MAGAZINE AND UFO FORUM NEW ISSUES

Also at the National UFO Conference, the new issues of the two main periodical publications from the Italian Center for UFO Studies were presented.

In fact, No. 23 has finally appeared of "UFO - Rivista di informazione ufologica", containing among its articles: a first-person account of the EMBLA 2000 expedition by astrophysicist Massimo Teodorani; a long article by Massimiliano Granid on the cataloguing and analyses of cases involving "angel hair"; the preview of the new book concerning the case of the Australian pilot who disappeared after having reported a UFO; investigations into various sightings in the northwestern regions; the true story of the so-called "COMETA Report" and of a secret intelligence report on UFOs in France; an overview by Giuseppe Stilo about the great sightings wave of 1950 in Italy; and an interesting reflection by Pierre Lagrange regarding the possibility of a non-reductionist UFO sociology. The cover page and the contents of that issue may be found on line at the URL:

<http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/riu23.htm>

Also issued was No. 18 of the technical review, "UFO Forum", whose cover story is a full portrait of Renato Vesco and his work; moreover, the presentation of the new work by Marcello Pupilli concerning the cataloguing of UFO-related comic strips, an international round table about how to study abduction cases, a case regarding an claimed UFO crash in Spain, various Italian investigations and some more interventions in the ongoing ethical and epistemological debate. The cover page and the contents of that issue may be found on line at the URL:

<http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/forum18.htm>

The two publications were sent out to all CISU subscribers and members.

CONFERENCE IN TURIN

Taking place on Tuesday, 23 October, in Turin, will be a conference presentation regarding the book by Richard Haines dedicated to the Valentich case "Delta Sierra Juliet rispondi..." ("Roger, Delta Sierra Juliet...") hot off the presses from UPIAR publications.

The conference, open to the public, free of charge, illustrated with slides and followed by a debate, will be held by the Turin branch of the Italian Center for UFO Studies, beginning at 9 pm at Parvadamus Cultural Association in Via Tripoli 181.

At the conference, copies of the volume and of other recent CISU publications will be available.

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>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 19:03:12 -0500
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

Dennis,

>>When The New Yorker profiled him in 1988 (April 25 issue),
>>Goldwater discussed it openly. He said he had asked his good
>>friend Air Force Gen. Curtis LeMay if he - Goldwater - could
>>have access to a "Blue Room" at Wright-Patterson, where
>>Goldwater understood UFO remains were kept. According to
>>Goldwater, LeMay gave him "holy hell." He informed Goldwater
>>that he - Goldwater - did not have the necessary clearances,
>>and he warned him never to bring up the subject again.

>Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
>not Dave Clarke.

>Do you know if anyone other than Goldwater has ever referred to
>a "Blue Room" at Wright-Pat? I'm not talking about Hangar 18
>stories in general here, but the specific reference to a Blue
>Room.

No, I am not aware of other references, and I wonder where
Goldwater picked it up. Persons who wrote him and asked him to
discuss the incident further found him reluctant to add any
details.

>Mark Rodeghier also refers to Barton's introduction of
>radioactivity "as a new wrinkle on the Roswell incident",
>declaiming that "to my knowledge, no witness before this has
>mentioned anything about radioactivity at any site."

Rodeghier also discusses possible reasons why this may be so. I
refer interested persons to the article in the Summer 2001 issue
of International UFO Reporter (available, once again, from
CUFOS, 2457 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60659).

>Did anyone other than Joe Stefula have the opportunity to
>interview Barton. To which one is tempted to ask, if not, why
>not?

As the article relates, Barton refused to consent to interviews
with others who tried to talk with him after Stefula.

Jerry Clark

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>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500

John,

>>>>At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
>>>>yourself in this condescending equation.

>>To the contrary, my friend. I'm saying we all have prejudices.
>>Even you.

>Jerry, are you aware of just how condescending your constant use
>of the phrase "my friend" is?

Are you aware of how paranoid you sound?

Or perhaps you'd prefer that I refer to friendly rivals as
"stupid, mindless, bigoted, spittle-spewing jerks" when I
address them? Would that make you happy?

Jerry Clark

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:37:13 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:14:35 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:17:35 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

>>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 00:26:43 EDT
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

John,

>How different from the believers' mindset, which says that

>1) No UFO case must ever be explained.

This is fascinating. Can you cite one UFO proponent -- just one -- who holds the view you have just attributed to him or her?

>2) Everything any UFO witness or abductee reports must be
>accepted without question as the literal truth. Anyone who
>doubts of finds discrepancies in an account is a heartless,
>unsympathetic monster.

Likewise.

>3) There are no earthly explanations.

Likewise.

>4) If documentary evidence which can decisively explain a case
>is produced it is clearly "disinformation", probably spread by
>the US government. This is because believing ufologists are so
>clever that it takes the resources of an entire government to
>fool them

Likewise.

>5) If ultimately believers are forced by the weight of evidence
>to accept a sceptical explanation, they cling to the hope that
>eventually someday, sometime someone will come up with the
>"smoking gun" which proves the ETH. 55 years and counting.

Does this read as incoherently to the rest of you as it does to me? It doesn't describe the mindset of anybody I know, and I'll wager that I've been in ufology even longer than John ("Never Say Brit") Rimmer.

Jerry Clark

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:41:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:41:27 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 07:55:29 +0100

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 17:05:42 -0500

>>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 18:18:10 +0100

Dave,

>As for my comments in 'The Observer', you obviously aren't a
>reader of the tabloid Daily Star. A couple of weeks ago that
>newspaper quoted a "Dr David Clarke" to the effect that the
>"missing" Rendlesham documents "constitute the best evidence
>that aliens have landed in Britain."

>I think that is what you would call a "straw man."

No, I would call that an evasion of the issues I raised. I do
sympathize, though, with you and all others, including the
undersigned, who have been misquoted in press accounts and had
our views turned exactly on their heads. A sadly common
experience.

Jerry Clark

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Weekend Aurora

From: Nick Balaskas <nikolaos@yorku.ca>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 10:44:26 -0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:43:39 -0400
Subject: Weekend Aurora

Hi everyone,

Those October 20/21 'Strange Days...Indeed' UFO radio talk show listeners who did step out to see if they could spot short streaks of light in the sky associated with the annual Orionid meteor shower (not a particularly strong shower but one could expect to see a meteor once every 3 minutes or so) and a rare light show produced from a Class X solar flare - a powerful explosion on the Sun - were not disappointed.

Pictures of this aurora as seen by observers living in the mid-latitudes, including many in Canada and the U.S. can be found at the web site below. Those who missed the aurora have another chance to see nature's rare light show this weekend now that another powerful Class X flare has just erupted on the Sun, even though the much fuller Moon will make the sky brighter and make the aurora a less spectacular sight.

Nick Balaskas

Space Weather News for Oct. 26, 2001
<http://www.spaceweather.com>

A powerful solar explosion on Thursday, Oct 25th, sent a coronal mass ejection (CME) billowing toward Earth. The expanding cloud could trigger auroras when it reaches our planet on Oct 27th or 28th. If so, the coming weekend would be the second in a row that high-latitude sky watchers have enjoyed Northern Lights. Visit spaceweather.com for more information about the solar blast and the approaching CME.

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Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 11:08:26 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:45:10 -0400
Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO

>From: Kurt Jonac <eWarrior@electricwarrior.com>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case? - Randle
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:41:21 -0700

>>From: Kevin Randle <KRandle993@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 10:05:50 EDT
>>Subject: Re: EW: 10-24-01 Ret. Naval Officer Confirms UFO Case?
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<major snip>

Kurt, List, all -

>But, the headline was wrong, and I should have known better.

I was not attempting to attach blame here. I merely wanted to correct a mistake that I knew was made by a headline writer who did not know the difference (and from what I've seen, probably didn't care). That is all. Make a distinction between what was said in the text of the story and how it was headlined. That's it. Nothing more.

KRandle

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Re: Speaker: "Aliens Are Here" - Bassett

From: Stephen Bassett <SGBList2@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 11:27:33 EDT
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:50:13 -0400
Subject: Re: Speaker: "Aliens Are Here" - Bassett

Subj: UFO UpDate: Speaker: "Aliens Are Here"
Date: 10/25/01 10:52:34 PM Pacific Daylight Time
From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>Source: The Middletown Press, Connecticut

>http://www.zwire.com/site/news.cfm?newsid=2544919&BRD=1645&PAG=461&dept_id=10856&rfi=6

>Friday 26 October, 2001

>Speaker: Aliens are here

>By NANCY CUNNINGHAM, Middletown Press Staff

>Stephen Bassett knew they were capable of learning the truth
>about the government's attempt to keep alien life forms a
>secret. Bassett has a message he believes his being ignored by
>the general public - mainly the media. His message: "You're not
>being told everything."

>On Wednesday night at Wesleyan University, Bassett, a lobbyist
>and political activist, related that message to about 40 people,
>mostly students, during a two-hour lecture - "The Politics of
>UFOs" - a discussion about the government's so far successful
>attempts to cover-up what they have known about
>extra-terrestrials since 1947 when the national security act was
>established.

[There were 60 in attendance. Nancy was sitting in the front row
and did not see others who came in after the presentation
began.]

>"We've got extra-terrestrials here," Bassett said. He said the
>government has always known it could not keep extra-terrestrials
>a secret, but they could manage it. The government has "managed"
>the truth all this time based on three axioms, Bassett said.
>One: "Don't ask, don't tell." Two: "Need to know." Three, and
>his personal favorite, "You can't handle the truth."

>However, Bassett said there have been three major political
>efforts to expose the cover-up. Bassett said, the first effort
>started in 1966 when President Gerald Ford held a scripted
>congressional hearing at which three military speakers testified
>to UFOs hovering over Strategic Air Command air force bases.
>Bassett said that effort ended in 1968 when another scripted
>symposium, at which Carl Sagan spoke, was challenged.

[Note: Nancy Cunningham attempted to reach me later in the
evening to ask some clarifying questions. However, the program
lasted until 11 pm (4 hours), and I did not get her message. She
took in a huge amount of information in a short period of time,
was against a deadline, and not surprisingly, some corrections
are needed to her piece.]

[Correction: I stated it was my opinion the incidents at the SAC
bases during the period 1966-1968, along with a significant
increase in sightings, help create the pressure which required
hearings at that time. However, the SAC base incidents were not
brought up at the hearings. Ford did not hold the hearing in

1966, but rather help to clear the way. Mendel Rivers was the chairman of the Armed Services Committee.]

>Bassett said the second effort took place in 1976 when President >Jimmy Carter spearheaded a study to confirm extra-terrestrials >existed. But, Bassett said Carter's efforts were sandbagged when >various government agencies, like the CIA, refused to divulge >any information.

>In 1993, Bassett said the third effort was by far the closest to >revealing the cover up. The Cold War had ended. President George >Bush was seeking a second term. The timing and the players were >ideal, Bassett said. It was agreed, that the Bush administration >was ready to reveal the cover-up during the first year of his >second term, Bassett said.

[Correction: I stated it was my informed opinion the wrappings on the cover-up package were loosened when the cold war ended in 1989 and that Bush 41 would have been viewed by the military/intel as the perfect disclosure president from their perspective.]

>But, he said it all seemed to fall apart when President Bill >Clinton was elected. However, all was not lost. Bassett said >there are documents to prove that Clinton agreed to move forward >with the effort to end the cover-up. Long story, short - Bassett >said Clinton was ready to disclose the cover up in 1997, but >that same year he was indicted. Effort thwarted. There was a >fourth effort in 2001, Bassett said, but that hope was squashed >on Sept. 11. Log on to www.paradigmclock.com for more >information.

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[Correction: I stated there were documents confirming the Laurance Rockefeller initiative directed at the Clinton administration from 1993 to 1995. I stated that a new window of opportunity opened when Clinton was reelected in 1996 and much was happening in 1997, but efforts were shut down with the Lewinsky indictment in January of 1998.]

The presentation at Wesleyan was very well received. There were two hours of intense Q and A from some very smart students attending the 12th ranked liberal arts college in the nation (USNWR).

SB

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Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 12:07:54 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:52:37 -0400
Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children - Velez

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 23:51:10 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Jeff Westover <frequentflier66@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>Date: Mon, 22 Oct 2001 13:07:39 -0400
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com
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Hiya Jeff, hi All,

Jeff writes:

>Gee, I didn't see that classic 'Velezian' beamship heading my
>way!

LOL!!!

Yeah, no 'scout craft' I. This sucker is a heavy, and loaded for
bear 'Mothership" fer sure. ;)

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>raising the spectres of Boylan and Carpenter and projecting
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Why I phrased it in the form of a question about the book Jeff.
I will check it out.

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That is precisely where my "concern" stemmed from Jeff. That
awful thing is something that should come with a parental
warning on the cover. :)

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Cool. I hope so. Screwing up kid's heads is like shooting fish
in a barrel. There are so many adults that are already engaging
the activity that all we need is "one more."

Warm regards,

John Velez, Mothership

A.I.C. - Abduction Information Center
www.spacelab.net/~jvif/default.htm
johnvelez.aic@verizon.net

"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Dear Jeff, John, Listers,

This is a very touchy subject. I am very ambivalent about the topic, as an abductee, mother and grandmother. I do think there is a "right way" and a "wrong way" to approach this topic. And, I do feel it is important that young adults are first thoroughly indoctrinated in the scientific method, which serves as groundwork for exploring other physical theories of the universe. When Algebra and Geometry are understood, when perceptions of physical energies, distances and time/space theories can be understood on an abstract level, then the child may be able to comprehend the enormity of such a bizarre concept of UFOs/ETs and abduction. Until then, Jeff, it's a big stretch for a child who is experiencing such bizarre things to have any confidence in himself/herself with relation to what he/she may be experiencing.

Thankfully, my father recognized the need for this groundwork. We were lectured a lot at the dinner table on the scientific method, etc. By the time I was in the 4th grade, I knew that light traveled at 186,000 mps, and to travel at such a speed would kill a human without some form of protective energy to counter or neutralize the effects of gravity. I also understood the concept of Einstein's theory of relativity based on visual drawings my father made of 2 trains, 2 people and 1 ground observer. But, Dad emphasized that it was still just a theory, that no one had actually traveled at the speed of light. It was his hope that we would someday travel to the stars, but since the sound barrier had just been broken, it would probably be some time before the light barrier could be broken. So, I naturally assumed that what was "visiting" me wasn't human or I was dreaming. I chose to believe I was dreaming. Dad didn't have to tell me, "You're dreaming," or "you're lying," or "you're crazy." He let my confidence in myself be built on solid groundwork, to make my own decisions as my emotional maturity

would allow me to fathom the possibility that it was all real. And, until the physical pain of being burned by a laser (before lasers were invented), the reality of the experiences were simply "nightmares" to be tolerated. I told Dad about them, but it was a long time before I could emotionally get my head around it.

By the time the "burn incident" occurred (age 13), I had no problem trusting my senses, and was confident in the deductions I was making, however bizarre and difficult they appeared on the surface. I was able to differentiate between ridiculous explanations, like "swamp gas" and other more valid possibilities for what I was experiencing. When the "swamp gas explanation" came out, Dad read it at the dinner table, and I rolled on the floor laughing, tears streaming down my face. I had visions of my beautiful, newly redecorated bedroom turning into a morass of green hanging moss and mud when the "visitors" showed. The reptoid would have felt right at home.

Unless the child is indoctrinated early-on with such solid groundwork, I personally feel it may be a big mistake to discuss the "reality" of UFOs, ETs, abduction, etc. Children have a great tendency to accept what is written in a book as "gospel truth," reality. They have very little ability to critically analyze what may be real from what is a "stretch" or "hoax." That's why so many textbooks are so carefully reviewed before a school district decides to use them in a classroom environment. By suggesting where the child might report a sighting or an experience further validates the reality of the experience in the child's mind. Based on our current lack of scientific knowledge about this phenomena, I feel that it is inappropriate to encourage a child to report to anyone other than family members. The parents can then report what the child says, if the parents feel it is appropriate.

How do you think a phone person at MUFON would handle a call from an 8 or 9 year old saying they were just abducted by ETs for 2-1/2 hours and was physically examined by them, and the child asks what can they do to help, and the person answers, "Nothing. We have no proven methods to combat the abduction, or stop the ETs." The child will probably never call again, may lose confidence and respect in teachers, family and friends, become cynical and depressed, feeling "what's the use? No one can help me?" That's not where I want my children and grandchildren to be.

Unfortunately, Jeff, many children are not so well-grounded as I was. The confidence I built up was based on knowledge of others about how our world works, tested and proven theories using the scientific method. For any child who is not so well-grounded, the continued doubt may become overwhelming, contributing to any number of mental illnesses throughout his/her life. And, if there is written confirmation of the reality of the experiences in book format without proven, workable ways to handle the situations as they arise, the child is left to his/her own devices to counteract the terror of "real" nightmares and "real" monsters.

My sister is 3 years older than I am, and is quite intelligent, albeit naive and trusting, especially in the written word venue. When we were in Jackson Hole, WY last year, she saw a hunting magazine with a picture of a hunter holding up a rabbit by its horns. Above the stack of magazines were several "jackalopes" mounted on wood backing, which matched the picture on the front of the magazine. She had never seen a "jackalope," had no reference for knowing about them, and was absolutely amazed. She observed the horns carefully, picked up the magazine and read the article, which was not written with tongue-in-cheek. She fully believed she had been ignorant of this species of rabbit. I gently but firmly told her it was all a spoof, that it was a tourist attraction designed to "reel in" the naive tourist, such as herself. She was really discombobulated over the whole thing.

Can you imagine what a 9 or 10 year old might think about UFOs and ETs with similar trust in the written word? It does nothing to garner critical thinking in the child should he/she go to a parent after reading the above-mentioned book and the parent says, "Oh Honey, that's just a spoof, like the jackalope." Groan.

I ordered the book yesterday. It should be here in a week or so.

I intend to review it carefully as an abductee of 50+ years, ever mindful of other children who believe themselves to be abductees, whose mindset may be so immature that they believe "if it's in the book, it must be true." We shall see.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Beware New Scam!

From: **Bruce Maccabee** <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 13:35:39 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:57:32 -0400
Subject: Beware New Scam!

I received the following in my email. Note the similarity to previous scam from Nigeria.

Sender: jeffnyerere@yahoo.com
Received: from web20803.mail.yahoo.com (web20803.mail.yahoo.com [216.136.226.192])
by siaaglaf.compuserve.com (8.9.3/8.9.3/SUN-1.12) with SMTP id IAA23428 for <brumac@compuserve.com>; Fri, 26 Oct 2001 08:10:56 -0400 (EDT)
Message-ID: <20011026121050.60327.gmail@web20803.mail.yahoo.com>
Received: from [196.2.45.139] by web20803.mail.yahoo.com via HTTP; Fri, 26 Oct 2001 05:10:50 PDT
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 05:10:50 -0700 (PDT)
From: jeff nyerere <jeffnyerere@yahoo.com>
Subject: Confidential (Bruce MacCabee)
To: brumac@compuserve.com

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MR JEFF NYERERE (JNR)

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THE DIRECTOR,

DEAR SIR,

I DO FORESEE THE SURPRISE THIS LETTER WILL BRING TO YOU AS IT COMES FROM A STRANGER. BUT BE REST ASSURED AS IT COMES WITH THE BEST OF INTENTIONS, HOWEVER YOUR ADDRESS WAS COURTESY OF A BUSINESS JOURNAL AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE IN JOHANNESBURG BUT AFTER A DUE CINSIDERATION FROM YOUR PROFILE, I BECAME AWARE AND ASSURED OF YOUR CREDIBILITY OF HANDLING THE TRUST AND MY FUTURE. THUS AFTER MY HUMBLE DECISION TO SOLICIT YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND CO-OPERATION IN THIS TRANSACTION, AS IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL OF US INVOLVED.

MY NAME IS MR JEFF NYERERE JNR FROM TANZANIA, I AM THE SON OF THE LATE PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA JULIUS NYERERE WHO DIED TWO YEARS AGO. MY FATHER USED HIS POSITION THEN TO MAKE FOR HIMSELF AND US SOME FUTURE. MY FATHER DIED AFTER A PROTRACTED ILLNESS. I WAS STUDYING OVERSEAS WHEN MY FATHER DIED AND I WAS FORCED TO RETURN FOR THE FUNERAL. HIS ATTORNEY NOTIFIED ME AND MY FAMILY ABOUT MY FATHER'S WILL WITH HIS CHAMBERS. WHEN I WAS GOING THROUGH THE WILL I DISCOVERED THAT MY LATE FATHER USED HIS POSITION THEN TO MAKE SOME MONEY, WHICH HE BRILLIANTLY TRANSFERRED AND DEPOSIT IT WITH A PRIVATE SECURITY COMPANY HERE IN JOHANNESBURG REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA. HE DEPOSITED THIS CONSIGNMENT AS

VALUABLES. THE SECURITY COMPANY DOES NOT KNOW THAT THIS CONSIGNMENT CONTAINS CASH MONEY, EXCEPT THE ATTORNEY AND ME

THE AMMOUNT IS U.S\$26.5MILLION(TWENTY SIX MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND UNITED STATES DOLLARS) HOWEVER MY AIM OF CONTACTING YOU IS TO HELP ME AND TAKE THIS SUM INTO YOUR NOMINATED ACCOUNT IN YOUR COUNTRY FOR INVESTMENT OVERSEAS BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE A KNOWLEDGE OF INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS. AS A RESULT OF MY PRESENT SITUATION, I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE THIS TRANSACTION ALONE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING ME OUT, TRY AND CONTACT ME WITH THE ABOVE TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS INDICATING YOUR INTEREST TO HELP ME. I WILL THEN FURNISH YOU WITH MORE DETAILS. I HAVE MUTUALLY AGREED TO COMPENSATE YOU WITH 25% OF THE TOTAL SUM FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE, 5% FOR EXPENSES IN THE COURSE OF THE TRANSACTION. THEN THE REMAINING 70% WILL REMAIN FOR MY FAMILY AND ME, WHICH YOU WILL HELP US INVEST.

BE INFORMED THAT THIS TRANSACTION NEEDS UTMOST TRUST AND CONFIDENTIALITY. NOTE ALSO THAT THE TRANSACTION ATTRACTS NO RISK ON YOUR SIDE HENCE ALL THE MODALITIES FOR SAFE, SMOOTH AND I HAVE ARRANGED SUCCESSFUL TRANSACTION.

LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVE YOUR URGENT REPLY. GOD BLESS YOU.

MR JEFF NYERERE JNR

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Bolton

From: David Bolton <David@bolton.sol.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:06:04 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:02:00 -0400
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Bolton

I posted a message on Updates yesterday - in which I actually wrote the sentence:

"Authorities would not be happy to admit that they allowed the USAF to deliberately de-orbit pieces of space hardware over the top of Sizewell A nuclear power station."

However, what appeared on the list was this bowdlerised version:

>Authorities would not be happy to admit that they allowed the USAF
>to deliberately de-orbit pieces of space hardware over the top of
>Sizewell, a nuclear power station.

Sizewell is a place - not a power station. The letter "A" refers to the station which was in Suffolk at the time - I used its current designation to differentiate it from "Sizewell B", which had not yet been built.

This is actually quite relevant - in that there was a huge public enquiry into the safety aspects of building the "B" reactor at Sizewell in the 1980s. One of the safety cases involved the probability of the building being hit by aircraft, meteors, or man-made space debris. Had it been publicly known that the USAF was regularly returning re-entry capsules (every fortnight, or so) in a trajectory that took them close to the existing station - and that parachute failure could allow the capsule to crash to earth with relatively high velocity - then the subsequent scandal would have probably resulted in planning permission for the new station being withdrawn (at the very least).

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Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 12:14:26 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:10:05 -0400
Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction - Strickland

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:09:07 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>>From: Sue Strickland <strick@h2net.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction
>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 13:51:13 -0600

>>You will not be given his name under any circumstances,
>>because it will not be his opinion, but rather the historical
>>published opinion of others. Therefore, anyone's 'inability' to
>>accept the facts (whatever they may be... if there are any!)
>>becomes a 'personal preference'.

>How strange that we hardly ever seem to be given the names,
>qualifications or professional backgrounds of doctors,
>psychiatrists, engineers, etc. who pronounce on abductions.
>Without knowing who these people are and what their positions
>are, there pronouncements have no more value than those of you,
>me or Joe Soap.

>John Rimmer
>Magonia Magazine
>www.magonia.demon.co.uk

Dear John,

Why do feel you need his name, since it would have no bearing or
relevance on the medical opinion being offered from a published,
cited medical resource... if the information is even available?

That kind rhetorical attempt to preface the validity of a
debate, using a person's stature in the community, etc., went
out with Abraham Lincoln. He had none, and he knew it. Instead,
according to the history books, he addressed issues very
differently dependent upon the constituency, what they wanted to
hear, and the location of his speeches... North vs. South. He
knew full-well that the untimeliness of communications would be
to his benefit, as one side would not find out what he professed
to the other for weeks or months in advance. I don't want to
believe your motivations are in any way so similarly motivated.

It isn't your business to denigrate, but to fact find, isn't it?
As John Velez pointed out, in an "ideal world", we could give
names, but it isn't so. And, some people on this List are
'lurkers' for the same reasons. They cannot reveal themselves to
the general public, because some may have already lost jobs,
family, friends based on their stance on the UFO phenomena. Case
in point: Dr. Mack.

My opinion counts for a lot with me, as do others' opinions, as
I have demonstrated on this List in the past. I am not so
intransigent as to believe there may not be other viable
explanations, such as "swamp gas" and the like. I am willing to
consider the possibility, and do frequently, that there may be
some physical or mental anomaly that is the root-cause of these
thousands of sightings that thousands of people all over the

world are now photographing and experiencing. Those reasons may or may not include an as yet undiscovered physical environmental anomaly, which may be at the source of many of these experiences. I simply have no basis on which to make that kind of assumption, yet. Do you?

Furthermore, it is my not so humble opinion, that we all know so little about the phenomena being discussed on this List, that it serves no positive purpose to 'point fingers', 'place blame' and/or 'find fault' and make snide digs about those who are already distressed by the experiences, if they are willing and able to do research into these phenomena. John, since you obviously are not so distressed, why get to a medical library and do some fact-finding on this subject, instead of making snide remarks about others who are trying?

I, the pot, decided to call the kettle (you) black, just to point out to you how hurtful and pointless such remarks made on this List can be. It is truly unbecoming of you to write such condescending snide remarks, when you have no better understanding than "Joe Soap" or I do of what is happening.

And, you have the gall to remind Jerry Clark of his condescending attitude toward Dave Clarke? Groan.

Sincerely,

Sue Strickland
ex-abductee

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:36:44 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:13:02 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 19:03:12 -0500
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

>>The story of Goldwater's curious experience is hardly a mere
>>"rumor."

>>Some rumor. Some reaction to same.

>Jerry,

>Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
>not Dave Clarke.

>Jerry,

>Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
>not Dave Clarke.

>Do you know if anyone other than Goldwater has ever referred to
>a "Blue Room" at Wright-Pat? I'm not talking about Hangar 18
>stories in general here, but the specific reference to a Blue
>Room.

Hi Dennis,

Let's be clear about this. No one is questioning that Goldwater
tried to gain access to a room at a military base and was
refused access.

Where I take issue is what conclusions are drawn from that one
established matter of fact.

Does it necessarily follow that, de facto it was because Le May
was trying to conceal bits of a flying saucer?

Is that what you really believe?

You say that Goldwater "understood that UFO remains" were kept
in the Blue Room. How did he come to "understand" this? Who told
him this was the case - it couldn't have been a high military
source such as Philip Corso, could it?

Could it be that he "understood" this was the case because he
had heard a popular rumour to that effect?

These are questions that need answering; "it was rumoured" and
"he understood" don't amount to much. I understand that the
rumour concerning a captured spaceship concealed at Wright-
Patterson AFB has similarities to the plot of a science fiction
novel "The Fortec Conspiracy" by RM Garvin and EG Addeo,
published in 1966, that was responsible for a wave of rumours at

the time. Parallels can be drawn here with the "angels of Mons" where fiction was taken as fact when repeated as rumour.

The Goldwater story sounds like an example of a "contemporary legend" referred to by the folklorist Jan Brunvand as "the Secret Truth" - a cosmic secret accidentally revealed by a powerful politician or military leader. As Brunvand said, "I expect that I'll get some angry mail for suggesting that this might be an area of modern legend"... I know how he feels!

To give this a British perspective, numerous attempts have been made to gain entry to the UK's Blue Room - RAF Rudloe Manor in Wiltshire by those who "understood" that the MOD are concealing UFO secrets in the underground chamber beneath the station.

Author Tim Good even got himself arrested whilst prowling around the perimeter during the 1980s. What did he expect, a guided tour? No doubt if a curious Member of Parliament asked for direct access to the station on a UFO agenda he or she might get the same answer that Goldwater got from Le May.

Does that in itself prove the UK Government are hiding a crashed saucer or does it simply mean that all Governments - particularly during periods of war and international tension - are paranoid about who they allow into their most sensitive military installations, even MPs and Senators?

All the best,

Dave Clarke

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:04:11 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:23:28 -0400
Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Velez

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 20:22:24 -0400
>From: Ron Cecchini <Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM>
>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:55:24 EDT
>>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>Truth be known, Luis, I do not know if that which I perceive I've
>>experienced really happened. And I am the first to admit to this
>>fact. I say only that the UFO abduction phenomena is the only one
>>which best explains what I've experienced. Which is why I almost
>>always use the word, "perceived" experiences.

>>And I believe that skeptics are of value to the conundrum. I do
>>not believe that skeptibunkers are of any value, even to
>>themselves. And I define a skeptibunker as one who cannot admit
>>even to the possibility of alien intervention. One who will cop to
>>any and all excuses, even unreasonable ones, to attempt to
>>explain it. Such is culpable ignorance.

><snip>

>>PS: I choose not to be believed, but rather for people to believe
>>the possibility. Nothing more. Nothing less.

>I just wanted to say that the above was well-said and worth a
>rereading, especially by "extremist members" of opposing sides
>of this Mystery.

Hi Ron,

Gee, I guess that makes those of us who have had undeniable and close-up real-World UFO abduction experiences "extremists" now. How convenient for those who deny out of hand, and without any formal investigation, that these things ever happen at all. This is why when Wendy and I were discussing which abduction cases lend themselves best to being investigated, I suggested concentrating on cases where there was a report of a direct and clear contact with a UFO and UFO occupants. Jim, and others like him, who "think" they "may be" abductees (that have had experiences that the participants themselves are unsure of) should not be put into the same category as the types of cases I have mentioned above. As I said to Wendy, many who identify themselves as "abductees" are not "abductees". And as such, they are not representative cases of the nuts and bolts type of "events/phenomena" that many others are reporting... and that they are sure of.

Cases such as Mortellaro's are the ones that the psychologists need to look at. For those of us who are trying to get a formal investigation into events that we are sure of, self-diagnosed cases such as Mr. Mortellaro's only serve to further cloud the issue and in the long run, provide encouragement and fodder for those who wish to dismiss all abduction reports.

Because one or even one hundred others tell you that they "think"

they "might be" an abductee, but they are not sure, does not take away one iota from the ones who are sure. As in individuals who have had real time/real world events happen to them that are worthy of further study. An admission such as the one Mortellaro offers also does not make those of us (who are certain about what has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent having what happened to me and many others compared to the "may-be, may be not" nebulous crap that many self-diagnosed/self-proclaimed "abductees" report.

Although Jim's confession is honest it should not be used as an excuse to lump it in with the reports of those us who are sure of what we are reporting and about what has happened to us. To label us as "extremists" because we are certain about the facts/details of what we are reporting is unfair. Because 'some' may be "unsure", doesn't mean that we all are.

And it doesn't make us, (those of us who are confident we know what has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent being labelled that way. I am reporting something I know happened.

As an abductee who is sure, I'd just like to say, Thank for all your 'help' Jim. For someone who isn't sure about what may or may not have happened to them, you seem to have a lot to say on the subject. Speaking for those of us who have had very real, terrifying and undeniable experiences, (that we are sure of,) guys like you make it all the harder for us to get the public's serious consideration. On that level, you hurt our public case much more than you help. "Unsure" people such as yourself only serve to muddy already murky waters almost beyond hope for the rest of us who are certain, and who report on actual events. And not our own "interpretations" (speculations) of dreams and nebulous night-time activities we are not even sure of. You and your alleged "case" is not representative of what is a very real and life disrupting phenomenon for many others world-wide. You do the rest of us who report factual events that we had to live through (and whose memories we have to live with) a grave disservice.

To Ron and anyone else who may wish to learn more about UFO abduction cases (where the participant is reporting on actual events that they are sure of,) I highly recommend that you speak to people like Katharina Wilson, Debbie 'Jordan' Kauble, Russ Hudson, Travis Walton, Charlie Hickson, or even to myself. We may not know 'who' or 'what' is perpetrating these kidnappings or even for what purpose, but unlike "abductees" like Mortellaro, at least we are sure of the details of the events that we are reporting.

"Docca":

Your misrepresentation of UFO abduction is a big part of the reason why I'm always on your case. Guys like you negate the real and frightening experiences of a great many honest and credible people. Abductees like the ones that participated in the M.I.T. Conference and in other public venues. People that have worked hard for years to get the serious consideration of the public at large. Man, if you have any doubt about the harm you do, just listen to Ron's comment (regarding anyone who is certain about what is happening to them) that they are "extremists."

The confusion that self-diagnosed "abductees" such as yourself create for the rest of us; the doubt that it casts on all the others who are sure; is precisely why your "handshake of friendship" can hang in space till hell freezes over. If you are so "unsure" of what you are talking about, lurking and studying the reports of those who are sure, may be a better way for you to spend your spare time. It'd be much less of a pain-in-the-ass for guys like me who are reporting actual events. :)

I don't know, how would you relate to someone who comes on the List, and talks a blue streak about something they are not even sure happened? If you're out to prove that some people are so gullible that they convince themselves to believe they are being abducted by aliens (and tell others about it) without substantial reason to do so, then you've made your point. As it reflects on the cases of those who have had actual experiences, well it simply doesn't. You and many others like you are a category all unto yourselves. And one that has nothing to do with what is happening to, and being reported, by many

others world-wide.

Sincerely,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:14:25 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:52:50 -0400
Subject: Re: Beware New Scam! - Sandow

>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 13:35:39 -0400
>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Beware New Scam!
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>I received the following in my email. Note the similarity to
>previous scam from Nigeria.

<scam continues after my message>

I've gotten two of these, one allegedly from the son of the
ex-butcher of Zaire, Joseph Mobuto, and one from South Africa.
What amazed me is that both messages made perfectly clear that
the money they spoke of was illegally earned! Is this some kind
of FBI ploy?

Greg Sandow

>Sender: jeffnyerere@yahoo.com
>Received: from web20803.mail.yahoo.com (web20803.mail.yahoo.com
>[216.136.226.192])
>by siaaglaf.compuserve.com (8.9.3/8.9.3/SUN-1.12) with SMTP id
>IAA23428 for <brumac@compuserve.com>; Fri, 26 Oct 2001
>08:10:56 -0400 (EDT)
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<20011026121050.60327.qmail@web20803.mail.yahoo.com>
>Received: from [196.2.45.139] by web20803.mail.yahoo.com via
>HTTP; Fri, 26
>Oct 2001 05:10:50 PDT
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 05:10:50 -0700 (PDT)
>From: jeff nyerere <jeffnyerere@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Confidential (Bruce MacCabee)
>To: brumac@compuserve.com

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>THE DIRECTOR,

>DEAR SIR,

>I DO FORESEE THE SURPRISE THIS LETTER WILL BRING TO
>YOU AS IT COMES FROM A STRANGER. BUT BE REST ASSURED
>AS IT COMES WITH THE BEST OF INTENTIONS, HOWEVER YOUR
>ADDRESS WAS COURTESY OF A BUSINESS JOURNAL AT THE
>WORLD TRADE CENTRE IN JOHANNESBURG BUT AFTER A DUE
>CONSIDERATION FROM YOUR PROFILE, I BECAME AWARE AND
>ASSURED OF YOUR CREDIBILITY OF HANDLING THE TRUST AND
>MY FUTURE. THUS AFTER MY HUMBLE DECISION TO SOLICIT
>YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND CO-OPERATION IN THIS
>TRANSACTION, AS IT WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL OF
>US INVOLVED.

>MY NAME IS MR JEFF NYERERE JNR FROM TANZANIA, I AM THE
>SON OF THE LATE PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA JULIUS NYERERE WHO
>DIED TWO YEARS AGO. MY FATHER USED HIS POSITION THEN
>TO MAKE FOR HIMSELF AND US SOME FUTURE. MY FATHER DIED
>AFTER A PROTRACTED ILLNESS. I WAS STUDYING OVERSEAS
>WHEN MY FATHER DIED AND I WAS FORCED TO RETURN FOR THE
>FUNERAL. HIS ATTORNEY NOTIFIED ME AND MY FAMILY ABOUT
>MY FATHER'S WILL WITH HIS CHAMBERS. WHEN I WAS GOING
>THROUGH THE WILL I DISCOVERED THAT MY LATE FATHER USED
>HIS POSITION THEN TO MAKE SOME MONEY, WHICH HE
>BRILLIANTLY TRANSFERRED AND DEPOSIT IT WITH A PRIVATE
>SECURITY COMPANY HERE IN JOHANNESBURG REPUBLIC OF
>SOUTH AFRICA. HE DEPOSITED THIS CONSIGNMENT AS
>VALUABLES. THE SECURITY COMPANY DOES NOT KNOW THAT
>THIS CONSIGNMENT CONTAINS CASH MONEY, EXCEPT THE
>ATTORNEY AND ME

>THE AMMOUNT IS U.S\$26.5MILLION(TWENTY SIX MILLION FIVE
>HUNDRED THOUSAND UNITED STATES DOLLARS) HOWEVER MY AIM
>OF CONTACTING YOU IS TO HELP ME AND TAKE THIS SUM INTO
>YOUR NOMINATED ACCOUNT IN YOUR COUNTRY FOR INVESTMENT
>OVERSEAS BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE A KNOWLEDGE OF
>INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS. AS A RESULT OF MY PRESENT
>SITUATION, I WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONCLUDE THIS
>TRANSACTION ALONE.

>IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING ME OUT, TRY AND
>CONTACT ME WITH THE ABOVE TELEPHONE AND FAX NUMBERS
>INDICATING YOUR INTEREST TO HELP ME. I WILL THEN
>FURNISH YOU WITH MORE DETAILS. I HAVE MUTUALLY AGREED
>TO COMPENSATE YOU WITH 25% OF THE TOTAL SUM FOR YOUR
>ASSISTANCE, 5% FOR EXPENSES IN THE COURSE OF THE
>TRANSACTION. THEN THE REMAINING 70% WILL REMAIN FOR MY
>FAMILY AND ME, WHICH YOU WILL HELP US INVEST.

>BE INFORMED THAT THIS TRANSACTION NEEDS UTMOST TRUST
>AND CONFIDENTIALITY. NOTE ALSO THAT THE TRANSACTION
>ATTRACTS NO RISK ON YOUR SIDE HENCE ALL THE MODALITIES
>FOR SAFE, SMOOTH AND I HAVE ARRANGED SUCCESSFUL
>TRANSACTION.

>LOOKING FORWARD TO RECEIVE YOUR URGENT REPLY. GOD
>BLESS YOU.

>MR JEFF NYERERE JNR

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Rimmer

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>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:32:20 -0500

>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:00:06 +0100
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed

>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500

>John,

>>>>At least we can agree on that, as long as you are including
>>>>yourself in this condescending equation.

>>>To the contrary, my friend. I'm saying we all have prejudices.
>>>Even you.

>>Jerry, are you aware of just how condescending your constant use
>>of the phrase "my friend" is?

>Are you aware of how paranoid you sound?

>Or perhaps you'd prefer that I refer to friendly rivals as
>"stupid, mindless, bigoted, spittle-spewing jerks" when I
>address them? Would that make you happy?

No, I'd rather you didn't say anything at all and just got on with your often interesting posts. If I was actually your friend, I would not need to be reminded of the fact in every message you post on this List. Everybody else who participates here manages to make their points without constantly pointing out that they are such friendly chaps.

I find it an irritating affectation which does actually seem quite condescending - the implication seems to be that we are supposed to be in some way impressed or grateful that we have been acknowledged as friends of the great Jerry Clark.

Like most irritation affectations, it is quite easy to cure. Just don't do it - it's not at all difficult, old chum.

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'Profiles In Ufology'

From: Reed Hall <rhall@carbon.cudenver.edu>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 14:40:22 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 13:51:13 -0400
Subject: 'Profiles In Ufology'

Hi, all -

In addition to being a longtime lurker on this List, I'm the producer/host of a series of programs entitled 'Profiles In Ufology'. These are long-format (90+ minutes each) videotaped interviews, or dialogues, which I am able to conduct from time to time with various UFO investigators and researchers.

Thus far, these interviews haven't been seen much beyond local MUFON meetings and local cable TV community access, but I've just launched a website to promote them more broadly. I invite everyone to visit:

<http://www.ufointerviews.com>

These rather lengthy live-on-video "fireside chats" are long enough to allow us to go into the material in significant depth and detail (as opposed to the usual "sound-byte" approach typical of most UFO-related TV programs), and I've been fortunate enough to interview some pretty significant "names" in the field (Jacobs, Carpenter, Haines, Schuessler, and a few others).

Just thought Listers here might be interested.

Thanks,
Reed Hall

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(from the website:)

"'Profiles in UFology' is a series of very in-depth one-on-one video interviews with leading contemporary UFologists. Each program focuses primarily upon the interviewee's own body of work and unique contributions to the field of UFology. Our "mission" centers upon disseminating information about, and presenting various interpretations of, the UFO phenomenon (and related matters). Our intent is to broadly raise awareness of the phenomenon among the general public, as well as to stimulate deeper reflection and dialogue within the UFological community. Our ongoing video series is dedicated to achieving these ends by providing viewers with informative and thought-provoking discussion with key UFO researchers and investigators."

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Rimmer

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Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Rimmer

>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
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>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:37:13 -0500

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!

>>>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 00:26:43 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>John,

>>How different from the believers' mindset, which says that

>>1) No UFO case must ever be explained.

>>This is fascinating. Can you cite one UFO proponent -- just one --
>>who holds the view you have just attributed to him or her?

>>2) Everything any UFO witness or abductee reports must be
>>accepted without question as the literal truth. Anyone who
>>doubts of finds discrepancies in an account is a heartless,
>>unsympathetic monster.

>>Likewise.

>>3) There are no earthly explanations.

>>Likewise.

>>4) If documentary evidence which can decisively explain a case
>>is produced it is clearly "disinformation", probably spread by
>>the US government. This is because believing ufologists are so
>>clever that it takes the resources of an entire government to
>>fool them

>>Likewise.

>>5) If ultimately believers are forced by the weight of evidence
>>to accept a sceptical explanation, they cling to the hope that
>>eventually someday, sometime someone will come up with the
>>"smoking gun" which proves the ETH. 55 years and counting.

>>Does this read as incoherently to the rest of you as it does to
>>me? It doesn't describe the mindset of anybody I know, and I'll
>>wager that I've been in ufology even longer than John ("Never
>>Say Brit") Rimmer.

>>Jerry Clark

Similarly, Jerry, please give chapter and verse references to
sceptics who have proclaimed the views attributed to them in
Robert Gates's humorous contribution which provoked my comments
above:

>The skeptical mindset has been over the years:
>1) No amount of documents or evidence will ever convince... (so)
>2) Most if not all documents and evidence are proof of
> misidentification, hoax, stars, balloons or errors by the
> witness... (but)
>3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above,
> then we attack the credibility of the witness...
>4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who
> everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)
>5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to
> the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with
> said earthly explanation.

--

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Sandow

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Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 13:55:46 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Sandow

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:36:44 +0100

>Hi Dennis,

>Let's be clear about this. No one is questioning that Goldwater
>tried to gain access to a room at a military base and was
>refused access.

>Where I take issue is what conclusions are drawn from that one
>established matter of fact.

>Does it necessarily follow that, de facto it was because Le May
>was trying to conceal bits of a flying saucer?

Not at all. But in what follows (about urban legends, and the like), Dave seems not to understand why the Goldwater incident might be important. It helps here (sorry!) to be an American, or at least to have a good knowledge of American politics during the last 50 years.

Goldwater wasn't just some random member of the U.S. Congress. He was one of its most respected senior members, with especially close friendships with leading figures in the military. He first was notorious as what at the time seemed like an right-winger, and as the unsuccessful Republican candidate for president in 1964. In that election, he was resoundingly defeated.

But as time went on (and as the country swung to the right) his views started to seem less extreme. Toward the end of his life, in fact, he was a refreshing antidote to far-right Republicanism. He became famous for his independence, his common sense, and his determination to call the shots as he saw them. For instance, he supported the right of gay people to serve in the military, which wasn't at all a popular position among right-wing Republicans. He developed a reputation, richly deserved, for being one of the most honest people ever to hold high office in Washington during the last 50 years. You could disagree with him, but you had to respect him.

And he made his statement about Le May and Wright-Patterson not just in any random publication, but in the New Yorker, one of the most literate and respected magazines in America, and never one to take any interest in UFOs and the paranormal. His statement, moreover, was very strong. It doesn't prove anything about UFOs, but it does demonstrate beyond any doubt that Goldwater believed that there might (I repeat, might) be UFO materials secretly stored at Wright-Patterson AFB. And that General Le May, an exceedingly high-ranking figure in the Air Force, responded with special force when Goldwater asked about it. Le May, according to Goldwater, didn't say "What are you talking about?" "I don't know what you mean" or "That's all nonsense." He said (I'm quoting from memory, but it was something like this), "Hell, no! You can't go there [to the alleged "blue room"], I can't go there, and don't ever ask me again!" Goldwater thought that meant Le May was telling him there really was something there.

This isn't a story that's easily dismissed. Again, to avoid pointless arguments, it doesn't prove anything. It's only Goldwater's opinion, first about the possibility that something was concealed, and second that Le May appeared to be confirming that. But if you try to add up evidence on both sides of the argument -- is there definitive UFO proof, even wreckage of a UFO, somewhere in the possession of the US government? -- Goldwater's statement is something that gets put on the positive side of the scale, because it seriously suggests a positive answer to the question. Again, to avoid pointless arguments, let me state that this doesn't mean that there aren't other things that just as strongly suggest a negative answer.

The main point, though, is that Goldwater's statement can't be dismissed so quickly, with airy talk of urban legends and humorous jibes about where Goldwater might have gotten his idea in the first place. Given his stature, and his close connections to the military, he could just as well have heard rumors from inside the military -- which, let me stress, could arise whether or not the rumors are true.

Greg Sandow

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - McCartney

From: Pat McCartney <ElPatricio@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 13:57:17 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - McCartney

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:36:44 +0100

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>tried to gain access to a room at a military base and was
>refused access.

>Where I take issue is what conclusions are drawn from that one
>established matter of fact.

>Does it necessarily follow that, de facto it was because Le May
>was trying to conceal bits of a flying saucer?

>Is that what you really believe?

>You say that Goldwater "understood that UFO remains" were kept
>in the Blue Room. How did he come to "understand" this? Who told
>him this was the case - it couldn't have been a high military
>source such as Philip Corso, could it?

>Could it be that he "understood" this was the case because he
>had heard a popular rumour to that effect?

>These are questions that need answering; "it was rumoured" and
>"he understood" don't amount to much. I understand that the
>rumour concerning a captured spaceship concealed at Wright-
>Patterson AFB has similarities to the plot of a science fiction
>novel "The Fortec Conspiracy" by RM Garvin and EG Addeo,
>published in 1966, that was responsible for a wave of rumours at
>the time. Parallels can be drawn here with the "angels of Mons"
>where fiction was taken as fact when repeated as rumour.

Oh, puh-leeze! The reason Barry Goldwater's attempt to gain access to the alleged UFO artifacts at Wright-Patterson is significant is because he was so well-placed in U.S. military and political circles. The fact that Sen. Goldwater was a conservative politician, a pilot in the U.S. Air Force Reserves, and at one time chaired the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence would suggest to all but the obtuse that he was privy to scuttlebutt within the intelligence and military community that is not easily accessed by the general public. Please don't denigrate that significance by suggesting Sen. Goldwater was influenced by such popular pap as "The Fortec Conspiracy." That notion may bring you comfort, but I consider it foolish to suggest.

Yes, there are rumors floating around in the vast U.S. intelligence community about the existence of UFO's. I ran into a former classmate of mine at a reunion, a bright guy who had joined the National Security Agency after school. When I asked him whether he had information about UFO's, he answered me in that elliptical way that people who take security oaths often do to avoid breaking their oath. "Did you ever see the movie, 'Hanger 18?'" he asked. When I said I had, he said, "What that movie portrayed is not far from the truth." That's all. A "rumor" from someone who had served his country inside the intelligence services, responding to an old friend in a way that

would not compromise his secrecy oath.

For the uninitiated, "Hangar 18" was a fictionalized account of the Wright-Patterson UFO rumors.

Pat McCartney

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
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Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:36:44 +0100

>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 19:03:12 -0500
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark
>>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

Hi, Dave,

>Let's be clear about this. No one is questioning that Goldwater
>tried to gain access to a room at a military base and was
>refused access.

>Where I take issue is what conclusions are drawn from that one
>established matter of fact.

>You say that Goldwater "understood that UFO remains" were kept
>in the Blue Room. How did he come to "understand" this? Who told
>him this was the case - it couldn't have been a high military
>source such as Philip Corso, could it?

It's not clear to whom you're addressing this. On the theory
that it is I, I here respond:

Goldwater was tightlipped about his sources, though of course
because of his military and political connections -- Goldwater
was a major figure in American politics for more than two
decades, a high-ranking Senator with many social and official
links to the military and intelligence establishment, former
Republican Presidential candidate, a founder of the modern
conservative movement, and a brigadier general in the Air Force
Reserve -- he had access to information unavailable to the rest
of us. This is beyond dispute. Beyond that, we just don't know
where he got the story about the Blue Room, and Goldwater wasn't
willing to share his sources with inquirers. The fact that the
curious phrase "Blue Room" -- which, as Dennis Stacy has
interestingly noted, does not figure in the popular lore of
Hangar 18 -- enters into the story indicates that the sources
were not drawing on the usual literature and rumors.

>The Goldwater story sounds like an example of a "contemporary
>legend" referred to by the folklorist Jan Brunvand as "the
>Secret Truth" - a cosmic secret accidentally revealed by a
>powerful politician or military leader As Brunvand said, "I
>expect that I'll get some angry mail for suggesting that this
>might be an area of modern legend"... I know how he feels!

Sorry to disappoint you, Dave. No anger here, just
disappointment with the soggiessness of your argument. Jan Brunvand
is not the expert here, his views a notably unhelpful guide to

resolution of the issue we're addressing here.

To the contrary, LeMay's angry response to Goldwater's request makes no sense whatever as a demonstration of the Brunvand/Clarke hypothesis. It does make sense, however, if one deduces:

(a) LeMay did not want to lie to a friend -- in other words, pretend to him that the tale was only a baseless legend of the sort that the wise, all-knowing Prof. Brunvand was documenting; thus (b) LeMay told Goldwater in no uncertain terms never to ask again. Consequently, (c) LeMay didn't have to betray a friendship with a blatant falsehood, nor (d) did he have to answer truthfully a query to which, for national-security reasons, he could not reply openly and honestly.

Marginally more credibly if one is looking for a safely orthodox explanation for the anecdote's origin, one could argue that Goldwater concocted the story out of whole cloth. This would contradict the man's celebrated reputation as a straight-shooter -- one of the themes, incidentally, of The New Yorker profile in which the remarks were quoted, respectfully I might add -- and it would require a degree of supporting evidence invisible at the moment. But it sure as hell would be more plausible than the Brunvand/Clarke hypothesis, namely that LeMay flew into a rage when asked about a baseless popular rumor, citing national security as the reason for refusing to discuss said fiction.

And in anticipation of the inevitable: Of course I am not contending that this is "proof" of crashed discs. It is an anecdote consistent with others we've heard. It is intriguing, and in the absence of supporting evidence and further information, that's all it is for now, or maybe forever. What I am objecting to here is a lame effort to dispose of it. Even self-described rationalists like yourself are obliged, after all, to employ rational arguments.

Cordially (by which I mean no offense),

Jerry Clark

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Felder

From: **Bobbie Felder** <jilain@ebicom.net>
Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:24:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:01:08 -0400
Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Felder

>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:04:11 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'

>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 20:22:24 -0400
>>From: Ron Cecchini <Ron.Cecchini@GD-CS.COM>
>>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>>From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
>>>Date: Tue, 23 Oct 2001 22:55:24 EDT
>>>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

<snip>

>Because one or even one hundred others tell you that they "think"
>they "might be" an abductee, but they are not sure, does not take
>away one iota from the ones who are sure. As in individuals who
>have had real time/real world events happen to them that are
>worthy of further study. An admission such as the one Mortellaro
>offers also does not make those of us (who are certain about what
>has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent having what
>happened to me and many others compared to the "may-be, may be not"
>nebulous crap that many self-diagnosed/self-proclaimed "abductees"
>report.

Fact of life: until someone can offer up definitive,
irrefutable, scientifically-testable evidence that proves beyond
the shadow of a doubt that the alien abduction phenomenon is
indeed a real, physical, actually occurring event, there will
always be those who question any claim of abduction. And even
after such evidence is offered up, tested and retested and
tested again, there will still be some who deny its validity.

>Although Jim's confession is honest it should not be used as an
>excuse to lump it in with the reports of those us who are sure
>of what we are reporting and about what has happened to us. To
>label us as "extremists" because we are certain about the
>facts/details of what we are reporting is unfair. Because 'some'
>may be "unsure", doesn't mean that we all are.

The same is true on the other extreme: because some of you are
sure doesn't mean that anyone else is sure. You are obviously
convinced that you're right about your own personal experience.
If so, that's fine. But you're asking a lot if you expect others
to believe it on faith alone until such time as you, or some
other claimant, can come up with the evidence to back up your
claim.

Like it or not, that's the reality of the world, especially if
one takes a look outside the UFO circles.

I think the fact that Jim is willing to publicly admit that he
may suspect that abduction explains his experiences, but he
isn't certain of that, shows a strength of character. He is
obviously still questioning and searching for answers to his
experiences, and I see nothing wrong with that.

<snip>

>As an abductee who is sure, I'd just like to say, Thanx for
>all your 'help' Jim. For someone who isn't sure about what may
>or may not have happened to them, you seem to have a lot to say
>on the subject. Speaking for those of us who have had very real,
>terrifying and undeniable experiences, (that we are sure of,)
>guys like you make it all the harder for us to get the public's
>serious consideration. On that level, you hurt our public case
>much more than you help.

Actually, I think the "something happened to me and I don't know exactly what it was, but I think it may have involved alien abduction" attitude does a lot more for the question of abduction reality than a "I was abducted, I know it happened, and I don't have to prove it but you have to believe me anyway" attitude. It is far easier to take seriously someone who knows that something happened, and is willing to explore all possibilities - including alien abduction - before expecting others to believe it than it is to accept the reality of such an event on what amounts to basically hearsay alone.

Bobbie

"The level of civilization of a people can be judged by the social position of its women." - Domingo Sarmiento

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Stacy

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Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Stacy

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>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark
>>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

>>>The story of Goldwater's curious experience is hardly a mere
>>>"rumor."

>>>Some rumor. Some reaction to same.

>>Jerry,

>>Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
>>not Dave Clarke.

>>Do you know if anyone other than Goldwater has ever referred to
>>a "Blue Room" at Wright-Pat? I'm not talking about Hangar 18
>>stories in general here, but the specific reference to a Blue
>>Room.

>Let's be clear about this. No one is questioning that Goldwater
>tried to gain access to a room at a military base and was
>refused access.

>Where I take issue is what conclusions are drawn from that one
>established matter of fact.

>Does it necessarily follow that, de facto it was because Le May
>was trying to conceal bits of a flying saucer?

>Is that what you really believe?

Dave,

No, I never said or suggested that it did, or that I believed
same. I merely said that Goldwater's statement to the effect
that he was denied access to the Blue Room was an established
fact and a matter of record -- not a mere rumor (or rumour). I'm
glad to see that you agree. For your files and the record, where
did I say or even remotely suggest that "Le May was trying to
conceal bits of a flying saucer"? Those are your words, not
mine. Will you be the gentleman and admit as much?

>You say that Goldwater "understood that UFO remains" were kept
>in the Blue Room. How did he come to "understand" this? Who told
>him this was the case - it couldn't have been a high military
>source such as Philip Corso, could it?

Your above remarks must be addressed to someone else, as I never said, implied, or insinuated any such thing. Again, will you be the gentleman and admit as much? As for throwing Corso at me, you must surely be aware that I'm arguably Corso's most severe critic in this country? Or maybe not.

>Could it be that he "understood" this was the case because he
>had heard a popular rumour to that effect?

Apart from the point that I never once said Goldwater "understood" anything about anything, your answer is "of course!" Although it's just as likely that he understood this was the case from any number of more viable sources and informants, not to mention constituents.

>These are questions that need answering; "it was rumoured" and
>"he understood" don't amount to much. I understand that the
>rumour concerning a captured spaceship concealed at Wright-
>Patterson AFB has similarities to the plot of a science fiction
>novel "The Fortec Conspiracy" by RM Garvin and EG Addeo,
>published in 1966, that was responsible for a wave of rumours at
>the time. Parallels can be drawn here with the "angels of Mons"
>where fiction was taken as fact when repeated as rumour.
>

I could've sworn that it was you who introduced "rumored" re Goldwater's remarks, not me. And what, pray God's name in hell, does the "angel of Mons" have to do with anything? Goldwater might have said about being denied access to physical rooms and files to which he sought access?

>The Goldwater story sounds like an example of a "contemporary
>legend" referred to by the folklorist Jan Brunvand as "the
>Secret Truth" - a cosmic secret accidentally revealed by a
>powerful politician or military leader As Brunvand said, "I
>expect that I'll get some angry mail for suggesting that this
>might be an area of modern legend"... I know how he feels!

Dave, you're grasping at straws here. See below. In parenthesis, would it interest you to know that I once asked Brunvand if ufo abduction accounts fell into the realm of urban legends, and he responded that they didn't?

>To give this a British perspective, numerous attempts have been
>made to gain entry to the UK's Blue Room - RAF Rudloe Manor in
>Wiltshire by those who "understood" that the MOD are concealing
>UFO secrets in the underground chamber beneath the station.

>Author Tim Good even got himself arrested whilst prowling around
>the perimeter during the 1980s. What did he expect, a guided
>tour? No doubt if a curious Member of Parliament asked for
>direct access to the station on a UFO agenda he or she might get
>the same answer that Goldwater got from Le May.

Goldwater and Good are not one and the same, however crude or rude the analogy or comparison. Good is a concert violinist and UFO researcher. Goldwater was a United States senator and presidential candidate. We're talking oranges and apples here. Large oranges and small apples, at that.

>Does that in itself prove the UK Government are hiding a crashed
>saucer or does it simply mean that all Governments -
>particularly during periods of war and international tension -
>are paranoid about who they allow into their most sensitive
>military installations, even MPs and Senators?

Did I ever say or suggest that it did? Again, I think you've confused me with someone else.

All the best,

Dennis Stacy

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Mortellaro

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>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 20:22:24 -0400
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>>>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'
>>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

>>>Truth be known, Luis, I do not know if that which I perceive I've
>>>experienced really happened. And I am the first to admit to this
>>>fact. I say only that the UFO abduction phenomena is the only one
>>>which best explains what I've experienced. Which is why I almost
>>>always use the word, "perceived" experiences.

>>>And I believe that skeptics are of value to the conundrum. I do
>>>not believe that skeptibunkers are of any value, even to
>>>themselves. And I define a skeptibunker as one who cannot admit
>>>even to the possibility of alien intervention. One who will cop to
>>>any and all excuses, even unreasonable ones, to attempt to
>>>explain it. Such is culpable ignorance.

>><snip>

>>>PS: I choose not to be believed, but rather for people to believe
>>>the possibility. Nothing more. Nothing less.

>>I just wanted to say that the above was well-said and worth a
>>rereading, especially by "extremist members" of opposing sides
>>of this Mystery.

>Hi Ron,

>Gee, I guess that makes those of us who have had undeniable and
>close-up real-World UFO abduction experiences "extremists" now.
>How convenient for those who deny out of hand, and without any
>formal investigation, that these things ever happen at all. This
>is why when Wendy and I were discussing which abduction cases
>lend themselves best to being investigated, I suggested
>concentrating on cases where there was a report of a direct
>and clear contact with a UFO and UFO occupants. Jim, and others
>like him, who "think" they "may be" abductees (that have had
>experiences that the participants themselves are unsure of)
>should not be put into the same category as the types of cases
>I have mentioned above. As I said to Wendy, many who identify
>themselves as "abductees" are not "abductees". And as such,
>they are not representative cases of the nuts and bolts type of
>"events/phenomena" that many others are reporting... and that
>they are sure of.

Dear John, List, Errol,

John, John, John... you are quite mistaken. Your interpretation of what I wrote is completely off base. Read (i.e., look)... and learn, as some entity told me (as well as you, I recall).

This is the straight poop, John... in a manner of speaking of course. I do not "think" I was abducted. After all the posts on AIC, you are the first person who should understand that. And remember. No, I do not think I was abducted, I "know" I was abducted.

But on the level of my memory which is as real as my little puppy, Pepe is pooping on my Mexican tile floor. Just a moment whilst I let him know who is boss around here ...

OK, now he knows he's the boss.

On the level of memory, there is no doubt of the reality of my experiences. What you failed to parse, to read, in my posts, is that I also said that from my intellectual side, the one which is not dominant even though my education is as an engineer. I hold two degrees in Electronic engineering. That side of me says, "This cannot possibly be. Scientifically, physically, it just cannot be. So I am locked in a conundrum of wills.

However, I also wrote that I am 98 percent certain that what I perceived to have happened, happened. And the remaining percent is my skeptical, educational indoctrination. In my book, you will see that there are others who share my point of view.

>Cases such as Mortellaro's are the ones that the psychologists
>need to look at. For those of us who are trying to get a formal
>investigation into events that we are sure of, self-diagnosed
>cases such as Mr. Mortellaro's only serve to further cloud the
>issue and in the long run, provide encouragement and fodder for
>those who wish to dismiss all abduction reports.

Ah, poor baby, you forgot that I had several meetings with Budd. And that I have seen psychiatrists and psychologists. And that I have told this forum the results. I really believe that what happened happened. But I also know, as do you because we've all read it right here on UpDates, that you too, understand that there is that possibility that it may be some other phenomena.

Did I get that right? I shall have to go back into my files to look it up here and on AIC, without of course, sharing any personal or confidential information.

>Because one or even one hundred others tell you that they "think"
>they "might be" an abductee, but they are not sure, does not take
>away one iota from the ones who are sure. As in individuals who
>have had real time/real world events happen to them that are
>worthy of further study. An admission such as the one Mortellaro
>offers also does not make those of us (who are certain about what
>has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent having what
>happened to me and many others compared to the "may-be, may be not"
>nebulous crap that many self-diagnosed/self-proclaimed "abductees"
>report.

Utter nonsense. I am certain. But of my memories, not of the absolute truth of what happened. And if you tell us that you are so certain that the phenom is real based only on your own memory, I caution you. On that path lies danger. Because your perceptions may be faulty. No one may be certain of this sort of phenomena, "absolutely" certain. To rely solely on my vivid memories without questioning the possibility of some other reason, is in the opinion of this dude, unreasonable.

>Although Jim's confession is honest it should not be used as an

It ain't no confession. It's a fact. And I am not self diagnosed. That's a fact. And the marks on my arm and leg, that's a fact. And the goddamned stinking pain and terror, those are facts. Don't anyone dare to minimize or turn around my meaning. Not even you. Anyway, read the book.

>excuse to lump it in with the reports of those us who are sure
>of what we are reporting and about what has happened to us. To
>label us as "extremists" because we are certain about the
>facts/details of what we are reporting is unfair. Because 'some'
>may be "unsure", doesn't mean that we all are.

>And it doesn't make us, (those of us who are confident we know
>what has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent being
>labelled that way. I am reporting something I know happened.

>As an abductee who is sure, I'd just like to say, Thank for
>all your 'help' Jim. For someone who isn't sure about what may
>or may not have happened to them, you seem to have a lot to say
>on the subject. Speaking for those of us who have had very real,
>terrifying and undeniable experiences, (that we are sure of,)
>guys like you make it all the harder for us to get the public's
>serious consideration. On that level, you hurt our public case
>much more than you help. "Unsure" people such as yourself only
>serve to muddy already murky waters almost beyond hope for the
>rest of us who are certain, and who report on actual
>events. And not our own "interpretations" (speculations) of
>dreams and nebulous night-time activities we are not even sure
>of. You and your alleged "case" is not representative of what
>is a very real and life disrupting phenomenon for many others
>world-wide. You do the rest of us who report factual events that
>we had to live through (and whose memories we have to live with)
>a grave disservice.

Horse hockey, John.

>To Ron and anyone else who may wish to learn more about UFO
>abduction cases (where the participant is reporting on actual
>events that they are sure of,) I highly recommend that you
>speak to people like Katharina Wilson, Debbie 'Jordan' Kauble,
>Russ Hudson, Travis Walton, Charlie Hickson, or even to myself.
>We may not know 'who' or 'what' is perpetrating these
>kidnappings or even for what purpose, but unlike "abductees"
>like Mortellaro, at least we are sure of the details of the
>events that we are reporting.

>"Docca":

>Your misrepresentation of UFO abduction is a big part of the
>reason why I'm always on your case. Guys like you negate the
>real and frightening experiences of a great many honest and
>credible people. Abductees like the ones that participated in
>the M.I.T. Conference and in other public venues. People that
>have worked hard for years to get the serious consideration of
>the public at large. Man, if you have any doubt about the harm
>you do, just listen to Ron's comment (regarding anyone who is
>certain about what is happening to them) that they are
>"extremists."

Balderdash. I negate NOTHING except the logic and reason which
was instilled in me during my education as an engineer and
scientist. And I don't blame mainstream science in the least,
nor do I assign blame to genuine skeptics, for looking for
science to explain this phenom. Anything else is ignorant. John,
think a moment. Whether science is afraid or just doing their
job! There is the prime directive of science. Prove it.

Everything I ever learned in schools was that. Prove it. And I can't
prove what's inside my head. Neither may you. Yeah, it's real all
right. But it makes no sense whatever in the paradigm we've been
given to learn and believe. Got it now?

>The confusion that self-diagnosed "abductees" such as yourself
>create for the rest of us; the doubt that it casts on all the
>others who are sure; is precisely why your "handshake of
>friendship" can hang in space till hell freezes over. If you are
>so "unsure" of what you are talking about, lurking and studying
>the reports of those who are sure, may be a better way for you
>to spend your spare time. It'd be much less of a pain-in-the-ass
>for guys like me who are reporting actual events. :)

You know nothing of who, or when, the diagnosis was made. And I
shall raise your self diagnosis one level higher. I trust my
memory much much better than had I allowed Budd to regress me.
At least now I am CERTAIN. Certain that it was real. But
uncertain as to the absolute truth. You got absolute truth? Then
you are not being honest. Not with yourself or this list.

>I don't know, how would you relate to someone who comes on the
>List, and talks a blue streak about something they are not even
>sure happened? If you're out to prove that some people are so
>gullible that they convince themselves to believe they are being

>abducted by aliens (and tell others about it) without
>_substantial_ reason to do so, then you've made your point. As
>it reflects on the cases of those who have had actual
>experiences, well it simply doesn't. You and many others like
>you are a category all unto yourselves. And one that has nothing
>to do with what is happening to, and being reported, by many
>others world-wide.

Utter nonsense again.

Well, folks. Pepe le Pew (a French Bulldog) should have been
named Peepee Le Poop for all he's given our new home. But he's a
peach and Rosie and I love him.

Anyone got suggestions as to how to housebreak this little one?
I am open. God he's a pooper and a pisher.

Love to all,

Jim

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>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:14:25 -0400

>>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 13:35:39 -0400
>>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>>Subject: Beware New Scam!
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>I received the following in my email. Note the similarity to
>>previous scam from Nigeria.

><scam continues after my message>

>I've gotten two of these, one allegedly from the son of the
>ex-butcher of Zaire, Joseph Mobuto, and one from South Africa.
>What amazed me is that both messages made perfectly clear that
>the money they spoke of was illegally earned! Is this some kind
>of FBI ploy?

Okay, here is exactly how this particular scam works and the FBI
has no part in this other than their fraud division is probably
on the trail of these scamsters.

What they do is prey on the recipient's greed. i.e. You stand to
get millions of dollars in your hands for simply being a nice
guy or gal and helping (insert idiot name here) get some money
out of the country. (The part of it being illegal money is
designed to keep you from going to the authorities about it.)

Bottom line is when you start nibbling at the bait, you find out
that there are some "minor costs" that you will have to foot in
order to get the money transferred into your account. These
costs will be with a "third party", (some bogus company) that
will set up the necessary paperwork, etc. The sum they usually
work with is about \$500.00. (And what is a paltry \$500.00 when
it means you will get to receive millions, right?) But for those
who bite at that little tidbit, the plot THICKENS. Suddenly, you
will find that someone screwed up or some official somewhere got
involved but with a little "bribe money" of around \$1,000.00,
you are assured that the millions will be in your account by the
next business day.

(Where it gets you most is when you've given up some of your
money, you have the nasty choice of being faced with CHASING the
money you've already given them. In otherwords, "I've given them
\$500.00 already, do you want me to just walk away from that?"
The sad answer is, "Yes. Do not walk away, run, because the ONLY
alternative is to lose MORE money." There is absolutely no
possibility of getting the millions of dollars, (it doesn't
exist) and if you try to catch these guys and recover your
money, they will vanish like smoke.

I do hope this clears up the scam and that anyone on the list
who receives one of these things and even is thinking about it,
stops right now.

Dave (Furry) Furlotte

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'Footfall'

From: Sean Jones <tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
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Subject: 'Footfall'

Something that you guys and gals might find interesting. This was posted on the Larry Niven Mailing list.

This is true. Larry Niven has corroborated some of it.

From: larryniven-1-admin@larryniven-1.org
[mailto:larryniven-1-admin@larryniven-1.org] On Behalf Of Derek Glidden
Sent: 09 October 2001 22:29
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Subject: [Larryniven-1] Footfall and the Cold War

I actually brought up this question a couple of years ago on this list and have been lurking most of the time since then. I figured now might be a good time to bring it up again and see if any new data can be turned up.

(It's also been a couple years since I read Footfall, so I've forgotten some of the details, but you can fill in the blanks.)

In Footfall there's a group of SciFi authors - all clearly based on real SciFi authors - gathered together as a sort of "Think Tank Strike Team" to come up with ideas to fight the aliens that might have sounded too pie-in-the-sky for the "real" military to think up. Being "hard" SciFi authors, the assumption was that these people were used to thinking up pie-in-the-sky ideas with a firm grounding in science fact so perhaps they would come up with some interesting new ideas that could actually be implemented to help prevent the impending invasion.

In itself, it's an interesting side-story that adds some to the book, but nothing you'd think too special.

But...

Soon after the last time I read Footfall a friend of mine called me to ask if I had seen a TV show he'd just watched about the Cold War where few/several SciFi authors had been interviewed - Niven and/or Pournelle in particular - where they had stated they had been part of a government "think tank" to come up with pie-in-the-sky but scientifically valid weapon systems to announce as components of Star Wars/SDI.

Oh but it gets better.

The U.S. Government would keep up all pretence of actually developing and building these systems, but the reality of the situation was that at least this aspect of Star Wars/SDI was a smokescreen designed to trick the Soviets into keeping up with an unrealistic arms race and spend so much money on military R&D, trying to keep up with these futuristic weapons and defence systems, that their economy would collapse. Very few people in the U.S. Government (or anywhere for that matter) had any idea that the projects they were working on had little hope of success, other than making the Russians spend more and more

money.

Of course, we know what ultimately happened to the Russian government and economy. Supposedly a Russian military type was actually quoted in the show saying something like "If we hadn't had to spend all the money keeping up with Star Wars, the Soviet Union might not have collapsed."

One of the tantalizing details is that Sir A.C. Clarke reportedly walked out of one of the meetings with a statement along the lines that it was horrendously immoral and unethical for the group to use their skills to attempt to corrupt a foreign government and overthrow its economy - effectively trying to induce depression the likes of which the US encountered in the 1930's - and cause the inevitable associated human suffering. Supposedly Heinlein (another member of this super-secret cabal) was so pissed off at Clarke's attitude towards "The Communist Threat" that it caused a huge rift in their relationship. (Something to the effect of "Heinlein never spoke to Clarke again.") A nice correlation to this detail is that the "Clarke" character (character name was Clarke's first wife's maiden name) in Footfall was invited but unavailable [at a con?] to become part of the SciFi cabal in the book.

Normally I would discard this as Urban Legend, "Friend of a Friend" type of thing, except that it's not a "friend of a friend heard about this guy" story, but a friend of *mine* calling *me* on the phone to talk about the TV show *he* saw on TV a couple of days ago and ask me if I'd ever heard anything about it since he knew I was a big Niven fan. And he's not the type to make this sort of thing up - in fact, if I could find any more information about it, he'd love to hear it as much as I would.

What makes it more appealing is that the side-story in "Footfall" strikes me as exactly the type of subtle prank that some intelligent Sci Fi author might pull when they've been told "This is super secret, you are absolutely NOT allowed to mention this to anyone!" - I *didn't* tell anyone! That story's just fiction don't you know, snort, chuckle!

Of course, it could just as easily be the base from which the Urban Legend of the Cold War SciFi Cabal described above was actually derived. Chicken, egg. Egg, chicken.

Did anyone else actually see that show? (Was it the "Cold War" CNN special?) Has anyone else heard this story? Can anyone shed any more light on the facts? Is there any hope of possibly even getting Larry to make a comment about the situation?

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In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.

Sean Jones

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>>As for my comments in 'The Observer', you obviously aren't a
>>reader of the tabloid Daily Star. A couple of weeks ago that
>>newspaper quoted a "Dr David Clarke" to the effect that the
>>"missing" Rendlesham documents "constitute the best evidence
>>that aliens have landed in Britain."

>>I think that is what you would call a "straw man."

>No, I would call that an evasion of the issues I raised. I do
>sympathize, though, with you and all others, including the
>undersigned, who have been misquoted in press accounts and had
>our views turned exactly on their heads. A sadly common
>experience.

Hi Jerry,

It's not "evasion" at all, I stand by all the comments I made to the
Observer, but there is a difference between quotes made and
quotes used. That was the choice of Paul Harris and the
Observer sub-editors, not mine.

My point is that you were quick to jump on the bandwagon
and use the Observer story as a blunt instrument and to
back up your prejudice that I'm some kind of condescending
debunker out to squelsh your pet subject. This is the sort of
polarisation and knee-jerk reaction against perceived ideological
opponents that this subject must leave behind if it deserves to
be "taken seriously."

What I was actually quoted as saying was:

>'This was a time of great paranoia and fear. The Government took
>a decision to throw a blanket over the UFO scare and say as
>little as possible about it,' said Clarke.
>'There certainly was a cover-up, but what was being covered up
>was Cold War paranoia and our fears over our radar system. It
>was nothing to do with aliens.'

If Jerry wishes to take those quotes as "condescending" or
"intellectually immodest" then I'm tempted to say this reveals
more about him than it does about me. My comments are based upon
fact garnered from the close study over the past two years of
several thousand pages of MOD files - both at the PRO and
currently "closed." If one cannot make an informed comment on
that basis then what is the point of doing research at all?

My standpoint is no different, in fact I would say it is more
moderate, than anything any other social historian, for example

Dr Bob Bartholomew (whose work I know Jerry is familiar with) might have said if asked for an opinion on the MOD documents. I'd be surprised if anyone with any knowledge of the their content and the historical context within which they were created could honestly say anything different.

What the Observer chose not to use were my comments when asked if I agreed with the MOD conclusions and whether I agreed that all UFOs could be explained as hoaxes, mass hysteria etc. My response was that I did not accept that was the case and that one case reported in the DSI/JTIC Report - the sightings by the Test Pilots at Farnborough in Aug/Sept 1950 - remains completely baffling from my point of view.

Having recently interviewed two of the test pilots who were involved in the Farnborough sightings I'm impressed to find their accounts of what they saw remain as sharp and crystal clear as when they were reported to the MOD in 1950. If they saw what they say they saw then I cannot propose any "rational" explanation, neither would I attempt to propose one. In these circumstances- and my level of evidence and the quality of eyewitness testimony is deliberately set very high - it is time to accept there are aerial phenomena, not necessarily ET in origin, that lie outside our current scientific understanding.

Adding a caveat here, I would point out that these guys don't necessarily buy the ET idea themselves, but they are convinced their evidence was ignored and suppressed by the MOD and I have to agree that is what the evidence suggests. They had not seen the MOD report conclusions until I provided a copy, 50 years after they were interviewed by Scientific Intelligence.

I'm happy to take part in debate if it is based upon the discussion of informed opinion and fact. That was why we published the MOD study - free to all - on the net in the first place. It's sad to see discussion of these important historical documents side-tracked by polemics, name calling and prejudice. If I'm guilty of any of those things my apologies; but I will not apologise for the right to hold an informed opinion.

Let's face it - this List would be a pretty dull place if we all agreed with each other.

All the best

Dave Clarke

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Re: Beware New Scam! - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 11:04:58 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:22:09 -0400
Subject: Re: Beware New Scam! - Maccabee

>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: Re: Beware New Scam!
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 16:14:25 -0400

>>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 13:35:39 -0400
>>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>>Subject: Beware New Scam!
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>I received the following in my email. Note the similarity to
>>previous scam from Nigeria.

>I've gotten two of these, one allegedly from the son of the
>ex-butcher of Zaire, Joseph Mobuto, and one from South Africa.
>What amazed me is that both messages made perfectly clear that
>the money they spoke of was illegally earned! Is this some kind
>of FBI ploy?

Thanks for the info. We should do exactly the opposite of what
the scam requests, namely confidentiality, and spread it widely!

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Campagna

From: Palmiro Campagna <maxcam@storm.ca>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 11:52:24 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:24:18 -0400
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Campagna

>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Subject: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>Date: Sun, 21 Oct 2001 08:14:23 +0100

The notation that the British study was demanded by Sir Henry Tizard is most interesting. In my book, The UFO Files: The Canadian Connection Exposed, I noted that Sir Henry Tizard was present at a meeting in Montreal, Canada, June 1 1951, with Dr. Omond Solandt, of the Canadian Defence Research Board. Also present were two CIA representatives. Subject of the meeting was MKULTRA, the CIA foray into mind control. This information was disclosed by Dr. Solandt, when he gave his deposition in the eighties, to the American investigation into the MKULTRA activities that had been launched as part of a lawsuit by a number of MKULTRA's victims.

Solandt of course had a major connection to the UFO scene as well. A declassified file reproduced in the UFO Files states:

"DSI [Directorate Scientific Intelligence] advised Secretary JIC [Joint Intelligence Council] on 6th April 1950 that the Minister [of Canada's Department of National Defence] had requested CDRB [Chairman Defence Research Board Dr. Solandt] to seek the co-operation of the Services in reporting on the occurrences or alleged occurrences of Flying Saucers passing over Canada. He requested that this be discussed at the next meeting of the JIC." [A copy is also available at www.storm.ca/~maxcam/]

This is the earliest recorded instance of Canadian Government UFO interest I have been able to find and it may tie in with this latest British report. There is no record of the results of these early Canadian investigations. In 1952, Solandt started Project Second Storey, a group bent on debunking the UFO subject. Note also that Solandt was receiving updates on UFO reports from the CIA, such as report #00-W-25291 titled Military Unconventional Aircraft.

September 1950 is also when Wilbert Smith had his meeting with Dr. Robert Sarbacher. Smith was well known to Solandt. Solandt supported Smith's research into the realm of UFOology. The meeting between Smith and Sarbacher was set up by the DRB liaison staff at the Canadian Embassy in Washington.

With this latest discovery of the British report, it is obvious there is yet more to be uncovered.

Palmiro Campagna Author
The UFO Files: The Canadian Connection Exposed 1997.

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'Strange Days... Indeed' Tonight - DR. Steven Greer

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <ufoupdates@home.com>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:51:51 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:51:51 -0400
Subject: 'Strange Days... Indeed' Tonight - DR. Steven Greer

Steven Greer, George Filer and Graham Bethune [the latter two are 'Disclosure Witnesses'] will be in the CFRB studios tonight.

The program starts at 22:00 Eastern Daylight Time and can be heard on CFRB 1010 AM in the Toronto area and live via the Web at www.cfrb.com either via Windows Media Player [seats fill quickly or via SurferNet [link at the site for download].

There will also be, I'm certain, some dissenting voices contributing, via the phones.

Should you wish to talk either to the witnesses or to Dr. Greer, the on-air numbers are 416-872-1010 1-800-561-CFRB or *TALK [Cell].

Scott & look forward to tonight - its the start of SDI's fourth year.

Errol Bruce-Knapp

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Interview With New Pascagoula '73 Witness

From: **Kenny Young** <ufo@fuse.net>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 11:55:31 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:19:11 -0500
Subject: Interview With New Pascagoula '73 Witness

Subject: discussion with Mike Cataldo, witness to Pascagoula UFO

On October 21, 2001, Natalie Chambers of the Associated Press reported that a new witness to a legendary 1973 UFO incident has recently surfaced. Chambers identified this individual as Mike Cataldo, a retired Navy chief petty officer.

I was interested in more general details of this account, and specifically the reference to "a report" Cataldo made with a supervisor. This morning I conducted a YAHOO PEOPLE SEARCH for the name Mike Cataldo and found his telephone number listed for his residence at Marker Rd. in Rotonda West, FL.

Cataldo came to the phone and was surprised at my call, stating that I was the first person to ever contact him about this UFO sighting from 1973. He explained that he had been in touch with Associated Press reporter Natalie Chambers, but only after calling a Pascagoula, Mississippi newspaper a month ago. When calling the newspaper, he asked to talk with an old-timer employee at the paper, someone that might remember the Hickson/Parker abduction. Cataldo said that when he talked with Natalie Chambers, she made reference to the book entitled 'UFO in Pascagoula.' Being unaware of this book, Cataldo was shocked, saying "you gotta be kidding me!" to the reporter.

He went on to excitedly relate the story as it happened back in 1973.

"The story is very true," he assured while recounting the event. "We (Cataldo, Ted Peralta and Mack Hanna) left the shipyard and rode in Ted's Volkswagen to Hwy. 90, traveling west towards Buloxi, Mississippi. It was not even dusk yet, there was still some daylight to see by.

"When we first saw this thing through the windshield we thought it was a shooting star, going from right to left, but then it came down into a marshy, tree-lined area and hovered there for about 30-seconds. It was spinning and had blinking lights on the top of it all around its edge, all the way around it in a circle. These were blinking lights arranged on it just like you would tape lights to the side of a cake pan."

Cataldo affirmed that there was a definite structure to be seen, not just blinking lights.

"This thing was like a whitish-gray colored sailor hat, or a tambourine, and it was less than half a mile away and looked as big as any big American airliner I've ever seen. And then it just shot away, almost like it was just suddenly gone."

Cataldo said that shortly after the sighting he parted company with Ted Peralta and Mack Hanna and changed cars. Then while enroute to Ocean Springs as darkness was setting in, he saw the same object a second time at about the same distance away, watching it for another 45 seconds to one minute before it again shot off in the same manner as before.

Mike Cataldo said that there were other motorists in the area during each episode and that some of them had slowed down to look

at the ufo.

"We were the only ones on the road to stop and look at it though," he said.

During this time, Cataldo said he never knew anything about the Hickson/Parker claim. He went home, telling his wife about it. Cataldo humorously recalled how his wife said he was hyperventilating with excitement. He went on to liken the anxiety and strangeness of the situation to a large snake sighting he had years earlier in 1963, "Some things you see in your lifetime that you just don't ever forget," he said.

The next day he returned to the site with Ted and Mack and they parked their car at the shipyard area, talking about the sighting from the previous day. They discussed what should be done about it and if they should report what they saw.

Cataldo said that he felt the sighting should be reported and he approached a man by the name of Nick, his division officer. He then approached the executive commander, Lt. Commander Heath and issued him a verbal report on the sighting. He said that to his knowledge, Heath did not prepare a written report concerning what was told to him.

"Not one of them took me seriously," he complained, "and I never heard another thing about it. Nobody ever asked about it again.

"I never knew of the Hickson/Parker abduction until days later. It happened on Thursday and it was not until the following Sunday that I saw the headline in the morning paper about two men taken aboard a Flying Saucer, I'm telling you I about died."

The next morning, Oct. 15, Cataldo said that he talked the situation over with his wife and again decided that it would be important to report the UFO sighting. At that time he placed a phone call to an assistant public relations officer Keesler AFB. The female taking his call took the information, but Cataldo said that once again nothing resulted from his advisement.

"I have never talked to the fella involved, Charles Hickson, and I've never discussed this case or met with them at all, I never knew them and I never saw anything and had no involvement with what they said," Cataldo assured, "and I've never seen a UFO since then, not at all. Not even before then. Was it real? You're damn right it was real. I can't say anything about they did or were involved in. I don't even know if what I saw matches what they saw, but I know what I saw and where I was at. But where we saw the thing going across the sky through our windshield is basically the area where Hickson and Parker said they were taken aboard. The time frame of our sighting might have been around 6:00, but I can't recall for certain."

Cataldo said that two weeks after the sighting he left for California on temporary duty. While there, he saw Hickson on the Dick Cavette television show.

"I just couldn't believe it, here I was seeing this guy," he said.

Mike Cataldo explained that he has not seen Ted Peralta for 21 years, but thinks he could possibly be in the San Diego, California area. Likewise he has not seen Mack Hanna for about 23 or more years and suspects that he could also be located in either Kentucky or Logan, West Virginia. In the intervening years, Cataldo said that he has frequently told his family (wife, 2 sons and relatives) about the sighting.

Cataldo said that aside from this present call, he has not been contacted by anyone regarding this except for his discussion with reporter Natalie Chambers. He said that he has not seen the newspaper article and would like to read it. He also said that he received a message from a friend telling him that Paul Harvey mentioned the story on his radio program yesterday, and wishes he could have heard it.

I thanked Mike Cataldo for talking with me and told him that I would be happy to E-mail him the text of the newspaper article by Chambers. Although it is a disappointment to know that his claims were probably not documented in a written report by his

supervisor, further interviews with Hanna and Peralta would still be valuable to provide some verification of this alleged sighting. A YAHOO PEOPLE SEARCH was conducted for their names in the specified locations resulting in many returns and as of this writing some of the names have already been contacted but thus far with no success in finding the right individuals.

Filed,

October 27, 2001
Kenny Young

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UFO & ETs Haunt Chile Construction Site

From: **Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo** <ufomiami@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 14:20:47 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:21:47 -0500
Subject: UFO & ETs Haunt Chile Construction Site

UFO and ETs Haunt Construction Site in Chile
From Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo
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10-27-1

Investigation conducted by Calama UFO Center on October 18,
2001, 02:30 A.M.

As a result of our investigations in the southern sector of the city of Calama, Chile, we have contacted a lone watchman that has been guarding a construction site for 6 months. His job consists of safekeeping a building under construction, as well as building materials and equipment.

This gentleman of 51 years of age, father of 8 children and native of this city, described an event involving a possible UFO, alien entities and paranormal activity on the night of October 14, 2001.

CONTACTEE'S TESTIMONY:

Ever since I started working here, I have noticed strange sounds at night. Some of my co-workers have mentioned hearing them as well. It is almost normal to hear them. The sounds are similar to hearing children running and playing around. They usually come from outside where the stockpiles of wood and construction equipment are, as if they were playing around with the equipment. However, the possibility of children playing outside at 4:AM in the morning is at the least highly unlikely.

Nevertheless, our job is to watch and safeguard the property; therefore, we are required to go out and check for anything out of the ordinary. I am absolutely positive that I was alone. My only companion is an old TV set and a pregnant stray dog that I feed and have learned to love as my own pet. Soon, she will have puppies.

Although I am used to hear strange noises, that night on October 14 something weird happened to me. It was about 2 in the morning. I was watching TV. Suddenly, my dog started barking and ran towards the back patio, so I lowered the volume to listen to what was going on. I was expecting that someone would be running around on top of the piles of lumber, but this time the noise was stronger, so I immediately reacted thinking that somebody could have been trying to steal the material. I picked up my flashlight and ran towards the door.

As expected, the dog was ready to go outside as she was barking and waiting for me to open the door. She ran as soon as I opened the door, but suddenly, she bounced right back after she only ran a few feet away. Apparently, something scared her. She looked and sounded terrified. I have never seen her moaning and shivering the way she did that time. Then I saw it. I saw a bright oval shaped object floating around near the 55-gallon drums. The object was about 35 feet away from me.

I really do not know what happen to me, I was simply paralyzed.

I had my flashlight in my hand, but I was not able raise it to illuminate this object. It was like a mental blackout. The only thing that I had in mind was the intense cold and fear that I felt. The only parts of my body that I was able to move were my eyes, as they followed the strange object for about 10 seconds.

The object moved at about 15 MPH. It was not a living being. It was some kind of small airship. It did not emit air, noise, nor it left a contrail. The sensation felt in my body during the moments that I saw it is simply indescribable.

The following day, I heard the noises once again. I was too scared to go outside. However, I went upstairs but I did not see anything from the second floor. Later during the week, it happened again, but this time I called another guard. We both went outside but, once again, we could not see anything.

A lot of strange things happen at night down here. Sometimes, the lights turn on and off by themselves, the same with the air compressors, winches and even motor vehicles. Some security guards have mentioned strange looking men dressed in gray roaming around the site. They mention that they are very elusive. When they try to stop them for questioning or to provide assistance to them because they appear to be looking for something-, they walk or run away and disappear.

We will continue updating this story.

Jaime Ferrer,

Calama UFO Center

Translated by Mario Andrade

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 13:49:13 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:23:26 -0500
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed - Clark

>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 21:32:05 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@agonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 09:32:20 -0500

>>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:00:06 +0100
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@agonia.demon.co.uk>
>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed

>>>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed
>>>>Date: Wed, 24 Oct 2001 15:08:41 -0500

>No, I'd rather you didn't say anything at all and just got on
>with your often interesting posts. If I was actually your
>friend, I would not need to be reminded of the fact in every
>message you post on this List. Everybody else who participates
>here manages to make their points without constantly pointing
>out that they are such friendly chaps.

>I find it an irritating affectation which does actually seem
>quite condescending - the implication seems to be that we are
>supposed to be in some way impressed or grateful that we have
>been acknowledged as friends of the great Jerry Clark.

>Like most irritation affectations, it is quite easy to cure.
>Just don't do it - it's not at all difficult, old chum.

Sorry to have so irritated you, my friend.

Jerry ("You Can Call Me Yank") Clark

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 19:42:53 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:24:54 -0500
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clarke

>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 17:36:43 -0500
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>

>>From: Dave Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 19:36:44 +0100

>>Is that what you really believe?

>Dave,

>No, I never said or suggested that it did, or that I believed
>same. I merely said that Goldwater's statement to the effect
>that he was denied access to the Blue Room was an established
>fact and a matter of record -- not a mere rumor (or rumour). I'm
>glad to see that you agree. For your files and the record, where
>did I say or even remotely suggest that "Le May was trying to
>conceal bits of a flying saucer"? Those are your words, not
>mine. Will you be the gentleman and admit as much?

>>You say that Goldwater "understood that UFO remains" were kept
>>in the Blue Room. How did he come to "understand" this? Who told
>>him this was the case - it couldn't have been a high military
>>source such as Philip Corso, could it?

>Your above remarks must be addressed to someone else, as I never
>said, implied, or insinuated any such thing. Again, will you be
>the gentleman and admit as much? As for throwing Corso at me,
>you must surely be aware that I'm arguably Corso's most severe
>critic in this country? Or maybe not.

Hi Dennis,

Of course I'll be a gentleman and admit these weren't your
words, or your views (now you've made those clear) but all I can
say is that I felt your original post was a little ambiguous
about what you felt the Goldwater business amounted to.

As for the angels of Mons and contemporary legend having nothing
to do with current UFO beliefs, we'll just have to agree to
differ... (and that's addressed to the others who have responded
to my post, not to you Dennis!)
All the best,

Dave Clarke

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FYI - Reliable Info On 'Nigerian Scam'

From: Wendy Christensen <christensen@catlas.mv.com>
Date: Sat, 27 Oct 2001 17:43:18 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:28:49 -0500
Subject: FYI - Reliable Info On 'Nigerian Scam'

<http://home.rica.net/alphae/419coal/>

from that site:

"The Nigerian Scam is, according to published reports, the Third to Fifth largest industry in Nigeria."

Run, do not walk, from anything having to do with it!

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Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

From: Roy J Hale <royjhale@netscapeonline.co.uk>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 05:17:07 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 07:31:35 -0500
Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation - Hale

David Bolton wrote:

>From: David Bolton <David@bolton.sol.co.uk>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:28:09 +0100
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham Radiation

<snip>

>Correction - people have reported seeing strange objects - its
>not the same as people actually seeing strange objects.

Hi,

Certain army base staff witnesses seeing an object on the ground, close enough to see the symbols on the side of it, is this seeing a strange object, or did they make it all up?

Roy..

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 09:52:10 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 07:40:47 -0500
Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Gonzalez

>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:04:11 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human'!

<snip>

>As I said to Wendy, many who identify
>themselves as "abductees" are not "abductees". And as such,
>they are not representative cases of the nuts and bolts type of
>"events/phenomena" that many others are reporting... and that
>they are sure of.

>Cases such as Mortellaro's are the ones that the psychologists
>need to look at. For those of us who are trying to get a formal
>investigation into events that we are sure of, self-diagnosed
>cases such as Mr. Mortellaro's only serve to further cloud the
>issue and in the long run, provide encouragement and fodder for
>those who wish to dismiss all abduction reports.

>Because one or even one hundred others tell you that they "think"
>they "might be" an abductee, but they are not sure, does not take
>away one iota from the ones who are sure. As in individuals who
>have had real time/real world events happen to them that are
>worthy of further study.

The problem, John, is that the 'nuts and bolts abductees' and the 'imaginary abductees' do describe the same beings, procedures, etc. That was the reason why they were bumped together to begin with! And many abductees do combine both kind of experiences. Betty Andreasson being the most prominent example.

To me, it is very simple. We do have examples of "psychic abductions", when the alleged abductee was seen by another person in trance or sleep but still in their terrestrial surroundings, not aboard a UFO. The case of Maureen Puddy was known since the 70s.

On the other hand, we do not have the opposite situation, Linda Cortile notwithstanding.

So, the simplest solution is that "normal abductions" are just examples of "psychic abductions" not properly investigated, not the other way around!

Then, as I do not believe in the paranormal, the second step is simpler: "psychic abductions" are just examples of wild imagination.

Yes. I do have still to explain some minor difficulties as body marks, etc. But I am sure they are explainable in terrestrial terms, giving enough time, funds and investigations.

<snip>

>I highly recommend that you
>speak to people like Katharina Wilson, Debbie 'Jordan' Kauble,

>Russ Hudson, Travis Walton, Charlie Hickson, or even to myself.

I did try to speak to you :-)). No hard feelings.

The name Russ Hudson eludes me at the moment. Who is he?

Luis R. González

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Re: Beware New Scam! - Aubeck

From: Chris Aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 14:35:05 +0000 (GMT)
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 07:42:15 -0500
Subject: Re: Beware New Scam! - Aubeck

>From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
>Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 13:35:39 -0400
>Fwd Date: Fri, 26 Oct 2001 15:57:32 -0400
>Subject: Beware New Scam!

>I received the following in my email. Note the
>similarity to previous scam from Nigeria.

Hi Bruce,

The letter you received is almost identical to a series of letters from Nigeria I was translating into Spanish for an 83-year-old businessman in a small village here in Spain. I didn't realise it was all a scam till the letters became more threatening. They even invited us to go to Nigeria personally to receive a cheque with some astronomical sum on it!

\$26.5MILLION was exactly the sum in question then (in 1998).

Chris

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Re: 'Strange Days... Indeed' Tonight - DR. Steven

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 11:50:29 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 07:56:45 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Strange Days... Indeed' Tonight - DR. Steven

EBK wrote:

>I try not to plug the radio program on the List -

You should Errol. If it wasn't for the fact that I get to talk to you off-list I wouldn't know who's on either! Maybe a brief announcement like this one once a week would be alright.

>... but tonight's program is an exception.

If you ask me they are all exceptional. Because of your most well informed self and Scott Robbins who is just a 'natural' at asking the "right" questions at just the right time, SDI is the best UFO related program to ever hit the airwaves. No BS.

>There will also be, I'm certain, some dissenting voices
>contributing, via the phones.

Ahem, is that my cue? <LOL>

>Scott & I look forward to tonight - its the start of SDI's
>fourth year.

My heartiest congratulations, and may you have many more successful years of informative and thoroughly entertaining broadcasting before you.

Kudo's to you and Scott! (And ole Dean who slaves away in the background making sure everything is working properly. :)

Warm regards,

John Velez, Proud to be a part of the SDI 'family.' ;)

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 12:47:16 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 08:28:12 -0500
Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Rudiak

>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 19:03:12 -0500
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Stacy

>>From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Clark
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 16:27:56 -0500

<snip>

>>The story of Goldwater's curious experience is hardly a mere
>>"rumor."

>>When The New Yorker profiled him in 1988 (April 25 issue),
>>Goldwater discussed it openly. He said he had asked his good
>>friend Air Force Gen. Curtis LeMay if he - Goldwater - could
>>have access to a "Blue Room" at Wright-Patterson, where
>>Goldwater understood UFO remains were kept. According to
>>Goldwater, LeMay gave him "holy hell." He informed Goldwater
>>that he - Goldwater - did not have the necessary clearances,
>>and he warned him never to bring up the subject again.

>>Some rumor. Some reaction to same.

>Yes, many of us are aware of that incident, albeit, apparently,
>not Dave Clarke.

>Do you know if anyone other than Goldwater has ever referred to
>a "Blue Room" at Wright-Pat? I'm not talking about Hangar 18
>stories in general here, but the specific reference to a Blue
>Room.

Better than that, there is a document that mentions a "Blue
Room" at Wright Patterson, though not necessarily _the_ "Blue
Room."

A copy of the document can be found on page 137 of "Beyond
Roswell" by Hesemann and Mantle.

It was found by no less than William Moore in 1981 after a FOIA
inquiry about the Blue Room. It was the one and only document on
the "Blue Room" found. Prior to this, Moore had been told that
they could find no documents on the "Blue Room" and "We must
assume therefore that all records about the project have been
destroyed."

The surviving document is a master archival reference card,
"TITLE: BLUE ROOM (RADAR SCOPE), WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, OHIO,
1955"

The classification is "Secret", it concerns "time lapse
photography of aircraft beacon target on radar scope.'

Beneath that it reads "EVALUATION: Perm/Electr/Radar DATE: 7
Mar 57 RECEIVED FROM: Engineering Div, WPAFB."

So basically this is referencing a movie of a radar screen

during some test. The movie is apparently missing as is everything else concerning this test.

So what was the test and what connection was there to the "Blue Room?" For that matter, what was the "Blue Room?"

At this point the documentation ends and Hesemann and Mantle write that one of Moore's Air Force informants told him it was an early test in the development of a plane invisible to radar, utilizing material recovered from the Roswell wreck.

Whether this is true or not, the document does establish that there was a "Blue Room" of some kind in the 1950's and it was involved in radar tests of some kind conducted by the Engineering Division at Wright-Patterson.

David Rudiak

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Secrecy News -- 10/23/01

From: Steven Aftergood <saftergood@fas.org>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 08:30:52 -0500
Subject: Secrecy News -- 10/23/01

SECRECY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 23, 2001

** RUMSFELD BLASTS LEAKS
** PENTAGON CLAMPS DOWN ON INFORMATION

RUMSFELD BLASTS LEAKS

Citing media reports last week concerning the deployment of special operations forces in Afghanistan, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld yesterday deplored the disclosure of classified information and discussed the limits of Pentagon cooperation with the media.

"We cannot and will not provide information that could jeopardize the success of our efforts to root out and liquidate the terrorist networks that threaten our people," he said.

"I think that the release by a person in the government who had access to classified information to the effect that the United States ... was about to engage in a special operation in Afghanistan clearly was ... a violation of federal criminal law and it was something that was totally in disregard for the lives of the people involved in that operation," he said.

Secretary Rumsfeld did not indicate which federal criminal law was violated. Presumably he was referring to the Espionage Act, specifically 18 U.S.C. 793(d), which prohibits disclosure of "information relating to the national defense" to a person "not entitled to receive it."

Excerpts from Secretary Rumsfeld's press briefing on classified information and the media are posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2001/10/dod102201.html>

The story was elaborated by Vernon Loeb and Bradley Graham in the Washington Post today. See "Rumsfeld Assails Leak on Troops":

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A36209-2001Oct22.html>

PENTAGON CLAMPS DOWN ON INFORMATION

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz has called upon Pentagon employees to minimize disclosure of information to the public and to use discretion even when talking among themselves.

"It is ... vital that Defense Department employees, as well as persons in other organizations that support DOD, exercise great caution in discussing information related to DOD work, regardless of their duties," Wolfowitz wrote in an October 18 memo.

"Do not conduct any work-related conversations in common areas, public places, while commuting, or over unsecured electronic circuits," he

wrote in the memo, which was first reported on October 22 by InsideDefense.com.

Significantly, Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz did not distinguish sharply between classified and unclassified information.

"Classified information may be discussed only in authorized spaces and with persons having a specific need to know and the proper security clearance. Unclassified information may likewise require protection because it can often be compiled to reveal sensitive conclusions."

"If in doubt, do not release or discuss official information except with other DoD personnel," he advised.

Defense Secretary Wolfowitz's memorandum on "Operations Security Throughout the Department of Defense" is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2001/10/wolfowitz.html>

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US Tax Money At Work

From: **Larry W. Bryant** <overtci@cavtel.net>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 15:03:31 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 08:37:55 -0500
Subject: US Tax Money At Work

Update For The 'LWB Chronicles' Column of <http://www.ufocity.com>

Our tax money at work: although Rep. Moran has yet to respond to my request of Sept. 14, 2001, I have received encouraging words from the National Archives at College Park, Md. -- to wit:

"September 25, 2001

"Dear Mr. Bryant:

"This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act request of September 14, which was received in this office on September 25 (our reference number 20342 or NW01-0906).

We have forwarded your request for a document from Entry 411 (Lot File No. 122: Intelligence Advisory Board Agenda 1946-47), among the Records of Interdepartmental and Intradepartmental Committees, State Department (Record Group 353), to our declassification team for review. We will notify you as soon as the review is complete.

Sincerely,

JOHN H. CLAGETT IV
Archives Specialist
Special Access and FOIA Staff"

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CCCRN News: Eyewitness Report - 'Beams' Create

From: Paul Anderson <psa@look.ca>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 22:52:48 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 08:52:58 -0500
Subject: CCCRN News: Eyewitness Report - 'Beams' Create

CCCRN NEWS

The E-News Service of the Canadian Crop Circle Research Network

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada>

October 28, 2001

EYEWITNESS REPORT OF LIGHT BEAMS CREATING CROP FORMATION IN HOLLAND

Crop circle researcher Nancy Talbott's incredible new report of witnessing a crop formation being made by intense beams of white light in Holland last August is now posted on the web site, with photos of the formation and an illustration by Andreas Müller which vividly recreates what Nancy saw:

<http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada/ntcircle01.html>

As well as the reports this year of other unusual light phenomena and other possibly related anomalies being seen in association with several of the crop formations in Canada, and formations worldwide over the years, this account single handedly demonstrates this important aspect of the phenomenon. The boldness and close proximity of the light beams to the witnesses implies purpose and awareness, in light of Nancy's frustration only a very short time before the sighting, of wanting the phenomenon to 'show itself' in clearer terms... others, including some of us in the CCCRN network, also had experiences again this year which perhaps suggested this as well, as mentioned in previous updates.

Thanks to Nancy and Andreas for their research information, material and assistance.

The Canadian Crop Circle Research Network is a non-profit research organization which investigates the crop circle phenomenon and other possibly related phenomena in Canada, creating a liason between researchers, farmers, the public, the media and scientists in trying to solve this ongoing enigma

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Fields of Dreams Webcast Radio Show:
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Research Institute Of Anomalous Phenomena

From: Lara Johnstone <bravehrt@concentric.net>
Date: Sun, 28 Oct 2001 20:57:12 -0800
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 09:04:40 -0500
Subject: Research Institute Of Anomalous Phenomena

Research Institute On Anomalous Phenomena, Kharkov, Ukraine

Dear Colleague,

My name is Alexander Beletsky. I am Vice-Director of Research Institute on Anomalous Phenomena (RIAP) - an independent scientific- research body, established in Kharkov (Ukraine) ten years ago. We aim at scientific studies in the fields of the UFO problem and the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) question. The Institute makes its investigations in close collaboration with the CIS Academy of Cosmonautics and Russian Academy of Sciences. Please find here attached (as Appendix I) a RIAP Information Leaflet describing the Institute's research programs in some detail.

To inform the international ufological community about the results of investigations that are conducted by RIAP specialists and other scientists in the territory of the former Soviet Union, we started, in 1994, a special periodical: newsletter RIAP Bulletin (RB). It is the ONLY serious anomalistic periodical in the Commonwealth of Independent States published IN ENGLISH. There appear in RB research articles, short communications, book reviews, letters to the Editor, etc.

RB Vol. 1, Nos. 1-4 - Vol. 7, Nos. 1-2 have been printed and sent to subscribers. They contain, in particular, the papers "Post-Soviet Ufology: a View from Inside", by V.V.Rubtsov; "The Russian Roswell": a Legend Under Examination", by Y.N.Morozov, "UFOs as Objects of Study by Terrestrial Physics", by V.A.Buerakov; "Search for Alien Artifacts on the Moon: A Justification", by A.V.Arhipov; "History of State-Directed UFO Research in the USSR", by the Russian academic UFO expert Y.V.Platov and Colonel B.A.Sokolov; "The Petrozavodsk Phenomenon", by L.M.Gindilis & Y.K.Kolpakov; "The Black Ball: a Supposed Extraterrestrial Artifact", by V.N.Fomenko; "A Second UFO Landing on the River Mzha", by a group of RIAP scientists, and others. We have also published the first really comprehensive survey of anomalous features of the famous Tunguska explosion ("The Tunguska Meteorite: A Dead-Lock or the Start of a New Stage of Inquiry?"), written by the leading Russian specialist in this problem - Nikolay V. Vasilyev, Member of Academy.

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If you are interested in subscribing to RIAP Bulletin, please let me know. I and my colleagues would be happy to inform you about advances and prospects of anomalistic studies in this part

of the world. There will appear in the next RB issues, in particular, the following papers: "Astroengineers over Tunguska", by V.K.Zhuravlev; "UFOs: False and Genuine", by Y.V.Platov; "UFO Landings on the Mzha River: the Investigations Continue", by V.P.Goloveshko et al., "Examining Possible Paleovisit Traces", by Y.N.Morozov, and many others.

With all my best wishes and warmest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours, Alexander V. Beletsky, M.A., Vice-Director, RIAP

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Appendix I

RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA, Kharkov, Ukraine

The principal trends of researches of the institute in the UFO field are as follows: creation of an efficient system of reconstruction of a real anomalous event on the basis of witnesses' testimonies; formation of a unified CIS UFO data base (in collaboration with the Expert Group on Anomalous Atmospheric Phenomena of the Russian Academy of Sciences) and a computer expert system to identify genuine UFOs (GUFOS); development of physical models of GUFOS; monitoring of a place of recurrent UFO landings on the river Mzha, near Kharkov; studies in the hidden history of Soviet ufology.

In the SETI field, there was realized, under the guidance of Alexey V. Arkhipov, phase I of the program "Search for Alien Artifacts on the Moon" (SAAM) and its results have been presented on the pages of RIAP Bulletin. Besides, we have been examining some enigmatic finds that can be considered candidate extraterrestrial artifacts (ancient, or not so ancient). These are the so-called "Kassimov ball" - a small (diameter some 4.5 cm) black ball of unknown origin, found in Central Russia in 1983 at a depth of 7 meters, in a layer of pure red clay, - and the remains of a strange object that obviously originated from space and fell down near Kharkov in 1994 (judging from its chemical composition, it is neither a meteorite, nor terrestrial space junk).

The institute pays considerable attention to the problem of the Tunguska explosion of 1908. We are studying statistical parameters of the forest fall area, as well as the biogeochemical elemental and isotopic anomalies and population-genetic effects, revealed in the area of the catastrophe. A state-of-the-art collection of research papers on the Tunguska problem is now under preparation.

The Scientific Council and Advisory Board of the Institute include such Russian and Ukrainian specialists in the UFO problem and SETI field as Dr. E.A.Ermilov (specialist in radio detection of aerial anomalous phenomena), Dr. V.N.Fomenko (investigator of the famous Vashka find, as well as other supposed ET artifacts), Y.A.Fomin (doyen of UFO studies in Russia), Dr. L.M.Gindilis (astronomer and SETI expert), Dr. Y.V.Platov (Vice-Chairman of the Academic UFO Study Group), Dr. V.K.Zhuravlev (investigator of the Tunguska explosion), and others. The Advisory Board comprehends also a group of well-known Western scientists, scholars and engineers - V.-J.Ballester Olmos (Spain), Dr. T.E.Bullard (USA), Dr. R.F.Haines (USA), Dr. A.Meessen (Belgium), et al. Dr. Vladimr V. Rubtsov, Full Member of the CIS Academy of Cosmonautics and one of the pioneers of ufological studies in the former USSR, is Director of RIAP.

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Richard C. Phillips?

From: John Hayes <webmaster@ufoinfo.com>
Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 07:46:05 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 09:06:59 -0500
Subject: Richard C. Phillips?

Hi List,

I'm trying to trace contact details for Richard C. Phillips the author of 'How The UFOs Work: Fully Explained'.

His (old) e-mail address of <71371,547@compuServe.com> does not produce any replies or bounce and apparently mail sent to his address is returned as undeliverable.

If anyone knows the contact details for Richard I would be grateful if they could pass them on to me, or let Richard know I am trying to contact him.

Thanks,

John Hayes

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Eras News: Weekly Briefing 10.29.01

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Date: Mon, 29 Oct 2001 15:45:45 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 30 Oct 2001 00:41:13 -0500
Subject: Eras News: Weekly Briefing 10.29.01

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Mars Odyssey Swings Around the Red Planet
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/odyssey_mars_011023.html

Odyssey's Triumph Puts NASA Back on Track. But Where To?
http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/road_ahead_011026.html

'Live From Mars' Webcast on October 30
http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/webcast/mars_odyssey/livefrommars.html

Mars Odyssey Success Puts Key Communication Link In Place For 2003 Mars Rovers
http://www.news.cornell.edu/releases/Oct01/Mars_Squyres.deb.html

Goldin: Pioneering Station Crews Paving the Way For Human Trips To Mars
http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/goldin_station_011024.html

Mars Atmospheric Chemistry and Astrobiology (MACA) Workshop
<http://www.gps.caltech.edu/meetings/MACA>

Our Galaxy Should Be Teeming With Civilizations, But Where Are They?
http://www.space.com/searchforlife/shostak_paradox_011024.html

Researchers Find Gene That Boosts Longevity
<http://www.cnn.com/2001/HEALTH/10/23/protectivegene.ap/index.html>

Antigravity Device?
<http://www.tdimension.com/lifter.html>

Marching Into the 'Smart' Card Era
<http://www.cnn.com/2001/TECH/industry/10/27/rec.smartcards.military.reut/index.html>

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<http://www.cnn.com/2001/TECH/ptech/10/23/xp.london/index.html>

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UFO Over Madrid - 1863

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Dear List,

Those of you who collect old reports may find this datum interesting

In Paul Misraki's book on UFOs, *Des Signes dans le Ciel Les Extraterrestres* (Labergerie, Paris 1968), we read of a "luminous disc, crowned with a dome of flames" that was seen over Madrid, and reported in the *Gaceta de Madrid* in 1863. Michel Bougard, in *La Chronique des O.V.N.I.* (1977), also mentions the incident (*La Chronique des O.V.N.I.* Michel Bougard, Editions Universitaires, Jean-Pierre Delarge, 1977. p.133). However, neither author gets the description quite right or reproduces the original source. A search for the original newspaper article in the National Library of Madrid soon revealed. In the Friday August 14th 1863 edition, issue number 226, in a section headed 'INTERIOR', four brief items make reference to Madrid. In the first of these we read:

"The night before last there was observed on the horizon a luminous body that appeared towards the east, and it was promptly thought to be a comet. It was of a reddish colour, and on the top there could be seen an appendix or crown, that was doubtlessly ablaze. It was stationary for a long time (mantúvose mucho tiempo); but later it began to move quickly in different directions: horizontally, rising and lowering."

This is an interesting case because although the object turns out not to be disc-shaped it still falls into the category of "Unidentified Flying Objects."

As a part of my ongoing historical research project I am currently preparing a publication on pre-1900 UFO incidents in Spain and Portugal. I would greatly appreciate any contributions to the case catalogue and am willing to exchange information in return. The final result will not push any particular theory and will include data on known hoaxes and "mysterious natural phenomena."

Sincerely,

Chris Aubeck

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Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!' - Velez

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>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'

><snip>

>>I highly recommend that you
>>speak to people like Katharina Wilson, Debbie 'Jordan' Kauble,
>>Russ Hudson, Travis Walton, Charlie Hickson, or even to myself.

Hola Luis,

You wrote:

>I did try to speak to you :-)). No hard feelings.

Speaking to me is fine Luis. When you 'impose' your own interpretations on it, that's quite another. No hard feelings at all. I've been having this same conversation for years. From the chair I sit in, the prattle is the same, only the name at the bottom of the posts changes. :)

>The name Russ Hudson eludes me at the moment. Who is he?

Rusty is one of Budd Hopkins cases. Along with several others his case was one of those that was chosen as representative of what is being reported by so many others. He was one of the abductees that attended, and participated in, the abduction conference that was held at M.I.T. back in 1992. CDB Bryan (journalist who wrote the book on the conference) had a chance to meet with Russ and interview him. Russ is one of the people that Cordy credits with changing his mind about a phenomenon he was initially very skeptical about. He mentions Russ and his case along with several others in many subsequent interviews that Cordy has given over the years.

I described in some detail (in a fairly recent post to this List) a UFO abduction that Russ and his fellow musicians experienced while on a playing tour of the American south. Russ is the fellow who found that he had been "relocated" - deposited on the balcony of another person's hotel room following a really terrifying group (multiple participant) abduction.

You may find of it of interest to know that Russ also happens to be a well trained and experienced psychologist. Oh, and that he recalls his harrowing experience clearly without the aid of hypnosis or speculative "guess-work" on his part. You know, another one of those "pooping and pishing extremists" that is certain of the details and reality of what he is reporting.
i)

Respectfully,

John Velez

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"Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind."

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Secrecy News -- 10/25/01

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SECURITY NEWS
from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy
October 29, 2001

** BUSH REVIEW OF SECURITY POLICY BEGINS
** STATUS OF DOD DECLASSIFICATION REPORTED
** DJINN ENERGY

BUSH REVIEW OF SECURITY POLICY BEGINS

The Bush Administration has established an interagency group to prepare changes to the Clinton Administration's 1995 executive order 12958 which governs national security classification and declassification policy.

The Executive Order Drafting Subcommittee held its first meeting on August 9. Since then, eight member agencies have proposed changes to 24 of the 34 sections in the Clinton Order, according to a report in an internal Energy Department newsletter.

"As can be expected, there were more proposed changes to Section 3.4, Automatic Declassification, than to any other section," the newsletter noted. That section dictates that most classified records be automatically declassified when they become 25 years old.

"There is a general recognition that there need to be some changes made," said Laura L.S. Kimberly, associate director for policy at the Information Security Oversight Office and chair of the new E.O. Drafting Subcommittee.

But "we're in the very, very beginning stages of this," said Ms. Kimberly. She indicated that there would be an opportunity for public comment on any substantial changes that are ultimately proposed.

"There's fewer changes than you might have thought," an official from another agency told Secrecy News. "I don't think it's a 180 degree change; it's more of a refinement. I think the things you care most about will remain intact."

The official also offered an explanation for why the proposed changes, which he declined to describe, are less far-reaching than they might have been.

"A lot of people who would have resisted or opposed declassification in the past are now running their own little declassification empires [as a result of the Clinton order]," he said. "And they are in no hurry to dismantle them."

The text of the news item about the pending revisions to the executive order from the Energy Department newsletter Communique is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/othergov/doe/eorev.html>

STATUS OF DOD DECLASSIFICATION REPORTED

Declassification of historically valuable records in the Department of Defense is proceeding in an orderly fashion, according to a recent report to Congress.

While most defense agencies were on track to complete the review of 25 year old records prior to automatic declassification, extensions were said to be required for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency and the Joint Forces Command.

Politically, the most significant feature of the report is that it does not solicit congressional intervention in the declassification process or request legislative relief from existing requirements. Accordingly, the FY 2002 Defense Authorization Act is silent on declassification policy for the first time in several years.

The February 2001 report to Congress was obtained last week under the Freedom of Information Act. It is posted here:

<http://www.fas.org/sqp/othergov/doddeclass.html>

DJINN ENERGY

A leading Pakistani nuclear scientist who was questioned by the Pakistani government last week concerning his ties to the Taliban is known as a proponent of "Islamic science", a weird hybrid of scientific terminology and Islamic lore.

Sultan Bashiruddin Mehmood is a pioneer in the development of nuclear technology in Pakistan. But in 1980, as a senior director of the Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission, he "recommended that djinns [or genies], being fiery creatures, ought to be tapped as a free source of energy. By this means, a final solution to Pakistan's energy problems would be found."

This episode was recounted by Pakistani physicist Pervez Hoodbhoy in his enlightening book "Islam and Science: Religious Orthodoxy and the Battle for Rationality" (Zed Books, 1991).

In a Wall Street Journal article on Islamic science (13 September 1988), Dr. Mehmood noted that King Solomon had harnessed energy from djinns. "I think that if we develop our souls we can develop communications with them," he said.

While the notion of "djinn energy" is ridiculous -- even in Pakistan there are no djinn engines -- ridicule is beside the point. A more important point is that influential figures in the Islamic world are devoted to a view of reality that cannot be readily reconciled with conventional Western thought. This is a "translation" problem that cannot be solved with dictionaries.

The detention of Bashiruddin Mehmood, which is expected to be temporary, was reported in the Pakistan Observer in Islamabad on October 25. See "Nuclear Scientists Picked [Up] By Agencies":

<http://pakobservercom.readyhosting.com/old/october/25/main.htm>

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Cydonian Imperative: New 'Faces' on Mars

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The Cydonian Imperative

New "Faces" on Mars: Evidence of...What?
by Mac Tonnies

<http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html>

Rarely a month goes by without new Martian "faces" discovered by armchair archaeologists. Most of them are dubious profiles with only vague resemblances to terrestrial counterparts. More than a few demand significant "retouching" before they can be made to look like anything in particular. So who's to say what might be a candidate extraterrestrial artifact and what's not?

[image]

Lionesque likeness near Mars' north pole.

The image above shows an interesting formation resembling a lion's head seen in profile. Is this the work of intelligence or the result of natural forces? The latter seems to be the most likely explanation, for several reasons. For example, there is nothing intrinsically unique about the "lion's head." When viewed in geological context, one quickly sees that it is a single component in the vast aerological canvas of swirls that is Mars' northern polar cap.

Given the riotous complexity from which to choose, it comes as no surprise that at least one portion has a terrestrial likeness. Compounding the argument against intelligent manufacture is the fact that the "lion's head" is seen in profile (see discussion on page two). When reviewing a profile image for signs of artificiality, eye-catching properties such as bisymmetry are not present for objective analysis. This doesn't necessarily imply that all profiles are natural formations, but it certainly makes proper scientific assessment much more difficult, if not impossible.

[image]

"A Princess of Mars"?

Probably the best Martian profile discovered thus far is Dr. Tom Van Flandern's "Nefertiti," which exhibits some very human-looking anatomical detail. It's just possible that the "Nefertiti" formation, with its peculiar Egyptian appearance, deserves more study than it has received.

Recently, much online attention has been attracted to an imposing-looking human face, complete with headdress (below).

[image]

This startling likeness is the product of mirroring a single image to produce a predictably bisymmetric "face."

However, the very human-like appearance is the result of "mirroring" a single image. While there are facial attributes, they do not comprise an entire face; only subjective interpretation can produce the image above. Below is the Martian landscape seen prior to speculative mirroring. It appears less-than-impressive, especially after having viewed the "reconstructed" version.

[image]

Another Martian face, or just filling in the blanks?

As discussed elsewhere, I personally think the Cydonia face was intended to represent two separate visages, as supported by Richard Hoagland's a priori prediction that the two halves were designed to encode hominid/feline imagery. Some commentators suggest that the Face was meant to represent something more, and cite mirrored, "upside-down" graphics such as the one below as evidence that the Face includes a (very) cleverly inserted portrait of a "Gray" alien.

[image]

Alleged "Gray," artistically enhanced.

I don't think the "alien" likeness passes scientific muster. The impression requires too much imagination on behalf of the viewer, and too much speculative "restoration" in order to be seen in the first place. (In the numerous "Gray" reconstructions, the Face's hominid side is mirrored and the large groove corresponding to a "mouth" is bifurcated to produce questionable "eyes" such as the ones seen on the cover of Whitley Strieber's 1987 book "Communion.")

[image]

"Alien" painting by Ted Seth Jacobs.

I contend that we are culturally conditioned to expect the visage of a big-headed, big-eyed "Gray" when confronted with photos alluding to extraterrestrial intelligence. That we managed to find a "Gray" lurking in the curves of the enigmatic Face on Mars comes as no particular surprise, especially after realizing the demanding steps required to bring out the image. On the other hand, if we admit that the Face was perhaps designed to encode hominid and feline forms, as argued by Hoagland, then who is to say with absolute certainty that the "Gray" likeness is purely fanciful?

As the dubious appearance of a "Gray" came only after the acquisition of a high-resolution overhead view of the Face, it's predictive scientific merit is zero. This is in sharp contrast to Hoagland's hominid/feline model, which was predicted ten years before the Mars Global Surveyor captured the latest image on the Cydonia face, and based off the inferior data available at the time.

It is quite likely that, if the features in Cydonia are artificial, we will find additional structures on the Martian surface. In the meantime, the search continues unabated.

<http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html>

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Ghosts, UFOs and Local Politics

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I knew someone would want to do a "UFO Mayor" story!

John E.L. Tenney

Researcher blends interests in ghosts, government

By: GARY GOULD, Of The Oakland Press October 28, 2001

October 28, 2001

He's taken on government conspiracies, searched for proof of UFOs and tracked down ghosts for 15 years, but now John Tenney is pursuing something truly unknown to him.

He's running for mayor of Royal Oak. "I think I'd be a good mayor," said Tenney, 30, who founded The Great Lakes Ghost Hunters Society and the Michigan Anomalous Information Network in 1997.

Tenney will face challengers Mike Andrzejak, a city councilman, and resident Bill Urich for a two-year term as mayor in the Nov. 6 election. Incumbent Dennis Cowan is not running after 14 years on the City Commission.

"I'm a person who always wanted answers to my questions, and I think I would do that for the residents (as mayor)," he said.

A lifelong resident of Royal Oak, Tenney is making the leap from research and lectures about the unexplained to politics in part because of his love for the community.

Tenney, a graphic designer, is assistant manager of the Preston Burke art gallery in Royal Oak, and he's the owner/creator of the online city guide Royal Oak Online

He also is an ordained minister - sort of.

The designation reverend, which appears as part of his title on his paranormal web sites, is something of an inside joke.

"Many paranormal researchers get as many mail-order degrees as they can to lend credibility to their research," Tenney said.

"So it was sort of an in-joke with other researchers when I became a mail-order minister."

Unlike many researchers, he tries to have a sense of humor about the topic.

His paranormal Web site is designed to resemble the cover of a supermarket tabloid, complete with the sensational headline: "Now the Startling Truth Can Be Told!"

While he may have fun with his research, Tenney is very serious about finding answers to the unknown. This desire led him to research government conspiracies when he was just 15 years old.

"I started out studying the Kennedy assassination," Tenney said. "When you are dealing with the government, you'll find that conspiracy theories are passed down from generation to generation."

He later turned to researching UFO sightings and then took an interest in the supernatural.

Through his research, he tries to prove the paranormal exists - though often his findings disprove common ghostly myths and perceived phenomena.

Of all the hauntings and other paranormal occurrences he's studied, Tenney said only about 10 percent of those can't be explained.

One of the strangest and still unexplained incidents was a Bigfoot "attack" in Monroe County in 1965, which Tenney investigated years after the fact.

"A creature, which fit the common description of Bigfoot, grabbed a woman through the window of her car on a remote road in Monroe County one night and tried to pull her from the car before it fled," Tenney said. "There was a countywide search for the creature for weeks after that, but nothing was found."

Closer to home, he said Oakland County is host to many of its own unexplained phenomena.

"There are a lot of UFO reports in Oakland County," Tenney said. "People report that a lot of the cemeteries here are haunted, but a lot of that is active imagination."

One of the more prominent ghost stories in Royal Oak is that of a spirit that haunts the railroad tracks between Washington and Main streets. Accounts of a ghostly woman with no legs floating along the tracks have been told for several years now, he said.

Tenney said a number of people have been killed in car-train accidents in that area of Royal Oak, including a woman who fits the description of the ghost many have seen. She died in the 1980s.

UFOs are another phenomenon often difficult to explain, especially since the government maintains a veil of secrecy around the subject.

Tenney's search for answers about UFOs led him to approach then-presidential candidate George W. Bush on a visit to Royal Oak on Feb. 22, 2000.

According to the online magazine UFOcity.com, Bush met with some residents at a local restaurant while campaigning in Michigan, and Tenney saw this as an opportunity to ask a presidential candidate about UFOs.

At the conclusion of the visit, Tenney placed himself in Bush's path and shook the candidate's hand while asking, "As a presidential candidate, would you like to issue a statement concerning the American public's right to access whatever information the United States government currently has available on the topic of UFO..."

Before Tenney could finish his question, he told UFOcity.com, he was grabbed by the arm by a Texas Ranger, who was protecting Bush, and was pulled from the crowd. In the meantime, Bush was pushed onto a van by another officer and was gone.

Though he was not successful in receiving an answer from the future president, Tenney told UFOcity.com that the reaction he received said enough - and it continued to fuel his desire - and that of his organization - for answers.

The Michigan Anomalous Information Network has 15 active members who assist Tenney in his investigations. Through his organization, he said he conducts two or three lectures each year on topics related to his study.

Tenney said he also is writing a couple of books about strange happenings in Michigan, including one about a military plane

from Michigan that disappeared while pursuing a UFO.

But first, he said, he'll have to put the Nov. 6 election behind him. Having spent most of his life in disagreement with the government, he said he's now ready to make a difference.

"There's a truly amazing groundswell throughout Royal Oak," he said of the supporters who have encouraged his bid for mayor. "I've spent my entire life disenchanted with the government - I say, who better to represent the people?"

On the Net

John Tenney for Mayor - <http://www.votetenney.com>

Michigan Anomalous Information Network - <http://mainorg.tripod.com>

The Great Lakes Ghost Hunters Society - <http://www.ghost.web.com>

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>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: A Skeptibunker Becomes 'Human!'

>>>Truth be known, Luis, I do not know if that which I perceive I've
>>>experienced really happened. And I am the first to admit to this
>>>fact. I say only that the UFO abduction phenomena is the only one
>>>which best explains what I've experienced. Which is why I almost
>>>always use the word, "perceived" experiences.

>>>And I believe that skeptics are of value to the conundrum. I do
>>>not believe that skeptibunkers are of any value, even to
>>>themselves. And I define a skeptibunker as one who cannot admit
>>>even to the possibility of alien intervention. One who will cop
>>>to any and all excuses, even unreasonable ones, to attempt to
>>>explain it. Such is culpable ignorance.

>><snip>

>>>PS: I choose not to be believed, but rather for people to believe
>>>the possibility. Nothing more. Nothing less.

>>I just wanted to say that the above was well-said and worth a
>>rereading, especially by "extremist members" of opposing sides
>>of this Mystery.

>Hi Ron,

>Gee, I guess that makes those of us who have had undeniable and
>close-up real-World UFO abduction experiences "extremists" now.

Well, I didn't mean in the Bin Laden sense...

But, from my
middle-of-the-road-trying-to-ascertain-the-truth-and-
listening-to-all-parties position, you do represent one end of
the spectrum.

That's mostly by what I meant by "extremist".

The rest of what I meant is more from a
philosophical/ontological stance, stuff regarding theories of
knowledge, and what it means to "know" something, objective
versus subjective realities, yada yada yada.

I.e. you say you know you were abducted, but all we have to go
on, and all you have to go on, are your memories.
Compelling memories, but still memories.

And sure, there are many, many similar stories -- many of which
add credence to your statements, but still, the problem remains
that there is no objectively verifiable proof. I know you know
this, so I won't belabor the point.

For what it's worth, it has been due very largely to your mostly
sober-minded (by which I mean, you're never "crazy sounding",
but sometimes the "Velez temper" flares), intelligent,
passionate and lengthy posts about your experiences that I take

the phenomenon seriously at all.

I hope you take some sort of satisfaction in that.

Finally, I think maybe that temper caused you to say a few things to Jim that maybe weren't warranted. I think it shows alot of guts on his part that he's willing to say "I don't know for sure", just as it takes alot of guts on your part to maintain such a staunch absolutist position.

>And it doesn't make us, (those of us who are confident we know >what has happened to us) "extremists" either. I resent being >labelled that way. I am reporting something I know happened.

I believe that you are not lying, and I believe that you really are telling us to the best of your abilities exactly what you consciously remember.

Beyond that, I don't believe anything.

>As an abductee who is_sure, I'd just like to say, Thanx for >all your 'help' Jim.

...

>You and many others like you are a category all unto yourselves.

He's a Dylan nut and I'm a Springsteen nut, so we kinda are our own category.....

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Question for Stanton Friedman

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Subject: Question for Stanton Friedman

Hello there, Mr. Friedman.

I tried getting through to you last night on the 10-28-01 Art Bell show hosted by George Noory, but of course the lines were jammed.

I wanted to ask you how you resolve some contradictory statements I've heard you make several times; in particular, when you say in one breath (in paraphrase) :

"Everyone, especially people with clearances, knows how easy it is to keep and maintain secrets."

and then in a later breath assert how the government can't keep this secret (referring to the UFO/ET phenomenon), something like how it's "leaking out all over the place", etc.

So, the obvious question is:

Which secrets can and cannot the government maintain?

And if your answer is "knowledge of the existence of extraterrestrial life visiting this planet", then why do you say that, essentially, it's not a secret!?

Seriously, I'm confused...

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>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO/ET Book For Children

>If so, has any consideration been given to the fact that; a ten
>or twelve year old who 'may be' having disturbing UFO/alien
>experiences already, and who has not yet made any connection
>between those experiences and UFOs/aliens (on their own,) are
>being "introduced" to an "explanation" that they may wrongly (or
>rightly) accept and cling to for life?

<snip>

>Fact: A ten or a twelve year old does not yet have the
>intellectual or emotional/psychological foundation and skills to
>deal with such a complex concept. Especially if they have been
>having unsettling experiences themselves. They don't have the
>coping skills needed. Skills that only come with knowledge,
>education, and most-times 'hard earned' life experience.

<snip>

>Sorry, I just don't 'cotton' to the idea of involving children
>in what is on any level, a completely disturbing phenomenon. I
>was in my 40's when I "made the connection." I barely had the
>coping skills I needed myself in order to maintain my sanity and
>my perspective. What chance does a ten year old have?

Color me curious, but I'd be really interested in hearing the
stories of those who've had to go through what you went through:
the questioning, the doubts, the fear, the paranoia, the "Am I
losing my mind?", the slow unravelling of the clues, etc.

I have a fairly vivid imagination, and I'm seeing a
"psychological thriller" of sorts playing out in my head, and I
can't help but be very interested to hear what the actual steps
were that some of you had to take.

>Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2001 23:23:51 -0400
>To: ufoupdates@home.com
>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>Subject: Re: Statement On Alien Abduction

>Luis and many others who presume to tell us what may or may not
>be happening to us, need to address the elements of physical
>evidence that in many cases is a matter of painful reality for
>us, but just a minor theoretical/intellectual detail to them.

<snip>

>"What physical evidence?"

>All of these marks that I have collected appear on the bodies
>of individuals that are reporting UFO/alien contact - abduction.
>These marks are a very personal issue for me as well. Myself, my
>wife, and my son, all have 'scoop marks' - punch biopsy scars
>- on our bodies.

Just curious, but have you had x-rays taken?

I wonder how many people who suspect they've been abducted, and who may or may not have weird bumps and scars on their body, have been able to get, say, x-rays of their entire body, to see if there's more than just a mere scar.

God knows I've tried (for health purposes -- for the heck of it. I mean, I've been paying ungodly amounts of money to insurance, so why not, right?), and doctors are very reluctant to do it.

I've got a couple of small cysts that I'd liked checked out... See if maybe they trigger the ol' metal detector...

(Just kidding.)

(I think...)

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Cydonian Imperative: 'Out-of-Frame' Technique

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Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 'Out-of-Frame' Technique

The Cydonian Imperative
10-30-01
<http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html> (page 24)

Technique for Assessing Artificiality of "Profile"
Surface Features

John Levasseur, discoverer of the "Nefertiti" formation (see above) and member of Scientists for Planetary SETI Research, has developed a practical method of determining the probability that a given Martian surface feature is artificial. The a priori argument presented in Levasseur's essay is strong, and offers the most stringent criteria yet for objectively assessing the problematic "profiles" that litter the Martian surface. Thanks to John for allowing his paper to debut here.

--Mac Tonnies

The Out-of-Frame Hypothesis as Applied to MGS Image
#M0202619

by J.P. Levasseur

Based on the impressionistic hypothesis there is a large-scaled rendering of a cat upon the Martian surface, 6 km or so in length, surface features consistent with feline features outside the 3 km wide frame can be predicted. In my opinion, the impression of a big cat is strong, having a very good head, shoulder with extended left front leg, and torso. The two right legs appear to cross as if in a trot. There is a very good ear, a loosely hanging bottom lip, a long back, a belly, a pupil in the eye and a nostril in the nose. It appears to be wearing a collar.

[image]

The suspicion that there are probably more hills, mounds, and raised areas continuing out of frame to complete what appears as large scaled art can be tested with new imagery: a feline left claw either in a closed or open position, a hind leg and haunches, and most importantly, a long tail of some kind either extended or curled. The tail is important because it should extend uninterrupted, long, smooth and slender for a considerable distance, a somewhat unusual surface feature.

The a priori prediction is that new imagery will show recognizable feline features continuing out of the MGS M0202619 frame lining up and completing those seen in frame and done so with the same type of mounds and hills.

Should the predicted feline features indeed appear in any new images taken of the area, features that at this time that have not yet been seen, there will be support for the cat art hypothesis, and thus support for many other suspected artistic

features such as the Cydonia Face and the "Nefertiti" Face, to name only two.

If the out of frame surface features do not complete the pattern of the cat then the cat art hypothesis will be in question.

Of course it probably won't be conclusive because impacts and/or erosion could have disfigured the pattern, or if, say, the cat ends up having a bobbed tail.

Testing this hypothesis means having new images of what's just outside the available frame. The context image does not have sufficient resolution and there appear to be no other usable MGS images. New images are needed. The chance of acquiring an image that would satisfactorily provide a test for this hypothesis in the near future is remote.

The head is very good but looks somewhat small for the body and legs. The emission angle (perspective) isn't the cause of this because the ancillary data puts the camera almost directly overhead and the feature is almost in the middle of the image. (The slant distance and altitude are equal.) But the aspect ratio is 0.91. This means the ratio of the vertical meters per pixel rate to the horizontal meters per pixel rate in this image are not equal. I tried "stretching" the image vertically by about ten percent and the head looked a little better proportioned, but this is by no means an aspect ratio "correction", a procedure I am not familiar with. Nevertheless, I consider the impression of the big cat so strong that I am still not deterred by this slight skewing problem.

There is always the contention that we should not be seeing artistic renderings of what we see on Earth today, that the existence of artistic patterns depicting human faces and animals of recent evolution on Earth are ludicrous and embarrassing claims. But these arguments rest on flimsy origins-related assumptions, like that any artificial Martian objects would be built only in the very distant past by an indigenous civilization, one that should exhibit (ironically) earth-like infrastructure. Skeptics have for decades made similar non-arguments regarding the humanoid Cydonia Face. But there are many other possibilities that cannot be ruled out at this stage. For example, some scientists seriously consider the interesting idea of ETI periodically passing through the solar system (something predicted statistically by Sagan over thirty years ago) and leaving its mark on the planet. In this case the renderings need not be of them but maybe of us and other Earth images. They could have been made at almost any time, and need not require infrastructure such as roads, which would not have been necessary if the builders are flying and not living there. As far as I'm concerned, this idea is as plausible a scenario as any at this point because we are not in any position at this stage to say what or what cannot be found on that planet or how it got there. Humanoid faces and "modern" cats aren't necessarily ruled out. There are many origins ideas. Arguing that these different scenarios are implausible doesn't make the evidence go away.

The methodology of the out-of-frame hypothesis is identical to that applied to the Cydonia Face for the last twenty years: Predictions based on impressionistic assumptions of artistic artificiality are tested when these predicted features appear or do not appear in new or better imagery. In the case of the Cydonia Face, scientists have predicted more facial features, more detail in these features, and symmetry. Contrary to what's written in the popular media, many of these predictions turned out to be accurate. The out-of-frame predictions are being made in exactly the same manner, with exactly the same types of assumptions regarding suspected artistry, and are to be tested in exactly the same manner using new imagery.

There are a number of other Martian artistic surface features that researchers, including myself, claim to see. In my opinion some are very compelling, even better than the Puma, the "Nefertiti" Face a prime example. Skeptics argue researchers are "looking at clouds", yet the artificial verses the natural can be discerned even in clouds... I for one can readily distinguish a jet contrail from natural clouds in the sky. The attached so-called collared Puma image is in my opinion an excellent candidate for artificiality. But the Puma image is unique

because of the way it is chopped off on either side of the image strip, lending itself well to this method of making out-of-frame predictions. The hypothesis will be tested when/if new images of this area will confirm or deny the out-of-frame predictions of extended feline features based on the impression of an artistic rendering of a Puma in NASA/JPL/MGS image #M0202619.

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Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

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Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed! - Gates

>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 22:17:35 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@home.com>
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>>From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
>>Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2001 00:26:43 EDT
>>Subject: Re: British MOD UFO Study Revealed!
>>To: ufoupdates@home.com

><snip>

>>The skeptical mindset has been over the years:

>>1) No amount of documents or evidence will ever convince... (so)

>>2) Most if not all documents and evidence are proof of
>>misidentification, hoax, stars, balloons or errors by the
>>witness... (but)

>>3) If said document or evidence cannot be explained as above,
>>then we attack the credibility of the witness...

>>4) Bottom line it absolutely cannot be, so no matter what or who
>>everything points to some "earthly" explanation.... (if)

>>5) We are unable to find said earthly explanation we cling to
>>the hope that someday, sometime, someone, will come up with
>>said earthly explanation.

>How different from the believers' mindset, which says that

The key thing is that the gullible believers are just as bad,
just as foolish, and cling to foolishness just like the skeptics
do.

Skeptics say all cases are explainable; gullible believers say
everything is a UFO. Other than a difference of opinion, they
are on the same sheet of belief music.

>1) No UFO case must ever be explained. Any attempt to do so is
>"debunking", "pelicanism" or "skeptibunking".

>2) Everything any UFO witness or abductee reports must be
>accepted without question as the literal truth. Anyone who
>doubts of finds discrepancies in an account is a heartless,
>unsympathetic monster.

>3) There are no earthly explanations.

>4) If documentary evidence which can decisively explain a case
>is produced it is clearly "disinformation", probably spread by
>the US government. This is because believing ufologists are so
>clever that it takes the resources of an entire government to
>fool them

>5) If ultimately believers are forced by the weight of evidence

>to accept a sceptical explanation, they cling to the hope that
>eventually someday, sometime someone will come up with the
>"smoking gun" which proves the ETH. 55 years and counting.

Always interesting to see the gullible skeptics who believe anything as long as it fits their skeptical belief system.

Cheers,

Robert

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UFO Magazine USA On Philip Corso

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Subject: UFO Magazine USA On Philip Corso

Dear Members of the List,

I have just received, here in France, the October issue of UFO Magazine (the American one) and I want to recommend reading it, if only for the article of Don Ecker's 'Honor Restored: The De-Pflocked Facts About Philip Corso'.

One of the sharpest criticisms against Corso was that he had betrayed Senator Thurmond, who had written a preface for his book 'I Walked with Giants', not for a book on Roswell.

The UFO magazine article by Don Ecker shows the reproduction of the release signed by Senator Strom Thurmond, giving to Lieutenant Colonel Corso the "irrevocable right and permission to use and to publish the material described below, in any and all editions of the book presently entitled Roswell Book..."

So, this authorization, dated 2-7-97, clearly referred to Roswell, although it was not the final title, 'The Day After Roswell'. He knew that Corso was writing on Roswell!

Don Ecker points out that Karl Pflock has repeated that criticism in his book on Roswell, and notes that "Pflock could have easily discovered these facts had he contacted Birnes and simply asked about it while researching his book. Could it be that Pflock had another agenda that happened to involve the personal destruction of an honorable man?"

Of course, this does not put an end to other criticism on the book of Corso, but thank you, Don, for putting the record straight on this one!

Regards to all,

Gildas Bourdais

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More MUFON Dissent

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Fwd Date: Wed, 31 Oct 2001 02:01:09 -0500
Subject: More MUFON Dissent

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FROM: Larry W. Bryant
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DATE: October 30, 2001

This letter formalizes my previously expressed dissent from, and objection to, the MUFON leadership's bylaws-revision policy (as now published on page 21 of the October 2001 issue of the MUFON UFO Journal -- to wit: "...to vote for the bylaws, the members need to do nothing").

Accordingly, as a general MUFON member and a member of the MUFON Board of Directors, I hereby withhold my permission for the MUFON Executive Committee -- and/or anyone else concerned -- to count my NON-vote on the proposed new bylaws as a "YES" vote. This denial of permission also applies to any similar future action by the MUFON Executive Committee and/or Board of Directors.

Be advised that your headstrong, illegitimate circumvention of the current MUFON bylaws' voting process not only violates my (and others') right not to vote; it also tarnishes the public image of our public-interest, tax-exempt organization -- to the degree that the public should be alerted to the potential for additional wrongdoing at the hands of a leadership concerned more with its self-preservation than with its duty of fulfilling the first principles of organizational self-governance.

Therefore, in the interests of openness, fair play, and democratic decisionmaking, I request that this letter be published as a letter-to-the-editor, in its entirety and as soon as possible, within a forthcoming issue of the MUFON UFO Journal.

LARRY W. BRYANT
MUFON Director of Governmental Affairs

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Cydonian Imperative: Clarification

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Fwd Date: Wed, 31 Oct 2001 02:02:50 -0500
Subject: Cydonian Imperative: Clarification

From <http://mactonnies.com/imperative24.html>

Reactions to this piece have been highly skeptical concerning the reality of the 'puma' in Levasseur's picture. This is understandable. However, the nature of the so-called "puma" is not the reason for this article appearing here. Rather, Levasseur's a priori method for assessing Martian features in general is what impressed me. Inclusion of the above essay doesn't constitute an "endorsement" of the "puma," but recognition of the scientific predictive potential of the "out-of-frame" method outlined.

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Live Stream: Erich von Daniken Speaks at U.S.

From: Diana Botsford <diana@destinationspace.net>
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SPRINGFIELD, MO -- Erich von Däniken, one of the world's leading figures in the field of extraterrestrial life, will present his first lecture at a U.S. university in 22 years at Drury on November 1 at 11am, Central Time.

Available via Windows Media and Quicktime
Live and then on demand
<http://www.drury.edu>

Beginning with his 1968 book "Chariots of the Gods?," von Däniken proposed that Earth had been repeatedly visited by advanced aliens from other worlds. In dozens of books since, von Däniken has refined his theories and presented evidence to support them, asserting that an extraterrestrial influence was clear in the construction of pyramids in Egypt, giant figures outlined on desert plains in Nazca, Peru, and the design of artifacts found in archaeological sites. His views have been greeted with much skepticism; many researchers believe the phenomena von Däniken relies upon can be explained in other ways. The controversy of his views has helped make him the world's best-selling non-fiction author, with 60 million books sold. In his most recent book, *Odyssey of the Gods*, von Däniken argues that the gods of ancient Greece were extraterrestrials.

Von Däniken's lecture will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Clara Thompson Hall. The event is free and open to the public. Should the seating capacity of Clara Thompson Hall be exceeded, guests will be directed to an overflow area nearby where they can watch the lecture on closed-circuit TV. Von Däniken's talk will also be available online through the Drury Web site at:

<http://www.drury.edu>

Von Däniken appears at Drury as part of this year's convocation series, "Origins." The series examines and explores origins in a variety of subject areas – arts, sciences, spiritual issues, culture, and with von Däniken, even the very nature of life on Earth. More information about von Däniken is available at:

<http://www.legendarytimes.com>

and details of the Origins series are available online at:

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