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EDITORIAL:

Welcome to issue 31 of the magazine.

Whilst the Pentagon admissions in December 2017 didn't yeald disclosure with a big 'D' the ramifications of those 'truths' are beginning to put pressure on the mainstream to investigate them more thoroughly.

This issue features a speech made by the famous award winning scientist Dr Hal Puthoff and I would have to say that what he has to say on the UFO subject represents arguably the most important article to have ever featured in UFO Truth Magazine because of its content and implications. Maybe DISCLOSURE is closer than we realise and whenever a journalist or TV come calling we should be directing them to the December 2017 Pentagon admissions. Any genuine journalist can no longer ignore them and what they revealed.

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Happy reading. **GH.**



DEDICATION



My inspiration for this magazine stems from having met the late great Graham Birdsall, the editor of the now defunct British UFO Magazine, who first encouraged me to research police UFO cases in late 2001.

His passing in 2003 left a huge gap in European Ufology and I said at the time that his death has put the subject back in this country 10 years.

How ironic then and perhaps fitting that 10 years on I now am in a position to carry on his work.

Graham, I will work hard to make you proud and carry on your legacy.

Gary Heseltine
Editor, UFO Truth Magazine
April 2013

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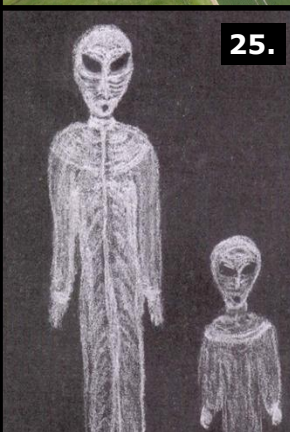
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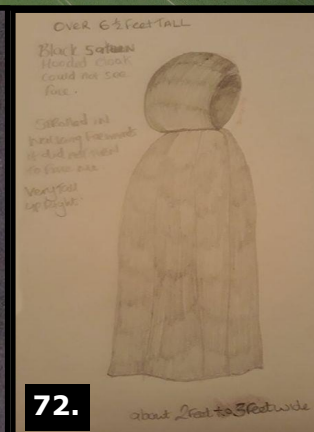
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With improved technology there has never been a better time to launch an internet based UFO magazine for people that support the merits of the extraterrestrial hypothesis (ETH). In that vein I have gathered together a number of dedicated and well respected researchers from around the world to act as regular columnists for the magazine.

Many other notable ufologists have also agreed to be guest contributors to it. By having some of the best researchers from around the world involved I hope they will broaden the magazine's international appeal.

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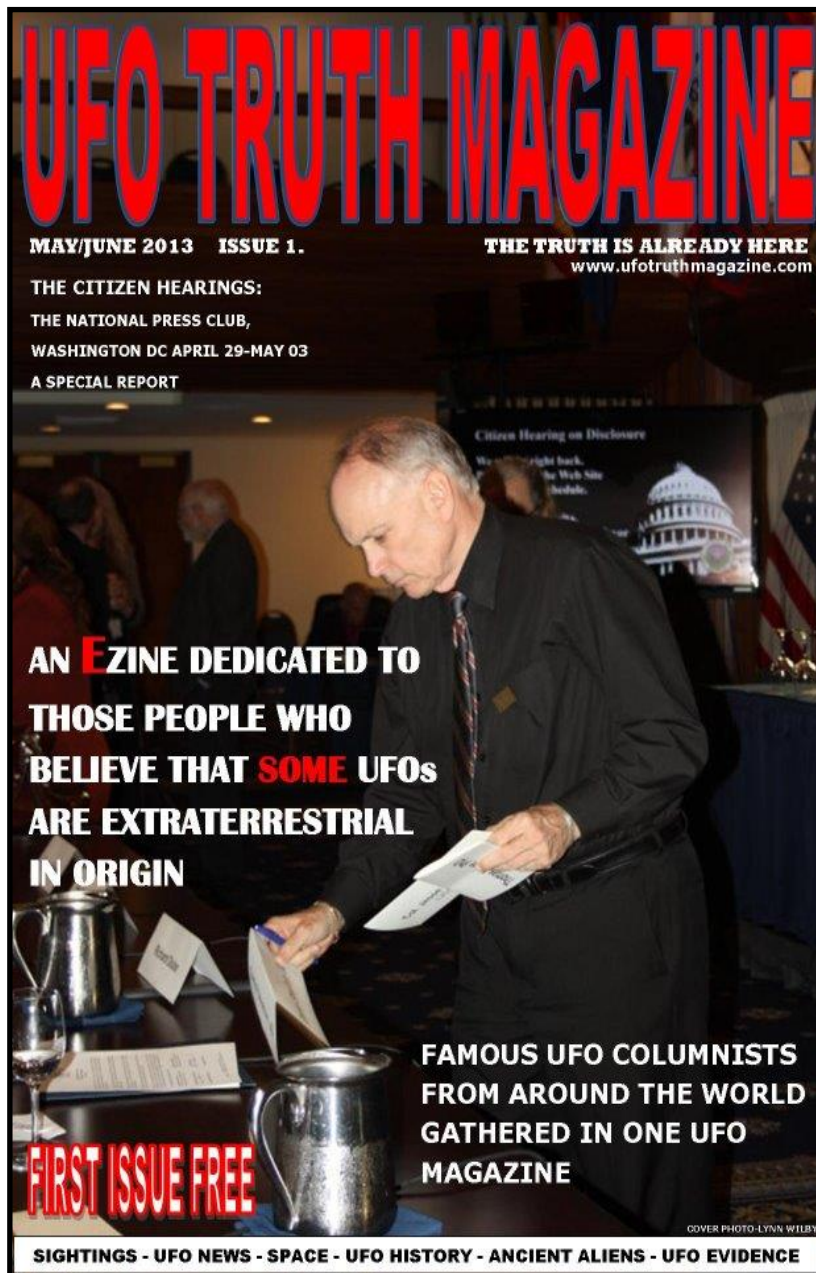
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In my opinion this is vital for Ufology to develop in the United Kingdom.

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accommodation and flights however as the magazine grows I believe that this mechanism has the potential to be able to pay monies to other UFO ventures overseas in the form of grants. **GH**



Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson



by Stanton Friedman (USA/Canada)

Once more I have to point out the foolishness of comments made by an outstanding astronomer about flying saucers. I prefer the term flying saucer to UFO because most UFOs are NOT flying saucers, but most flying saucers are UFOs. I have never said all UFOs are alien spacecraft. Most flying saucers (craft observed whose behavior and appearance clearly indicate they are not conventional airborne vehicles, but are under intelligent control), can best be explained as vehicles originating from elsewhere than on Earth. Certainly no rational individual would say all UFOs are alien spacecraft. No rational individual would say all atoms of uranium are Uranium 235. Fortunately for those of us who dabble in such nuclear matters, 0.7% are. As any track coach would note, the fact most people can't run a 100 yard dash in under 10 seconds or a mile in under 4 minutes, does not mean nobody can. As debunkers can't seem to get in their head, every large scale scientific study shows that some sightings turn out to be unexplainable in conventional terms. A good example worth noting is the commentaries of noted and well credentialed (in Astronomy-not ufology) astrophysicist Dr. Neil deGrasse Tyson, Director of the Hayden Planetarium in New York City. The article on Wikipedia is detailed and impressive as are his many TV appearances.

I first took note of him in a MUFON Journal column in early 2005. The focus was on the Peter Jennings program "UFOs: Seeing is Believing", broadcast February 24, 2005. I was one of more than 100 people interviewed and fortunately made the cut appearing for about 20 seconds and being called a promoter twice with no mention of me being a nuclear physicist, having worked on far out high tech

programs for such groups as the General Electric Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion Department, Westinghouse Astronuclear Lab (nuclear rockets), Aerojet General Nucleonics (compact nuclear reactors and fusion rockets), General Motors Allison Division, and McDonnell Douglas Astronautics. Tyson reported haughtily that our fastest rocket would take 73,000 years to reach the nearest star if it were headed in the right direction, which it isn't. How absurd! That is as silly as saying that since it took Ferdinand Magellan's ship three years to sail around the world and since the moon is about 238,000 miles away and the earth about 25,000 miles around so it would take 9 times as long to reach the moon, which is absurd. The space station, after all, circumnavigates the globe in about 95 Minutes. Progress comes from doing things differently. The future is almost never just an extrapolation of the past. The space station is not just a smaller sailing ship.

Look at how much smaller and faster computers are now than in the past. Look how TV sets take much less power and weigh much less now than they did 50 years ago. Moore's law has been holding fairly steadily. Double the number of transistors on a chip every 2 years or so. I suspect Tyson knows nothing about fission and fusion for propulsion. Flight near a planet with its atmosphere and high gravity environment is very different from flight between the stars in a strong vacuum. I have had people guess that it takes a thousand years at 1G acceleration to get close to the speed of light. In reality it takes less than a year. We accelerate particles at the large Hadron Collider to 99.999% of the speed of light. Has Tyson forgotten that Einstein showed that time slows down more the closer you get to light speed? That is true in the real world. Think of pocket calculators versus slide rules. For specific examples of great scientists making terrible predictions, I would suggest he read "Science is Wrong" by Kathleen Marden and



myself.

Here are some examples of bad thinking. Tyson was asked in December about UFOs after it was revealed that there had been a secret government funded UFO study effort going on from 2007-2012. Tyson says: "Do I believe in UFOs? There's a fascinating frailty of the human mind that psychologists know all about called argument from ignorance. This is how it goes. Remember the U stands for unidentified. But then you say I don't know what it is must be aliens from outer space visiting from another planet. The issue here is that if you don't know what something is, your interpretation of it should stop immediately. You don't say it must be X or Y or Z". I don't know any serious ufologist who thinks that way. A car is a car even if you don't have its license number. Because you haven't been introduced to any aliens, doesn't mean they aren't real. He says "That is I don't agree that we should stop interpreting stimulus immediately if we can't identify it. Unidentified lights in the sky could be lots of things, including an alien spacecraft. It is not the most likely hypothesis." Tyson certainly provides no evidence that this is what we believers do. Why do astronomers think that is what ufology is all about? We have excellent descriptions of the characteristics of things that are observed, on the ground, and as observed on radar and or observed visually and on radar in the sky. Behavior and appearance together provide for ruling out conventional explanations. Police stop vehicles going over the speed limit even if they have no license plates and the driver isn't wearing an ID. We can observe characteristics such as noise level, ability to make very sharp turns and to start and stop abruptly and take off and land vertically. The simple fact that most UFO sightings can be identified with a lot of effort means that people are good observers and can eliminate known vehicles. Tyson isn't impressed by the radar observations that were made. No vehicle we Earthlings know how to manufacture and operate can behave the way many UNKNOWNS do. That is the point. We can't explain the observed characteristics on the basis of the observables. The appearance says it's manufactured. The behavior says it was manufactured some place other than on Earth. Therefore, it is of alien origin. NO, our not knowing what it is or where it originates or how to duplicate it *doesn't mean it isn't real*. Tyson tells of being called for jury duty and being asked what he teaches at Princeton. His answer was "I teach a class on the evaluation of evidence and the relative unreliability of eyewitness testimony. He was dismissed." I would suggest he was rightfully dismissed. If one hasn't studied the evidence, one is certainly not entitled to an opinion, especially a scientific one. Is he suggesting that people can't tell the difference between an elephant and

a bulldog even if they don't wear ID tags. How many mistake a person for a Zebra because he is wearing stripes? The forensic approach is very important in the courtroom. I think it is generally true that astronomers deal with inanimate objects like stars or planets as opposed to aircraft with high performance characteristics such as flying saucers. Lawyers and judges often have to decide on the validity of witness testimony. Rarely do astronomers. I have seen not the slightest indication that Tyson is familiar with the large scale scientific studies of UFOs. Has he read any of the many PhD theses? He has jumped to his negative conclusions on the basis of his ignorance. That isn't science. It is also clear that he is unaware of the studies of advanced propulsion even if they are not published in astronomical journals. What does he know of the government's ability to keep secrets? Surely he must be aware that sophisticated equipment for monitoring UFOs is in the hands of the government not average joe blows. Frankly, I sense an underlying feeling that if aliens were visiting they would not want to talk to astronomers, hardly expert on human activities, motivation of earthlings or aliens.

Astronomers have made many false claims over the years including that man would never fly, that we can't get to the moon ad nauseum.

Some have referred to Tyson as a successor to Carl Sagan as the best known astronomer. Carl commented negatively about UFOs and was equally ignorant. One of his repeated gems was that there were interesting sightings that weren't reliable and reliable sightings that weren't interesting, but that there were no reliable and interesting sightings. Naturally no evidence was provided and the data to contradict this nonsense. *The more reliable a sighting, the more likely it was unidentifiable and that is USAF data never noted by Sagan or Tyson*. I have done several debates with UFO debunkers. Dr. Seth Shostak and I debated on Coast to Coast. I got 53% of the vote. He got 37%, and 10% said they weren't sure. Seth has recently commented that the fact that I won the debate didn't mean I was right. I suppose he was sort of saying it meant I was a better debater. My victory in a debate with Dr. Michael Shermer was 80% vs. 20%. It was obvious he knew almost nothing. I would be happy to debate Dr. Tyson anywhere. I honestly believe he'd refuse to debate me knowing full well that he really hasn't studied the evidence and would be afraid he would look foolish. Any reader care to set up an encounter between us? Admission could be charged and he could cover expenses that way. Perhaps Coast-to-Coast could arrange things? It would be great if journalists would challenge him to put his data where his mouth is. I won't hold my breath.

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The Origins of the Men in Black

by Nick Redfern (UK/USA)



Make mention of the Men in Black to most people and doing so will likely provoke images of Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones. After all the trilogy of Men in Black movies were phenomenally successful and brought the subject to a huge, worldwide audience. Outside of Ufology, most people assume that the Men in Black were the creations of Hollywood. This, however, is very wide of the mark: in reality, the movies were based upon a short-lived comic book series that was created by Lowell Cunningham in 1990. Most important of all, the comic-books were based on real-life encounters with the MIB – which date back decades.

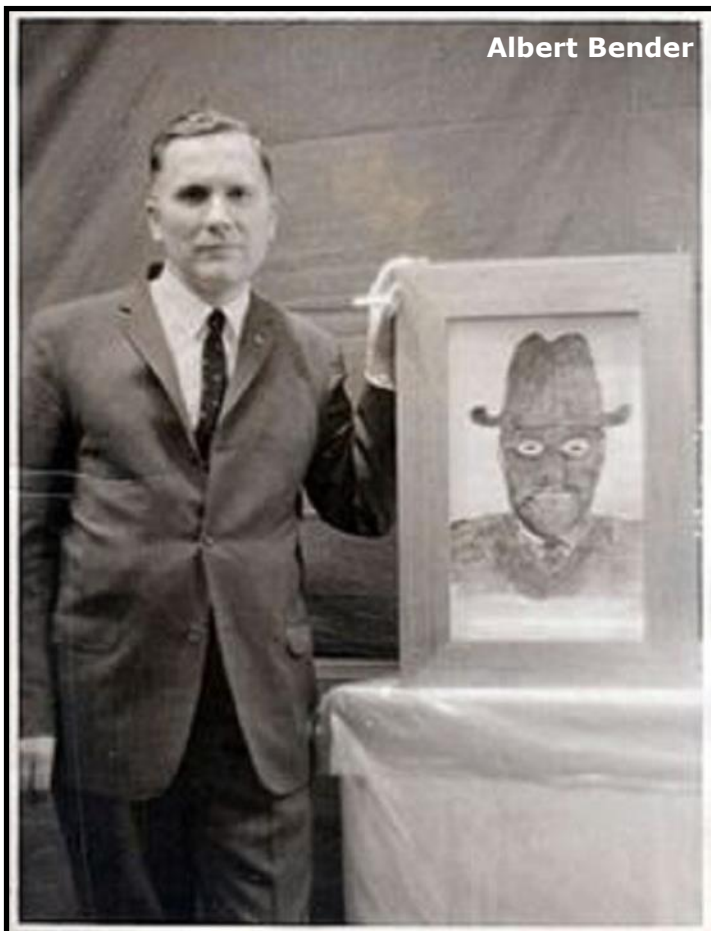
In fact, in the movies, the characters portrayed by Jones and Smith are known as J and K. There is a good reason for that: they are the initials of the late John Keel, who wrote the acclaimed book, *The Mothman Prophecies* and who spent a lot of time pursuing MIB encounters, and particularly so in the 1960s and 1970s. In that sense, the producers of the Men in Black movies and comic-books were paying homage to Keel. Now let's get to the heart of the matter, namely, the real Men in Black; not those of Hollywood. Who are they? Where do they come from? What is their agenda? If there is one thing we can say for sure when it comes to the matter of the MIB, it's

that they are the ultimate Controllers – they threaten, intimidate and terrify those into silence who they visit. Let's see how the mystery all began.

It was in the early 1950s that a man named Albert Bender created a UFO research group called the International Flying Saucer Bureau. The group was based out of Bender's home town of Bridgeport, Connecticut. Bender was someone who quickly became enthused by the UFO phenomenon when it kicked off in earnest in the summer of 1947, with Kenneth Arnold's acclaimed and now-legendary sighting of a squadron of UFOs over the Cascade Mountains. The world was changed and so was Albert Bender.

As a result of the establishment of the IFSB, Albert Bender found himself inundated with letters, phone calls and inquiries from people wanting information on the UFO enigma. Bender was pleased to oblige and he created his very own newsletter – *Space Review*. It was a publication which was regularly filled with worldwide accounts of UFO activity, alien encounters, and sightings of flying saucers. And on the worldwide issue, it's worth noting that so popular was Bender's group and magazine, he found himself inundated with letters from all around the planet: communications poured in from the U.K., from Australia, from South America, and even a few from Russia. Bender was on a definitive high: the little journal that he typed up from his attic room in the old house in which he lived, was suddenly a major part of Ufology. It's most curious, then, that in the latter part of 1953, Bender quickly closed down the International Flying Saucer Bureau, and he ceased the publication of *Space Review*. Many of Bender's followers suspected that something was wrong, as in very wrong. They were right on the money, as it happens.

When Albert Bender brought his UFO-themed work to a hasty end, a few close friends approached him to find out what was wrong. After all, right up until the time of his decision to quit, he was riding high and had a planet-wide following. It didn't get much better for Bender. So, his decision to walk away from all things saucer-shaped was a puzzle. One of those who wanted answers was Gray Barker. A resident of West Virginia and both a writer and a publisher who also had a deep interest in UFOs, Barker had subscribed to *Space Review* from its very first issue and had developed a good friendship and working relationship with Bender – which was an even bigger reason for Barker to question Bender's



decision.

At first, Albert Bender was reluctant to share with Gray Barker his reasons for backing away from the subject that had enthused him for so long, but he finally opened up. It turns out - Barker wrote in his 1956 book on the Bender affair, *They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers* - that Bender had been visited by a trio of men - all dressed in black - who warned him to not only keep away from the subject, but to completely drop the subject. As in forever. Somewhat of a nervous character at the best of times, Bender hardly needed telling once. Well, yes, actually, he did: despite having the fear of God put in him, Bender at first thought that what the Men in Black didn't know wouldn't hurt them. So, despite the initial threat, Bender chose to soldier on. It was a big, big mistake. When the MIB realized that Bender had not followed their orders, they turned up the heat to an almost unbearable level. Finally, Bender got the message.

For Gray Barker - who recognized the dollar-value in the story of his friend - this was great news, in a strange way, at least. The scenario of a mysterious group of men in black suits terrorizing a rising UFO researcher would make for a great book, thought Barker - which it certainly did. Hence Barker's 1956 book. The problem was that although Bender somewhat reluctantly let Barker to tell his story, Bender didn't tell him the whole story. Bender described the three men being dressed in black suits and confirmed the threats, but that was about all he would say. As a result, Barker - quite understandably assumed that the Men in Black were from the government. He suspected they were from the FBI, the CIA, or the Air Force. Barker even mused on the possibility that the three men represented all of those agencies. When Barker's book was published, it not only caught the attention of the UFO research community of the day: it also, for the very first time, brought the Men in Black to the attention of just about everyone involved in the UFO issue. A legend was born, a legend which continues.

While Albert Bender certainly didn't lie to Gray Barker, he most certainly did not share with him the full story. In fact, Bender had barely shared the bones of it. There was a good reason for that: the real story was far, far stranger than Barker could ever have imagined. Yes, he was visited by three men in black, but they were not of the kind that the U.S. Government of the day might have been expected to dispatch. Rather, they fell into the domain of the supernatural, the paranormal, and the occult.

According to Bender, late one night - after toiling away on his old typewriter in his attic environment - he suddenly started to feel sick. He was overwhelmed by nausea, dizziness, a

sense that he might faint and, most curious of all, the room was filled with an odour of brimstone - or sulfur. Both odours are associated with paranormal activity and have been for centuries. Bender lay down on the bed, fearful that he might crash to the floor if he did not. In seconds, something terrifying happened: three shadowy, ghostly, spectral beings started to materialize through the walls of Bender's room - yes, through the walls. They didn't need to knock on the door and wait for it to be opened. The silhouette-like trio then started to change: their shadowy forms became more and more substantial and they finally took on the appearance of regular men. Apart, that is, for several, notable differences: their eyes shone brightly, like a piece of silver reflecting the sun. Their skin was pale and sickly-looking, and they were thin to the point of almost being cadaverous. They closely resembled the deadly vampires of old, which Bender loved to read about in his spare time.

Using telepathy, rather than the spoken word, the three men warned Bender that now was the time for him to leave the UFO issue alone - leave it and never return. Or else. When Bender began to shake with fear, the Men in Black realized that they had got their message across, and they duly departed the way they had first arrived - through the walls. For days, Bender was in a state of fear that bordered upon hysteria. Finally, though, he thought: why should I quit Ufology? After all, I've done so much work, I'm not going to stop now. So, Bender didn't stop, he decided to take on the MIB and stand up to their threats. That was a very big mistake on the part of Bender.

In the days ahead, Bender saw the MIB again. On one occasion, late on a Saturday night, Bender was sitting in his local cinema, watching a new movie, when one of the Men in Black materialized in the corner of the cinema - his blazing eyes focused on the terrified Bender. He didn't hang around and fled the place. On the way home, though, Bender was plagued by the sounds of footsteps behind him - which seemed to be disembodied, as no-one was in sight. In the further days ahead, the MIB returned to that old attic, which yet again caused Bender to fall seriously ill. Finally, after another week of all this terror and mayhem, Bender really was done. His time in Ufology was over. For the most part, anyway.

Albert Bender's story, as it was told in the pages of Gray Barker's 1956 book, *They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers*, was substantially correct - in the sense that it told of how Bender was visited, threatened and ultimately driven to leave Ufology. Through no fault of his own, though, Barker was unaware of the supernatural aspects of the story and assumed that Bender had become

a victim of the U.S. Government. Finally, though, Bender came clean with Barker. Far from being disappointed, Barker was overjoyed, chiefly because he realized that he could spin the Bender saga into yet another book, which is exactly what happened. This time, though, Barker let Bender write the story himself, which he did. Yes, despite being warned away from the flying saucer issue by the Men in Black, Bender, somewhat reluctantly, he re-entered the scene and wrote his very own story: Flying Saucers and the Three Men, which Gray Barker eagerly published in 1962. Many people in Ufology were put off by the overly supernatural aspects of the story and, as a result, the book was relegated to the realm of obscurity for many years

It's interesting to know, though, that behind the scenes there was another group of men in black suits – and black fedoras –who were secretly following the Bender saga. It was none other than

the FBI. In other words, although the FBI were not literally Bender's MIB, the FBI certainly wanted to find out who they were. Thus, in a strange way, there were now two groups of MIB, both distinctly different: the supernatural ones encountered by Bender and the MIB of government officialdom. The provisions of the Freedom of Information Act have shown that both Albert Bender and Gray Barker had files opened on them. Those same files make it clear that none other than the legendary FBI boss, J. Edgar Hoover, ordered one of his special agents to get hold of a copy of Gray Barker's They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers.

After promoting his book, Bender yet again walked away from the UFO issue. This time, it was for good. Bender died in March 2016, at the age of ninety-four, in California.

Nick Redfern

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A comprehensive military report reveals confounding new details about a UFO incident that took place off the coast of California in 2004.

In December, 2017, the New York Times made a huge splash when it first reported ***that military personnel onboard the USS Nimitz aircraft carrier have detected anomalous aerial vehicles that exhibited technologically advanced behaviour no human-made aircraft had ever shown.*** The report came on the heels of the Pentagon releasing three fuzzy videos showing how the UFOs engaged with the team onboard the aircraft carrier.

The military has since remained mum on the issue, leaving much of the incident in the dark. However, Las Vegas TV station KLAS, states they have obtained a copy of a 13 page report prepared by the Department of Defense that analysed the events related to the incident 14 years ago.

Tic Tac UFO Incident Of 2004

In late 2004, the USS Nimitz and its group of ships detected mysterious objects traveling the surrounding skies at supersonic speeds. Even the AN/SPY, a highly advanced radar that can track a golf ball traveling at 100 miles per hour, could not lock in to the UFOs. On November 14, 2004, the supporting ship USS Princeton sent brand new F-18 jets to further investigate.

"It takes off like nothing I've ever seen," says retired pilot Dave Fravor, head of the elite Black Aces unit and pilot of one of the F-18s. ***"One minute it's here, and off, it's gone."***

The report says the Tic Tac-shaped UFO was solid and smooth, with no visible edges. There were no pylons, nacelles, or wings. Instead, it looked like a "white, candy-coated shell, almost like a white board."

The UFOs, the report says, were able to drop ***"very rapidly"***

from 60,000 feet down to 50 feet in a few seconds. Then they would hover unmoving on the radar before they left as fast as a

bullet leaving a gun.

Highly Advanced Technology Not Made By Humans

Among other revelations, the report says that ***even the world's most advanced radars had difficulty locking in and engaging with the vehicles.*** However, the Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) on the F-18s could detect the UFOs when stationary or moving at low speeds.

The report also states that the ***mysterious vehicles were able to stay stationary at the same altitudes for long periods while being able to take off at supersonic speeds, which suggest highly advanced "acceleration, aerodynamic, and propulsion capability."*** ***There were no visible control surfaces or any other means to generate lift.***

No aircraft in the United States or anywhere else in the world is known to have exhibited the same qualities, according to the report.

What is highly astounding, however, is that ***the report states that the UFOs were possibly equipped with "cloaking" technology, allowing them to become invisible to the human eye as well as man-made sensors.***

Rendezvous With A Mysterious Underwater Object

As noted by one of the F-18 pilots, the sky that day was clear and blue. The ocean was calm, and there was unlimited visibility. ***The pilots spotted a water disturbance on the surface of the ocean, which looked like "frothy waves and foam as if the water is boiling."***

The disturbance was round-shaped and spanned 50 to 100 meters in diameter. One of the pilots who flew over the area said the disturbance looked like a sinking ship or a submarine. It is possible that the disturbance could be the area of a shoal where corals or an island is barely submerged, but as he flew away, the pilot said the disturbance was gone and could no longer tell where it took place.





The pilot did not see any object in the sky or underwater that could have caused the disturbance, which **means that the vehicle could have been able to cloak itself and remain invisible when its pilots want it to.**

Fravor also witnessed the disturbance. According to the report, he attempted to get close to the UFO, which he said was hovering above the water disturbance. However, as he started his descent, the object seemed to have detected Fravor closing in and changed its axis to point at him. It was at that moment that the disturbance disappeared, **and the UFO took off at a supersonic speed.**

Is It A Bird Or A Balloon Or None Of Those?

Since the incident was revealed, the pilots have become the subject of ridicule by armchair experts who postulate that the UFOs were more likely a bird, a balloon, or an object created by human error.

However, Department of Defense intelligence

officer Luis Elizondo, who previously headed a **secret Pentagon program** to investigate UFO incidents, urges everyone to let the data speak for itself.

"Let the information we receive from the electro-optical data; electro-mechanical mechanisms be the tool in which we look and compare what the eyewitness testimony is saying," Elizondo says.

<http://www.techtimes.com/articles/229007/20180531/leaked-pentagon-report-reveals-supersonic-ufo-that-could-make-itself-invisible-interacted-with-mysterious-underwater-object.htm>

Courtesy of Tech Times

Editorial Comment: The report sounds like science fiction but it is believed to be authentic and if proven to be so will mean that the mainstream are soon be going to confront its true implications. With another 16 videos set to be released the days are ticking for the mainstream media to wake up to UFO reality and its ET implications. **GH**



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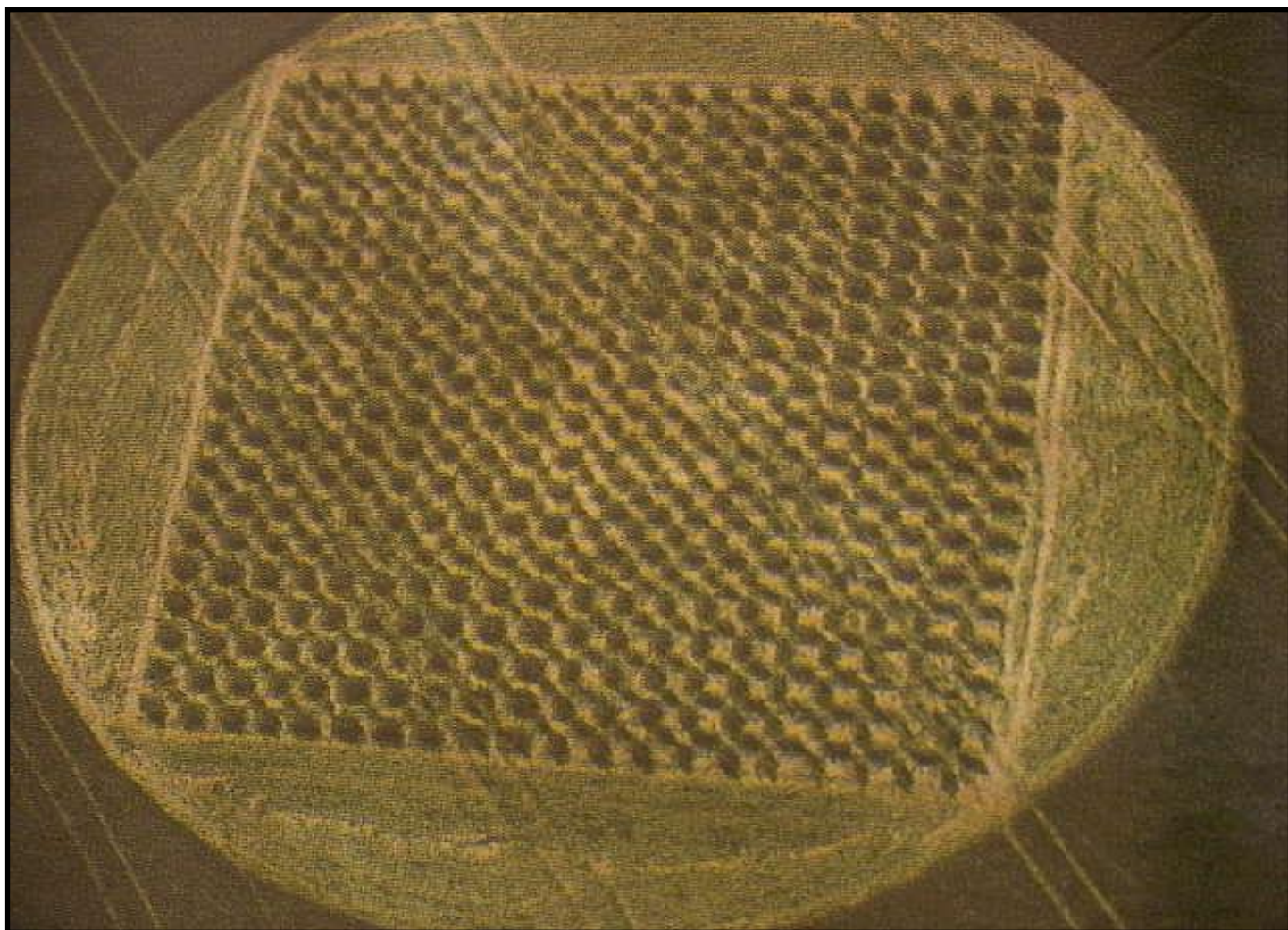
Synchronicity, By Design

By Jennifer Stein



Crop circles have been an obsession for me for many years now. When I stare at the amazing graphics from aerial photos, there are moments I think I understand what these geometries mean, and for a few moments I am in a wondrous daze of deep contemplative thought, as if I am understanding something from a higher dimension. I lose track of time, and hours can go by while I ponder what may be causing these strange and wondrous shapes that appear overnight. I jump

I was a teenager in the late 1960's. I read anything I could get my hands on, articles that I saved in a box beneath my bed. National Geographic, Look Magazine — anything I could find about these strange enigmas in the English countryside. So when the crop circle phenomena arrived on the mainstream scene in the late 70's, I was stunned and puzzled by what they might be. I read Colin Andrews books and followed the research of Terrance Meden, Busty Taylor and others early



from one design to another and back again on my computer screen, sometimes noticing the ancient English earthen mounds next to the crop circle formations; pondering who made them, when, and for what purpose? Then in an instant I am drawn back to reality like awaking from a dream, and I struggle to remember the substance and insight from that waking dream. Many like me have had similar experiences while viewing and contemplating crop circles.

My amazing love of formations began long ago. I had been studying ancient earthen mounds since

to the field like Linda Moulton Howe. I was later lucky enough to hear an excellent presentation on Crop Circles by Linda in Philadelphia in the late 90's.

Around early 2000 my husband asked me, "Jennifer what do you want to do for your 45th birthday?" I'm sure he was hoping I would say, "Honey let's go scuba diving together in Aruba," but instead the first words that flew out of my mouth were, "I want to go to England and study crop circles." I could see the look of disappointment wash over my husband's face, but I knew I could

not wait any longer for this adventure.

Where to begin, I thought? How do I get there? How do I find them, I must join a tour or trip that will take me there. I was a subscriber in those days to Nexus Magazine, and in the back of the journal was a small advertisement for a crop circle trip. I signed up, sent off my cheque and started to plan my adventure.

My husband was convinced this was all a lot of malarkey, that crop circles were all hoaxed and I was about to go trespassing onto someone's private property in England and get myself arrested. To protect his dear sweet wife, he called a business associate who managed an electronic manufacturing facility in Reading, England, not far from the central Wiltshire area where I would be trespassing onto those private farm fields. My husband's request: "When my wife gets arrested will you go bail her out of jail and send her home?"

His colleague assured him it was not as it seemed, and England had a long tradition of walking trails and byways throughout the English countryside, unlike the U.S. Farmers often prepared once a formation occurred in their fields, proper trespassing allowance signs, rules and regulations.... but he assured my husband if I was arrested he would be happy to come to my aid. His daughter was a local police officer, so he had an inside advantage with the English constabulary. Still, I was handed a list of numbers with dialing instructions on how to use my British travel cell phone, in the unlikely event I was arrested, with explicit instructions on just what to do. I dutifully packed them away in my suitcase.

About a week before I was to depart for the trip, we received a letter from our same friend in Reading. It was a front page clipping from his



local paper with a picture of a newly formed crop circle. It was a very complex, large, square, computer-like, grid formation. It was more than 200 feet across, and it was impossible to comprehend the complexity of just how it was made from the picture and article alone. My mouth dropped open and I had a sudden realization that I had to get into this formation, but how? I would be on a tour with probably 35 other people and I could not necessarily direct where the tour should go. Maybe it was out of the area we would be in. I had this sudden feeling that I should have just hired an independent guide to take me around Wiltshire alone, just me and my video camera, meeting the experts, researching on my own and filming what I really wanted to. So, I made a wish that if there was any way I could get in to that formation it would happen and sent out my intention to the





universe.

About an hour later Rubin Udarite called, the gentleman who would be leading the upcoming tour. He said he was calling with unfortunate news, that the trip had been cancelled. I was so disappointed and confused, saying, "What?! Cancelled?!" He patiently listened then said, "But Jennifer, I'm going anyway, and I know you don't know me... but if you want, I can drive you around and let you see the formations you want to, and introduce you to the experts researching these formations... It will be a totally different type of trip...if you're still interested?" Thirty-five people had cancelled. I could hardly believe it! I just about fell over on the floor. This is what I had wished for not more than an hour ago! How

could my wish come true and so quickly? I started looking around behind me, checking to see if somehow there was a spirit with me, watching and listening to heed my every wish. I barely hesitated before saying, "Does a bear sh**t in the woods? Of course I will come!"

I packed the news clipping in my bag and never told my husband about the change of travel plans. I figured it would only complicate things and worry him needlessly, and I desperately wanted to see these formations first hand. I knew he didn't understand my passion, as even I couldn't fully understand the impetus driving me forward. I did, however, trust the universal luck I was having and went on planning to leave in just a few days.

I had the intuition the night before my flight to pack really light and carry on everything with no checked bags, just in case the flight would be cancelled or delayed, affording me a wee bit more flexibility. I felt that in order to make the connection in Heathrow with Rubin I might need to change my flight plans. Sure enough — my intuition was right on. We had no sooner boarded the flight when they announced a possible cancellation or long delay due to thunderstorms in our stopover city of Chicago. We likely couldn't take off for several hours. I knew instinctively I had to get off of that plane. Without a second thought I grabbed my bag and in 15 minutes had myself re-booked on another flight direct to Heathrow. If I had not done so I would not have arrived in time to meet up with Rubin, and instead met him easily where I was supposed to and in perfect time.



As we were driving down a farmer's tractor road our first day, Rubin asked me if I had any specific place or particular formation I wanted to see. I pulled the news clipping out of my backpack as the car lurched from one muddy pot hole to the next on the lumpy, one lane, dirt road. I said I wanted to meet Nancy Talbot and some of the other researchers and film how the actual research was conducted, then showed him the article about the computer grid, further explaining what happened when I received the clipping in the mail and my wish to the universe to make a very different type of trip than originally planned.

As we lurched forward from one pot hole to the next, a van started coming towards us down the single lane. I looked at Rubin with a worried look, "What do we do? Who backs up?" It was impossible to pass each other. Rubin calmly said, "Oh this happens all the time, we will figure it out." He slowly edged the small car part way into the field to allow passing room for the other vehicle, and they did the same, both cars stopping as we slowly attempted to pass each other, our roofs almost touching. To be careful Rubin completely stopped to let the van more easily pass. He rolled down the window to watch the narrow gap up close. We were lucky we hadn't already tipped over on the steep angle of the road's edge. The van stopped too, the window rolling down — and it was Nancy Talbot! She yelled, "Rubin, great to see you! What are you doing tomorrow? Can you and your friend come out to the computer grid tomorrow and help me gather samples for Levensgood?" I held up the news clipping in my hand and said, "Do you mean this formation?"





As Nancy drove away, I sat stunned and speechless with an astonished look on my face at what had just happened. With Rubin now as my witness, I said "Did that just really happen?" Rubin just looked at me with an excited giggle and grinned, "Welcome to Wiltshire Jennifer, and the magic of the crop circles. This stuff happens all the time to those that come into this mystery of exploration. It's a lot more than just the patterns on the ground."

Again and again throughout the entire 8 days I spent in England I experienced unbelievable synchronicities, one after another! My thoughts seemed to be manifesting into a dreamlike reality that was unbelievable and magical. I became very aware that something very deeply spiritual was happening to me. A large, expanded and conscious understanding of the inter-connectedness of all things was permeating my

awareness, on both a conscious and sub-conscious level. It was frightening and enlightening at the same time. It was a precipice I had willingly stepped off from and there was no going back. That brief time in the English countryside profoundly and forever changed the course of my life. Perhaps in part by my own unwitting design.

Jennifer Stein



2018 National MUFON Symposium

The New York Times front page reporting on the UFO topic on December 16, 2017, is a sign that the UFO topic is now being taken seriously by the mainstream press. The article, by Helene Cooper, Ralph Blumenthal, and Leslie Kean is worth reading if you missed it. What was this about? The Pentagon's \$22 million secret program to research UFOs, sponsored by Senator Harry Reed. The program's existence, which was previously denied, was revealed by recently resigned top Pentagon official, Louis Elizondo, with permission from his superiors, before he left his Pentagon position. Front page headline reporting on UFOs from respected journals like the New York Times will change reporting policies of other media outlets over time. Educating media outlets to reverse a 70 year tradition of media suppression and debunking on the UFO topic won't be fast or easy, yet it is imperative for humanity's future. Today's digitally sophisticated telescopes and cell phone camera capabilities have revealed visually compelling sightings that have defied explanation for over a decade or more.

NASA's growing discoveries of many potentially life inhabitable planets in our galactic neighborhood makes it scientifically acceptable to consider that we are not the only intelligent life form. The long history of UFO deathbed confessions from astronauts and high ranking military officers may now be taken more seriously by the mainstream press. There was video evidence released with the December 16th New York Times article providing evidence that the Earth is being visited by intelligently operated vehicles which outmaneuver our military's capabilities ten to one. Eventually the media's reporting policies will give way to the rising demand to release previously top secret files that reveal facts like these. Does this increase the

likelihood of interacting with other intelligent life forms in our future? For now, the media's willingness to report on these incredible "unidentified craft" is a big step in the right direction toward the public willingness to learn about the topic. We hope to see more reporting like this in the mainstream press.

"Extraterrestrials, UFOs and the future of Humanity" is this year's 2018 National MUFON Symposium theme. "The scientific exploration of the UFO phenomena for the benefit of humanity" is the Mutual UFO Network's mission statement. We have designed special FREE EVENTS at this year's symposium. Two free speaker lectures on Friday, July 27th and 16 hours of hard to find, special feature films and documentaries shown all day Saturday, July 28th and Sunday, July 29th, designed to educate those interested in learning about important UFO facts that have been deliberately hidden for over 70 years. These FREE events are perfect for families, youth, educators and the general public from all backgrounds to learn more about famous historical UFO events which the mainstream press have been traditionally reluctant to report on for the past 43 years or more. Our annual 2018 National MUFON Symposium will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Cherry Hill New Jersey, 2349 West Marlton Pike, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, 08002. Please join us! Learn more at 2018 National MUFON Symposium. In advance of the upcoming symposium, nine additional free library lectures are scheduled at four libraries in Central New Jersey with a mission to increase UFO and MUFON awareness before the 2018 MUFON National Symposium.

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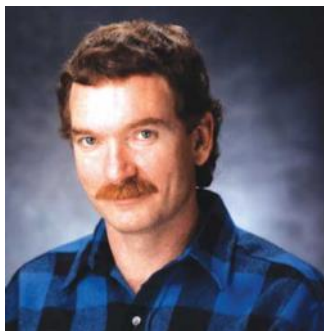
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Travis Walton was the Arizona logger whose 1975 forest encounter with a UFO was made into the Paramount movie "*FIRE IN THE SKY*". Ignoring the warnings of his fellow crewmen, Walton approached the craft and was struck by a blast of energy from it and taken aboard. The crew were

suspected of murdering Walton and making up a wild story to cover up for the deed until Arizona State Police lie detector tests cleared them and proved the truth of what they had witnessed. Travis overcame his initial reluctance to speak about his ordeal to accept invitations from all over the world to speak about the incident and about the storm of accusations hurled by professional skeptics, and their ultimate disproof by legitimate researchers. Travis Walton recounts the events of that fateful day, explains where the movie departs from what really happened, and reveals fascinating new developments in what is now recognized as the best documented case of alien contact ever recorded.

Kathleen Marden is a leading UFO researcher, author and lecturer. Her educational background in the social sciences has shaped her interest in scientific ufology. She has lectured nationally and internationally and is a frequent guest on radio shows. Her expert testimony has been heard on the History, H2, Discovery, National Geographic and Destination America channels, as well as several news segments and documentaries. She has been a member of the Mutual UFO Network since 1991, and volunteers as its Director of Experienter Research. Additionally, she is associated with the Edgar Mitchell Foundation for Research into Extraterrestrial Encounters. Many know her as the niece of Betty and Barney Hill, whose close encounter and UFO abduction in 1961 stirred worldwide interest. She researched the Hill's controversial case, leaving no stone unturned, to separate fact from fiction. This led to a new passion for the ufological truth and the publication of her books, with nuclear physicist/scientific ufologist Stanton Friedman, *Captured! The Betty and Barney Hill UFO Experience*, *Science was Wrong*, and *Fact, Fiction, and Flying Saucers*. She is also coauthor of *The Alien Abduction Files*, with Denise Stoner. She has expanded her work to include the investigation of contact with non-human entities, the perplexing phenomena related to it, the history of government involvement in the investigation and study of UFOs and the cover up, the commonalities that experienter's share, and consciousness studies.



Don C. Donderi The American Personality Inventory (API) is a test that was developed by Ted Davis, Budd Hopkins and Don Donderi to assess the validity of a report that someone has been abducted by extraterrestrials. It consists

of 65 true-false questions and can be completed in about ten minutes either on paper or on a digital device. To develop the API, we compared the answers to 608 true-false questions from 52 people whose abduction narratives were verified by researchers like Hopkins and David Jacobs to the



answers from two other groups of people. One group – 75 "controls" – were people who we simply asked to help us "develop a new personality test" but who we had no reason to believe had been abducted. Another group – 26 "simulators" – were people whom we were sure knew about the ET abduction phenomenon but whom we had no reason to believe had

been abducted. We asked the people in this group to complete the API "as if" they had been abducted. Using a statistical tool called multivariate discriminant analysis, we were able to classify each person into one of the three groups: abductees, controls or simulators – based on the pattern of their responses to each of 65 of the original 608 true-false questions. We report here the results of an analysis of 138 more people who completed to the 65-question API, and who had also completed the online Experienter Survey that is managed by the MUFON Experienter Research Team.

Lynne D. Kitei, M.D., is an internationally acclaimed physician and health educator for over 40 years, who pushed aside her accomplished medical career to pursue answers for the silent, mile wide V, Delta and Boomerang shaped "objects" that were witnessed by over 10,000 people on March 13, 1997 and that she photographed up close and personal prior to, during and after what is now hailed as the most witnessed, most documented and most important mass anomalous sightings in Modern History. Dr.

Lynne was leading the cutting edge of early disease detection and prevention as Chief Clinical Consultant of the Imaging-Prevention-Wellness Center at the world renowned Arizona Heart Institute in Phoenix, Arizona until coming forward in 2004, after seven years of anonymity and intense research, as a key witness to the still unexplained mass UFO events throughout Arizona, called the "Phoenix Lights". Besides appearing on hundreds of national and international TV & Radio Programs, including Coast to Coast AM, the History, Science, Travel, Discovery and National Geographic Channels, Dr. Lynne has recently released the 20th anniversary editions of her bestselling *Phoenix Lights: A Skeptic's Discovery That We Are Not Alone* Book, the internationally award winning *Phoenix Lights: Beyond Top Secret* Documentary, and the groundbreaking *Phoenix Lights, UFOs & Crop Circle Graphic Novel/Activities Coloring Book*, which are available at Amazon.com.





Robert M. Wood received a BS in aeronautical engineering from the University of Colorado and a PhD in physics from Cornell University. His career included three summers at General Electric's Aeronautics and Ordnance Laboratory, and two years of military service working at the Ballistics Research

Laboratory at Aberdeen Proving Grounds for the Army, followed by 43 years working for one company, Douglas Aircraft Company, absorbed in 1967 by McDonnell Douglas, now Boeing. His assignments included the heat protection system on the Nike Zeus missile; radar discrimination of re-entry vehicles with weapons from decoys for ballistic missile defense; management of the company's independent research and development projects to acquire new business; application of advanced technology to help make the International Space Station better, cheaper and sooner; and proposal preparation for satellite launch vehicles. Since retirement in 1993, Dr. Bob has been a Board member of MUFON for 24 years, and has published electronically with his son Ryan on the internet many "leaked" documents on UFOs, and a book with Nick Redfern called "Alien Viruses: Crashed UFOs, MJ-12 and Biowarfare." Recently he has edited and published an autobiography of Navy operative William Tompkins, "Selected by Extraterrestrials." He maintains an interest in the authentication of questioned documents and is also working on the second book of the Tompkins autobiography.

John E. Brandenburg is a plasma physicist working as a consultant at Morningstar Applied Physics LLC and a part-time instructor of Astronomy, Physics and Mathematics Madison College and other learning institutions in Madison Wisconsin. John worked at Orbital Technologies, in Madison Wisconsin, working on space plasma technologies, nuclear fusion, and advanced space propulsion. He is the principle inventor of the MET (Microwave Electro-Thermal) plasma thruster using



water propellant for space propulsion. He has previously worked on SDI, the Clementine Mission to the Moon, Rocket Plume-Regolith Interactions on the Moon and Mars, Vortex theory of Rocket engine design, combined Sakharov-Kaluza-Klein theory of Field Unification for purposes of space propulsion and Mars science. He prepared a study for a Human Mars Mission using solar electric propulsion. He has taught at Florida Space Institute of the University of Central Florida, at Aerospace Corporation in Chantilly Va., and at Research Support Instruments (RSI) in Lanham Maryland. During the Reagan years he worked at Mission Research Corporation and Sandia National Laboratories on SDI and plasmas for controlled fusion and directed energy weapons. He earned his Masters and PhD in Plasma Physics at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's extension campus of the University of California at Davis, while working on controlled thermonuclear fusion. He received a Bachelors' degree in Physics at Southern Oregon University. He grew up in Medford Oregon and was born in Rochester, Minnesota. He has three children and a grandchild, whom he considers his greatest achievements. He has authored the popular science books "Death on Mars (2015)," "Life and Death on Mars" (2010), "Beyond Einstein's Unified Field" (2011) and "Dead Mars, Dying Earth" (1999) with Monica Rix Paxson. Also "Cosmic Jesus: The Metaphysics of How the God of Israel Became the God of the Cosmos" and "America at Armageddon" with Paul Murad.

Ted Peters is the author of UFOs: God's Chariots? Spirituality, Ancient Aliens, and Religious Yearnings in the Age of Extraterrestrials (Career Press New Page Books, 2014).



He is also co-editor of a new book, Astro-theology: Science and Theology Meet Extraterrestrial Life (Cascade Books, 2018). Ted is a Lutheran pastor who specializes in the interaction between science and religion. He is a past MUFON field investigator and once served as Louisiana State Director. He currently teaches theology and ethics in Berkeley, California, at the Graduate Theological Union and serves as co-editor of the journal, Theology and Science.

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Southend UFO Group (SUFOG)

About

Formed in 1987, Southend UFO Group continues to investigate sightings of UFO's throughout the Essex area. Now celebrating its 28th anniversary there is no let-up in the amount of sightings received and investigated by our members.

Over the years SUFOG as it is known to the group has seen many changes in personnel but at the core of the group is our chairman Mark, having many sightings himself from an early age. Mark and the group never pre-judge any sighting and always apply the same scrupulous methods in investigating sightings. Of the many reports received 95% can be attributed to an identifiable source, however it is the 5% that remain a mystery that truly fascinates.

In the past the group has put on conventions at the Southend Civic Centre, produced its own newsletters and magazines, as well as having regular field trips to "The British Roswell" at Rendlesham Forest and the Avebury/Glastonbury areas - home to the majority of Britain's crop circles.

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UFO Focus New Zealand

1941 - An Early New Zealand Contact Case?

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Background

Increasingly over the last few years, UFOCUS NZ has been approached by a significant number of senior citizens wishing to talk about strange experiences that have occurred in their lives that are indicative of contact with extraterrestrials. It can be difficult for some in these generations to "admit" to such experiences, but they all felt driven to do so. Many of them have rarely spoken about their experiences throughout their lives – if at all. They expressed concerns that are now familiar: fear of ridicule, of being ostracized by family and friends, of suffering from a mental illness. Others expressed fears that if they divulged their experiences to family members at this later stage of life, they may be deemed to be suffering from some form of age-related dementia or hallucinations. But all wished to "get the experiences off their chests" before their lives draw to a close.

Introducing Adair

Margaret Adair Jacobs ('Adair') was 73 years old at the time I interviewed her. She subsequently passed over peacefully on 9 July 2012, aged 79 years. Adair was a retired nurse and matron, an artist and a keen gardener – the oldest of ten children – all high achievers. Her parents were keen for their children to have a broad education and they mixed with people from all walks of life, attended public meetings and educational speeches with their parents, and developed enquiring minds. She described their father as a declared atheist and



Margaret Adair Jacobs

an avid humanitarian; their mother was a spiritual-minded person. Adair married in 1952 and she and her husband had five children. She qualified as a nurse and worked in both general and psychiatric hospitals. She participated in various church groups, esoteric and educational groups and attained a Certificate in Adult Teaching in 2001. Adair had

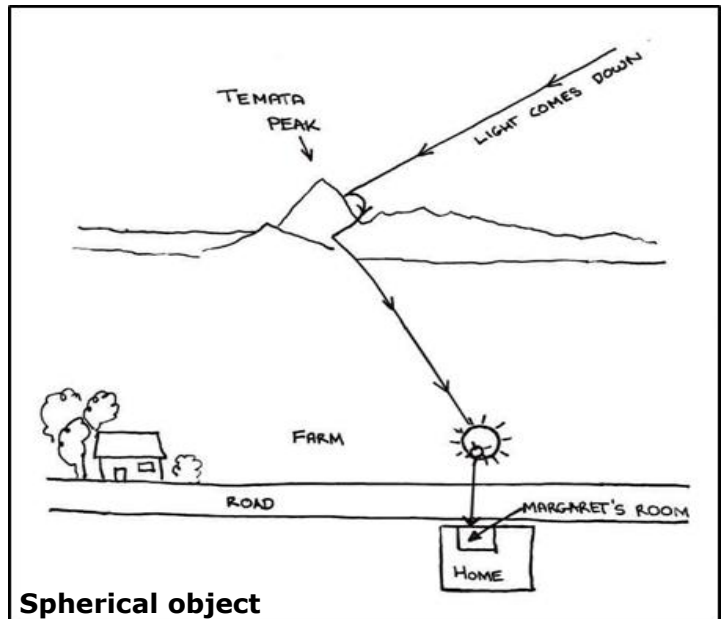
a deep love of her family, music, art, singing, informative reading, and humanity in general. In her childhood, Adair and her family lived on a farm near the small country village of Havelock North, which lies at the foot of Te Mata Peak, a high craggy hill rising out of the Heretaunga Plains of central Hawkes Bay, New Zealand. ('The Peak'

has long been considered a place of unusual happenings – strange lights, unusual energies, clouds and mists. Local Maori revere it as a special place and it holds spiritual significance with local tribal groups.)

In 1941, Adair was just 8 years old. Late one night or in the early hours of the morning, she was lying awake looking out her bedroom window, when she had a strange experience which she remembered vividly. The experience was to leave a deep impression and have a lasting impact upon her life.

A spherical object

On this particular evening, Adair was sent to bed as usual; her bedroom curtains remained open, as was often the custom in the countryside in those days. She recalls not being able to sleep and remained awake long after her parents had retired to bed. Through her window, Adair looked directly over paddocks towards the Peak beyond and she lay staring out the window opposite, watching the



night sky.

A large, bright bluish/white light descending towards the Peak caught her attention. She watched as it moved around the sky above the Peak, appearing as if it was about to land somewhere on the steep slopes (on that rugged terrain, this would have been impossible for any aircraft of that time, before helicopters). Adair was curious, wondering what this strange light was, and watched it disappear briefly behind a hill. Within a very short space of time, the light reappeared, swooped around the Peak and began to descend slowly

towards the floor of the valley where Adair lived. Feeling curious, Adair got out of bed and walked to the window to watch. To her surprise and fascination, the light descended smoothly and silently to the farm paddock across the road – a spherical, metallic-like object was now floating just above the ground, with bright bluish/white light emanating from what appeared to be windows around the upper third of the sphere.

Almost immediately she saw a small blue light about the size of a soccer ball emerge from the misty glow around the object, and fly rapidly over the paddock and road, towards her bedroom window. As the light reached the window, she remembered something akin to an explosion taking place both in her head and all around her, although the window was intact; the light expanded into her bedroom, enveloping her. At the same time, she felt "strange" (a feeling she would later describe as similar to losing consciousness when undergoing an anesthetic procedure) and a strange kind of physical vibration moved through her body. She could not recall anything further about the incident from that point.



Artist's impression

The next morning Adair recalled seeing the unusual light/object, and with some apprehension, relayed the event to her mother, who reacted by telling her not to make up stories. She insisted she was telling the truth, but her mother made light of it, passing the event off as a shooting star and assuring her could not have landed in the paddock. Adair decided to walk over the paddocks to investigate,

and was intrigued to find a large circle of swirled and flattened grass where she had seen the light descend the night before. She raced back inside to tell her mother, who again passed it off by saying that it was probably just flattened grass where "a cow had lain down". This made no sense to Adair, who had been raised on the farm and knew that the large circular area of swirled grass was far too big (and regularly-shaped) for a cow to have lain down on, and besides - there were no cows in that field at the time, indicating her mother did not take her experience seriously. (However, several years later, her parents also observed an unusually bright oscillating light hovering and moving erratically over the Havelock Hills, and recalled their daughter's earlier sighting experience and description with new interest.)

Re-occurring dreams and pre-cognition

During the two years following this event, Adair recalled sometimes waking during the night feeling that someone had just had an in-depth conversation with her, or had memory of a figure bending over her. She recalled a

"visionary experience" in which she spoke to a group of "strange-looking people" about her future life and "promised to work for mankind". Adair stated that throughout her childhood, and indeed her whole life, she felt as if someone or something has protected her from harm - even saved her life on occasions when she was guided by a telepathic "voice".

An example of the "protection" Adair spoke of occurred when she was 8 years old (later the same year she saw the unusual object in the paddock). She had accompanied her father to a farm where he was working and he had warned her not to go near a bank, beyond which was a steep drop with loose unstable ground near the edge. Adair's curiosity got the better of her and while her father was busy, she ventured near the edge to have a look. The ground began to give way beneath her and she panicked and shouted to her father for help. She remembers falling forward over the edge as if in slow motion, and felt hands take hold of her shoulders and pull her to safety. Shaken and frightened, she turned around expecting to see her father behind her but there was nobody there; her father was

some distance away with his equipment, annoyed with her for disobeying his instructions.

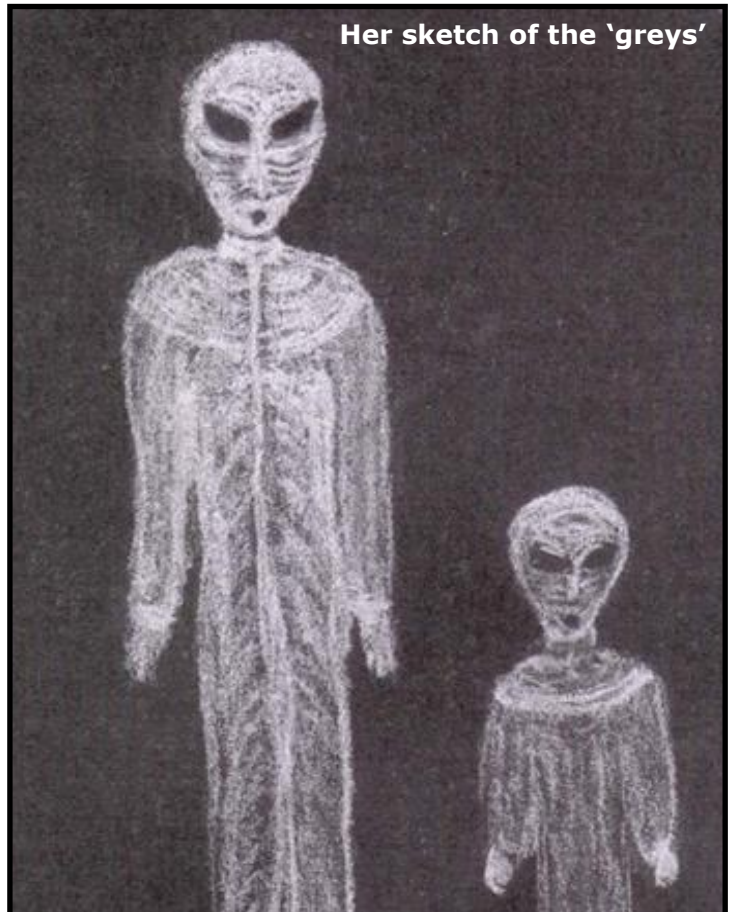
Adair also experienced precognition and related an instance when she and her husband first met. Her husband was in the RAF and came to New Zealand in 1949, although she did not meet him until three years later at age 19, yet at age 17 she was able to give a succinct description to her mother, of a

man whom she believed she would meet and eventually marry. Adair said she "knew" her husband-to-be the instant she saw him, and they were married in 1952.

Adair described another incident involving clairvoyance/clairaudience that occurred when she was a young mother, five months into her second pregnancy. She and her young son boarded a bus in the city of Palmerston North and sat in a front seat adjacent to the driver. They were only just seated when she experienced a strange feeling during which she both "heard" and "felt" a telepathic message simultaneously. The clear message stated, "Don't sit there - you'll be seriously injured, if not killed!" In spite of the bus moving, Adair immediately heeded the warning and they moved to another seat. Less than five minutes into the journey, the bus was involved in an accident and a large steel pipe pierced the bus window and the seat where they had initially been seated.

Medical issues

After leaving school, Adair trained to be a general nurse, and later, a psychiatric nurse. At the age of 31 (1964), she developed a large abscess in the soft frontal tissue of her left ear that the doctor considered "very serious". Eventually the abscess burst and continued to drain for about ten days, and she was surprised to find a small object had come out of the infected site. It was off-white, hard, and bone-like in appearance, although it came from an area where there was no bone tissue. The tiny object was approximately 5mm long x 2-3mm wide and barrel shaped, with visible regularly marked ridges running around its surface. There was a protruding point or prong, extending from each end. Adair had not had any injuries or surgical procedures to her ears or skull, so this



Her sketch of the 'greys'

short "Greys", with lined faces and large black eyes. Adair felt strongly and intuitively, that the beings she recalled in what may have been an altered state were associated with her childhood sighting.

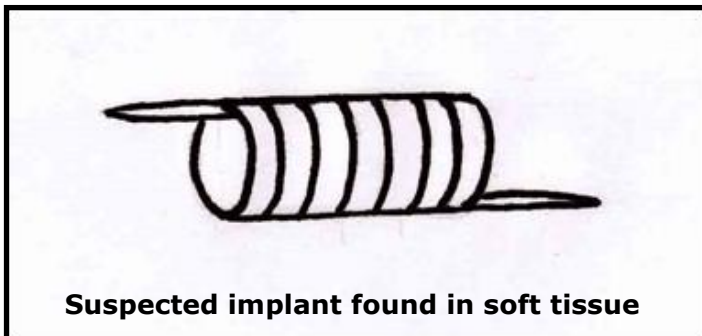
Corroborative factors

There are some facets of Adair's 1941 childhood sighting experience that stand out, and which are common factors of many close encounter episodes:

On that night, Adair could not sleep and lay awake staring out the window long after her parents had retired to bed. While there can be many contributing factors to sleeplessness, similarly, many abductees/experiencers describe feeling "wired up" or restless prior to a contact; on an intuitive level, they sense something is about to happen.

Adair stated she did not feel afraid or move from the window as the smaller ball of light rapidly approached, and nor did she call out to her parents, although one would expect an 8 year old to have done so. In many close encounter experiences, the target subject appears to be put in an altered state of "calm", or a decreased reactionary state, just prior to contact taking place.

Adair described something akin to an "explosion" taking place, both in her head and all around her, as the light surrounded her body. Experiencers often report hearing a loud "clap" or explosive sound in or around their head, just prior to the onset of the "Oz factor" (altered state) in which people often report bodily "tingling" or vibrations and the inability to perform any actions or reactions that would normally be instinctive or intentional. Adair experienced these symptoms as she stood at her window watching the smaller light approach. She was "rooted to the spot" and recalled "physical vibrations" moving through her body and she felt



Suspected implant found in soft tissue

was a complete mystery to both Adair and the doctor.

She described how one evening, when feeling tired as she recovered from the abscess, she went to her bedroom to rest at around 7.30 pm. While she lay listening to her family talking in the next room, she sensed a "presence" and upon opening her eyes, was surprised to see two strange beings with wrinkled faces and large black eyes, looking at her. One was considerably taller than the other. Her next memory was of suddenly descending into a "tunnel" to a bright place where a "small glowing figure" met her, took hold of her hands and spoke to her briefly. She remembered no more until she woke later in the evening.

Family members suggested Adair was hallucinating, having been ill. However she was able to describe and draw (in 1964) specific details that we nowadays associate with the features of tall and

Following discussions with Adair, it seems to me that her accounts, descriptions and drawings are indicative of contact experiences, with many of the commonly associated anomalous events and intuitive abilities still described by experiencer/abductees today.

In my book, "The Dual Soul Connection – The Alien Agenda for Human Advancement", I describe Three Waves of souls incarnating on our planet for the last 100+ years, here to assist our evolution. The First Wave, which I believe Adair was part of, has come here to "enlighten" us – to challenge the

As many experiencers of contact describe, Adair exhibited a strong sense of “purpose” throughout her life and a desire to be of help to others, which she performed in her career as a nurse and matron, and in her spiritual pursuits and groups. She recalled a profound “visionary experience”

She considered her search for answers to her experiences to be an ongoing investigation and an opportunity for learning and opening to new paradigms.

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Obituary

Soren Hyldgaard—Renowned Danish film composer, a passionate UFO enthusiast and my friend

At the age of just 55 years old my friend and famed Danish film composer, Soren Hyldgaard died on May 7th following complications caused by diabetes.

I had seen him only two months earlier when I spent a few days in Sweden and Denmark giving several lectures.

Even though we were in contact with each other and I knew that he had been ill I had not seen him in four years and his appearance shocked me.

The diabetes that was to plague his later years had taken its toll and he'd recently had a leg amputated at the knee. He had just learned to walk with a prosthetic leg but what shocked me the most was the fact that he told me he was 95% blind!

What most people don't know about me is that my favourite form of music is that of the film score composer. Rarely do I feel in awe when I meet someone but in 2011 following a lecture in Copenhagen, Denmark that's what I felt when I met Soren for the first time. It is beyond me how anyone can write orchestral pieces but that's what film composers do and but for his diabetes I think he would have become one of the very best film composers in the world, up there with the likes of Hans Zimmer and James Horner etc.

Whilst not too well known in the English speaking world (outside of music circles) he was regarded as the foremost film composer in Denmark. He had a string of highly successful Danish film scores and several Hollywood credits to his name.

For me, to see someone with so much talent blighted by a failing body brought tears to my eyes when we met earlier this year.

A Passion for UFOs

What most people outside of Copenhagen did not know was that he had a real passion for UFOs believing without doubt that some were ET in origin.

This belief stemmed from sightings his father had experienced and as a result he had followed the subject since childhood.

It was that belief that brought him to my lecture in 2011. It was also the thing that took him to Washington D.C. for the Citizens Hearings at the National Press Club in April/May 2013 where he spent a lot of time with my wife, Lynn and I. He told me he had gone to Washington principally to support

my testimony on police officer sightings. I was deeply touched by his words.

Despite his fame he was unpretentious, soft spoken, warm and kind.



He was also very supportive of my desire to write a viable Rendlesham Forest screenplay (made during the time of my 7 year collaboration period with Colonel Halt and since withdrawn when I ended the association with him) and he had even offered to write the soundtrack if it ever got the green light to be made into a film!

For a man who I met only a few times we really seemed to hit it off with each other and we had talked for many hours on Skype.

I wish now that I had spent more time talking to him, but everyone will say that when they lose someone much too early. I was passionate about his music and he was very supportive of my research, writing and the magazine. With his eyesight failing I began record special audio articles for him that were taken from the magazine.

I believed that his recent his health issues had stabilized and he told me that he was still writing music and that a new piece had just premiered in the USA. I was thrilled for him and he seemed optimistic that he was on the road to relative recovery so it came as a great shock to learn from his wife Michelle in an email that his health had failed quickly and that he had passed away.

Soren Hyldgaard was a brilliant composer and I was honoured to be his friend. He leaves behind a fantastic body of work for the world to enjoy.

I will miss our conversations my friend. **GH.**



Soren with Lynn and I at the Citizens Hearings in Washington D.C. in 2013

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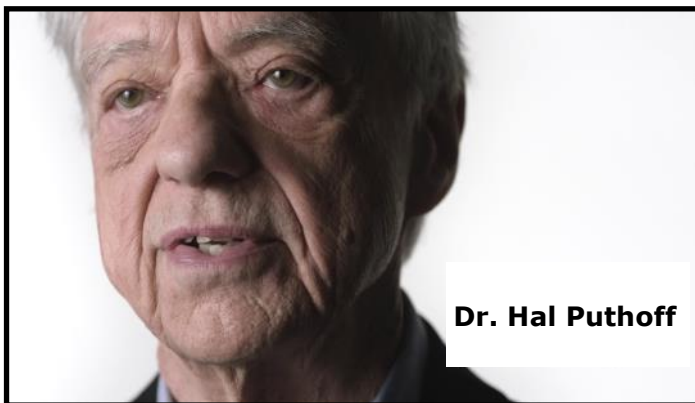


INDIGO TRANSMIT FILMS

Dr. Hal Puthoff Address to the SSE/IRVA Conference, Las Vegas on 8 June 2018

by Steve Bassett, PRG

There has been another development in the unfolding initiative of the To the Stars Academy of Arts and Science. Dr. Hal Puthoff rarely speaks publicly about his work on a range of exotic projects. June 8, 2018 in Las Vegas marked an exception to this policy. Puthoff's background is quite extraordinary and is summarized on the TTS/AAS website as follows:



Dr. Hal Puthoff

Dr. Harold E. Puthoff is the co-founder and Vice President of Science and Technology of TTS Academy. Since 1985, Dr. Puthoff has served as President and CEO of EarthTech International, Inc. (ETI), and Director of the Institute for Advanced Studies at Austin (IASA). He has published numerous papers on electron-beam devices, lasers and space propulsion and has patents issued in the laser, communications, and energy fields. Dr. Puthoff's professional background spans more than five decades of research at General Electric, Sperry, the National Security Agency, Stanford University and SRI International. Dr. Puthoff regularly advises NASA, the Department of Defense and intelligence communities, corporations and foundations on leading-edge technologies and future technology trends. He earned his Ph.D. from Stanford University in 1967 and won a Who's Who Lifetime Achievement in 2017 that recognizes individuals that have achieved greatness in their industry and have excelled in their field for at least 20 years.

In his address to the SSE/IRVA conference Puthoff became the third member of the TTS/AAS team to publicly discuss the FLIR video released to and published by the New York Times on December 16, 2017. As with Christopher Mellon and Luis Elizondo, **he made it quite clear the advanced aerospace object was not of human design without saying it was of extraterrestrial origin.**

This is in keeping with TTS/AAS's strategy to



advance the Disclosure process without breaking any non-disclosure agreements, releasing any classified documents or directly stating, let alone confirming the phenomena extraterrestrial in origin. This approach was likely a condition for receiving clearance – from whom we do not know – to proceed with the project.

PRG has reviewed all the interviews of and statements by TTA/AAS team members, and this is the message PRG is hearing:

We're Not Saying it's Extraterrestrial But It's Extraterrestrial

Some of the more notable statements from Dr. Puthoff's address are highlighted in bold text.

<http://paradigmresearchgroup.org/wordpress/2018/06/12/dr-hal-puthoff-presentation-at-the-sse-irva-conference-las-vegas-nv-15-june-2018/>

BENGSTON (Dr. William Bengston, President of the Society for Scientific Exploration): This certificate says, "Tim Dinsdale Memorial Award recognizing significant contributions to the expansion of human understanding through the study of unexplained phenomena. To Harold Puthoff for the application of sound scientific principles and methodologies to the study of remote perception; quantum, zero-point fluctuations; and unidentified aerial objects, and for recognizing the potential usefulness of these often-shunned phenomena in the real world." To Hal.

PUTHOFF: *Thank you, thank you. I am very honoured to receive this award. I've known many of the previous recipients of the Dinsdale Award over the years, and they were all really, truly excellent researchers pushing the boundaries into the frontier areas of science. So to join their ranks I consider really quite a privilege.*

The three areas he named in giving me the award, quantum vacuum fluctuations – actually I still publish in that area in physics journals. The second area remote viewing, in fact it's very serendipitous that I should receive this award for this particular meeting since we have this cosponsored event with the Society for Scientific Exploration on the one hand and IRVA, International Remote Viewing Association, on the other – I was a founding member of IRVA, so I'm really excited to see how people have picked up the ball and run with it in that area.

The third area, Unidentified Aerial Phenomena, I have not published anything in. Why? Because the program I was involved in, in the Pentagon and in the intelligence community has been Top Secret, behind-the-scenes and only recently has there been release of information about the program. So, this is the first chance that I've had a chance to actually appear before the public and speak about details of the program and not go to jail. So, I'm going to go along at a rapid clip; I've got a lot of information here. So here we go.

The SSE is no stranger to the subject of UFOs. Unidentified Aerial Phenomena is just a new acronym for UFOs. Back a couple of decades ago Peter Sturrock – one of our founding members of SSE – arranged with (Laurance) Rockefeller to hold a weeklong workshop at the Rockefeller residence. We brought in the best of the UFO researchers, and then a panel of independent experts, and had a weeklong discussion of physical evidence related to UFO objects of which there's a significant amount of data. Laurance Rockefeller hosted the whole thing. It was a wonderful meeting.

Eventually after publishing in the SSE journal ("Physical Evidence Related to UFO Reports," Journal of Scientific Exploration, Vol. 12, NO. 2, pp. 179-229), Peter Sturrock put together a book, *The UFO Enigma: A New Review of the Physical Evidence* (Warner Books, New York, NY, 1999) and it still one of the best books you can find out there to take a look at what are the physical aspects of UFOs that researchers have uncovered.

However, of course the government is also no stranger to the UFO phenomena. Anyone who follows the field would be familiar with Project Sign, Grudge and Blue Book, but in 1969 the Condon Committee shut it all down and said, really we don't need to be involved in this area any more. We're not learning anything. We're not getting anywhere. It's not clear this is a significant area. So, for the average person on the street, that's where it all kind of ended, at least serious government interest. In fact, that's not true.

The very memo that shut down Blue Book written by General Bolender had as part of its language, "Reports of UFOs which could affect national security would continue to be handled through the standard Air Force procedures designed for this purpose."

Nonetheless, as far as the public was concerned that was it. Even the Air Force public affairs office put out circulars all the time in response to questions saying, "We gave this up in 1969." What, in fact, did occur was that there were programs going on behind the scenes anyway as required by the Bolender memo. Now most people did not know about these programs, they weren't advertised, they weren't responded to, FOIA requests usually went dry. But that all

changed last December when the New York Times published a front-page story on how there was this program investigating this area – Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program. (Helene Cooper, Leslie Kean and Ralph Blumenthal. "2 Airmen and an Object That 'Accelerated Like Nothing I've Ever Seen'." The New York Times, 16 December 2017, page A27).

It was deeply buried, but the New York Times had good sources and they came up with information about the program, and so there's been a lot of publicity about it. Since the New York Times broke the story, The Washington Post, CNN. Fox News – it's been picked up all over the place.

One of the reasons why it's attracted attention at this point is the quality of the sources going public. Ex-Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid is the one who initiated the program. **Top-rated F-18 pilots who encountered Advanced Aerospace Vehicles at close range were permitted to come forward and tell their stories, which up till now they hadn't because they didn't want to lose their flight status by reporting what they had found, at least publicly.** And a number of significant Department of Defense and intelligence community officials have come forward to talk about **the reality of this phenomena** and the fact that there were programs going on. The program was nicknamed Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program (AATIP). People have had trouble trying to get documents out of the Pentagon by saying they want all documents on AATIP, and they have a hard time because that wasn't the actual name of the program.

"Advanced Aerospace Weapons Systems Application Program" is the actual name of the program. But AATIP was the nickname it went by.

It began in June of 2007. The Defense Intelligence Agency was concerned about the fact **that obvious observation had shown that Advanced Aerospace Vehicles – crafts, or drones of unknown origin, were flying all over the United States, over waters, in fact globally as was the case.** So, a Congressional budget was approved to address the issue behind the scenes. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid from Nevada was the one who was the initiator of the program, joined by Senator Inouye and Senator Stevens. These are the people who generally approve programs that were in the black, under high security, behind the scenes, and so they set up this program.

Senator Reid has not walked this back since all the news came out. He's been very forthright and has given a number of interviews. This particular statement sort of captures it all, "We don't know the answers, but we have plenty of evidence to support the questions. This is about science and national security. If America doesn't take the lead in answering these questions, others will."

There is a two-fold nature to the threat. **First of all, you've got these Advanced Aerospace Vehicles flying around that we don't know where they come from, who's driving them, what the intent is – possibly off-world even.** But the future threat, was actually as far as the Department of Defense went and the intelligence community, one of the greater concerns. What happens if potential adversaries achieve significant breakthroughs by **getting hold of advanced technology** either based on their study of the phenomena, or from sensor data, **or from crash retrieved materials?** That could provide a problem for the United States in the sense of threat. There's reason to be concerned about that. This is a document in the program we dug up out of the Soviet Union ("Thread-3"). It's a very thick document. It shows that the Soviet Union had a massive program also trying to get to the root of all of this. In this document a number of research institutes and military institutes are listed. Of course, they had the same concerns we did. Is there a threat from the phenomena or might the Americans make headway before us and that be a threat?

Just to give you an idea of what's being observed, which many people have seen because it's been in the news a lot lately. **Back in November of 2004, the Nimitz Carrier Group was out on patrol off of San Diego, and on several occasions an Advanced Aerospace Vehicle would descend rapidly from 60,000 feet to 50 feet in seconds, then hover, and then take off like a bullet. When it first happened and happened over a number of weeks actually, two F-18 pilots were vectored on to the site where they were being observed by the radars to investigate, and what they saw was what they called a "Tic-Tac craft" – solid white, smooth, no edges, about 46-feet in length, uniformly coloured, no nacelles, pylons or wings. The F-18's could not obtain lock with their radars because they were stealthy, but Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) could pick them up to some degree based on their heat signatures. The Advanced Aerospace Vehicle appeared to demonstrate advanced acceleration, aerodynamic and propulsion capability beyond anything that we knew existed on the planet.**

I am going to play a FLIR video that many of you may have seen.

[Video of UAP intercept begins.]

"That is a [expletive deleted] drone, bro."

"There is a whole fleet of them, look on the ASA!"

"My gosh!"

"They are all going against the wind; the

wind is 120 knots from the west. Look at that thing, dude!"

"That's not . . . I don't understand. Look at that thing!"

"It's rotating."

[End of video.]

Now you might ask yourself, what can you prove from a videotape? I mean, you can see videotapes all over the internet and so on. But this was data fusion. They are gun-camera tapes. There are these videotapes from the pilots, voice recordings, data link recordings from Aegis and many other military platforms, expert witnesses. So, in fact, the data density – and this is what's changed the field a lot – our detection capability has gotten so advanced that **we're losing our inability to see exactly what's going on.**

The FLIR displays were recorded. There are detailed debriefs of the pilots. In that original New York Times article you can see a page-long debrief of Dave Fravor.

Key Assessments:

The Advanced Aerospace Vehicle is no-known air vehicle in the inventory of the U.S. or foreign nation as far as we can tell. Low-observable characteristics, they are stealthy. **They exhibit advanced aerodynamic performance that we can't imagine how they do it.**

Recognize that these are infrared tapes from the pilots, so if there were some kind of hot propulsion gasses coming out the back you would have seen it, but we don't see that.

They had the advanced capability to remain stationary and then take off like a shot. Dave Fravor said it was like somebody had suddenly shot a bullet.

So, how to respond to this? The Defense Intelligence Agency put out a Broad Area Announcement, in fact it was unclassified. They wanted to evaluate twelve potential threat areas with regard to these Advanced Aerospace Vehicles. There's a list of them. Exactly what you think you'd want to know: lift, propulsion, signature reduction, human effects and so on. Now, it turned out that anyone, any aerospace corporation could apply, could send in a proposal. DIA chose Bigelow Aerospace as the contractor to address the threat. Now there's been buzz on the internet about, ok well, Senator Reid came from Nevada and Bigelow Aerospace is in Nevada, so wasn't this some sort of sweetheart deal? In fact, that's not the case. It was a Broad Area Announcement; anybody could go for it. Bigelow was actually a good choice. He'd spent a lot of his own money because he was interested in this area up to this point investigating the phenomena, and he had the best proposal. So,

he was tasked. He set up a special organization called Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies – we call it BAASS – to do all the things you'd expect a program like this to do. BAASS connected me at EarthTech International to collaborate as a sub-contractor, and I agreed to do that.

Okay, what did I address as a sub-contractor?

One of the critical issues there's so much high - level security and compartmentalization in this subject area, and there's a lot of it, it's difficult for contractors to obtain expert opinions on advanced technologies because they would expose why they are interested.

So, I acted as a surrogate. I was contracted to commission mostly unclassified whitepapers from experts around the globe about where their particular subject areas would be in (the year) 2050 as like a general survey of aerospace futures. I decided this would be the best way to get the best knowledge we had across many technologies without actually exposing why we wanted to know.

So, I let out 38 contracts over a two-year period. I'll show you what the studies were on. You can read them there: positron aerospace propulsion, IEC fusion as a compact energy source, warp drive, dark energy, extra dimensions, metallic glasses for aerospace use. Really cutting-edge kinds of things. Here are some more of the papers that I commissioned: negative mass propulsion, anti-gravity for aerospace applications, programmable matter, invisibility cloaking – these are just the kind of things that we needed to have maximum technical input from the best people around the globe. And so, that's what we did, that's what I did.

Now we could wait, we told these people they could publish their reports in physics journals and engineering journals, but of course the contractors didn't want to wait for that, so the Defense Intelligence Agency bundled up these 38 papers and put them out as Defense Intelligence Reference Documents posted on a JWICS server that anyone in the government or contractors could get access to. By and large they have not been released to the public yet; **a couple of them leaked out.**

So, let me give you an example of, how this stuff helps people who are chasing these really difficult problems. I'm choosing one here: **metamaterials** for aerospace use. **I'd love to talk about really fancy materials, but they're classified.**

However, there's a lot of materials that have been picked up or provided even in the public domain. I'm going to give an example because it shows exactly what the structure is for how to deal with this. This is an open source sample. It was sent anonymously to talk show host Art Bell. The fellow claimed to be in the military. He said that this sample was picked up in a crash retrieval, and so he sent it by email. So, what does that mean?

Chain of custody non-existent. Provenance questionable. Could be a hoax. Could be some slag off of some foundry floor or whatever. However, it was an unusual sample, so we decided to take a look at it.

It was a multi-layered bismuth and magnesium sample. Bismuth layers less than a human hair. Magnesium samples about ten-times the size of a human hair. Supposedly picked up in the crash retrieval of an Advanced Aerospace Vehicle. It looks like it's been in a crash. The white lines are the bismuth; the darker areas are the magnesium separations. So, the question was what about this material, so naturally we looked in all the national labs, we talked to metallurgists, we combed the entire structure of published papers. **Nowhere could we find any evidence that anybody ever made one of these.**

Secondly, some attempts were made to try to reproduce this material, but they couldn't get the bismuth and magnesium layers to bond.

Thirdly, when we talked to people in the materials field who should know, they said we don't know why anybody would want to make anything like this. It's not obvious that it has any function.

Well, years later, decades later actually, finally our own science moves along. We move into an area called metamaterials, and it turns out exactly this combination of materials at exactly those dimensions turn out to be an excellent microscopic waveguide for very high frequency electromagnetic radiation terahertz frequencies. So, the wavelength is 60 microns, which is a pretty small size. But it turns out because of the metamaterial aspect of this material, those bismuth layers that act as waveguides can be one twentieth the size of the wavelength, and usually when you make a waveguide it's gotta be about the size of the wavelength. So, in fact this turned out to be a material that would propagate sub-wavelength waveguide effects. Why somebody wants to do that we still don't know the answer to that.

But anyway, it's amazing we've gone through this and this is the kind of structure we go through a lot. You get a material sample with unusual characteristics to be evaluated, the method of manufacture is difficult to assess or reproduce, the purpose of the function is not readily apparent – as with our sample here, and then as our own technical knowledge moves forward we finally see a possible purpose or function comes to light. That sequence is repeated over and over in this particular area.

I'll pick a second one here for the engineers or physicists in the crowd. Probably be more interesting – **spacetime metric engineering.** This happens to be the paper that I myself

provided. One of the questions is: can the reported anomalous observables of these Advanced Aerospace Vehicles be accounted for on the basis of known physics? You hear people describing craft taking right angle turns at high speeds, other things with the hovering and rapid acceleration and so on, as if the craft didn't have any inertial mass. Well, it turns out although Einstein's general relativity is usually used in astrophysical applications and gravity studies and so on, you can look at it from an engineering standpoint. So, if you take an engineering approach to general relativity, **what I just showed can be understood. If you could change the spacetime metric the way general relativity – I'm talking about textbook, not some fanciful physics – you could even get faster-than-light travel.** Alcubierre warp drive as in Star Trek. Again, you might think that's a fanciful kind of thing, but that paper was published in one of the top general relativity journals, Miguel Alcubierre, "The Warp Drive: Hyper-Fast Travel within General Relativity," *Classical and Quantum Gravity* (11: L73-L77, 1994). So, if you engineer spacetime metric, you can begin to line up observables with physics that we know and love even if we can't reproduce it.

What about the velocity of light constraint? People are always saying that. How could you have a wormhole that lets you go from one side of the universe to the other? Aren't you beating the speed of light? What does the physicist and engineer mean by the speed of light? He means this little equation here where the speed of light is given by 1 over the square root of the permittivity times the permeability of the vacuum. So, the point is if you reengineer those vacuum parameters, then you can make the effective speed of light higher in the engineered region. Those are the solutions in general relativity that are called wormholes, and again, it's not science fiction. This is just right-off-the-shelf, standard text book general relativity applications.

So, what that means is a reduced time interstellar travel is not as sceptics would say, "You can't get from there to here." Advanced ET civilizations now, or ourselves in the future are not fundamentally constrained by physical principals. The exotic physics for such can be addressed in engineering terms – some metric engineering as it were. Does this have any help? Again, by the way, this paper was also published as one of the Defense Intelligence Agency's reference documents. And since we are permitted to publish in the open literature, I published that paper in a British interplanetary science journal, an engineering journal, so if you're interested in looking at the details, you can learn as much as you want to know about metric engineering. (Advanced Space Propulsion Based on Vacuum (Spacetime Metric) Engineering, H. Puthoff (2010), *Journal of the*

British Interplanetary Society, 63, 82-89.)

That helped us understand some of the aspects, I mean you may have heard the phrase, "dense stars you get red-shift." It turns out in this engineered technology you get so called "blue shift." That is, frequencies are up-shifted to higher frequencies. So, for example in this room most of the radiation coming off our bodies, off the walls and so on is in fact in the infrared. But we see things in the visible range. What happens when you get into a volume of space where the vacuum has been engineered in the way I've been discussing? It turns out you get a blue shift. So, in fact the infrared that you don't ordinarily see can get blue shifted up into the visible so it's not surprising that all these craft should be so luminous. Now the downside from all of this is the fact that visible light, which doesn't have any particularly harmful effects, gets blue shifted up into the ultraviolet, **so if you get too close to a landed craft, you might get a sunburn, or off into the soft X-ray regions so there's a chance of radiation poisoning. If you run across one of these sitting on the ground and it's powered up, I recommend you don't rush up.**

Well, that helped us to understand. **We as part of this program looked at some cases that were really good from Brazil. In 1977, 78, it was like Close Encounters of the Third Kind. A thousand pages of documents all done by the Brazilian Air Force investigative team, 500 photographs, 15 hours of motion film, a lot of medical injuries. This is a list of the different kinds of medical injuries that occurred when people encountered these craft at close range, and it has some overlap with cases that we've investigated during the program, of injuries occurring.**

Despite the progress in the AATIP program, let's face it, the topic is inherently anomalous, right? **Therefore, despite the reality of the observations and all the people that we interact with in the intelligence community and the Pentagon agree – the data is there, it is real.** Nonetheless the topic doesn't fit smoothly into known profiles of the government programs for sure. And by virtue of national security implications it's a high compartment-alisational topic, therefore a slow pace of cumulative progress and integration. We call 'em "stovepipes." You have a lot of people with lots of detailed information about some particular aspect, but they don't talk each other even if it is sitting at the next desk. And let's face it, advocacy of this issue in government circles is not viewed as career enhancing in part because, despite the weirdness of the subject, if you don't make a lot of progress, you know, it doesn't look good on your resume that you're moving up the line.

So, because of that, there's a forward story.

Many of us involved in the program decided that there should be an outreach program in the public sector. So, this is the forward story. The goal was to establish a broad-based, high-quality scientific community-of-interest in the public sector concerning these Unidentified Aerial Phenomena and other related leading-edge topics. And so we got together and formed a company called, To the Stars Academy of Arts and Science. It was co-founded by entrepreneur Tom DeLonge – I'll talk about him in a minute – senior intelligence officers from the Department of Defense and CIA and distinguished research scientists. We all banded together to form this academy. It was set up as a public benefit corporation so the public can invest and therefore it's owned by the public. So, this is something new. Whatever comes out of any of the research or any of the releases of information is actually going to be owned by the public. It is not going to disappear into a black hole. A very transparent structure, if you go to the website you can see everything from the financial structure to the activities, and we do have a web-based community-of-interest where things get posted. For example, the F-18 FLIR tape I showed, we now have three of them up there and probably more to come.

Alright, who are the principals of this organization? Tom DeLonge, Blink 182 rock star. Frankly, I'd never heard of Blink 182, but my son told me, "Oh yeah, we know about Blink 182." But anyway, in addition to being the rock star that he is, he's also a director and producer, puts out books and music and film and so on, and he's had a lifelong interest in the UFO area. So, he started talking with various people and he was kind of the I guess you could say the action-oriented person, who said "Why don't you set up something. Why don't we make this more available to the public?" and he got to a number of us, and so we all began to band together. Lou Elizondo, who was in fact the Department of Defense's, the Pentagon's AATIP program director resigned from the Pentagon and joined us.

Chris Mellon, 20-year career, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, Minority Staff Director of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, he joined us. We got Jim Semivan, 25-year career and CIA's Director of Operation. He was the real James Bond kind of guy. Steve Justice just retired as program director for the billion-dollar programs at Lockheed Martin Skunk Works. He joined us.

And then, I agreed to be on the Board. So, I joined them. **In addition to my science and engineering background, I've had a lot of activity in classified areas** so it was a natural fit for me interacting with all these people.

We also put together a policy and scientific advisory panel of the best people we could find. Chris Mellon agreed to be the Chair. Dr. Colm Kelleher, he was actually the deputy administrator at Bigelow Aerospace to run the AATIP program out of the Pentagon. Dr. Gary Nolan, top genetics professor at Stanford University. Dr. Kahn, 30 year career with the CIA counter biological weapons program. Dr. Rapp, professor of military and emergency medicine, Uniform Services University. Dr. Gilpin, consultant on academic biomedical research and research law.

So, we put together a team as panelists to keep us on the straight and narrow of really top people who have wonderful backgrounds and really want to see scientific work be done in this area.

So, the goals for the To the Stars Academy are to, Promote the concept that such forefront topics as UFOs, SETI, consciousness studies, even telepathy and psychokinesis should not be considered taboo for serious scientific consideration. So, it's a perfect match to the SSE because that's our goal in the SSE as well.

And of course, big ideas that generate funding to underwrite significant research in these areas

Develop user friendly data bases so information that is generated can be accessed by anyone

Provide positive support for collaborative government, aerospace industry, and academic efforts to accomplish all of the above.

So, we want to act as the glue in the public sector and create entertainment properties, books and documentaries and so on so whatever is learned can be delivered out to the public.

The structure of the organization has a science structure, an aerospace structure, and an entertainment division. What are the activities of this organization to date? Actually, we were responsible for legitimizing the topic in the mainstream press. That story that came out in The New York Times and so on, which then got picked up by the Washington Post, CNN, Fox News, was based on agreed-upon interviews with those of us I've just gone through a list of. And given the quality of sources coming out from the shadows, for example Ex-Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, top F-18 pilots, significant Department of Defense and intelligence community officials, the bar has been raised on the legitimization of this topic in the public arena. We think that's an accomplished goal to date.

And via the community-of-interest postings on the website, **we now have three high quality F-18 video tapes of unidentified aerial phenomena encounters.** They've been previously languishing in the Pentagon servers, nobody doing that much with them. These are still being

generated. One of the tapes is from 2016 off the East Coast of the United States. **There are a lot more tapes.** Hopefully we'll get a lot more of them posted.

We don't just produce positive results or what people would think would be supportive results. One of our scientists, science advisers is Garry Nolan from Stanford University, who's a genetics expert. There had been claims that some small humanoid skeleton found in Chile – the so-called Atacama Humanoid – might be ET. We could see why somebody might think that if you see the structure. But anyway, Nolan and people from other universities put together a complete genetics thing and did the entire genome and found in fact no unfortunately this is not evidence of ET, **it's a deformed human.** That's up on the website if you to read the paper. It was published in one of the top genetics journals – very well peer-reviewed. (Bhattacharya S, Li J, Sockell A, Kan MJ, Bava FA, Chen SC, Ávila-Arcos MC, Ji X, Smith E, Asadi NB, Lachman RS, Lam HYK, Bustamante CD, Butte AJ, Nolan GP. "Whole-genome sequencing of Atacama skeleton shows novel mutations linked with dysplasia." *Genome Research* 2018 Apr;28(4): 423-431.)

Meetings are being set up with people from other countries because other countries, who also have materials, don't necessarily want to give them to the U.S. Government because they disappear into a black hole and they never learn anything. But given our commitment as a public benefit corporation, that's not gonna happen with us. They are now talking to us and **we are collaborating on obtaining materials from foreign countries.**

We are negotiating with media outlets to get all this out in the public in the form of documentaries or TV shows, whatever. So, basically that's the back story, the forward story and I'm glad to answer any questions. I'll answer any I can.

QUESTIONER: Your good friend John Alexander published a book, and I know I'll have a chance to ask him this too. Why was it so hard for him to find who is doing the research, who was holding files on UFOs? In his book he said, "Everybody thought someone else was doing it" and everybody said in all the departments "it's not me, it's somebody else that is doing it."

PUTHOFF: *It was somebody else doing it.*

(Laughter)

PUTHOFF: *If materials are being held in Special Access Programs, casual conversation even with high-level people who know your interest and they're interested, too, won't necessarily reveal the facts.*

QUESTIONER: I think Luis Elizondo even said his

own boss wasn't quite sure what he was doing. Is that true?

PUTHOFF: *That's true.*

BUCHMAN: My name is Joe Buchman, I was one of the organizers of the 2013 Citizen's Hearing which was also an attempt to gather the best evidence on ETs or UFOs. I don't know if you are aware of those hearings, if you are, I'd be interested in your take on it. But my second question though would be about the other tapes. You said there are a lot of other tapes. Are those classified? If not, or even if they are, can you characterize them in any way or tell us more about them?

PUTHOFF: *They're not a lot different from this. Some of them were classified because of where they were taken. But as far as the content of what we are interested from the technical standpoint, they're not that different. Provided you strike out the location and so on, then there's a chance of getting them declassified and we are working on that.*

BUCHMAN: Specifically regarding the Citizen Hearing, is there any of the data presented there that you found particularly useful?

Answer: *Well, you have to pick and choose among the data. **I'm familiar with the Citizen Hearing and so on and certainly the depositions by the individuals who were in the launch towers for missiles . . .***

BUCHMAN: Bob Salas.

PUTHOFF: ***Bob Salas for example – that's all really good data. And the FAA administrator who came forward (John Callahan) – all good data.***

BUCHMAN: Thank you.

QUESTIONER: Thanks very much for your talk. I wanted to bring up something as to the nature of the release. I guess the figure was 22 million dollars and then the program was closed? It may be a leap, but I think it's common knowledge among UFO researchers that the spending in actuality is in the billions if not more. So, some people in the UFO research community have raised the question, is this a duck on the pond, to state a figure as low as 22 million and then state that the program no longer exists. I was hoping you might have some comments on the great deal of concern that has arisen from these statements.

PUTHOFF: *That's a fair concern. This 22 million dollar program **was one particular program. That does not say that there were not other programs with other funding levels. It isn't like, suddenly there was this one program that did not last long and did not have that much money and it shut down.***

Interest is continuing. Negotiations are continuing.

The programs are being looked at. A lot is going on. I and my colleagues spend a lot of time in Washington talking to committees that are looking at this from many different angles.

So, the general view that, "Oh, it was just one program that came forward and didn't provide much of value and then it got cancelled . . .". That's not really the case.

*Also those figures are associated with the figures that went out to contractors. **But that does not mean that people within the system aren't still working on it.***

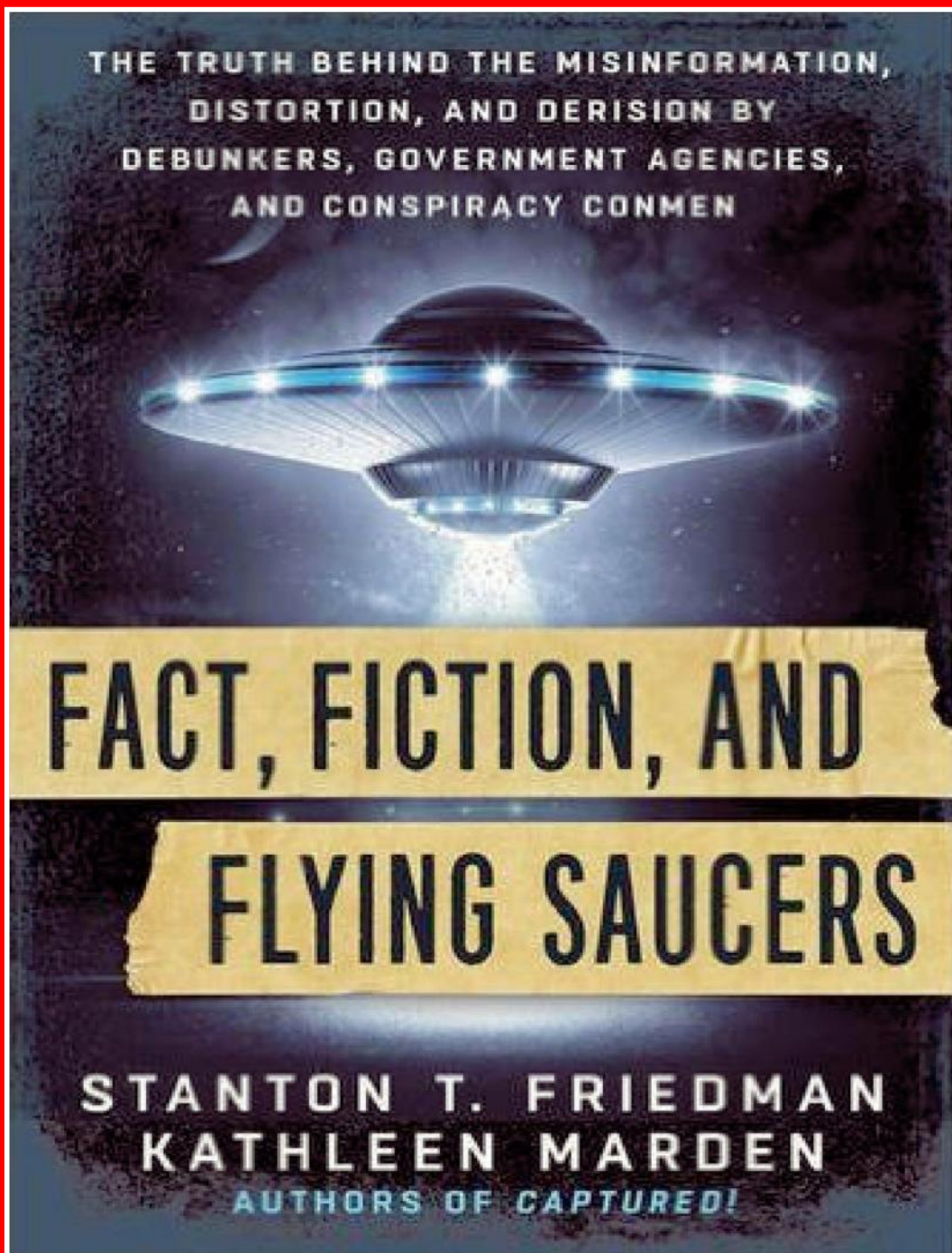
QUESTIONER: For all of us inventors working in our garages, on metric engineering devices, is there going to be a clearinghouse for people to trade discoveries? Just the thing about the frequency shift (to blue). We can all be looking

for line shifts with lasers to see if we can generate micro effects. Something like that would be incredibly valuable. How can that come out?"

PUTHOFF: *We have a Maverick Inventor Program at EarthTech International, my organization, and also at the 'To The Stars Academy' is putting together a research organization. So, if you are doing some metric engineering in your lab and you've got some laser shifting a frequency, bring them on; we will look at them.*

Steve Bassett, PRG

Editorial Comment: I think this article is probably the most important piece the magazine has ever published in its implications and for what it historically reveals. **GH.**



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Louisiana UFOs: An Overview—Part Two

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Just shortly after they realized the objects would pass below the plane, the objects were seen visually as blue-white streaks as they passed underneath the aircraft just where the radars had indicated. After a brief collective sigh of relief, five objects appeared again behind the aircraft about 40 miles away travelling at over 5,000 MPH and closing at a rate of 1.4 miles a second on a collision course with the aircraft that was cruising at around 230 mph. To the relief of all on board, the objects slowed and fell in behind the aircraft at about 20 miles back. After 10 seconds, the objects streaked away and merged with an enormous object on radar that then left at about 9,000 mph. This had been one of the wildest radar-visual encounters on record in the Project Blue Book files.

After the well-known Washington D. C. UFO incidents in July, 1952, it soon became apparent that Project Blue Book was really just a public relations tool for the Air Force to keep the public calmed down. Publically they indicated the D. C. reports might be due to temperature inversions leading to bent radar beams picking up objects on the ground even after investigation showed the inversions were too weak to give the strong radar returns that were seen and three different radars at different locations pinged the objects as at the same position in the sky, meaning that these were real objects. By early 1953, public statements could only be made for cases the Air Force thought could be explained. No mention could be made about cases marked as unknown or unidentified. If such cases came to the public's attention, usually only misleading statements were made by the Air Force.

It was no wonder that civilian UFO investigation groups were springing up all over the place. One of the first substantial organizations was the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization, APRO, founded by Jim and Carol Lorenzen in Wisconsin in 1952. Another respected civilian UFO organization, National Investigation Committee of Aerial Phenomena, NICAP, did not form until a few years later.

An APRO case from January 1967 involved a UFO report from a lake near Baton Rouge complete with photos. The witness carried a Polaroid camera with him when fishing and camping and claimed to have photographed flying saucers on two consecutive days on this fishing/camping trip. The photo on

the first day was stated to have been taken from the witnesses' boat near shore. The photo from the second day was stated to have been taken as he wandered around the bank. A tree and dock appear at the bottom of the first photo and the first four limbs of a tree appear at the bottom in the second photo. The problem is that upon close inspection it is the same tree, the camera seems to be in about the same spot, and both flying saucers are in very nearly the exact same spot above the tree. The photos appear to be hoaxed and do not appear in UFO photo databases that try to screen out hoaxed photos. The case was mentioned because it can be found when one searches for Louisiana UFOs.

One case from Louisiana takes the prize for ludicrously weak explanations from Project Blue Book. The case reminds me of my family's sightings in Mississippi in the 1970s that I discussed in my 2013 book, *Science, Sceptics and UFOs: A Reluctant Scientist Explores the World of UFOs*. About 11 of my family members to the present day have seen a UFO, some on a number of different occasions, near the family property in rural central Mississippi. In the Blue Book case the setting was Boothville, Louisiana where the sightings started on June 27, 1966 at 11:15 pm. The witnesses first noticed a large blinking white glow they estimated to be a mile and a half away. The light moved closer flying almost directly above the witnesses' house before it stopped blinking and hovered briefly before taking off at high speed. It then jetted beyond the stars in three to four minutes in the witnesses' own words. After it had flown up so high that it looked like a star, the object began to make zig-zag motions. The witnesses heard no sound at any point even though the object appeared to come as close as a quarter mile away if not closer.

The family reported a number of other sightings from August 25 to October 24 involving at least eight separate witnesses including family and neighbors of an object following the same flight path on four separate dates. It approached as a steady yellow light, but at a certain point would turn red and would blink a few times when red. After it travelled somewhat further the red light would go out at the same spot each time. They reported three other sightings involving objects with differing flights and behaviors. The family

submitted a drawing with notes for each type of sighting to Project Blue Book.

Perhaps the most compelling Boothville sighting occurred on October 4th at 3:30 AM. As reported by his wife, the husband and his brother were getting ready to go trawling. The brother parked in the driveway to pick him up. The woman's 15 year old daughter was looking out of her bedroom window and saw two yellowish-orange-red lights in the air approaching their driveway. Incredibly as she watched the two lights became objects that passed right by her window at close range. The objects were as small as a portable TV in the witnesses' words and looked like flying saucers with something protruding on top. The objects zoomed upward and circled around a nearby cable TV tower twice before seeming to join together over the Mississippi River to become just a red glow.

Project Blue Book personnel were not in any way prepared for a multiple/repeat sightings case. Bill Chalker's first set of cases in Australia around the Tyringham - area of New South Wales, Australia in the early 1970s was a multiple repeat sightings situation with some possible psychic link phenomena thrown in as well. Repeat sightings in a local area have been documented a number of times. Some other examples include the Uintah Basin in Utah documented by Salisbury and Hicks and by Kelleher and Knapp and the sightings field study in southeast Missouri in the 1970s documented by Rutledge. Blue Book investigators were completely unprepared to even remotely consider such cases to be valid. Blue Book dismissed the Boothville, Louisiana reports with its weakest type of explanation, "Possible Aircraft". "Probable Aircraft" is the next level of certainty when there is some similarity between a witness's report and the behavior of normal aircraft. "Was an Aircraft" was used when it was clear that the witnesses' had seen the maneuvers of a normal aircraft. The only label Project Blue Book should have put on this case was "Possible Extraterrestrial Aircraft".

After Project Blue Book closed down in January 1970, things were somewhat quiet on the UFO front until 1973 approached and then everything broke loose. October 1973 was particularly active across the southern United States and Louisiana had its share of sightings.

On October 10, 1973, fifteen different people, including two policemen reported seeing a large, silver UFO slowly fly over a housing project in St. Tammany Parish, New Orleans, Louisiana. The very next night about 110 miles east, the Pascagoula, Mississippi incident occurred with the reported abduction of Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker. The Pascagoula abduction captured national attention for the rest of the year and longer. Incredible sightings across the south

including Louisiana were relegated to footnotes in comparison.

I reported the Gary Reynolds case in UFO Truth Magazine in the May/June 2017 issue. Gary's sighting was made from an open car window on Interstate 10 near New Orleans and occurred about two hours before the Pascagoula abduction. It had not been brought forward to the public before it was published in UFO Truth Magazine, but it was representative of many of the sightings over the entire state of Louisiana that occurred over a period of about two weeks in October 1973.

Gary Reynolds, a singer-songwriter-guitar player, and a band member were on Interstate 10 about two miles from the airport headed into New Orleans when a single huge bright light near the control tower of the New Orleans airport brought the very sparse traffic to a stop. The light split into two lights about equal to the size of the original single light. One of the lights buzzed a plane as it left. The other seemed to go straight up until Gary's bandmate passenger saw the yellowish light had come down and was now hovering between the spans of the interstate that crossed the edge of Lake Pontchartrain and was no more than about 70 feet from Gary. The bandmate was terrified and never spoke of the incident after that night. Gary was fascinated and attempted to talk to the yellowish sphere he judged to be 15 or 20 feet in diameter. It abruptly rose up and put on a light show seen by numerous other witnesses as it streaked back and forth over Lake Pontchartrain before leaving.

Dozens of similar sightings occurred near New Orleans around that time in October 1973, but few were as close an encounter as the Gary Reynolds sighting. A newspaper report carried an incident involving sheriff's deputies photographing, filming, and recording a humming sound coming from a UFO. Another report detailed a sighting near an oil rig in the Gulf that stated all electric power was shut down until the UFO left and yet another sighting reported an object similar to what Gary saw rising up out of the waters of Lake Pontchartrain.

On October 18, 1973 one week after Gary Reynold's sighting near New Orleans, something similar visited his home town of Lake Charles. Local newspaper reporters from the Lake Charles American Press were called out to the scene and they witnessed several bright lights hovering in the sky while another light put on a show for all to see. West of Lake Charles in the country side south of the city of Sulphur, a group of neighbours witnessed a triangle of lights flying along horizontally and then shooting straight upward or simply disappearing. The phenomena repeated itself nearly 100 times to the amazement of the witnesses. Near DeQuincy, the mayor and a

crew of workmen witnessed large lights hovering and moving in the sky near dawn. In Ferriday, Louisiana, a number of police officers witnessed three large yellowish lights hovering in the night sky. Newspapers all over the state carried UFO reports from around that time.

Within weeks, things quietened down and few UFO reports of significance seemed to have been reported in Louisiana until January and February of 1977. This time very little media coverage of any kind occurred. Six sightings, all in the greater New Orleans area, were reported to APRO and were published in the APRO bulletin in March 1977.

One of the incidents occurred on January 21, 1977 and was a little too close for comfort for two nutria Hunters who were scared out of their wits when a giant light dropped down above them close enough for them to feel the heat from it. They felt paralyzed and their boat, in full throttle, did not move while the object was above them, but suddenly lurched forward when the object left. The object was seen in the area for another half hour seemingly checking out oil rigs and related platforms in the area.

On February 8, 1977, a mother and son reported a silvery flying saucer with a dome and a flat bottom. A row of lights was observed along the bottom edge of the object and these were observed to change color from blue to green to white. This sighting seemed to be the last of the reported activity in the New Orleans area at that time with little media notice in great contrast to the wide spread newspaper coverage four years earlier.

As discussed above in this article, Stanton Friedman interviewed Louisiana native Jesse Marcel in 1978 concerning Roswell and the rest is history. Books about the Roswell incident began being published in the early 1980s and the subject has remained in the public consciousness ever since.

There did not seem to be any blockbuster cases from Louisiana in the 1980s and the 1990s. In the world at large, the decade of the 1980s and 1990s in UFO circles was dominated by blockbuster cases from around the world and new phenomena reports. Roswell; Rendlesham Forest; crop circles; cattle mutilations; alien abductions; the Grays; the Reptilians; Cash-Landrum; Trans-en-Provence; Budd Hopkins; Missing Time; Majestic-12; Whitley Strieber; Communion; Black Triangles; Black Helicopters, Gulf Breeze, Florida; Bob Lazar; Area 51; the Disclosure Project; Travis Walton; Fire in the Sky; the Kelly Cahill abduction Australia; the MIT Conference on Alien Abductions; Varginha, Brazil; the Phoenix Lights; and the French COMETA Report were some of the names, locations, and terms added to the UFO lexicon during these two decades and many also became part of pop culture. Hardly anyone had time to catch their breath.

The 2000s have been highlighted by the St. Clair, Illinois Black Triangle case; the Mexican air-patrol FLIR case; the Tinley Lights outside Chicago; the O'Hare International Airport case; Stephenville, Texas; the Istanbul, Turkey mass sighting; the Wales, UK UFO wave; Middelburg Witbank, South Africa sightings; Harbour Mille, Canada rockets; and Warren Air Force Base, WY nuclear missiles off-line case among others.

In Louisiana sightings continued to occur over the decades, but few made it into the national news. The record shows that reports to the National UFO Reporting Center, NUFORC, and the Mutual UFO Network, MUFON, came in steadily from Louisiana residents up to the present day. Many of the reports involve the sighting of an object hovering near a road or over a town or field or an oil rig and of objects speeding overhead with little or no sound. After the advent of cell phones with cameras and the proliferation of game cameras, photos and videos of strange lights, objects, and more have been reported more and more frequently. However as with any region or state, many sightings have never been reported to anyone, but a few of these unreported sightings did come my way after some of my talks on UFOs.

By the 1990s, more and more reports of triangles, black and otherwise, began to show up in Louisiana NUFORC and MUFON reports. Sometimes a triangle of lights was seen or caught on video. I had three witnesses relay sightings involving Black Triangles to me and, of the three, only one was familiar with Black Triangles before their sighting. It became obvious that the two others had never heard of Black Triangles as they described what they saw. One described what the four witnesses thought was a long black rectangular object hovering near the ground on their farm near Singer, LA around 1997, but it turned enough for them to see it was triangular. A hum and a vibration of the windows in their house was felt as it rose up and flew away.

Another witness described flying wings verbally as he drew the scene sitting at his desk across from me. He had drawn himself as a tiny figure standing on his driveway in Lake Charles looking up on a night around December, 2013. He had drawn in a pattern of round clouds with spaces between them lit up by the moon. It was this peculiar pattern and lighting that he believed had allowed him to see five flying wings in delta (<) formation as they were being pursued by a fighter jet. As he watched, the objects accelerated leaving the jet far behind. The drawing is included in this article. The flying wings look very much like five Black Triangles.

In 2005, a 13-year-old boy photographed a sunset near New Orleans. Upon examination, the photo happened to contain a Black Triangle with a white light at each corner.

But most of the sightings relayed to me did not involve Black Triangles. In one such case, a well-respected retired science teacher living near DeQuincy, LA reported seeing 13 or 14 dancing lights in the mid-1990s flying away from him at an altitude of no more than about 60 feet that were so bright nothing else could be seen until he grabbed a pair of binoculars he had by chance brought with him that day. He was able to get the last object in the field of view of the binoculars before it went behind a line of small trees. With the binoculars, he was able to see a light inside a clear dome blink twice with the light reflecting off a brilliantly shiny metallic surface below the dome. He estimated that the objects were about 150 feet away and using the amount of the object seen in the field of view of the binoculars, he estimated the objects to be 15 to 20 feet across. The light had been so bright and the surface so reflective that the amount of light overwhelmed the naked eye.

Since the beginning of the 21st century there have been a number of cases highlighted with a photo or video mostly due to the fact that nearly everyone has a cell phone with a camera. Also, game cameras located in remote places have proliferated in the last decade and they have captured some strange things as well.

In October, 2013, Open Minds: UFO News and Investigations posted a Louisiana deer cam video of a UFO consisting of six nearly touching white lights all in a row rising up behind the trees that were in the foreground. Not much else could be seen, just the row of lights.

In November 2013, the website educating humanity.com posted a bizarre case from the New Orleans area that occurred on August 2, 2004. The title was sensational, "Woman Films Her Own Alien Abduction-New Orleans, Louisiana". The post went on to say that the woman had planned to walk with her husband in a park outside the city that evening, but the husband could not make it, so she walked alone in a somewhat isolated park after dark, obviously not the best of ideas. Walking by herself, she felt a vibration, but did not hear any unusual noise. The next instant, the UFO was right in front of her as it seemed to appear out of nowhere. She had the presence of mind to snap six photos with her cell phone as she approached the object before passing out. The images got blurrier as she approached closer suggesting to the SecureTeam researchers that a possible energy field was around the craft. Somehow the last photo, with reddish tones and difficult to interpret, seems to have been snapped inside the craft, the only photo known to exist that makes that claim. The woman had no recollection of taking the last photo. The story gets very bizarre as she ended up 10 miles away from the park with the passage of only about one minute

of time between the last photo and the call to her husband to come get her (time stamped on her phone). This would have been an international blockbuster of a case if cell phone tower data could have been used to confirm her change of location of 10 miles in about one minute or some similar unexplainable change of location. However, at this late date, the cell tower data probably doesn't exist anymore. The witness contacted major news organizations and could not get anyone's attention until 2013. Without that cell tower data, the case remains a 2013 online viral sensation that is completely unknown to the vast majority of people. With the cell tower data and if it gave independent confirmation, then nearly everyone in the world would have heard about the case.

The case presents a target as big as the broad side of a barn to skeptics. How was she able to hold onto her cell phone through the ordeal instead of dropping it when she passed out? The cell phone time stamp indicates that the woman was walking alone in an isolated area outside the city at 11.30 pm on a Monday night, three hours after nightfall. Further checking the records, at some point that day there had been 1.3 inches of rain in the area and a nearly full moon had been out for about two hours. If the area had received that much rain, there would have been mud and rain puddles around, but summer rain storms are very spotty and an area a few miles away from the weather station may not have received any rain.

However improbable the woman's story seemed, I decided to take a closer look to see if the images could be real. The clearest photo showed the top rim of the craft with three vertical rectangular windows beneath with bright bluish light coming out on a totally dark background above the grass. The grass was lit up as would be consistent with illumination from a full moon. The horizontal length of the craft filled the entire width of the photograph, which could indicate a craft, 50 or 60 feet across if the photo was taken 30 to 40 feet away. To check the photo further, I captured the digital image and lightened it to see if the bottom of the object could be seen. It could and there was darkness between the bottom and the lighter colored grass. The object seemed to be hovering or sitting several feet above the ground. Next, I enlarged the windows to look at the window to the far right because it contained a large dark area not in the other windows. Upon enlarging and adjusting the exposure, I was surprised to see what could be interpreted as an alien being staring out through the window! Whether or not the alien interpretation is correct, there was definitely something on the inside of that window, and on closer examination, the leftmost window had something that appeared to be a mechanical arm sticking out to the side. These weren't computer generated windows pasted upon a dark scene. As I have no legal rights to the

photographs my photo analysis cannot be shown in this article however based upon that analysis, it would appear that this bizarre case is probably real.

Another potential blockbuster case occurred in January, 2017. This UFO sighting from Louisiana with photos can be found online on ufosightingshotspot.com and it also has a sensational title-UFO arrives through inter-dimensional space portal. A couple from Alexandria, Louisiana was driving home when they saw a whitish object resembling a flying saucer with a dome coming out of a tornado shaped dark funnel underneath a white circular cloud and they were able to photograph it. The images were submitted to MUFON and registered as case 85382. While the photo online is a little hazy, my analysis indicates a high probability that the photo is authentic. Something very strange seems to have been captured in the photos maybe even an inter-dimensional portal!

It is clear that there has been and it will likely continue to be lots of UFO activity in every corner of the state of Louisiana. In our modern era, there is much to be seen and recorded if we can pry ourselves away from our amazing technological devices long enough to take a look at the world around us and use those same devices to record the strange things that appear from time to time. And always remember the unofficial motto of Louisiana - laissez les bon temps rouler! (Let the good times roll!).

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EXCEPTIONAL DIVERSITY OF UFO CRAFT

By Alan Foster



One of the greatest conundrums when studying the UFO and ET presence on Earth, is why there is such an incredible variety of craft reported. The more you research the countless Ufological interactions that have happened over the past 70-odd years, let alone previous centuries, the catalogue of different types of UFOs becomes more and more complex.

From the testimony of witnesses, contactees, abductees, whistleblowers and researchers, it seems there are several different types of Extraterrestrials interacting with humanity. This testimony includes that of Command Sergeant Major Bob Dean who saw the 'Assessment Document' at the SHAPE H.Q. in 1964 and said the military with a 'need to know' were already aware of, and had evidence for, at least a dozen different types of ET. There are many people who believe that figure is even higher now. So theoretically, there should be a similar number of types of craft associated with those various beings, but in fact there appear to be hundreds of different shapes, sizes, and types of 'construction',

illumination and flight characteristics. These seem to range from small metallic orbs and orbs of light or energy, to 'nuts and bolts' type of metal craft, including large triangular-shaped, disk-shaped or cone-shaped craft, through to brightly illuminated craft that seem to have the ability to morph or divide into separate objects. Then there are even more profound organic or sentient types of craft, which may be lifeforms in their own right.

Of those above, one of the most consistent forms of object seen by many witnesses, that seemed intelligently controlled, were the small 'Orbs of Light' which flew over some of the Crop Formations. Researchers believed that these were used as a type of creative, or observational technology, in regards the formations. I have actually seen a helicopter chasing a football-sized orb of light, with the orb being only about 100 feet in front of the helicopter, which must have been clearly seen by the flight crew following it. There have also been fleets of the small metallic-type orbs seen over cities, most particularly Mexico City, where perhaps they are the equivalent of our drones.



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Increasing in size, there are countless other types of craft, which are more likely to be 'manned', ranging from about 30 feet across, up to the colossal Mothership or Cityship type of craft that have been seen, recorded on radar, and even approached by pilots, which can be ½ a mile to 1 mile across, which possibly 'house' hundreds or even thousands of beings, similar to our Aircraft Carriers.

When we think of a race of Extraterrestrials visiting us in their UFOs, our natural assumption

of these interactions, we would expect there to be fleets of similar types of craft belonging to these beings, which would make it seem like an invasion, and yet witness and experimenter reports appear to highlight many different styles of UFO involved. Ironically, because of this, some people have actually made charts showing the plethora of different types of UFO, illustrated in black and white, similar to the 2nd World War Aircraft Recognition Charts, as a way of highlighting these differences. Even 'Project Blue Book' included some basic drawings of UFOs by witnesses within the



Reconstruction from witness report

Black Pyramidal UFO seen by Test Pilot © Philippa Foster 2014

is that these transportation vehicles would be made on their home-world in a similar way that we construct cars or aircraft in factories on Earth. And yet, because there seems to be an endless variety of craft types and styles, we have to question how the objects are actually manufactured. Although we use the term 'nuts and bolts' for metal-type craft, most witnesses and military personnel who have seen or touched them, say there are no rivets, bolts or even seams, and the feeling is that perhaps they are 'grown' rather than constructed. This makes sense in a way, certainly for the organic craft, and perhaps that is why there appears to be a uniqueness to each of these craft.

For many decades, probably the most consistent form of ET interaction with humans has been via the Abduction process, where evidence suggests thousands of people worldwide have been taken onboard craft by various types of Grey Alien or others. Because of the quantity and regularity

report.

Studies indicate there are a bewildering complexity of types of UFO, but they also have flight capabilities that defy our 'taught' laws of physics. From hovering or manoeuvring silently, performing instantaneous 90 degree turns, theoretically pulling phenomenal G-forces, and an ability to dramatically change altitude or travel huge distances in a fraction of a second. In cases where they approach within close proximity to aircraft, or fly through the flight-path of the plane, there seems to be no 'air-wake' associated with their movement through the air (possibly this same process applies when UFOs 'fly' through the water e.g. USOs). Some UFOs are able to appear and disappear instantly, and of the greatest concern, during the Abduction process, they have the technology to be able to beam people literally through windows, walls or roofs, as though matter is not solid from their understanding of physics.

This must be one of the most concerning aspects of UFO interactions discussed 'behind the scenes', as it appears we cannot hide behind walls or doors, in a normal sense. This is also why many Abductees are traumatised by the phenomena because there is no way to defend themselves from these visitors (intruders).

From the testimony of military personnel who have worked on crashed or intact UFOs, and from experiencers who have been onboard, there is supposedly a type of 'pilot-craft interface', for the control of the UFO. This can be from a touch-pad or touch-screen interface, or via a headset, or with the more organic craft it is literally via thought; a telepathic link to the 'mind' of the craft for instant communication and navigation. Because of this individual tailoring between the pilot and the craft, perhaps that is another reason why they are so unique, as though they may be constructed specifically for the pilot, rather than via mass production in a factory.

Also, because the physics involved in the manifestation and flight capabilities of these craft goes beyond our taught laws of physics on Earth, perhaps it is hard to perceive them with a common frame of reference, and to agree what is actually being seen. When there are multiple witnesses to a UFO sighting, various witnesses may see the object in a slightly different way. This may not be because they were mistaken, but because the object was oscillating or shimmering or morphing, or because it looks different from another angle. This can give ammunition to the debunkers where they latch on to any inconsistency to try and

disprove the sighting. However, it may not be the witness that is at fault, it is just that the technology and physics of the object are beyond our normal comprehension.

However, this ability to comprehend the reality of abnormal craft and abnormal physics seems to have been developing in people over the last thirty years or so, partly because people's concepts of aerial technology, astronomical objects, space and alien reality has expanded, perhaps opening the consciousness to be able to see these objects more clearly. The sheer number of sightings which have been reported and corroborated, in some cases backed-up by radar returns and gun camera footage, and the myriad of photos gathered over the years, add to people's acceptance that such things are indeed possible, and enables them to report what they see more accurately.

From Orbs to Motherships, there are such complex and multi-faceted aspects to the UFO and ET reality, that in order to understand the phenomena fully, it is important we are aware of this extraordinary diversity of UFO craft visiting the Earth. This indicates that there could be varying purposes and agendas of the Extraterrestrial beings which observe and interact with the Human race, and means that some of these craft are not just here for a quick visit, but a longer-term interaction/ investment!

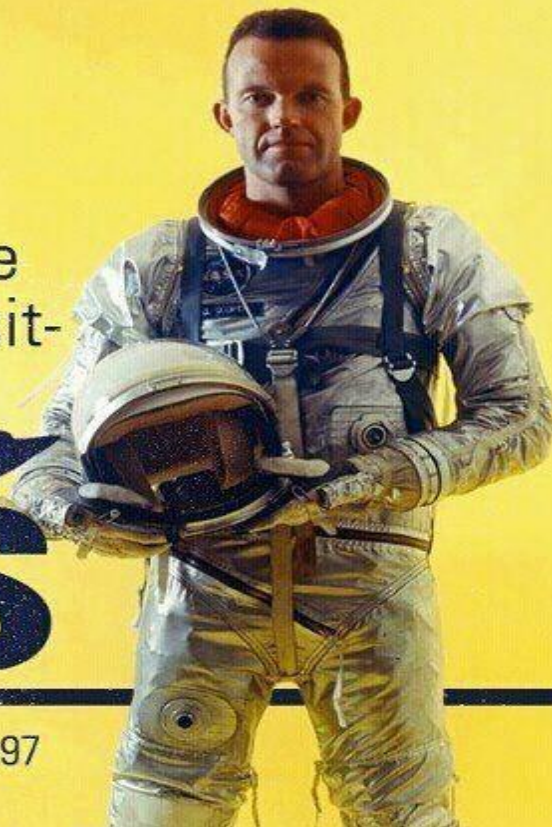
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'The Old and the New'

Two striking aspects of the UFO mystery have been preoccupying me a lot lately

by Bill Chalker (Australia)

The Old – The 150th anniversary this year of the enduring mystery of the UFO vision of the “flying ark” that landed in Parramatta Park, Parramatta, on the night of 25-26th July 1868 – the wonderful vision of Frederick William Birmingham – which in some ways can be called the Parramatta Park Prophecy. This is a story that has haunted me since I first became aware of it during 1975.

The New – the fascinating Port Jervis New York UFO encounter of 25 November 2009. This case was initially reported as an intriguing example of a “car stop” case. For me it became even more intriguing when I learnt that it might be a remarkable example of a type of UFO phenomena that I had been studying for some time, namely “solid light.” This aspect was not evident in the initial public MUFON reporting of the case and became a contested part of the case when primary MUFON investigator Chuck Modlin described the event in the Canadian Close Encounters TV series during 2013. In the show the episode dealing with the case – “Christmas Lights” – included me talking about the phenomenon of “solid lights” in a generic way. I had gone to Toronto to be filmed in a number of specific cases. My linkage to the Port Jervis case was unknown to me until I saw the early drafts of the episode. Up until then I merely knew the case to be a striking recent example of a “car-stop” case, often referred to a possible “EM” or “electromagnetic” car-stop case, the latter, because of the sense of a possible mechanism for the apparent stopping of a car.

The 1868 case was discussed in my UFO Truth column back in issue 5 (January/February 2014): “Frederick William Birmingham: 19th century Australian UFO witness & early aviation visionary.” This case will be included in an entry I have written for the forthcoming 3rd edition of Jerome Clark’s book “The UFO Encyclopedia.” My account in the early UFO Truth column did not include much detail on the July 1868 incident and was more of an overall case study investigation report into its historical verification. Given that this column will come out about the time of the actual 150th anniversary – July 2018 – I have included here Birmingham detailed account of his 1868 vision:

“A UFO VISION” IN 1868 “A Machine to go through the Air”

The Memorandum book, A.D. 1873, attributed to the hand of one “Fred. Wm. Birmingham, C.E. & Lic. Surveyor, Parramatta, Australia,” gives an account of an “aerial machine”—“A machine to go through the air”:

On the night of the 25th–26th July Anno Domino [original spelling] 1868, I had a wonderful dream—a vision . . .



Birmingham described standing under the verandah of his rented cottage in Duck’s Lane, Parramatta, when he saw up in the sky, to the northeast, the passage of a bizarre apparitional procession of the faces of two prominent people of the state (that of the Lord Bishop of Sydney and the premier of the state), moving one after the other! The first “travelled to the east it dimmed—just as one loses his focus by quickly drawing in or out the slide of a telescope.” The second appeared twice, dimming like the first, then moved away in another direction.

Birmingham dropped his gaze to ponder the strange and confronting display. “After some considerable time I determined to look at the head or heads again. . .,” but they were gone.

I retraced the course the head had taken and just in the spot where I first saw the head I saw an “Ark” and while looking at it—moving along the same track as the head had taken—I said to myself aloud, “Well that is a beautiful vessel.” I had no sooner ended the sentence than I was made aware that I was not alone, for to my right hand and a little to the rear of my frontage a distinct voice said, slowly—“That’s a machine to go through the air.”

In a little time I replied—“It appears to me more like a vessel for going upon the water, but, at all events, it’s the loveliest thing I ever saw.”

I then felt that somehow or another the spirit and I were as it may have been spiritually on the highest part of the Parramatta Park.”

By this time, “the machine” had moved through the air in a zigzag fashion, “then quite, stopped, the forward motion and descended some twenty feet or so as gently as a feather on the grass,” at a distance of about 20 yards from Birmingham and the “spirit.”

Birmingham described the ark in the following way:

. . . through a brown colour (rubber!) all over at a distance . . . its peculiar shapings are well impressed upon my mind and the colour seemed to blend with faint, flitting shades of steel blue, below and appearing tremulous and like what one might term magnified scales on a large fish, the latter being as it were flying in the air, (the machine has not the shape of anything that has life).

The “spirit” was described by Birmingham as being “like a neutral tint shade [white?—B. C.] and the shape of a man in his usual frock dress.”

It said to him, “Have you a desire or do you wish to enter upon it?” Birmingham replied, “Yes.”

“Then come”—said the spirit, thereupon we were

lifted off the grass and gently carried through the air and onto the upper part of the machine. . . .

On the machine, the spirit showed Birmingham two cylinders, located at the front and back of it, indicating their purpose, "by downward motion of hand."

The spirit beckoned the surveyor to enter the "pilot house" [as Birmingham termed a part of the machine] saying, "Step in." Birmingham described how he went down about three steep steps. They led into the pilot house room, which was about three and a half feet lower than the deck of the machine. The only feature of the room was a table, about five feet by three and a half feet and two and a half feet high covered with material like oilskin, "or perhaps iron covered with rubber cloth tightly." About two feet separated the table and the walls of the room. Birmingham referred to how, "everything appeared very strong, the sides I noticed were extremely thick, about six inches—and I [then] wondered why they were so strong in 'a machine to go through the air.'"

Birmingham's surprise is consistent with the contemporary conviction that flight would only be achieved with lighter-than-air "machines," namely balloons, and later the "airships." Jules Verne in his prophetic book, *Robur the Conqueror* (or *The Clipper of the Clouds*), published in 1886, not only pre-empted the American "airship" waves in 1896 and 1897, but anticipated the future of "heavier-than-air" aerial machines.

Standing alone at the rear end of the table, whereupon he rested one hand, Birmingham began to repent agreeing to "entering upon" the "ark."

I felt miserably queer—just like one who undertaking a billet or post he knows nothing of. So I remained for some considerable time, when I was aroused as it were from my reverie by the voice of the spirit on my right hand, who said, "Here are some papers for your guidance."

The hand of the spirit was resting on the table and within it were several printed papers. The first paper was covered with figures and formulae.

. . . Thinking the formulae and figures of other kinds might be too intricate for my comprehension I said to the spirit—"Oh! Will I want them?" The spirit replied slowly, but with marked emphasis, "It is absolutely necessary that you should know these things, but, you can study them as you go on."

. . . I again cast down my eyes between my hands as it were on the table and considering silently the words of the holy spirit and when I looked about I found I was alone in the ark!

So I fell, I suppose, into my usual sleeping state, and waking next morning deeply impressed with that vision of the night. . . .

Birmingham pondered his "vision" occasionally but could only rationalize (to his own satisfaction at least) the first portion, namely that it reminded him "that I must serve God by conforming to the Christian doctrine and laws of his church [Christ's Bride]. As to the second portion of the vision I could not conclude what it meant—at least in any satisfactory way ("a machine to go through the air"—or in other words, the ark mentioned in the

Book of Revelations!)"

Birmingham also described a daylight UFO sighting he made in March 1873. The 1868 and 1873 events inspired him to try to create a flying machine. He even made a model and tried to interest parties in both Australia and the United States, but to no avail.

From Birmingham's memorandum book:

1868: "The machine then, quite stopped, the forward motion and descended some twenty feet or so as gently as a feather onto the grass at P.P. (Parramatta Park)."

1873: "... I came down from the hill in the Parramatta Park firmly convinced that the vision was gradually unfolding itself and 'the machine to go through the air' was a thing (through God's mercy) to be accomplished."

Birmingham's "vision" and its association with Parramatta Park had its prophetic aspect. The holder of Australia's first aerial pilot's licence was William E. Hart, a Parramatta dentist. He taught himself to fly a Bristol biplane well enough to qualify for the Royal Aero Club's Aviator's Certificate in November 1911. On June 29, 1912, Hart won Australia's first air race. He challenged the visiting American flier, "Wizard" Stone, to a 20-mile race for a stake of 250 pounds. Stone lost his way, landing at Lakemba, but Hart, a much less experienced pilot, finished the flight in 23 minutes and landed as planned in Parramatta Park.

More than 4 decades earlier a Parramatta surveyor – Frederick William Birmingham – had contemplated the meaning of a different "machine to go through the air" – one with striking implications for a modern day mystery that has taken hold – the UFO mystery, the alien abduction experience and now Birmingham's obsession has potent implications for the early history of aviation in Australia. One wonders what inspired Parramatta dentist William Hart to take up his flying obsession. Birmingham died in 1892. Billy Hart was born in Parramatta in 1885. At a young age he would make objects out of wood and paper and glide them through the air for hours, according to a memoir by Phillip Hart-Johnson. Billy Hart was his great uncle. He reported that Billy Hart had wanted to be "the Birdman of Parramatta." Perhaps Billy Hart had encountered Birmingham in his declining years, his "vision" and "obsessions" inspiring the young lad to become himself obsessed with flying.

The old story of Birmingham's 1868 "UFO vision" continues to haunt.

The new story of the 2009 Port Jervis "car stop" case may even be connected with the breakout New York Times of December, 2017 reporting on the secret Pentagon study. The AATIP programme and Robert Bigelow's BAASS group were focusing on possible disruptive breakthrough technologies that may be involved with UFO or AAV (Advanced Aerial Vehicle) encounters.

The timing of the AATIP's funded activities and Robert Bigelow's involvement had me wondering. With MUFON's James Carrion, Jan Harzan, Chuck Modlin & John Schuessler meeting with Bigelow in 2008, leading to the short lived BAASS/MUFON marriage and AATIP running from 2007 to 2012, at least in terms of funding, I'm wondering if this

dynamic at all explains the big disconnect between the public MUFON version of the striking November 2009 Port Jervis close encounter event being a "EM" case and then to have a "hidden" aspect of the case - the possible "solid light" aspect emerge via Chuck Modlin with the Canadian Close Encounters series I was involved with. I was pushing "solid light cases" with the film group but I was dismayed to have Port Jervis emerge with this aspect, given that up until then it was only viewed as a striking "EM" case.

I learnt that Bigelow was keen to buy the car involved, but I gather the witness did not want to part with it. I learnt of some of the MUFON data on this case, but it didn't really give any detail on a "solid light" aspect. Chuck Modlin pushed the "solid light" aspects, previously unknown, in the CE programme coverage of the incident. I was surprised to find myself being used in this episode as up until then I was not aware of the "solid light" aspects of the Port Jervis case. Neither were my MUFON contacts. So the question that needs to be asked is whether MUFON publically described a limited account of the case to their membership and to the UFO community, and a more detailed version, incorporating details about "solid light" was communicated to Mr. Bigelow's organization.

I aired these speculations on my OZ Files blog back on 1 March, which drew a critique from a MUFON board member, but he has since accepted that there does indeed appear to be a "solid light" aspect to the Port Jervis case, particularly after I highlighted that I had contacted Chuck Modlin soon after the Close Encounter segment came to my attention, namely in December, 2013.

I had written:

You may have seen the preliminary video without the CGI that had you and Richard Lang talking about the 2009 Port Jervis event. In that piece I am also included but I am talking generally about "solid light" type cases.

Robert Powell contacted me as I was included in that incomplete segment. I told him that I was not speaking with any knowledge of the Port Jervis case. Indeed up until I saw the preliminary video I saw it mainly as an excellent recent example of an "EM" style "car stop" case and was not aware of any "solid light" dimension to it.

It was not drawn to my attention while I was in Toronto so I assume it came up later. I had focused through my coverage of a number of cases (1966 Burkes Flat Australia, 1972 Taize France & 1994 Plauen Germany) rather curious "light" aspects and got into "solid light" phenomena in Toronto.

As background, over the last few years I have been increasing my focus on "solid light" cases worldwide and have received assistance and data from researchers around the world. Part of my initial motivation was a early 1970s case at Kiama in Australia and a more recent Chinese military case from 1998 which had very striking "solid light" elements.

Here is a link to a piece I did recently which covers some of that background:

<http://theozfiles.blogspot.com.au/2013/01/solid-lights-neglected-ufo-science.html>

I have also included another similar piece (text only - with photos, its a big file) that was published in the new e-magazine "UFO Truth": "Solid light Descending."

Given this background you will understand why I am interested in the focus of the "close Encounter" segment on the Port Jervis event. The New road video implies a discrete "solid light" beam coming down (in a telescope fashion?) impacting on the car in the locality where the high magnetic readings were recorded, as well as you referring to the witness saying the beam stopped 6" from the ground - truncation, another characteristic of solid light cases.

The only reference I came across in the MUFON database was "When he looked at the lights they seemed very bright but they didn't illuminate the ground; the witness said he can't explain this aspect as it doesn't make any sense to him."

I have now seen part of the CGI "reconstruction" of the case in the Discovery teaser trailer just released. It seems to have a very low altitude object and a "solid light" beam coming down onto the "windscreen area." Is this accurate?

I would be extremely grateful if you are able to tell me as much as possible about this element in the case.

Was the "solid light" aspect evident from the beginning of the investigation or did it come up later?

Is there any interview - video/tape - in which the witness describes the detail of the "solid light element?"

As the CGI "recreation" has the beam "impacting" with the windscreen and the voiceover (?) referring to the high Trifield meter readings correlating with the "light beam" impact point - I'm assuming the recreation might not be accurate or incomplete or we haven't seen it all yet.

How did the witness describe the "beam" appearance, progression", duration, apparent contact location(s) with the car? - was it the windscreen, the bonnet and/or elsewhere?

Was there an actual correlation? I gather the high readings were "full scale" readings, nothing quantitative?

Was any video taken of the Tri-field meter readings of the car in question and the control vehicle? I have seen some photos?

If any "beam" contact occurred with the windscreen I am wondering if there was any evaluation of optics/spectral changes in terms of transparency etc., referenced with the control vehicle.

Many questions I know, but this "solid light" aspect fascinates me and I am looking for a precise account of it with any witness account of it.

I look forward to hearing from you on this most fascinating case.

Chuck Modlin did respond:

"I remember the event quite well; the beam touched the car from the doors forward. This part of the car became magnetized with the windshield and all parts that were illuminated by the beam. There were a number of strange effects noted;

the windshield and the hood of the car seemed to have electrostatic field effect best way I can describe it, feeling like a repulsive field. I did tape the witness remembering what happened, he was going to exit the vehicle opening his door he saw the beam stop 6 inches above the ground. The other effect noted was my instruments which contained metal nickel hydride batteries were drained to zero in about 45 seconds, my Nikon D700 auto-winder pack and the primary battery. My other gauss meters rechargeable battery too. The only meter functioning was my Tri Field meter; it had a Duracell 9 volt battery.

"What was of a concern to me was when I tested for an electrostatic field with the Tri Field indicated none present, (I attempted to discharge the vehicle NO effect) my instruments meter reading magnetics' showed full scale deflection. "I then switched my instrument to read RF no movement of the meter it was indicating zero deflection; which indicated my analog meter movements function was working. Since this case I purchased a gauss meter which is an analog instrument similar to a compass measuring gauss, I also purchased a flat transparent screen with metal filings suspended in oil and a cube with oil and metal filings. These are intended to show a picture of the magnetic flux lines. If you saw the compass readings in the report no matter where we put the compass in the magnetic field it pointed North indicating a possible monopole magnetic, South only; Which is not possible with our current technologies. We can

produce one in a lab for a few microseconds.

"Here are some of my thoughts regarding this case. The video showing the part of the case with the beam going in the window is incorrect it actually illuminated the whole front section of the car to the door posts on both drivers and passenger's doors. This was one of those cases where I wish I had about 3 more EE's and a like number of PHD physics people at my side trying to explain what we were seeing.

"I hope this gives you some insight to this case it had so much going on it was hard to gather all the facts. I asked the witness to go in and have his oil filter and oil changed at my cost he did not. It sure would have been nice to hand the oil filter to a lab and then explain a monopole oil filter. We have had some Orbs next to other cars which magnetized parts of the vehicles, we now ask to do an oil change and filter change our lab has noted strange changes in the oils chemistry. With changes to the particulates in the filter as well."

Chuck Modlin has reconfirmed the "solid light" aspect more recently with the MUFON board member who had contacted me. I am hopeful that an updated report will be issued by MUFON on this intriguing case, that will more fully reflect the "solid light" aspects.

The old and the new of UFO research continue to intrigue me in so many different ways.

Bill Chalker

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Trump announces new U.S. military 'space force'

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Vowing to reclaim U.S. leadership in space, President Donald Trump announced Monday he is directing the Pentagon to create a new "space force" as an independent service branch aimed at ensuring U.S. supremacy in space.

Trump envisioned a bright future for the U.S. space program, pledging to revive the country's flagging efforts, return to the moon and eventually send a manned mission that would reach Mars. The president framed space as a national security issue, saying he does not want "China and Russia and other countries leading us."

"My administration is reclaiming America's heritage as the world's greatest space-faring nation," Trump said in the East Room, joined by members of his space council. "The essence of the American character is to explore new horizons and to tame new frontiers."

Trump had previously suggested the possibility of creating a space unit that would include portions equivalent to parts of the air force, army and navy. But his directive will task the Defence Department to begin the process of establishing the "space force" as the sixth branch of the U.S. armed forces.

He said the new branch's creation will be overseen by General Joseph Dunford, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

"When it comes to defending America, it is not enough to merely have an American presence in space. We must have American dominance in space," Trump said. He added: "We are going to have the Air Force and we are going to have the space force, separate but equal."

Turning to seek out Dunford, Trump said, "General Dunford, if you would carry that assignment out, I would be very greatly honoured also ... Where's General Dunford? General? Got it?"

Dunford appeared to acknowledge the order, responding, "we got it." But the directive seemed to take defence officials by surprise. Creating a new joint military command is largely the purview of Congress, which would have to provide the authority and any funding or shifting of money to a new unit.

Pentagon spokesperson Dana White said that the department understands the president's guidance, and is working on the matter while taking into consideration the implications for intelligence operations for the other services. "Working with Congress, this will be a deliberate process with a great deal of input from multiple stakeholders," she said.

A senior congressional aide said that Trump's order

is consistent with efforts by members of Congress over the past two years to find a way to dedicate additional resources to the country's warfighting in space. But the issue has been contested, and even Defence Secretary Jim Mattis expressed some early reluctance to creating a new military service citing the expense and broader effort to integrate war fighting.

The Defence Department is already in the middle of a congressionally mandated review of the space force issue. The study began in March, with an interim review due in August and a final report due Dec.31. It's not clear if the president's comments Monday were meant to override or influence that study.



General Dunford

Decades ago, the military deemed space a critical warfighting domain, creating the Colorado-based Air Force Space Command in 1982. It includes more than 36,000 personnel around the world that provide space and cyber capabilities for the Defence Department. And the Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles Air Force Base in California, designs and buys most of the Pentagon's space systems, while also overseeing satellite and other aircraft launches.

In addition, a number of federal defence agencies control portions of the space program, including NASA and the National Reconnaissance Office, which develops and operates surveillance spacecraft and satellites for intelligence gathering.

In a March document outlining the review, the Pentagon said it has already made organizational changes to beef up the stature of the space force, but is reviewing others. The document sent to Congress said the review will look at research, capabilities, acquisition and joint warfighting needs, and will assess "whether the Space Corps concept should be implemented."

The establishment of an independent space force was mentioned by Trump in a March speech to service members in California, but it has faced opposition since it could create an expensive new



Technicians attend to a U.S. air force orbital test vehicle at Kennedy Space Centre in Cape Canaveral, Fla., in May 2017. A number of federal defence agencies control portions of the space program. (U.S. Air Force/REUTERS)

headquarters bureaucracy and trigger complex and divisive battles between the agencies that currently control part of the space mission. So far, the Pentagon doesn't have any cost estimates for the development of a new command, or any description of how it would be set up or its impact on other defence and intelligence agencies.

Ever since the Space Age started with the Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik, there has been a military and national security aspect to space, even though there are treaties and a United Nations committee that explicitly talk about keeping space a place of peace. In the 1950s, U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower established two separate space programs — a civilian one that became NASA, and a military one.

Trump also used the White House event to establish a new policy for reducing satellite clutter in space. The policy calls for providing a safe and secure environment up in orbit, as satellite traffic increases. It also sets up new guidelines for satellite design and operation, to avoid collisions and spacecraft breakups.

Trump was joined by Vice-President Mike Pence,

who leads the recently revived space council, as well as several Cabinet members, NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine, retired astronauts and scientists.

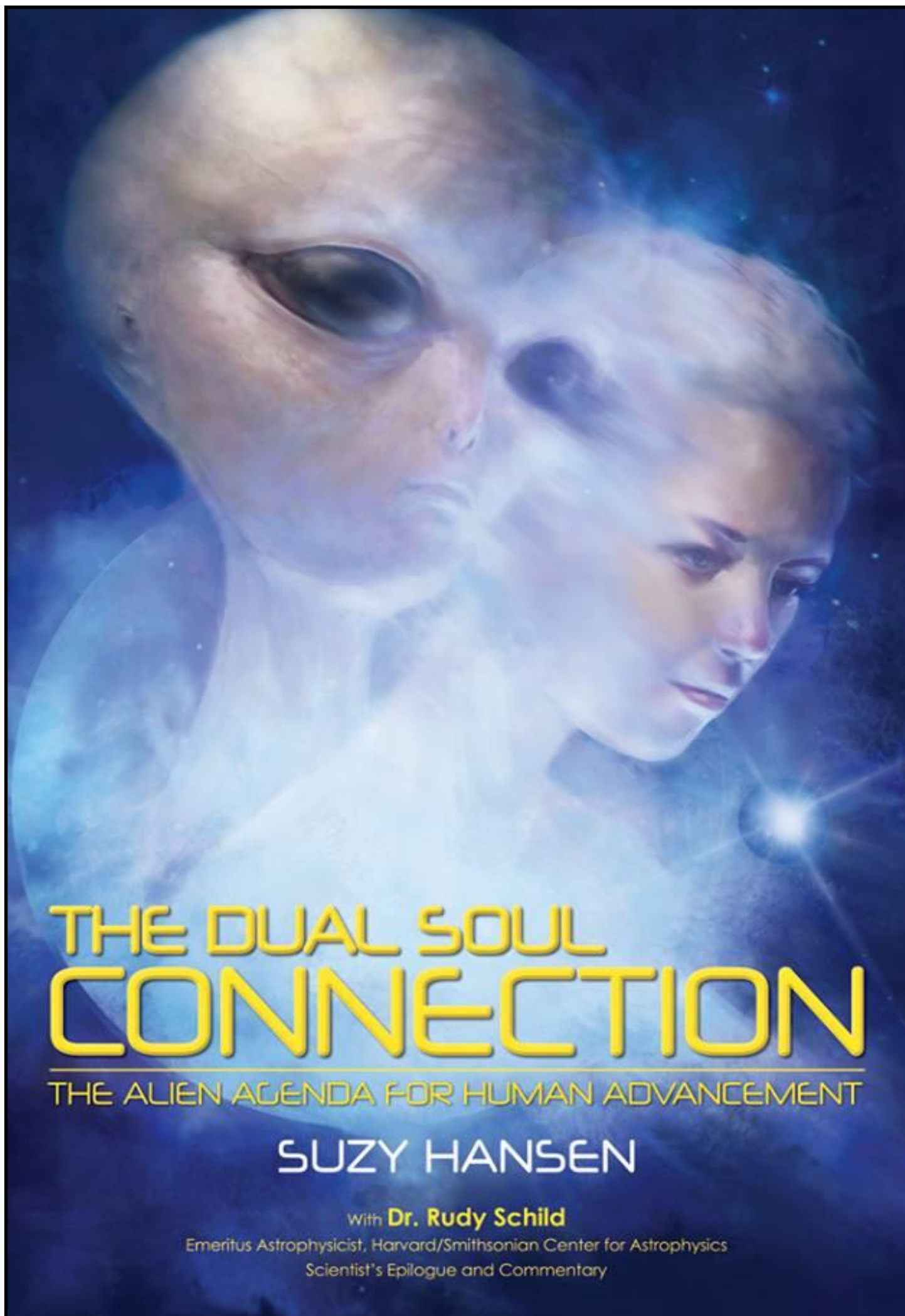
The council's executive secretary, Scott Pace, told reporters before the meeting that space is becoming increasingly congested and current guidelines are inadequate to address the challenge.

Trump also encouraged SpaceX, Blue Origin and other non traditional aerospace companies led by wealthy U.S. entrepreneurs to beat NASA to Mars.

"Just go ahead, if you beat us to Mars, we'll be very happy, and you'll be even more famous," he said. "As long as it's an American rich person, that's good, OK? They can beat us. We'll save a little money, and they can beat us, and we're taking full credit for it, don't worry about it."

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Jodrell Bank and UFOs

By David Cayton

There are more than a few ironic twists to this tale of events which took place at the famous University of Manchester radio telescope facility near Goosetrey in Cheshire!

Firstly, during my time as a Quest International UFO investigator for the area at that time, I became aware that UFO witnesses would invariably telephone Jodrell bank for confirmation, information and hopefully some explanation for what they saw before deciding whether to contact the police or Manchester airport. They expected that the Jodrell staff would know everything in our skies but of course overlooking the fact that the powerful telescopes there are radio telescopes, not optical telescopes! The witnesses found the staff uninterested in their sighting and all they would routinely do was to hand over the home telephone number of BUFORA researcher, Jenny Randles and end the call! (I contemplated asking Jodrell Bank to add my contact details to their list, but never did.) What a great shame that my prime local resident witness to this startling event, did not ring them up at the time and ask them what was that 'object' was doing directly over their Lovell telescope dish for the past hour!

On the evening of Sunday, 18 August, 1996, at

about 10 pm Mrs Marie Brickhill was driving along the back lane from her home in Goosetrey village taking her parents back home to their flat in Macclesfield. The lane passes close to the rear of the radio telescope and the public entrance before joining the A535 road. The weather was clear and dry as she drove carefully along the narrow and twisting lane. Her 85 year old father was the first to spot the strange soft white beam of light, projecting downwards from a stationary cigar-shaped object hovering motionless and silently, some 300-400 feet above the large Lovell main telescope dish. The reflector dish is approximately 250 feet in diameter and at that time was angled at about 45 degrees. The feature that really baffled Marie's father (He was a member of the Royal Observer Corp in his younger days) was that the beam of soft white light was totally parallel, without divergence from its source from beneath the craft, down to the telescope dish some 300-400 feet below. He was aware that this anomaly was not conforming to physical laws; even narrow laser beams diverge slightly over long distance. Furthermore, another unusual aspect of this beam was its great width from source to the telescope. The beam of light was estimated to be filling about a third of



August 1996 UFO event

the telescope dish, a width of approximately 80 feet! Just what type of apparatus was projecting such a large diameter beam and for what purpose? The three witnesses in the car also noted a group of small constant white lights at each end of the long cylindrical or cigar-shaped craft. Marie, somewhat spooked, did not stop the car, anxious to get her folks back secure in their flat.

Marie returned via the same route and was shocked and alarmed to find the object and the light beam still there an hour later at 11 pm. Arriving home she failed to persuade her sceptical husband to get out into the car and return to the lane to see the object for himself. He later regretted he did not do so as he had no real reason to doubt his wife and her sensible octogenarian parents. Marie was at the time employed as a senior manager at the Cheshire British Red Cross HQ in Knutsford, therefore we have three credible prime witnesses.

The editor of the Knutsford Guardian agreed to publish my appeal article with additional material by reporter Paul Broster. I was also directed to the Goosetrey home of the editor of a local freebie paper the 'Town and Country Post' he also kindly published an appeal for any other witnesses to contact me. Interestingly, he told me that there had been a previous UFO sighting over the Jodrell Bank facility back in 1966, very shortly after the telescope was commissioned! Again, these incidents demonstrate the 'visitors' interest in our technologies, in this case especially so, in view of the purpose of one of the most powerful telescopes in the world!

Although these newspaper reports produced no other actual witnesses to this particular event of

the 18 August, I did receive some other interesting reports of other strange events in the Cheshire vicinity. I also called at about ten homes which had windows overlooking the telescope but none of these residents had seen anything that night. By chance, I recently found a farmer's wife, Mrs Cumberbirch, who said her husband had witnessed the object and the light beaming down into the telescope dish. His farm is in sight of the facility, unfortunately this was one residence I did not visit in 1996! Despite his wife saying he had seen it on this night, when I telephoned to fix a time to interview him he'd had second thoughts and went into denial, a common trait with some UFO witnesses!

He did however; put me in touch with another Goosetrey man who he said had seen the object. When I telephoned this man, Nick Hassle on 19 March, 2003, it transpired that what he had seen over the telescope was a completely different event and much more recent.

Mr Hassle was awakened around 4 am early in February, 2003 by the sound of a noisy propeller type sound. From his window he saw two spaced red lights circling tightly over the Lovell telescope dish which he watched for a while before it suddenly disappeared. He mentioned it reminded him of the sound of a World War Two Spitfire or Hurricane. The lights he saw did not conform to the normal navigation lights at the wing tips of a plane. No light aircraft would be flying at that time of night in tight circles so close to the telescope dish! Our 'friends' often use recognisable types of plane or motor vehicle to disguise their craft but it is often reported that they mistakenly choose the wrong era of vehicle model/design.

Lab view from near the main dish, looking back to the control room windows. I wonder if the smaller dish on the roof is the one used to track the UFOs?



Responses from Jodrell Bank staff:

Some four weeks after the 18 August '96, I paid a visit to the radio telescope facility. In the public area, I asked the information desk if I could speak with a technical person. I was directed to a member of the Macclesfield Astronomical Society (a retired Dan Air pilot) who as a volunteer operated the Planetarium presentation show. He was very interested and helpful and offered to go into the private laboratory building via a coded locked door. I had asked to view their occurrence log for 18 August. It is important to note here that within ten days or so of the incidence, Paul Broster, the reporter from the Knutsford Guardian who aided my appeal, had contacted Jodrell scientists who said they had no record of anything out of the ordinary for that evening. Centre director, Professor Rod Davies, was quoted as saying "We have staff here 24 hours a day and nothing was seen". I was naturally keen to know whether the beam of light (energy or whatever) had disrupted their work program, damaged computer systems, or indeed had any member of staff actually seen the craft hovering above their heads? The ex-Dan Air pilot informed me that the same duty engineer was on duty the day I called and the night of the event. I considered that the technical staff were probably unlikely to see the craft 600 feet or so above the lab roof and the telescope, unless they stepped outside and walked away 50 yards or so and then looked skywards. Ten minutes later the laboratory door opened and a rather rude woman emerged to abruptly inform me that the duty engineer had declined to speak with me and there was no entry in the duty log book recording anything amiss on the said evening and no way was I to be invited into the secure lab area or view the log book. They did confirm however that the telescope was in use at the time in question.

Comments from Dr Ian Morison:

Having previously met Dr Morison at a lecture he gave ('Man's Place in the Universe') I rang him at home on return from his holiday. He was back on duty at Jodrell Bank on Monday 19 August. He informed me that since he was technically responsible for the current Lovell telescope programmes, if there had been a problem that night he would have known about it. Perhaps it is possible that whatever the purpose of the light beam, it did not actually interfere with the operation of the telescope equipment at the time?

Jodrell Bank and SETI:

During his lecture in Poynton and in TV interviews, Dr Morison had said that the SETI project was a complete waste of time due to the long timescales with the star/planet distances. (So, he agrees with Stanton T Friedman SETI means 'silly effort to investigate'). He agreed with me while chatting at the end of his lecture, I thought it highly unlikely



that advanced intelligences elsewhere would have in operation old-fashioned radio apparatus to receive our messages or possess compatible transmitters to send out a return message to us. (They use crop circle glyphs instead!) This conversation took place of course before Jodrell Bank was awarded their lucrative annual budget by the SETI organisation for a sub-contracted five-year programme! Incidentally I had approached Dr Morison on behalf of Graham Birdsall to invite him to view the downloaded NASA footage 'The Smoking Gun' video, and then give a video interview to Graham and Russell Callaghan for UFO Magazine, to record his comments regarding the remarkable footage of controlled objects around the Russian and US space vehicles. He was very keen to view but said he dare not comment in case his remarks might damage their contractual SETI funding for Jodrell Bank (and perhaps his personal role and position?).

Ian Morison was interviewed on 4 November, 1999 by the Manchester Metro News. This interview was prompted by Jodrell Bank's resumption of another phase of SETI programme worth 10 million dollars! The telescope is nearly 40 years old and needs constant refurbishment. In the newspaper article, he states, "The trouble is that communication with other planets takes a long time. We are looking at stars up to perhaps 150 light years away. It means that if we ever did pick up any message, it could have been sent up to 150 years ago. And, of course if we actually sent a reply it would be 300 years later, so you can see that interstellar communication is a slow process!" Asked about aliens and what they may look like, he was not prepared to take the word of alien abductees.

His response was "This is not meant to sound big-headed but if I were going to visit and I wanted to make contact with people there (meaning here) I would deliberately aim to talk to scientists and astronomers and people like that because they at least have something in common. It annoys me that none of these aliens has ever come to talk to us!"



It annoys me that here is just another example of the arrogance and ignorance of astronomers who profess to know about everything 'out there'! the irony is, if Ian Morison's staff had paused for a moment looking millions of miles upwards that night in 1996, stepped out of their laboratory and just looked up in the air a mere 600 feet, they would have indeed realised that SETI was a waste of effort and got what they were looking for..... knocking at their own front door!

'They' came to visit the astronomers that night Ian and you didn't choose to acknowledge their

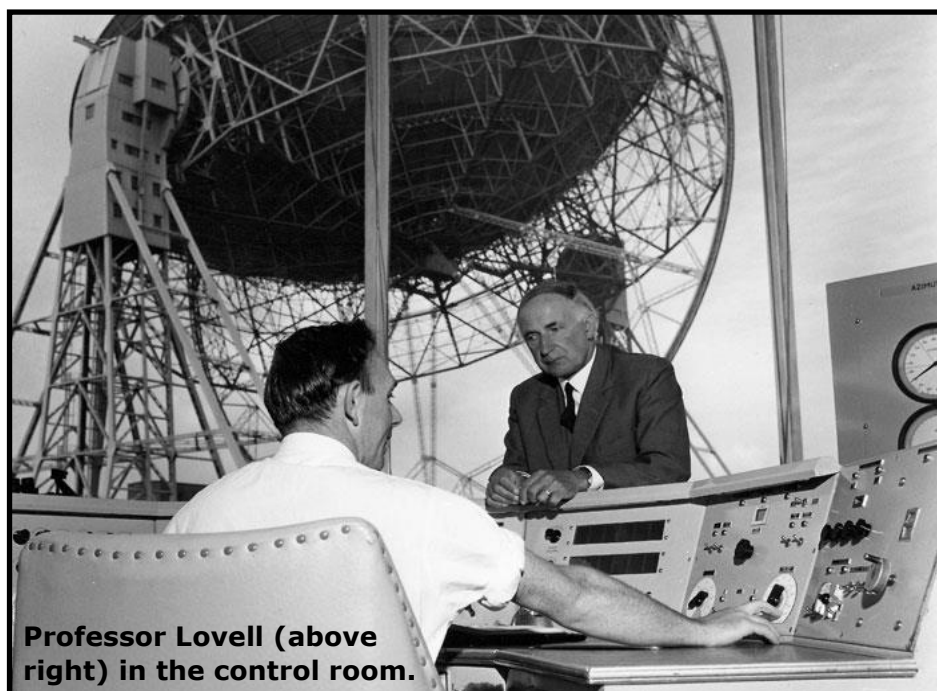
call. In fact, it would seem they have so far called at Jodrell Bank at least three times! Maybe next time the Jodrell Bank staff will answer the door or is it likely they may have but don't want us to know about it?

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Editorial Comment: Whilst I cannot reveal the source of the following information I have no reason to doubt the veracity of the details that were passed to me.

Two well known British Mountaineers were given a tour of the Jodrell Bank facility several years ago and whilst they were there one of the staff privately told them that one of the main purposes of the site **was to track UFOs!**

If true this would represent a complete contradiction from it's official public image and role. I am also aware, as is David that another source who can't be named *has confirmed that the August, 1996 UFO sighting was a significant event at the facility* and also in a recent interview with Robert Hulse he confirmed a number of other sightings within two miles of Jodrell Bank that have occurred in recent years. **GH.**



Professor Lovell (above right) in the control room.

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The Chinese ROSWELL

By Mary Rodwell

Edited from an account by Chinese researcher, Jingping Zhang



This intriguing story covers a CE5 (Close Encounters of the fifth kind physical communication with non human Intelligences) event in China. The story was emailed to ACERN in February 2018. The Chinese researcher resides in Beijing. This has not been too unusual as occasionally a researcher or an Experienter (individual with Encounters) in China has contacted ACERN about an unusual sighting, or Contact experience.

The Chinese researcher Jingping Zhang stated he

soldier who wrote to him stated he was a witness to a crashed spacecraft in a military barracks in 1997 in Beijing. Two aliens found nearby the immobilised spacecraft. Many soldiers at the barracks had also witnessed this event and had seen the wounded aliens. It is alleged the Chinese government subsequently covered up the incident and it has been suggested the military may have re-engineered the technology from the 'craft' for military defence. The soldier stated that he knew at least one alien had survived the UFO crash. The



The summer of 1997, Datong UFO

believes this is a true account of a crashed craft, which appeared to crash-land in a military barracks, and the story is significant. He likened the account to a Chinese Roswell. Jingping requested I share this amazing incident due to its compelling nature; he feels it should be shared with a wider audience globally.

Jingping Zhang stated that a former Chinese

soldier believed the 'being' was questioned by the government about the purpose of the visitation, and its star origins. He described this race of ET as having a face that was similar to a rat with hair, the ET he saw and touched had a strong voice.

This narrative is a first-hand account from the soldier who was there at the time of this event. I found the intricate detail very compelling as

he described his emotions and feelings when he witnessed this, also the reactions of the other soldiers who were witnesses to the event. He described how frightened and traumatized they were at perceiving something out of their beliefs and paradigm.

The soldier stated he was located in sleeping quarters near the compound where the spacecraft crashed. He was woken up by a severe thunderstorm that night. He heard a crash, which he believed to be trees falling and saw the strange craft, near trees and two strange 'beings'. He went to look more closely, he saw the spacecraft and one of the alien 'beings', he actually tried to communicate with him. He had not shared his story until now, twenty years after the event, due to concerns for his safety.

The researcher requests this story be released to the public so the Western world may know of the Chinese 'Roswell incident.'

Researcher Jingping Zhang wrote:

In December last year (2017) I conducted research on the recovery of flying saucer in the outskirts of Datong in the summer of 1997 and the treatment of serious injuries to the two aliens. The report as follows:

I received an email in December, 2017. It was written by a soldier who had retired in military service in Datong City 20 years ago. In the letter he said he was shocked to witness a crashed flying saucer, and also touched a wounded the little Grey type alien. He stated that he had this very personal contact with the alien when he was a soldier in 1997 in Datong, Shanxi when he witnessed a flying saucer that crashed in the courtyard of the army barracks. I have given the soldier the

pseudonym name of Weiguo.

Weiguo:

"I heard the sound of a broken tree outside, it was 11 o'clock at night, I ran out to see a smallish flying craft. There were two not very tall aliens with faces resembling mouse features. One appeared dead, another lying on the floor also did not move, I did not know if it was alive or dead. Then I saw it was alive and it looked up and spoke a language I did not understand. I was scared and reported it quickly to the security company patrolling the outside at that time, afterward they removed the UFO."

The next day the entire military is not allowed out. It's important to state that I did not see this UFO alone, there were many soldiers who saw it but they must have been ordered not to go outside due to the chaos that followed this event. In fact, witnessing events and the fear of causing public panic, the news was blocked. This incident really happened to me! It is important to state that I was not alone, even the soldiers who were on guard that night saw this. I have hopes that the veterans, after seeing my description, will bravely stand up and say what they have seen."

Wei the soldier replied to me and briefed me on his personal situation, work and address. He once again described in detail the rainy night in the summer of 1997 and how he witnessed the crash of the flying saucer and saw two extraterrestrials. He answered some questions about his experience as a soldier. I believed that on such an important matter I should meet him in his hometown and talk to him face to face, which I did at a hotel. I checked his units personnel file and his army experience. Wei was born in 1980 and enlisted in the army in 1995. He was rated as excellent soldier. In his simple meeting and exchange, I was impressed with him considering him to be upright and straightforward.

A more detailed account from Wei is as follows.

"In the summer of 1997 I was a soldier in Datong, Shanxi Province. I was 17 years old, serving as a soldier in the third battalion of the training Division. One night after heavy rain and thunder it was eleven o'clock, the rain stopped. The troops normally went to sleep at nine o'clock but I woke up at 11 o'clock disturbed by the noise of the thunder, when I heard a loud noise outside like falling trees, so I went and looked. In the courtyard I was shocked to see it was not only trees that had fallen but also a strange craft the shape of antenna/satellite dishes, like they had been two joined together. The disc was silvery white, but much larger than an antenna dish. Outside of the disc shaped object/craft were two tall aliens with small faces with facial hair, the face resembled a mouse, but the mouth was not pointed. It was the facial hair that made them look like a mouse. I went outside and I walked past one alien, it did not move as if it was dead, but the other alien looked up and spoke to me in a language I did not understand."

The soldiers in the courtyard did not go near them because they were too scared. I was also trembling and terrified even to walk past them. When I did walk by the alien it 'talked' to me despite its injuries. The voice was loud and powerful, it was very clear, similar to humans, but I did



not know what was said to me! I cautiously walked past and the alien suddenly raised its left hand and grasped my right hand, and spoke in this language I did not understand. His hands were very hairy. He was wearing silver-white clothes and it was cold, I patted him on his shoulder trying to comfort him but I knew he did not understand: I said 'I will find someone to save you.'

The UFO was like a plate parked on the ground, there was smoke; it had a pungent odor. The fallen tree hit the edge of the object. The diameter of this flying saucer I estimated to be about 6 meters in size and about 2 meters high. At that time I did not pay attention to see if there were any doors, because when the two aliens lying outside the UFO, the UFO's door was open, I just looked briefly but did not dare to look too closely. The active alien was in front of and close to the door, close to its opening.

I was focused on its extraterrestrial body, my heart was trembling for fear of the unexpected. One of the two aliens was motionless on a branch on the fallen tree, so I thought it might be dead. The other was lying on the ground. They were wearing clothes that looked silver; it felt cold to touch. I do not know if it was a spacesuit. The alien lying on the branch did not move or speak and did not wear a hat. Because they looked so odd I do not know the exact height, but they were very short, about up to my waist. I am about 1.70 metres tall so it is estimated that the height of two aliens also about one meter, they had small eyes. The outline of the whole face was a bit like that of a mouse, with a furry face and long hair on the hand.

I called out to a squad leader who had been in bed. After he saw the situation he was so scared he ran back to his bed. He told me not to do anything. He did not want to take charge. I had no alternative but to look for the squad leaders who patrol the garrison and I told them that a flying saucer was in the courtyard. I took them to see the UFO, they too were so scared they lay down on the ground and could do not move, paralyzed and wondering 'What is this?' They were so afraid, but I told them 'You deal with it!'

I left to go to bed. The next morning we did not operate as normal and all the people inside the military compound were not allowed outside due to the strange aircraft and unknown creatures that were discovered. At that time, there were a number of squadrons which controlled the garrison. Some time later I went to the scene and saw that the two trees were moved near the edge of the wall next to a table where we often played table tennis, and somehow it had collapsed. There are many footprints on the mud floor, it was very messy.

After two days I asked a Jiangxi comrade in good standing with me, I told him and he was very surprised: 'How would you know this?' He said that we should not talk this nonsense everywhere and that we will be expelled from the army. After chatting with him, I realized I couldn't talk about this to anymore. I was just 17 years old at that

time, and due to the fear that this incident might bring me fatal injuries, I have not dared to voice it.

The first thing to state is that my oral description is very real. I am responsible for declaring that there is no element of fictionalization or rumor, but this is true and what I have personally experienced. I live a leisurely and content life, I do not seek publicity of this memory, it is not being shared from profit nor do I want to be famous. It is the original account of real events that happened in and around me and I tell the truth faithfully without any other purpose or agenda."

As much as possible I have been faithful to the wording of the English translation of the Chinese text. I believe this case deserves to be more widely known as researcher Jingping believes. I think it shows an insight into the psychology of the soldiers, and their reaction to this event that was beyond their understanding makes it even more compelling. For a former soldier to tell his story at this time for no gain, I believe it indicates its veracity.

In Part Two of this article, researcher Jingping Zhang examines more of the evidence, and his thoughts on why this case is so significant and needs to be shared more widely.

Note: With thanks to researcher Jingping Zhang, Beijing, China, February 2018.

Mary Rodwell

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Consciousness, An Experienter's Introduction

By Kevin J. Briggs

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My first experience of being conscious was when I was three years old. I was having my photograph taken for the family album. I was lifted up onto the dining table for a better elevated position. From this vantage point I looked around the room and clearly thought I was conscious. I had the feeling that this was not the first time and I knew clearly the difference from the physical and my conscious being.

When I told my wife of my first encounter with consciousness she said three year olds do not think like that, but I did.

As a young boy I was aware of other vibrations surrounding the location I was occupying. On one occasion when I was eight years old I was having a weekly bath. I sensed a vibrational change in the bathroom and there was a drop in temperature. I looked to my right and there were two beings slightly elevated from the floor, I sensed one was male, the other female. They were human in appearance, attractive with long shoulder length blonde hair and wearing tight fitting blue clothing. They were speaking to one another telepathically; I could understand what they were saying. Part of the conversation went as follows,

The female said to the male, *"Is this the boy?"*

The male replied, *"Yes."*

The female said, *"Are you sure, he is very small, uneducated and he looks frightened by our presence."*

The male said, *"Yes, I am sure. I will guide and teach him."*

As a boy I was frightened by the experience, yet I knew that there were two conscious beings in my bathroom. I have subsequently met with these conscious beings many times during my life. The male was true to his word, he did guide me and teach me.

My second encounter with the male being, was when I was 9 years old. I was at home playing with friends when I suddenly felt a change in temperature and a change in vibrational frequency. My friends were just leaving and I could still feel this energy in the house. I checked in different rooms and returned to the living room where the energy was the strongest. I looked behind the drapes and there was an orb 4 to 6 inches in diameter, it was yellow/orange in colour and slightly pulsating. The orb stayed in my home for four or five days. I do not recollect any communication at that time but when the orb left I noticed a marked increase in my psychic abilities. I was now able to leave my physical

body and travel out of body. I now know this orb was Ort, my guide. He explained to me that what I saw in my home was his pure conscious energy.

With my new found abilities, I would travel out of body to visit my grandparents. I would relax, open my mind and travel to their home 70 miles away. I would sit upstairs in the dressing room situated off the master bedroom. The floor appeared opaque and I could see my Grandma in the kitchen cooking, and my Grandpa sat in his favourite chair reading the newspaper. As a child I would visit them in this way many times. I always wondered what they would see if they came upstairs. I now know the answer to that. They would have seen a small orb 4 to 6 inches in diameter. It would be yellow/orange in colour and slightly pulsating. It would be my conscious energy. I would continue to travel this way, but not too far. I was not aware of the full potential of this out of body travelling.

When I was 12 years old, I had a paper round. On most days during my route I would see two UFOs. They would come from different directions. They would fly together while I was delivering my papers. I always had the impression they were following me. At the end of my paper round the two craft would separate, one would usually go back the way it came and the second one would just go straight up into space.

When I was older, about 17, I would use this ability for simple things. Before going to see a friend I would leave my body and check to see if he was home. I did not want to waste my time walking all that way to find that he wasn't home. We did not have cell phones back in those days, and I did not have a vehicle, so my out of body abilities came in very handy. I thought everybody had these abilities it was just part of our senses, hearing, seeing, smell, taste, touch, and out of body. I often made attempts to discuss out of body experiences with friends yet no one I knew seemed to know anything about it. Naturally I did receive some funny looks from my friends.

I was aware that there was much more to this and I needed more information. One evening when I went to bed I asked Ort (my guide from the bathroom), if he could show me more. I relaxed opened my mind and held my hand out. Ort came, he took hold of my hand and I left my body. I looked down at my sleeping body and we proceeded out of the window which was closed. We were three stories up. We did not go far, we travelled around the neighbourhood. I got very comfortable traveling this way with Ort.

On one occasion, Ort came to me and said he was

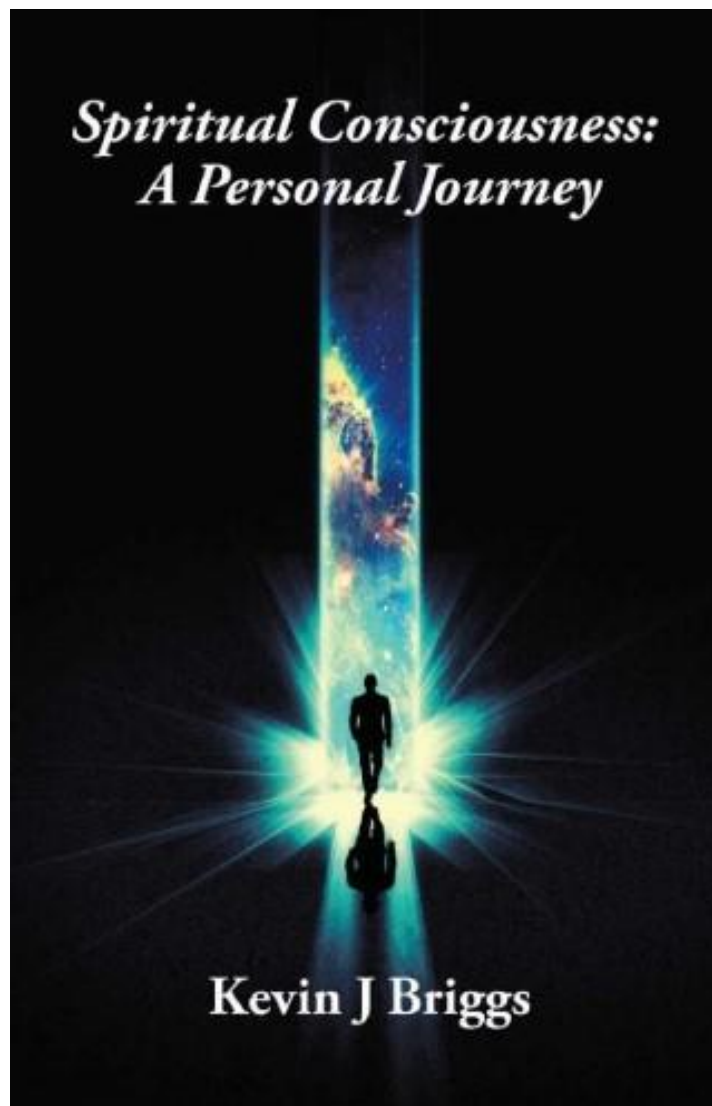
going to take me somewhere further and was I ok with that. I was so we went straight up through the roof. We kept traveling upwards and when I looked back I could see our small blue planet. It was so exciting. We then seemed to take a turn and I could see in the distance a line of people. At the front of the line was my deceased father; behind him in a line were about 30 more people all excited and anxious to meet me. My father greeted me and proceeded to introduce me to other family members, some going back thirty generations. This was remarkable. However, what was really interesting was when we got about half way down the line I no longer saw a physical form but a line of orbs 4-6 inches in diameter yellow/orange in colour slightly pulsating. I could still communicate with them, there was no difference, and they were just pure conscious energy.

I would visit my extended family on other occasions with Ort. I eventually became confident enough to travel and see them on my own. It was always difficult leaving them, as they all wanted me to stay, but I felt that if I stayed my physical body would die. After a few more visits I decided I would not visit them anymore. I had to tell them and on my last visit I said my goodbyes. I know I will meet up with them later when my physical body expires. As our conscious energy continues and does not die.

As a 32 years old. I had had completed two shifts. I arrived home at about 2.30 pm. I usually went to bed for a couple of hours to recharge. On this occasion I was relaxing and a shadow person came into the bedroom. I have seen these shadow people on many occasions, usually just a fleeting glance. This time he looked me in the eye and beckoned me. I said I was not interested and told him to come back later as I was tired however, he did leave. He walked through the closed bedroom door but returned seconds later and beckoned me to him again. I said I was extremely tired and asked him to leave me alone but he was persistent and came back for a third time beckoning me again. I relented, got up and

did not dress. He obviously wanted to show me something. I opened the bedroom door and in the hallway was a beam of light from the ceiling to the floor. I can only describe the beam of light as being the same on the star trek movies, where they use the transporter to "beam" people from the craft to the planet.

My initial thought was that he'd gone to all this effort to get me here so I stepped into the light. Immediately I felt invigorated and euphoric. The beam of light remained for a few moments, it communicated telepathically with me. *"I am your father and you are your father's son."*



The light began disappearing from the ceiling and the floor at an equal rate. The light was now small and in the middle of my body. Then it vanished. I was no longer tired, got dressed and continued with my day. I was confused by the message I had received. I thought it may have been my deceased father but it was not until many years later that I was introduced to Rah by Ort and Dee. Rah spoke to me, told me he is Annunaki and he led a group of ETs. I have become very familiar with him and have had many special interactions with him over the years.

A couple of years ago at 4 am I had just been to the bathroom. As I got back into bed a bright light appeared outside my bedroom window. The light then

entered the bedroom and lit up the whole room like a myriad of butterflies. It was just pure light, brighter than daylight. Ort and Dee then appeared. I asked what the reason was for their visit. They said they wanted me to share my story. I asked how I was going to do that. Ort said by talking about your experiences that we've encountered and writing a book, in fact you will write two books. I said I do not mind talking about our experiences that we have shared, but I am not a writer. Ort said, "I will help you and will continue to guide you. I will also give you some information to include in the book." I started the book the following day.

My journeys with Ort are always enlightening and they I continue to this day. As I write this article the book has just been published it is called, "Spiritual Consciousness a Personal Journey".

I am 64 years old and my understanding of consciousness has been expanded by my guide along with my experiences and interactions. I have come to know Ort and Dee very well over the years. They inform me that I am part of their extended family. Only my physical exists in the third dimension. Ort and Dee's physical exists at a higher vibrational frequency in the fifth dimension. They inform me that the Universe is conscious and we all share that one conscious energy. Ort and Dee have introduced me to other species but that is for another time and that second book they said I would write.

I know these experiences seem bizarre but I believe and know that I'm not alone. There are many experiencers out there. Many experiencers do not speak of their ET contact for fear of ridicule, and perhaps some have not had pleasant inter-actions. However, if it had not been a direct request from Ort and Dee perhaps I would not

have disclosed publicly to others. My two guides Ort and Dee have given me the confidence to openly disclose my experiences. I want to continue to share and help other experiencers who need support and guidance. I have already shared my experiences to different groups, where I received a warm reception.

I will fulfill the request of my guides to complete the second book and with the help from others write articles and engage on discussion forums and perhaps an event speaker.

My journey continues.

Kevin J Briggs

Editorial Comment: Kevin first contacted several years ago and initially was reluctant to share the extent of the experiences he had had throughout his life. Every now and then he would contact me and we would share some emails. He told me that he would come back to me when the time was ready to reveal his story. That time is now. **GH.**

"Spiritual Consciousness - A Personal Journey" by Kevin J Briggs is published by Balboa Press.

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-Navy Admiral Delmar Fahrney in a public statement during 1957.

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Investigating UFOs in History

CHRIS AUBECK and MARTIN SHOUGH

Foreword by Jacques Vallée



Southampton Contact Case

Part 1

By Dave Hodrien (BUFOG—UK)

In previous issues of UFO Truth Magazine I have often shared details of some of the truly fascinating contact cases I have directly investigated over the years. Recently I finished looking into a stunning UK-based case. I have been investigating this case since early 2017, and it is very impressive indeed, involving the many experiences of a lady from Southampton. Due to the amount of time and effort that both I and the witness have put into going over everything to a sufficient depth, I felt it would be good to share the majority of this case with the readers of UFO Truth Magazine over consecutive issues. I am sure you will find her story very interesting, and it may even change your views on certain aspects of the abduction phenomenon!

I first heard from Tina in February 2017. She had decided that after many years of keeping things bottled up for a number of reasons that it was finally time to both share what she had experienced and also search for answers. She was given my name as a recommended investigator to speak with regarding contact, and so got in touch. After an initial conversation with her I began to realise the extent of her experiences and realised that this case investigation was going to take a while! Over the next 16 months we went over everything in great depth. This involved many extended phone calls and Facebook messages, as well as two direct meetings which took place at the yearly UFO Truth Magazine conferences. As part of the investigation Tina sent me an incredible number

of drawings, photographs and medical records, many of which you will get to see.

As with many repeat contactees, Tina's experiences have gone on since childhood, and it is these experiences which I will focus on in part one. She was born in 1971 and initially lived with her parents and three brothers in a house on Knighton Road, Sholing, Southampton. She does not recall anything unusual taking place until the winter of 1977 when she was 7 years old. She remembers waking up during the night and feeling that something wasn't right. She had no idea of the time as she did not have a clock in her room, but it was very dark and everyone was asleep.

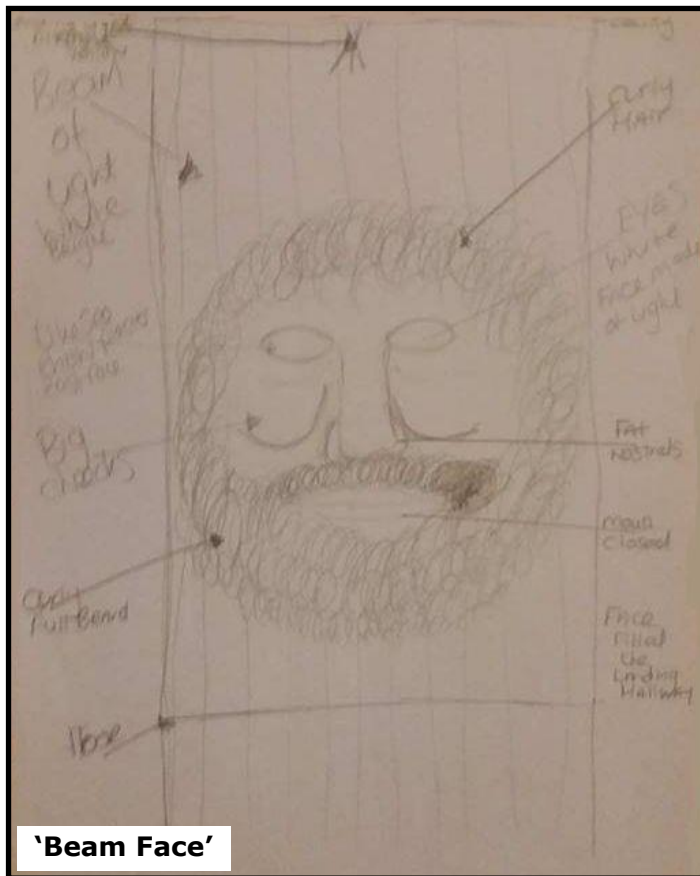
Like usual the landing light had been left on, and her bedroom door was open. For an unknown reason, she remembers getting out of bed and walking out onto the landing. She stood there for about 20 seconds. Without warning a beam of white light suddenly came down through the ceiling further along the landing about 7 feet away from her. She was very frightened by what was taking place and stood as still as possible without calling out.

After several seconds the features of a man's face appeared in the beam. It was over-sized, about five feet in height, and started about a foot off the floor. The face appeared human, and was that of an elderly man with curled hair and a thick beard. It was not in colour but appeared to be made out of the light of the beam. Suddenly the beam and the face flew towards her along the landing! Before she had time to react it reached her and she immediately blacked out.

The next thing she became aware of she was waking up in the morning back in her bed. She had full recollection over what had happened during the night, and it disturbed her as it had felt much more real than a dream normally would do. She was convinced it had taken place as she remembered. For several days after the incident she insisted on sleeping in her parent's room. However she did not tell them about what she had seen as she felt they would not believe her.



Knighton Road, Southampton



This is an unusual and intriguing experience, and is not the only time I have had this type of thing reported. The biggest questions to ask are firstly did it actually take place, and if so, who could the face have belonged to? Could the whole incident have just been a vivid dream? While this cannot entirely be ruled out as it happened during the night (as with most of Tina's experiences). It left a lasting impression on her, something a dream would tend not to do. A visual hallucination caused by sleep paralysis can of course be ruled out as she got up out of bed and freely walked out onto the landing. If we assume that the incident did take place as Tina remembers it, it is possible that the beam was being projected downwards from a craft hovering over the house. The face in the beam appeared human, however it could potentially have been an elderly Nordic-type ET, one of the more commonly reported species. These often look very human in appearance and so could have been responsible. Another possibility is that it was an ET but one that was masking its true appearance using a screen memory. There are many cases on record where ET beings have appeared to people under different forms, and this is even more common during childhood. Could the being have been projecting a human image in order to reduce the fear of the situation? Could it have even been projecting a particular individual such as Santa Claus, again for the same reason?

About six months after seeing the beam of light, Tina woke up one morning to find blood in her mouth and on her pillow. She could find no source for the blood or reason for why it might be there.

Her father checked her to make sure none of her teeth were wobbly and concluded that she must have bit her tongue in the night even though no injury could be found.

Several months later the same thing occurred. However this time Tina sensed that her mouth was particularly dry and she felt like the teeth on her upper jaw had been drilled. She was taken to the dentist but they could find nothing wrong with her teeth. From this point onward she would experience this roughly several times a year. On later occasions the sensation that her teeth had been drilled got even stronger like they had been smashed into pieces and glued back together. From about age 25 it began to happen less frequently until finally when she was 36 these experiences ceased all together. Tina has never been able to establish the cause of these incidents.

In the summer of 1982 when she was 11, Tina suffered from a further injury. During the night she had a dream that she was flying through the clouds. It was a pleasant dream but she suddenly woke up with a start. When she opened her eyes she realised she was no longer in her bed but was on the sofa downstairs next to her mother, who had dropped off there. Puzzled she got up and headed back upstairs without waking her. As she did she noticed blood running down her lower right leg onto her foot.

She went into the bathroom to have a closer look. She found a neat round hole in her leg several millimetres across. There was no pain or discomfort at all. She was convinced that it had not been there before she had gone to bed, as she had had a bath so would have noticed it.



Her father suddenly appeared at the bathroom door, probably woken up by the commotion or the light. He asked her what she had done to herself. Tina explained that it had just appeared. Her father went into her room to see if he could find anything which could have been responsible for the injury but was unsuccessful. The injury healed up after several days but left a lasting scar which can still be seen today.

After this there was a number of years where nothing unusual took place. However around April, 1988 near enough the same thing occurred again! By now she had moved out and was living in a house with her boyfriend at the time on Porchester Road. Once again it started with a dream about flying, and a sudden wake up during the night. When it occurred Tina immediately felt uneasy as she recalled the incident from 7 years before. She got up and put the bedroom light on. Sure enough, just like last time, there was a hole in her right leg with trickling blood seeping from it. The hole was about 2 inches above where it had been situated last time. Her boyfriend awoke and asked her what she had done. Tina did not tell him about the previous incident as she thought he would ridicule her, so she just shrugged it off. Once again the injury healed up but left a lasting scar.

Could the dreams of flying in both incidents be an indicator that she was abducted on these occasions? And if so were the holes on her leg after effects from procedures which were performed on her? While there is no direct evidence of this, it is not outside the realms of possibility. Tina is certain the wounds had not been previously inflicted, and she is not prone to sleepwalking.

By the following spring, Tina had once again moved into a bedsit elsewhere on Porchester Road. She had also found a job working at a dry cleaners in Bitterne about 25 minutes walk away. One Tuesday she felt quite tired when she arrived home from work so decided to have a lie down without taking off her work clothes.

She was awoken by her boyfriend knocking on the front door. She assumed a couple of hours had gone by and he had brought her round some Chinese food. But when she answered the door he exclaimed "What the hell's going on? I've had your company on the phone, you've not turned up for work!" Confused by his outburst she informed him that she had just come home from work. He

informed her that four days had gone by and that she had lost her job as she had not called in sick.

Tina was very confused but slowly came to realise that he was telling the truth. Somehow four days had gone by that she had no recollection of whatsoever! She had been tired when she had arrived home, but other than that did not feel unusual in any way. She found it incomprehensible that she would sleep for four days straight. And during this time her boyfriend and work had tried calling her but had got no response. She felt that if she



had been asleep the sound of the phone would definitely have woken her up. To her knowledge she did not suffer from any sleep-related conditions which would have caused the incident and it has never occurred since. In due course we intend to look into this incident further via hypnotic regression.

While it is not unheard of for people to be abducted for extended periods of time (such as in the infamous Travis Walton abduction case), usually people are just taken for a period of minutes or hours at most. Could this incident be contact-related, or does it have a much more mundane explanation? Maybe further details are still yet to come to light.

By 1997 Tina had once again moved house and now lived in a flat on Burgoyne Road. One night she suddenly woke up with her senses on full alert. She sat up in bed and looked round the room. There was enough light coming in through the gap in the curtain to make out furnishings. Nothing seemed out of place. Suddenly to her horror she saw a tall figure enter the room to her left. It quite literally walked through the closed bedroom door. The figure was about seven feet in height and was wearing what appeared to be a



Burgoyne Road, Southampton

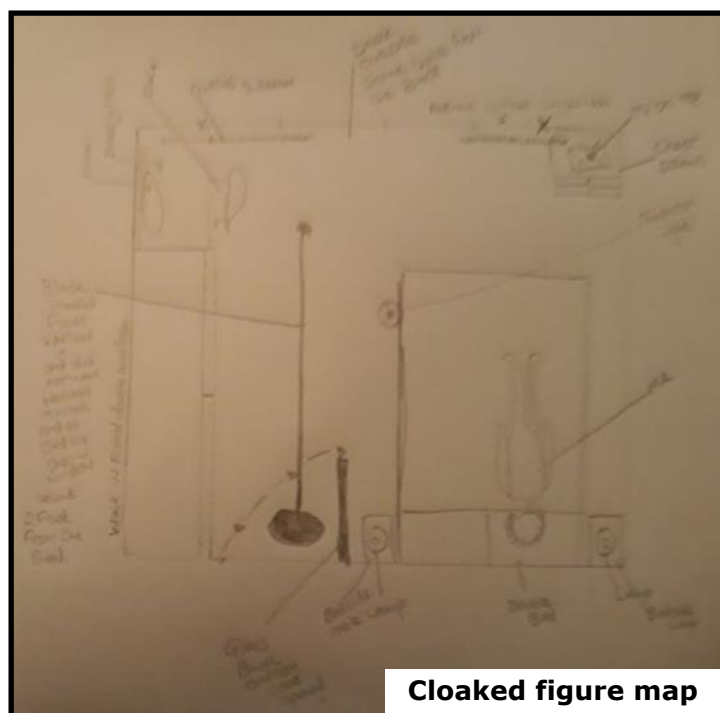
black hooded cloak. The hood was up hiding its facial features. The cloak appeared to be made of a smooth satin-like material.

The terrifying figure moved past Tina around the left side of the bed. Even though she could not see its legs it gave the appearance of physically walking rather than floating. As it neared the base of the bed it slowly turned round to look at her. As it did so she blacked out.

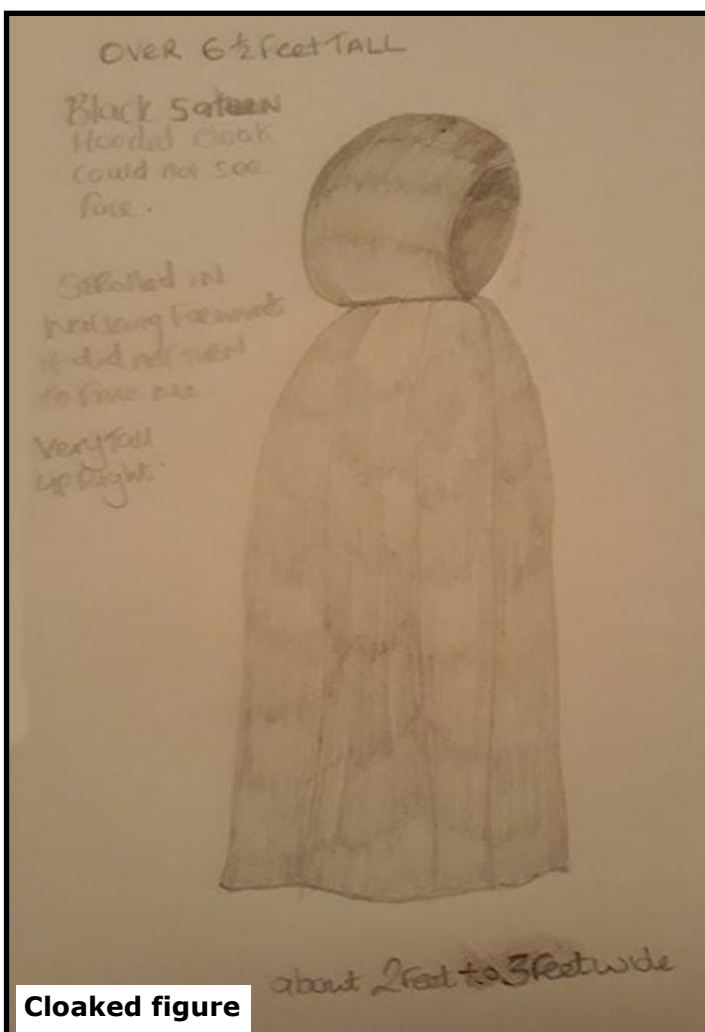
When she came round it was still dark and she was lying flat on the bed. A short amount of time had gone by. She sat up again and put the bedside

light on. The tall figure was nowhere to be seen, but she felt it may still be present in the flat. She got out of bed and began to explore the flat room by room. It was only after she had done this that she was satisfied it had definitely gone. She cannot recall whether she went back to bed after this or stayed awake till morning, but she was definitely un-nerved by the experience and found it hard to sleep for weeks afterwards.

Dark hooded figures have been often reported by other people. They are sometimes seen during episodes of sleep paralysis, however it should be noted that Tina was able to sit up in bed and look around at the time,



Cloaked figure map



Cloaked figure

meaning this can be disregarded as the explanation. There are a number of cases on record of visitations by ET beings wearing similar clothing, and also experiences involving dark entities commonly referred to as "shadow people". Whatever the origins of the figure, it was certainly a very frightening experience for Tina and one which she remembers vividly.

As you can see, Tina has had some varied and intriguing experiences while growing up. At this point in her life she had not directly encountered Greys, but this was soon to change. In the next issue I will cover a number of experiences involving abductions, interactions with Greys, body markings and even a possible extracted implant! Be sure to check back in a couple of months for the next part of this fascinating case.

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SPACE AND SCIENCE NEWS



NASA FINDS ANCIENT ORGANIC MATERIAL, MYSTERIOUS METHANE ON MARS

Jun 7, 2018

NASA's Curiosity rover has found new evidence preserved in rocks on Mars that suggests the planet could have supported ancient life, as well as new evidence in the Martian atmosphere that relates to the search for current life on the Red Planet. While not necessarily evidence of life itself, these findings are a good sign for future missions exploring the planet's surface and subsurface.

The new findings – "tough" organic molecules in three-billion-year-old sedimentary rocks near the surface, as well as seasonal variations in the levels of methane in the atmosphere – appear in the June 8 edition of the journal *Science*.

Organic molecules contain carbon and hydrogen, and also may

"With these new findings, Mars is telling us to stay the course and keep searching for evidence of life," said Thomas Zurbuchen, associate administrator for the Science Mission Directorate at NASA Headquarters, in Washington. "I'm confident that our ongoing and planned missions will unlock even more breath-taking discoveries on the Red Planet."

"Curiosity has not determined the source of the organic molecules," said Jen Eigenbrode of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, who is lead author of one of the two new *Science* papers. "Whether it holds a record of ancient life, was food for life, or has existed in the absence of life, organic matter in Martian materials holds chemical clues to planetary conditions and processes."

Although the surface of Mars is inhospitable today, there is clear evidence that in the distant past,

ingredients necessary for life, including chemical building blocks and energy sources.

"The Martian surface is exposed to radiation from space. Both radiation and harsh chemicals break down organic matter," said Eigenbrode. "Finding ancient organic molecules in the top five centimetres of rock that was deposited when Mars may have been habitable, bodes well for us to learn the story of organic molecules on Mars with future missions that will drill deeper."

Seasonal Methane Releases

In the second paper, scientists describe the discovery of seasonal variations in methane in the Martian atmosphere over the course of nearly three Mars years, which is almost six Earth years. This variation was detected by Curiosity's Sample Analysis at Mars (SAM) instrument suite.

Water-rock chemistry might have generated the methane,

Mars - Curiosity Rover



include oxygen, nitrogen and other elements. While commonly associated with life, organic molecules also can be created by non-biological processes and are not necessarily indicators of life.

the Martian climate allowed liquid water – an essential ingredient for life as we know it – to pool at the surface. Data from Curiosity reveal that billions of years ago, a water lake inside Gale crater held all the

but scientists cannot rule out the possibility of biological origins. Methane previously had been detected in Mars' atmosphere in large, unpredictable plumes. This new result shows that low levels

of methane within Gale Crater repeatedly peak in warm, summer months and drop in the winter every year.

"This is the first time we've seen something repeatable in the methane story, so it offers us a handle in understanding it," said Chris Webster of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in Pasadena, California, lead author of the second paper. "This is all possible because of Curiosity's longevity. The long duration has allowed us to see the patterns in this seasonal 'breathing.'"

Finding Organic Molecules

To identify organic material in the Martian soil, Curiosity drilled into sedimentary rocks known as mudstone from four areas in Gale Crater. This mudstone gradually formed billions of years ago from silt that accumulated at the bottom of the ancient lake. The rock samples were analyzed by SAM, which uses an oven to heat the samples (in excess of 900 degrees Fahrenheit, or 500 degrees Celsius) to release organic molecules from the powdered rock.

SAM measured small organic molecules that came off the mudstone sample – fragments of larger organic molecules that don't vaporize easily. Some of these fragments contain sulfur, which could have helped preserve them in the same way sulfur is used to make car tires more durable, according to Eigenbrode.

The results also indicate organic carbon concentrations on the order of 10 parts per million or more. This is close to the amount observed in Martian meteorites and about 100 times greater than prior detections of organic carbon on Mars' surface. Some of the molecules identified include thiophenes, benzene, toluene, and small carbon chains, such as propane or butene.

In 2013, SAM detected some organic molecules containing chlorine in rocks at the deepest point in the crater. This new

discovery builds on the inventory of molecules detected in the ancient lake sediments on Mars and helps explain why they were preserved.

Finding methane in the atmosphere and ancient carbon preserved on the surface gives scientists confidence that NASA's Mars 2020 rover and ESA's (European Space Agency's) ExoMars rover will find even more organics, both on the surface and in the shallow sub-surface.

These results also inform scientists' decisions as they work to find answers to questions concerning the possibility of life on Mars.

"Are there signs of life on Mars?" said Michael Meyer, lead scientist for NASA's Mars Exploration Program, at NASA Headquarters. "We don't know, but these results tell us we are on the right track."

This work was funded by NASA's Mars Exploration Program for the agency's Science Mission Directorate (SMD) in Washington. Goddard provided the SAM instrument. JPL built the rover and manages the project for SMD.

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Virgin Galactic's SpaceShipTwo completes second powered test flight

May 30, 2018 Stephen Clark

Helmed by two test pilots, Virgin Galactic's SpaceShipTwo rocket plane set new altitude and speed records for the company's test program Tuesday during a powered flight over California's Mojave Desert.

Tuesday's test flight moved Virgin Galactic closer to eventually flying paying passengers to the edge of space on short, suborbital trips after multiple delays in the

privately-funded program, including a 2014 accident that killed a test pilot, injured another, and destroyed the company's first SpaceShipTwo vehicle.

Carried aloft under a carrier jet named VMS Eve from the Mojave Air and Spaceport in Mojave, California, the VSS Unity SpaceShipTwo vehicle was dropped from its mothership and ignited its hybrid rocket motor around 12:43 p.m. EDT (1643 GMT; 9:43 a.m. EDT).

Burning a mixture of rubber-based solid fuel — called HTPB — and nitrous oxide, VSS Unity fired its rocket motor for 31 seconds as pilots Dave Mackay and Mark "Forger" Stucky steered the craft on a steep climb. The rocket plane reached a maximum speed of Mach 1.9 and a peak altitude of around 114,500 feet (34,900 meters) on Tuesday's flight, according to Virgin Galactic.

Mackay and Stucky guided VSS Unity back to Earth, activating a "feathering" mechanism to raise its twin tail boom, helping orient and slow the craft during descent. The pilots then reconfigured the vehicle for landing, deployed its landing gear, then touched down on a runway at the Mojave Air and Spaceport to complete Tuesday's flight.

The powered test flight Tuesday was the second for VSS Unity after an April 5 test that took the vehicle to a top speed of Mach 1.87 and an altitude of 84,271 feet (about 25,700 meters).

Engineers intended for Tuesday's test flight to improve their understanding of the craft's supersonic handling characteristics and control system performance with VSS Unity flying in a configuration that was closer to the layout to be used on commercial passenger flights, Virgin Galactic said in a statement.

Ground crews added passenger seats and related equipment for VSS Unity's second powered test

flight, shifting the vehicle's center of gravity rearward, the company said.

On a typical commercial flight, two pilots will command SpaceShipTwo, with six passengers seated behind them.

In an interview with CNBC after Tuesday's flight, Virgin Galactic founder Richard Branson said around two or three more SpaceShipTwo test flights are planned before the vehicle reaches space for the first time.



"It was great to see our beautiful spaceship back in the air and to share the moment with the talented team who are taking us, step by step, to space" Branson said in a statement. "Seeing Unity soar upwards at supersonic speeds is inspiring and absolutely breath-taking. We are getting ever closer to realizing our goals. Congratulations to the whole team!"

Branson viewed Tuesday's flight at Mojave, and he plans to be among the first to ride Space-

ShipTwo when commercial operations commence.

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parachutes.

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UFOs and Brazilian Folklore

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A legend from the southern state of Mato Grosso do Sul, relates to buried treasure and is also linked to the UFO Phenomenon: the o "Dia do Enterro" (Burial Day), also known as Burial of Solano Lopez, originated in the years that followed the end of the War in Paraguay and is attributed to the dictator Solano Lopez, who was killed in a battle. According to historical data, Lopez, when invaded by the Triple Alliance (Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay) at the behest of England, led his forces to invade Brazil several times until victory was finally secured.

The history of the Paraguayan War tells us that Lopez and his troops looted and killed people in the towns and villages as they swept through Brazil. In the process his forces amassed a hoard of stolen treasures which he was unable to carry so he decided to bury them for later retrieval.

He also had the bodies of those killed buried alongside the treasure. This is why they became known as the 'Burials of Solano Lopez', and their purpose was to frighten anyone who found them, and deter them away.

The legend appeared at a time when, when local inhabitants saw strange lights on the woods, and in time and with their crude understanding such lights became the 'spirits of Lopez and his soldiers'.

Over time some people decided to look for the buried treasures and began to excavate certain areas looking for them. Whilst some excavations were unsuccessful several did produce results yet scholars today believe that many of the treasures are still buried and have never been found.

The phenomena seen by the local people appeared in the form of a ball or torch of light, flying at low altitude on the mountains. As the text itself indicates, the supposed myth is present in almost all Brazilian territory and abroad. For example, in Bolivia, it is called 'Catecate'.

Indeed, in Peru and Bolivia - countries that are relatively similar in folkloric terms - we have a multitude of other denominations for the same type of sighting, among them: "Umita", "Uma Waqya", "Uma Pa", "Runa Uma", "Aya Um"a, "Uman Tak Tak", "Kefke", "Keke Mok Mok" and "Uma Puerakeke".

Whilst some of these sightings relate to craft where 'beings' are seen in most cases only the craft is seen.

Whilst many have witnessed these machines, especially in Minas Gerais area, we have not yet been able to establish the phenomenon that generates the fuzzy, fiery ball of fire.

Many of the craft seen may be remote probes that are illuminated in such a way as to appear as the fireball. The natives of Mato Grosso do Sul believe that to be the case. However, it is a luminosity that does not spread, does not expand and does not overshadow the vision, thus allowing people to see its perfect spherical shape. There are literally thousands of such cases recorded in history by our ancestors in Brazil.

The ships or probes seen by the local people were interpreted as animals, birds, monsters and even as punished souls. Today it is known that the most humble people see the crew of the craft when they land as deemed to be demons or gods. But in all cases they are always considered supra-physical agents of some mysterious and supernatural dimension.

In fact, history has always shown that man attributes anything that he cannot explain as some kind of supernatural event. This occurs everywhere especially in poor, peasant areas with little contact to the wider world.

They immediately attribute UFO manifestations and sightings to witchcraft, playful spirits, demons, or angels, depending on the time and manner in which the event manifests itself.

The UFOs are seen as luminous punished souls and represent a particularly interesting chapter of Brazilian folklore but provide a wealth of material on the phenomena itself. Thus, it is possible to study the the rich folklore of Brazil in detail.

Let us see what the famous researcher, Câmara Cascudo, tells us about it:

"The Corridor Fire is the soul of compadres and midwives who, in life, do not keep respect for the church. In Rio Grande do Norte, they are known to me as the Batatão (Big Potato), a fire and that of the compadre and the comadre is the corridor."

As we see, the Running Fire is considered as a punishment attributed to the compadre and the comadre for the sin of adultery. And because of the behavior and peculiarities of the observation, we are led to conclude that, in this case too, the object of the myth is a specific type of UFO sighting: that of a spacecraft and an unmanned probe together, which is relatively rare. We can conclude this reasoning by the fact that the vision refers to witnesses seeing two lights, one bigger and one smaller together.

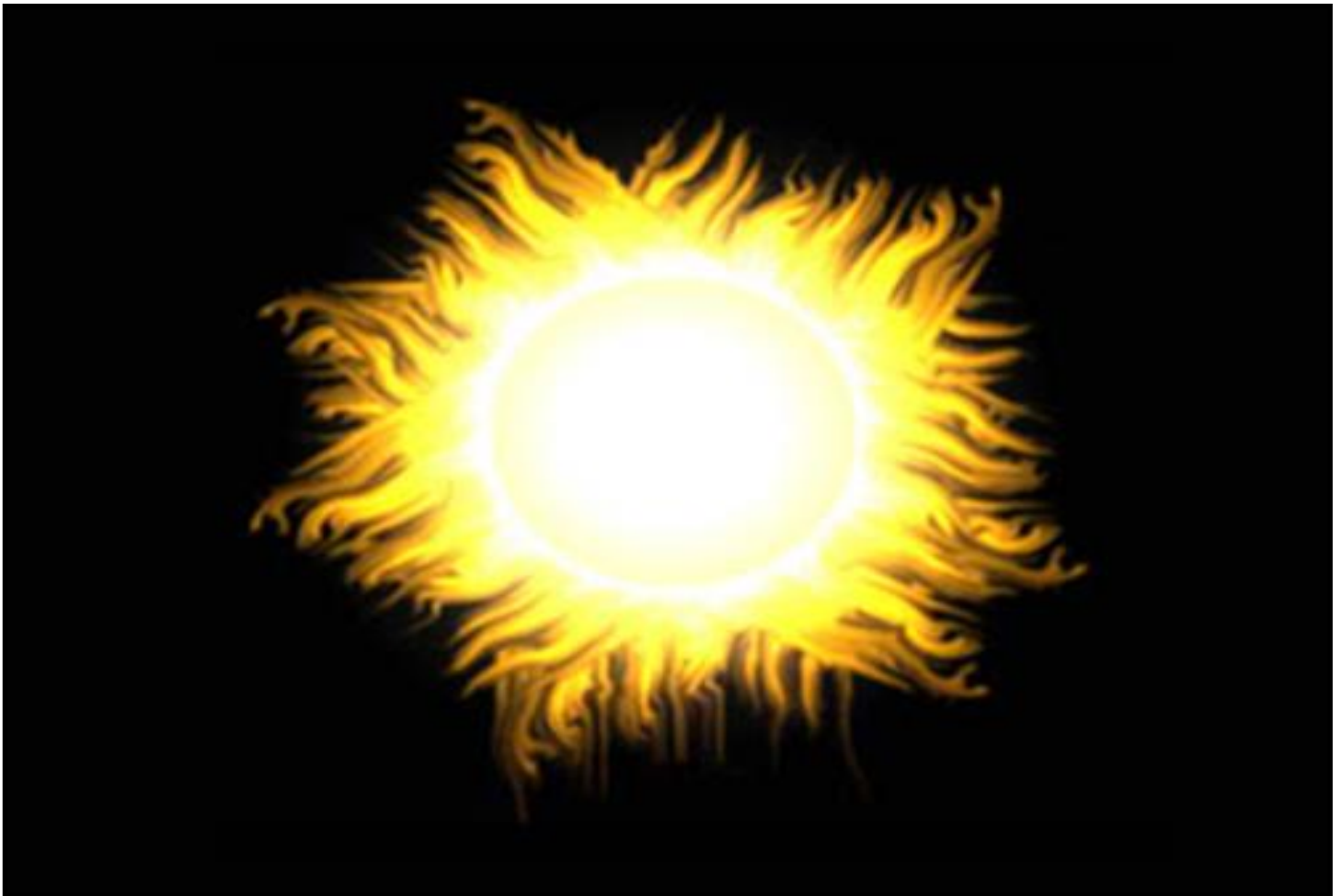
Although it is a rare occurrence, some witnesses have described a spacecraft and a probe moving together in areas of Minas Gerais. For example one case refers to people seeing a large and small

Among the myths of the gallery of souls punished we also have the curious story of João Galafuz, a legend reported across many areas of Brazil and also appears linked to UFO activity involving a fire that chased after people.

Other names for the phenomenon are Jan Delafosse and Delafoice and are synonyms to describe a single myth. They are an adaption of the fiery myth of the cycle of the pagan souls.

Across Brazil there is a plethora of tangled legends that relate to the really all the same phenomenon i.e. UFO activity. The more we research the myths the more we realise that they are describing the same story of strange lights and craft.

On the coasts of Sergipe, a variant of the myth is



object together at the bottom of a grotto (a kind of shallow cave) 300 metres from where we were and behaved exactly as described by the folklorist Cascudo mentioned earlier.

In fact, many similar cases have been researched in times past by simple people. Often, the first light was blue-yellow and the second one reddish and of a much smaller size.

On one occasion, a witness decided to blink the headlights of the car at the lights in order to try to establish some kind of contact—as a result both lights went out completely. Nothing was seen again. This case occurred in an area known to UFO researchers.

called Jean Delafosse, a fire-tongue that whipped past passers-by, making them faint or scream out in terror. In Alagoas, the phenomena is known as John Defaloice, a sorcerer, carrying the weight of an enormous sack, that held the stolen children.

Pereira da Costa, in his Vocabulário Pernambucano, dated 1937, he gives us other details about the myths of João Galafuz, João, Jean, Jan Delafosse and Delafoice.

He states, "João Galafuz is the name of a popular superstition that refers to a kind of elf that is said to appear on certain nights, that emerges from the waves or from the heads of submerged stones like a bright and multicolored beam, foreshadowing of

storms or shipwrecks ".

An intelligent light that literally chases after people, a wandering light in the mountains and which is also emerging from the sea. We can clearly links to UFO activity at night. The constant citation of this kind of igneous myth in Brazilian folklore, leaves me in no doubt about the reality of UFO activity in antiquity.

Researcher Donato makes also mentions another myth—that of the Alamo.

"The Myth of the island of Fernando Noronha is that on the eve of a violent storm a light appears on the beach at dusk. It reminds me of Iara, she has long, though blonde hair and is naked that dances in the light of the lightning. Men who do not flee from her sight, die of fear, leaving their skeletons on the beach."

Câmara Cascudo also speaks of that 'Alamo', giving other more details about this fantastic legend:

"Alamo warns of tragedies and treasure-hunting adventures on the island of Pico which have never been found. The legend has been known since 1916 when Mário Melo published his work 'Fernando de Noronha Archipelago'. In the book, he says that "one of the legends concerns the island of Pico.

Such passages about this legend depicts it as a wandering light and flying over the place called Peak. The light has been transformed in popular culture to a woman's legend - the soul of a

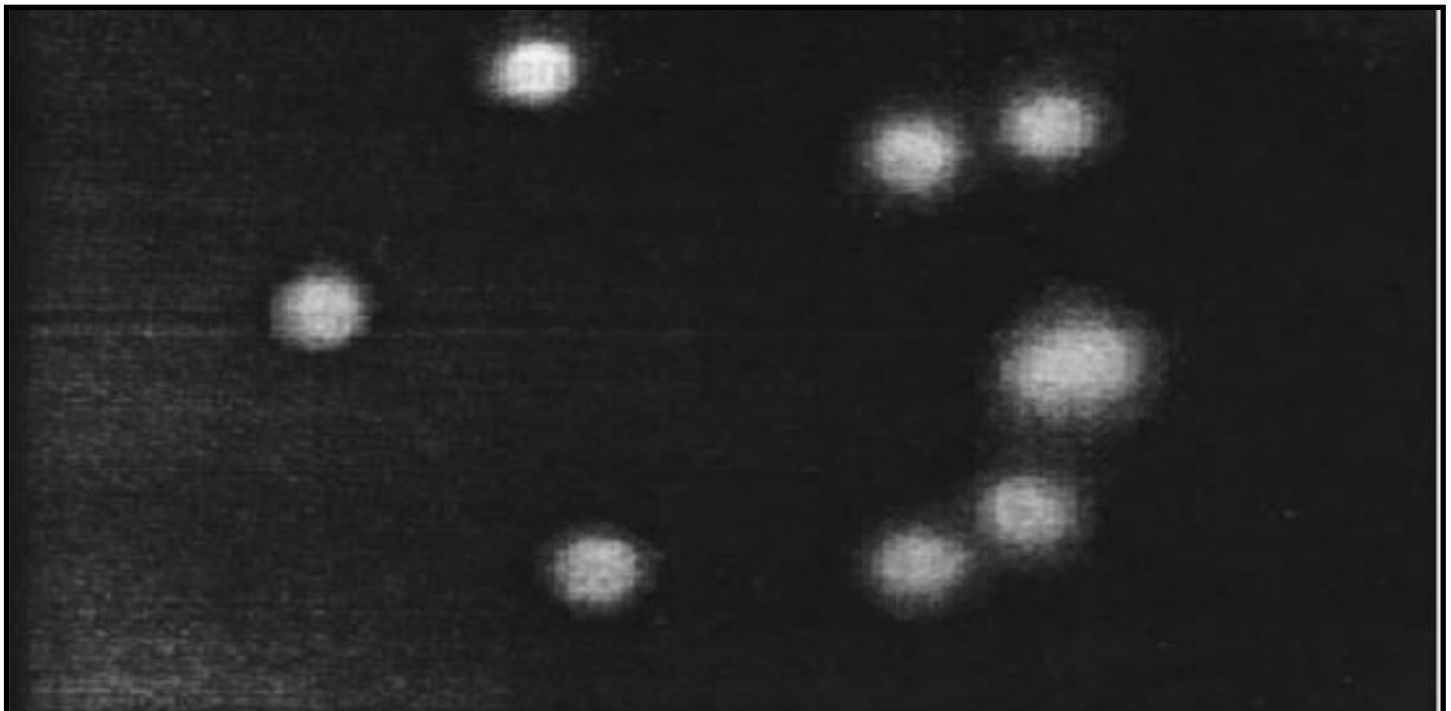
woman's punishment - whose aim is to lure people to buried treasures. As we have already seen, in order to create a myth it is only necessary for a regular phenomenon to be seen frequently as happens to this day in Fernando de Noronha area. Hence, the Alamo can be interpreted as UFO activity that makes nocturnal incursions over the island of Pico and especially at its highest location, the peak.

Another similar apparition to the Alamo is the 'Woman in White', also known by the sui generis as the 'Woman of seven metres'.

This incredible legend has been recorded in Minas Gerais since ancient times. A lot of research has been conducted, including talking to many older people to record as many accounts over the last century. Frequently the witnesses describe a woman dressed in white from head to toe, who can grow in height and suddenly disappear.

The fear and respect for the legend is evident amongst the interviewees. However, after analyzing the precise details of the witnesses account we can establish that a beam of light is seen that is like a searchlight and directed to the ground.

Because the witness does not see where the light emanates from, the observer thinks he is seeing the veil of a woman, long and covering her from head to toe. Beams of light that emanate from UFOs are often described as being extremely bright and white in colour.



UFOs in formation, when viewed by peasants without much education create a folk myth known as Rain of Stars

In Passa Tempo, the appearance of this type of luminous beam has always been commonly called 'Woman in White or Bride'. In nearby Montes Claros, it is called the 'Woman of 7 Meters'. As you can see from city to city, across the country there are variations on the name but which are essentially describing the same type of activity.

As a recent example, the folklorist and ufologist Antonio Faleiro cited a case that occurred in 1985, from the village of Aguadinha. According to witnesses, it is known as the 'ghost woman' called Loura.

Again the result is a strange beam of light that is seen and interpreted by the local people as taking the form of a 'woman'.

Mr. Joaquim de Castro Faleiro, a tailor, said that years ago he saw a 'Woman in White' in the centre of Passa Tempo. On the eve of Holy Week, he was working late. When he returned home he saw a reddish light at the top of a wall. He had the impression that some of his friends were hiding waiting for his return. To surprise them he picked up some soil and was going to throw it at them. Just as he was about to do so he suddenly saw a white figure rising into the air. When he saw this he was frightened and ran away.

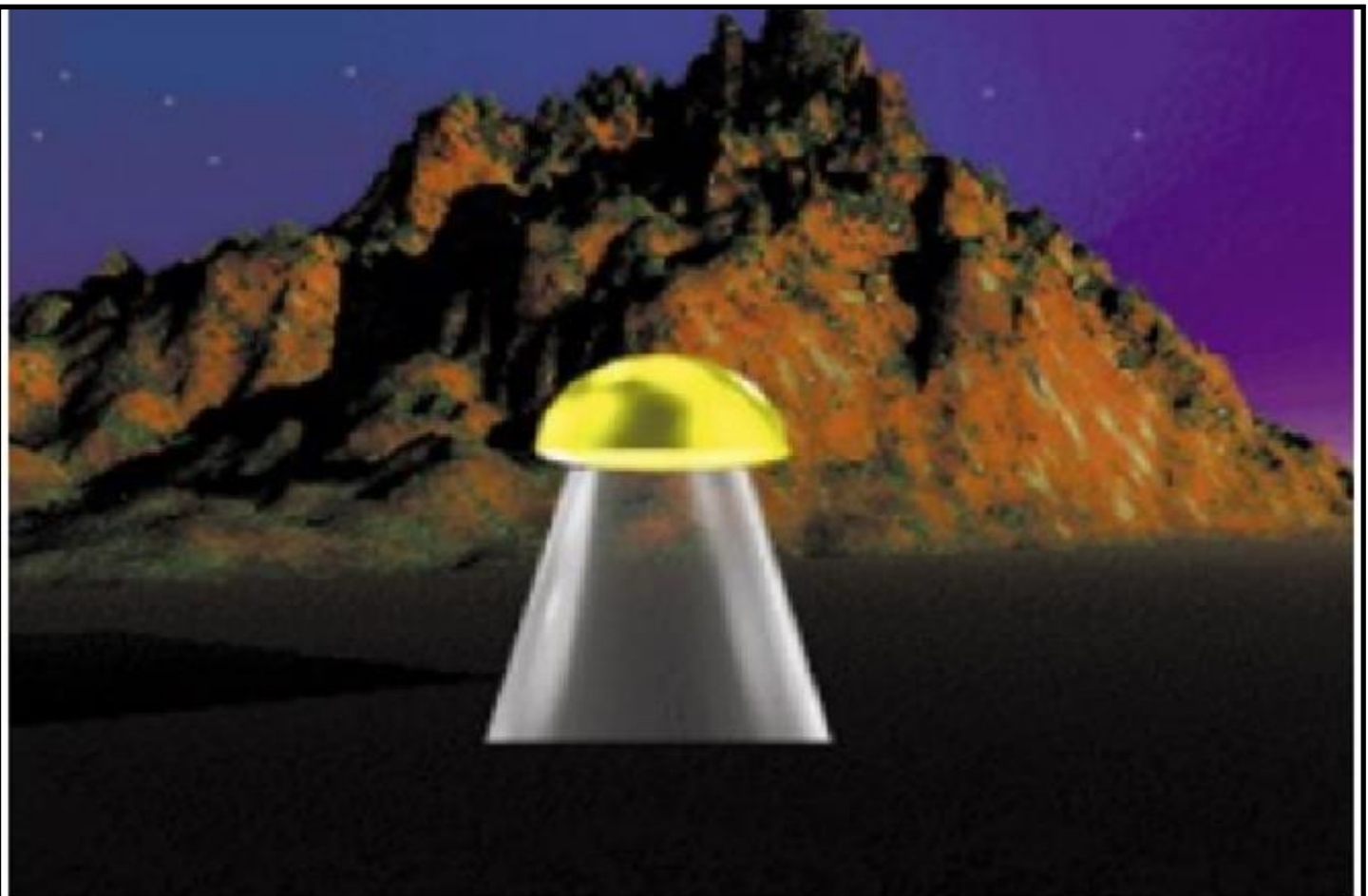
Antônio Carlos de Oliveira also reported seeing an apparition stating that it looked like a woman dressed in white that flew towards nearby bushes.

Mr. João Batista de Castro also said that he and others had seen the 'Woman in White' while they were working inside a bakery at dawn. It grew taller and taller than a post," he recalls.

Another witness, Mr. José Antônio dos Santos, a resident of the Calafate neighborhood, told us that he had been near a soccer field with other boys, twenty years previous, when they saw a figure similar to that of a little girl: "That figure was all white and soon began to grow in size before disappearing."

Mr. Geraldo Antonio and some of his colleagues also saw an apparition of the 'Woman in White' that grew in size and emitted a blue light sideways and close to the witnesses before disappearing into the darkness.

In some rural areas in several states there is a legend known by the name 'Phantom' or 'Phantasm'. People describe it as a white figure that takes the form of a sheet lying in the ground which suddenly grows in size and rises into the air.



"The Phantom", one of the legends of Minas Gerais associated with the appearance of UFOs in rural areas.

About 25 years ago, Mr. José Francisco de Souza went through a similar experience.

At a place called Morro Grande he saw a large sheet stretched out before him on the road. In an instant, it began to rise vertically, in complete silence and releasing a white smoke as it did so.

Another witness, Mr. Santana said that he too had seen the Pantasma in Passa Tempo, at the place called Sesmaria. Twenty-two years ago, he was coming from the city to his house when he saw a white figure resembling a sheet lying in the ground, which rose in vertical flight, without any noise, as if it were growing in height. Jose was so scared he pulled out his revolver and fired at 'the thing'.

Shortly after taking the shots he saw hundreds of multicolored sparks spreading all around the area where it had been before the phenomena disappeared.

A Mr. Hilarindo de Souza also gave details of a strange event he witnessed many years earlier as he coming home at night. He saw a white sheet lying on the ground. Immediately it rose and emitted a greenish glow down to the ground and at a certain height from the ground it began to fly away horizontally until it disappeared.

Yet another witness, Mr. Geraldo Costa, said that 40 years ago he and some colleagues were hunting in the bush they saw a white figure in the distance in a rice field. One of those present thought it was a cow eating rice. Wanting to remove it from the field so that it did not spoil the plantation they released eight hunting dogs in its direction.

The dogs rushed toward it then suddenly changed direction and came back towards the men. Something had clearly frightened them and men noted that their fur literally bristled from fear.

Suddenly, the hunters saw the white figure grow in height, with a narrow middle before disappearing into the darkness. Scared the men quickly left the

area.

In my opinion these myths across Brazil depict activity of UFOs, either in occupied spacecraft or by using remote probes and they are not supernatural in origin.

In Argentina they speak of myths like the Descabezado, a 'ghost' filled with fire. The fire is seen to escape through a type of grill.

Throughout Brazil there are frequent encounters with landed UFOs where 'beings' are often seen. When the occupants realise that they have been seen they usually enter the craft and leave quickly.

All these bizarre descriptions are dependant on the observer and how they interpret what they have seen using their common language to describe what they are witnessing. It is framed by the extent of their understanding and language.

And it is not only in Brazil that there are numerous reports of 'luminous hauntings'.

In Chile, Peru and Paraguay (and in some Brazilian regions), we have the Zaoris legend, linked to the souls of the punished. In the Antilles area they are known as Devil's Fire and Mabuya.

In Portugal, they are referred to the Alminhas whilst in Japan there are the Shinen-Gaki.

Currently, there are still many places where UFO sightings are considered demonic, because in technologically backward regions people still do not know anything about aliens or machines from other worlds.

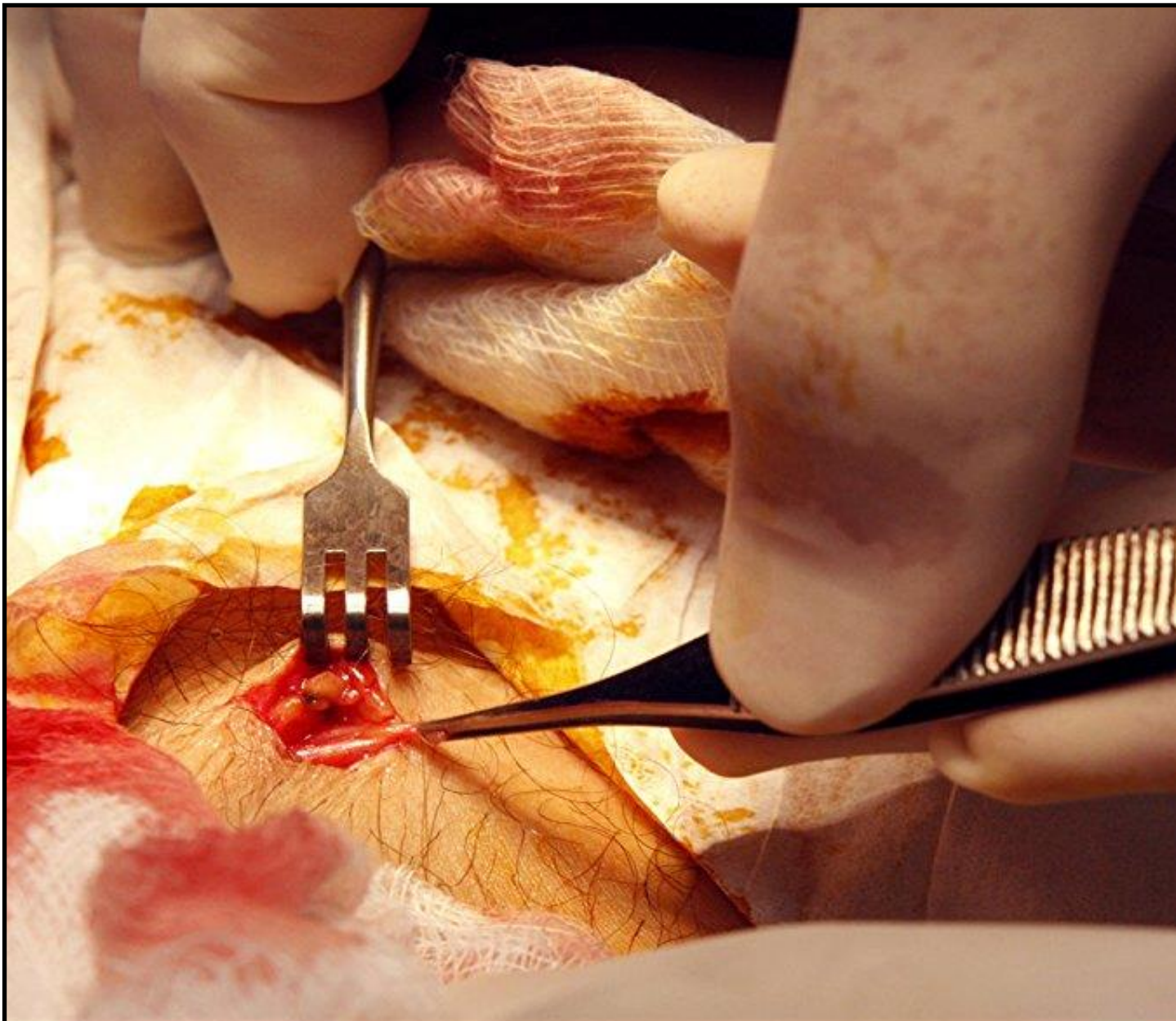
There are many other hauntings that appear in the form of women, such as the "Menina Loira" (Little Blonde Girl) and the "Flor do mato" (Flower of the Forest), described in the folk tales of Paraíba.

Perhaps the fact of seeing UFO crew members of physical constitution different from ours gives birth to these legends and myths.

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Tonight we have been carried away in realms of fascination and delight, but they have precious little to do with the facts. I suggest that the myth must be exploded. We must return to work in this dreary old world and the difficulties we are in. But I beg your Lordships, and in particular the noble Lord, Lord Strabolgi, for heavens' sake, no more Government Department inquiries. That alone we should be spared as the result of this excellent debate.

9.55 pm.

The Earl of CORK and ORRERY

My Lords, I hope that the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, will not be cast down by the speech to which he has just listened. I myself must confess that I know remarkably little about unidentified flying objects. I know a few things about them. I know quite a bit, and I have learned more since the beginning of this debate, about attitudes towards them. They are almost as interesting in some ways. There is one type of attitude towards them that I view with respect, and that is the attitude represented by people who call themselves, or perhaps to be fair are called by others, "ufologists". I do not know whether the noble Earl will accept that word. I rather hope he would not.

I admit the charm, the satisfaction, and the neatness of UFO as—this is the word the noble Lord, Lord Davies of Leek, is so good at—an acronym, coming from "unidentified flying object". But it unfortunately leads to a word which to disrespectful persons, and there are some about, might be suspected as originating somewhere between illiteracy and the purely silly; rather as though a keen student of the affairs of the United Nations should describe himself as a "Unologist", and his interest "Unology". That would have been severely distressing to my late lamented friend Lord Conesford, and indeed to me.

If there is an agency set up for collecting and correlation of information, as I hope there will be, I suppose it could be called "Ufo info", which would have a certain elfin charm. But I am admittedly being absurd, and being so on purpose. I am doing it for defensive reasons, and I hope that the noble Earl will not think that I am being offensive. I am not. I hope that somebody will think of a better word. There is in fact a Greek word "téras",

meaning a portent in the sense of a marvel or wonder, which would generate quite nicely a teratologist, or teratology. In fact I am not sure that teratology is not in the dictionary as the study of monsters. It is not a word that is widely used. It is not on everyone's lips very often, and it would not really matter if it were taken over to refer to portents. There is a precedent for this kind of thing, in television. As noble Lords will know, television originally meant, before it meant what it means now in the familiar sense as we understand it, clairvoyance, and nobody finds any confusion now. Whatever it may be known as, let us proceed and not waste time.

I must make a remark—nobody has done so far, I suspect rather to his surprise—about the speech of my noble friend Lord Trefgarne. If he had been speaking as a private Back-Bencher I would probably have not said anything, but he was speaking from the Dispatch Box. Therefore, he presumably represents the views of the Party to which I belong. It is a view I wish to disown entirely, because if a Party of any magnitude cannot produce better views than that on a serious subject, I confess I am ashamed of it. If this represents all that the Conservative Party can produce in the way of thinking on what is undoubtedly a serious subject, whatever your opinion about it may be, then this is deplorable.

If the noble Lord really thinks that there is no serious interest or belief taken nowadays in witchcraft, perhaps he does not read the right newspapers, but I can assure him that this is far from true. He is not a believer in unidentified flying objects. "I am no believer in UFOs", he said. I do not know how you can not believe in UFOs. You can take it for granted, if your mind takes a leap ahead, that by an unidentified flying object something is intended that is supposed to have originated in outer space, and you can say you do not believe in that. But I do not know what it implies to say that you do not believe in an unidentified flying object. You do not believe in the object? You do not believe in its flying? You do not believe it is unidentified? There are things that are unidentified. Perhaps we are not trying. I do not think it is reasonable to say that they do not exist. Nobody, except my noble friend Lord Hewlett, has seriously contended that they do not exist. The question is, what are they?

Lord TREFGARNE

I am pleased my noble friend has allowed me to intervene, my Lords, because he has been very caustic about what I had to say. I do not deny the existence of unidentified flying objects. I simply say that most of them are identifiable, that some are not objects at all but simply a trick of the light or a meteorological phenomenon—I think that is so in many cases—and that I agree one cannot deny the existence of unidentified flying objects. It is simply a question of how we identify them.

The Earl of CORK and ORRERY

My Lords, I take my noble friend's point. I am anxious not to misquote him, but he also said that ufologists—it is difficult not to use that word—referred to unexplained sightings which would be explained if only we had better evidence; that was the gist of one part of my noble friend's argument. In other words, if we had better evidence we should be able to explain those sightings. That is the sole point on which the noble Earl initiated this debate. That is what he is asking for: he wishes evidence to be collected, collated, examined, evaluated and reported on as to what these things are, and it is notable that he himself did not say what he thought they were. Other noble Lords have spoken as though he had said they were fairies or I do not know what, when in fact he said no such thing. I believe he is a leading authority on these matters—certainly he has studied them more closely than anyone else of whom I have heard—and he must have exercised very great restraint in this matter, and he is to be congratulated on that as well as on initiating the whole debate.

I once had an ancestor—I still have him in a sense, in that he is still my ancestor although he is dead—called Robert Boyle who founded a society called the Royal Society. I feel that if he returned to the rooms of that enormously prestigious society now and found that the present Royal Society contained Fellows of such erudition and charm as the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, he would feel entirely at home; a man of the most agreeable and totally non-sceptical nature, even if he did write a book called *The Sceptical Chemist*.

The noble Earl has done a service by displaying before our very eyes the scientist-philosopher who knows precisely the limits of science and makes no effort to go beyond them. Nor does he point the finger of scorn at anyone else. He must know, as others know, that it is impossible to prove anything by negative evidence. If you wish to prove that something is not so you can do it only in logic—by proving the existence of something that is so that makes that first premise impossible. Thus, you cannot prove that any particular type of flying object does not exist, and with respect to my noble friend, the fact that the Jodrell Bank telescope has not seen something not

only does not prove, but is not even particularly good evidence, that it was not there. *I am prepared to accept, if told, that the Jodrell Bank telescope has been operating on a frequency suited to the observation of UFOs of one kind or another for the last 30 years*, but, until I am told that, I shall be sceptical in that matter.

Lord HEWLETT

Let me be quite clear about this, my Lords. I did not say other than that Jodrell Bank had made many thousands of sightings but had been able adequately to explain them away as natural phenomena from our own universe.

The Earl of CORK and ORRERY

I thought that I had my noble friend right, my Lords; in other words, the telescope has not seen anything that was inexplicable. But I do not think that that is really an argument that something does not exist. The question is: what kind of thing can it be? I hope that my noble friend does not think that I am going on about him—I no longer am. How is it possible to maintain more than a certain degree of doubt in 1979?

I remember, as may some other noble Lords, one or two of whom may be present in the Chamber, my predecessor who sat in this House. He was born in the year 1873. When he was born there were no motor-bicycles or gramophones, fountain pens, safety razors or electric trains. Messrs. Daimler and Benz in Germany were just putting the first petrol-driven car on to the road, and Einstein, I think, was eight years old. My noble and gallant kinsman, when he finally left the active list of the Navy at a very advanced age, had lived into the age of the nuclear submarine, having begun his first sea-going voyage under sail. That was the band of progress represented technologically in the lifetime of one serving naval officer. What would he have said had he been told that in my lifetime—and I am not even all that near the end of it, either—I should see men on the moon; or computer technology carried to the pitch that it has reached; or that there would be such an outbreak of wisdom following Einstein and men like Schrodinger, Heisenberg and others; or the astonishing ascent of knowledge into the atomic world?

This has all happened in the lifetime of many of us, and yet we sit here, some of us, and say that marvels which have been postulated by some, and which indeed are less in magnitude than most of those would have been to my uncle, are impossible. We are not all saying that—perhaps nobody is saying that—but the argument is quite untenable. I have no wish to express any view on what a UFO may be. What I wish to say is that there is no knowing what it is not. It may be a product of some kind of psi faculty, as the noble Earl, Lord

Kimberley, mentioned. It may be mechanical. It may be mechanical. It may be purely terrestrial. I doubt if it is angels. But I believe that, for the clearing up of mystery, for the removal of doubt, for even the eliminating of some of the dangers which may exist and to which the right reverend Prelate referred, some kind of an open inquiry ought to be set up. I am rather inclined to agree with the noble Lord—I think that it was the noble Lord, Lord Kings Norton—who said that probably it should not be an intra-governmental inquiry. I think it should be something rather more open than that, but it ought to take place. If a group is set up within this House, as suggested by the noble Earl himself, that would be excellent. I should myself be entirely in favour of it. In any case, let us get this matter cleared up and into the open, and by all means let us take it seriously, because this is a serious subject. Far too many people are taking it seriously for it not to be a serious subject.

Finally, I wish to voice my most sincere congratulations to my noble friend who made his maiden speech this afternoon. It is very impertinent of me to congratulate him upon it, but I should like to say how much I enjoyed it. I have not yet said anything complimentary about the noble Earl who initiated the debate. I have left this to the end on purpose because I think it may not be entirely realised what a service he has done. This is the first such debate that has occurred in any society such as this particular one; and this society, by which I mean this noble House of Parliament, is probably the only legislative assembly in the world in which it could happen. I hope that it will have repercussions which will spread far beyond this Chamber. What the outcome will be I do not know, but, in initiating the ripples which I hope will spread all over the surface of the mill-pond, the noble Earl has done a most valuable service.

10.10 pm.

Lord STRABOLGI

My Lords, I should like to join with the noble Earl, Lord Cork and Orrery, in saying how grateful we are to the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, for initiating this debate on UFOs. Of course, the subject has been of considerable interest in this country, and I hope our discussions, which, as the noble Earl rightly said, have been the first that we have had in your Lordships' House, will help to increase public understanding. But before I reply in detail to the debate—and I think it has been a most interesting one—I should like to join with my noble friend Lord Davies of Leek in congratulating the noble Viscount, Lord Oxfuird, on his maiden speech. We were very glad to hear from him, if I may say so, and I hope we shall hear from him again on many other occasions. I shall be referring to some of the detail of his speech later, but at this

stage I should like to offer him my warmest congratulations.

There are undoubtedly many strange phenomena in the skies, and it can be readily accepted that most UFO reports are made by calm and responsible people. However, there are generally straightforward explanations to account for the phenomena, as I think was said by the noble Lord, Lord Trefgarne, speaking for the Opposition—and I must say that I welcomed his constructive speech. There is nothing to convince the Government that there has ever been a single visit by an alien space craft, let alone the numbers of visits which the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, claims are increasing all the time. As has been said today, we live in a huge universe. I find as awe-inspiring as Pascal did the contemplation of infinite space. There are some 100,000 million stars in our galaxy alone, which it would take 100,000 years to cross at the speed of light. Beyond our own galaxy, the distances become even more daunting. The light year, as your Lordships know, is about 6 million miles. The Andromeda galaxy is over 2 million light years away, and that is in our own local group of galaxies! There are, of course, other groups as well.

The evidence suggests that there is no intelligent life on the other planets of our own solar system, as the noble Viscount said. There are, of course, different views about whether there might be life elsewhere in the universe, but certainly there is no serious positive evidence to show that there is. If there were an advanced civilisation elsewhere in the universe, as my noble friend Lord Davies of Leek supposed, with the technology to traverse these colossal distances, there are many questions to be answered. What is the point of this alleged huge number of visits to our planet, over three decades or more, to no apparent purpose? There seem to be internal inconsistencies in the idea. To put it simply, if these alleged aliens prefer to keep out of the way, the number of reported sightings would surely be only a tiny portion of the actual UFO movements, which would run into many millions. If they do not prefer to pass unnoticed, we could surely expect unmistakable appearances.

Why have they never tried to communicate with us? Why has there been no evidence on radio of attempts at communication? And would not such a large number of movements be picked up by our defence radar system? Why has not a single artefact been found? Assuming that each visit does not represent a journey from a distant star, where are these alien space craft supposed to be hiding? Now that the idea of such bases on the moon or on another planet in our solar system is barely tenable, ufologists have had to claim that the aliens are based in the depths of the sea or in a great hole in the earth, or even that they come from invisible

universes and other space-time continua. Anyone who accepts the hypothesis of large numbers of alien visitations seems forced towards explanations that are ever more fantastic, and incapable of either proof or disproof.

As I have said, there really are many remarkable things to see in the sky; and most UFO reports relate to actual phenomena reported by sensible people. But, my Lords, let us consider the phenomena themselves—and the noble Lord, Lord Trefgarne, mentioned some of these. Huge quantities of space debris enter our atmosphere, and are often seen as meteors, and fireballs; bright planets and even the moon or stars have been reported as UFOs, in unusual atmospheric conditions, as the noble Lord, Lord Hewlett, said; there are tricks of light on cloud, and particular cloud structures; there is Aurora Borealis, St. Elmo's Fire and ball lightning which was referred to by the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, which has been known to drift along telephone or power lines. There are some 5,000 man-made objects in orbit, satellites and debris, some of which can be seen by the naked eye, some through binoculars. About 600 such man-made objects re-enter the atmosphere every year, as the noble Lord, Lord Hewlett, reminded us. The quantity is far less than natural space debris, but, my Lords, the phenomena can be astonishing.

Last April the Ministry of Defence received reports of a large piece of debris re-entering across the South of England. Most reports were factual, but one spoke of an ... oval thing with a white cockpit which hovered for a while then shot off at great speed". My Lords, we cannot prove that this was not a UFO, but it occurred at the same time and place as known re-entry of debris.

Many reports relate to aircraft seen in unusual conditions at unusual angles. One recent UFO was confidently reported on local radio. Again, my Lords, we cannot prove that it was not a UFO, but we do know that an RAF Vulcan bomber on a low-flying mission passed the same spot at the same time and on the same course as the reported UFO. Aircraft lights have led to UFO reports; as have distant aircraft with landing lights on—I have seen them myself—flares from aircraft, short condensation trails lit by the sun after dusk and light reflected from aircraft. Other phenomena include meteorological balloons. The Meteorological Office alone releases 50 such balloons every day, which expand to 40 ft. in diameter and rise to 100,000 ft. and can be lit by the sun after dark. Many other organisations, such as universities, use balloons, some much larger. Meteorological searchlights shine on clouds: the beam itself cannot be seen; only a point of light in the sky. There are hot air balloons and kites; even birds have been reported as UFOs; lights on distant

towers; car headlights on distant hills; dust devils; and airborne debris carried by the wind.

All these phenomena can be misinterpreted by the most sensible observers, particularly when seen unexpectedly and briefly and in unusual atmospheric conditions. This is what opponents of the natural explanations forget. With distortions of light, and mirages, the most commonplace things can be so changed as to be barely recognisable. For instance, I am told that the US Air Force attributed the 1947 sighting by Arnold described by the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, to a mirage effect.

Phenomena seen through glass are suspect. There are phenomena generated within the eyeball and there are optical illusions to which the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, referred. One scientist, whose task includes watching satellites, describes how, when observing stars near moving clouds, he finds it difficult to escape the illusion that the stars are flying past stationary clouds. The noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, referred to the green flash. I used to see it myself in Alexandria when on leave. It was one of our evening pastimes to sit on the promenade and watch it go down over the sea.

My Lords, in 1968, the United States Air Force commissioned the University of Colorado to carry out an independent study into UFO phenomena. Their report, which was published in 1969, was very substantial and detailed and it covered some 50 examples of such phenomena, but added that it was impossible and potentially misleading to try to tabulate all of the possible causes of UFO perception: there are simply too many. The report's main conclusion was, and I quote: Nothing has come from the study of UFOs in the past 21 years that has added to scientific knowledge". The findings of this report were endorsed by a panel of the National Academy of Sciences.

There really are tens of thousands of strange things to be seen. It is the custom to call such phenomena "UFOs", and to transpose this easily into "alien space craft". Often the appearance is too fleeting and the description too imprecise for a particular cause to be attributed. What we can say is that there is a great variety of plain explanations. There is no need, I suggest, for the far-fetched hypothesis of alien space craft.

To genuine sightings we must, however, add hallucinations; the excited tales of the gullible; and the embellishments of the born romantic. There are also indications that ufologists accept reports of UFOs somewhat uncritically. The noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, referred to a papyrus found among the papers of a Professor Tulli recording flying saucers during the reign of Thutmose III. The Colorado Report, which I mentioned earlier, inquired into this story. The alleged papyrus could not be traced, but internal evidence in the translation suggested a fake; inquiries with the

Vatican Museum also suggested that Tulli, an amateur Egyptologist, had been taken in by a fake.

There is a category of UFO cases which are difficult to explain because the description is too vague or the evidence too remote, coupled perhaps with a coincidence of different phenomena and with exceptional conditions. If one accepts that there are natural explanations that could account for most sightings, it is an enormous and irrational jump to claim that the residue of difficult cases constitute alien space craft when there is no positive evidence that they do constitute alien space craft.

I should mention the famous UFO reported over the United Kingdom in December 1978, on New Year's Eve in fact. This was the one probably seen by the noble Lord, Lord Gainford, to which he referred. The phenomenon was probably the re-entry of a launcher associated with the Russian space satellite COSMOS 1068, launched on 26th December. Of over 100 reports reaching the Ministry of Defence, nearly all were factual and consistent with the re-entry of satellite debris.

The recent sightings in New Zealand referred to by the noble Lord, Lord Kings Norton, attracted worldwide publicity, and we understand that the New Zealand Government may make an announcement when the facts have been assembled and appraised. Preliminary advice from our High Commission in New Zealand shows confident expectation that the sightings will prove to be due to natural phenomena, as I think the noble Lord, Lord Trefgarne, and the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, implied.

My Lords, the noble Earl who initiated this debate referred to the attitude of other Governments to UFOs. It is not for me to speak in this House for other Governments. I have however already made mention of the United States study in 1968 and I understand that nothing has happened since that time to cause the United States authorities to change their views or to warrant further official investigations of UFOs.

The noble Earl also referred to an interview which the then French Minister of Defence, M. Robert Galley gave in 1974 on the subject of UFOs. The noble Earl suggested that M. Galley had said that UFOs were real but that he, the Minister, did not know where they came from. I have read the transcript of M. Galley's broadcast and I also took the trouble to check it in the original French. The essence of what the Minister said was that the phenomena were genuine and were reported by responsible people, but that there were aspects that were difficult to explain. Nowhere did the Minister say that UFOs were real in the sense that they represent alien spacecraft, as suggested by the noble Lord, Lord Rankeillour.

The noble Earl, Lord Kimberley, also said that these had been seen by astronauts. These reports by astronauts were examined in the Colorado Study. The astronauts were required, of course, to report anything unusual perceived on their missions; and indeed many strange phenomena were noted. All the phenomena except three were explained. There was nothing at all to suggest that the unexplained sightings were alien spacecraft, and the limited visibility from the small and smeared windows of a spacecraft did not make visual observation easy.

It has been suggested in this debate that our Government are involved in an alleged conspiracy of silence. I can assure your Lordships that the Government are not engaged in any such conspiracy. In view of what the noble Lord, Lord Gainford, said, I must emphasise that the Ministry of Defence examines any UFO reports received to establish whether they reveal anything of defence interest, but nothing in the reports examined has ever given cause to believe that they represent alien spacecraft. There is nothing to have a conspiracy of silence about. What is more, a visitor from outer space would be one of the great events in history. It would certainly be an event of stupendous importance, but I hesitate to say the greatest event of all in the presence of my old friend the right reverend Prelate the Bishop of Norwich, whose moving speech we listened to with much interest.

As the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, said, scientists are rightly inquisitive people. If there was anything in the stories of UFOs, we would expect the scientific community as a whole to be devoting much effort to studying or to making contact with the supposed aliens; but the idea of a conspiracy of silence by this and other Governments belongs, I suggest, to the world of James Bond.

Then the noble Earl, Lord Kimberley, implied that there was some kind of cover-up. There is no cover-up and no security ban. It is true that when people ask to see the Ministry of Defence UFO files they are told that the papers must remain confidential, but there is a very mundane reason for that. The files contain voluminous correspondence from people, and we cannot divulge the identity of the correspondents. It follows that the files must remain closed under the rules laid down in the Public Record Acts, passed by Parliament, which at present preclude disclosure until 30 years have elapsed since the date of the particular correspondence. The earliest reports the Ministry of Defence hold are dated 1962.

The noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, mentioned the possibility of an intra-governmental study of UFOs. At the United Nations recently, representatives of Grenada made statements about UFOs and

proposals for a study. A compromise decision was taken, wherein the General Assembly invited "interested member states" to co-ordinate research "on a national level" and to inform the Secretary-General of their findings. The Secretary-General was requested to transmit the Grenadian statements and other relevant reports to the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space. This is not an inter-governmental study, in the sense that the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, is seeking, but he may be content that Grenada, and perhaps some other countries, may be reporting in an international forum.

Lord KINGS NORTON

My Lords, the word was "intra", not "inter".

Lord STRABOLGI

My Lords, I take note of what the noble Lord said. Then it has been suggested, too, in this debate that Her Majesty's Government should set up a study group. I am glad to say that the noble Lord, Lord Trefgarne, and the noble Lord, Lord Gladwyn, both speaking from the Front Benches for the Opposition Parties, did not support this proposal, and certainly Her Majesty's Government do not consider that there is any justification for the expenditure of public money on such a study. I repeat that I am grateful to the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, for raising the subject of UFOs, and I am particularly grateful to him for informing me in advance of the points which he proposed to make to your Lordships. However, from all I have said, I am sure that your Lordships will agree that there is no reason for my right honourable friend the Secretary of State for Defence to make a broadcast interview about UFOs, as the noble Earl, Lord Clancarty, suggested. As for telling the public the truth about UFOs, the truth is simple. There really are many strange phenomena in the sky, and these are invariably reported by rational people. But there is a wide range of natural explanations to account for such phenomena. There is nothing to suggest to Her Majesty's Government that such phenomena are alien space craft.

Viscount BARRINGTON

My Lords, may I ask a question? I did rise to ask it when the noble Lord, Lord Strabolgi, rose. I was going to ask it of the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, but I think it would be more courteous to ask it of the noble Lord, Lord Strabolgi. The subject of this debate is "objects", and in the expert speech—with almost all of which I agreed—of the noble Earl, Lord Halsbury, he mentioned that scientists, as scientists, are dealing only with material objects. I have to be careful here, as a non-scientist who minds his p's and q's, and who hardly knows a quasar from a pulsar, but is a black hole a material object?

Lord STRABOLGI

My Lords, I should not at all like to follow the noble Viscount down that avenue. I do not think that even scientists or astronomers know what black holes are. I may say that, in a way, I think it is a pity that the noble Viscount did not take part in the debate.

10.34 pm. The Earl of CLANCARTY

My Lords, I should like to thank the noble Lord, Lord Strabolgi, for his assurances and for the information which he has given us. I am sorry that we are not to be able to listen to, or see, his right honourable friend the Secretary of State for Defence giving a television interview about UFOs. There are just one or two very small points, before I end this debate. We have talked about the umpteen light years that some of these planets and stars are away from us. But we are looking at it from our own standpoint, because we started to fly only in 1903, when the Wright brothers took off. Now we have got Concorde, so we consider ourselves to be rather good. But we say that we cannot go right out into space because of all this distance in light years. Let us suppose, however, as has been suggested, that there are billions of planets with civilisations thousands of years old. Is it not possible that they could come here, after all that time, almost instantaneously? It is just a thought. A propos of that, I should like to bring to the attention of your Lordships a famous scientist and astronomer, our own Sir Fred Hoyle. Some years ago he wrote a book called *Of Men and Galaxies*. He wrote a passage in that book which I was allowed to quote in one of mine. It read: You are all familiar with an ordinary telephone directory. If you want to speak to someone, you look up his number and you dial the appropriate code. My speculation"— this is Sir Fred Hoyle speaking— is that a similar situation exists and has existed for billions of years in the galaxy. My speculation is that an interchange of messages is going on a vast scale all the time and that we are as unaware of it as a pygmy in the African forests is unaware of the radio messages that flash at the speed of light round the earth. My guess is that there might be a million or more subscribers to the galactic directory. Our problem is to get our name into that directory". I think that noble Lords will agree that there is a man of vision. Nothing is impossible in this world or in this universe. It is just that the seemingly impossible takes a little time to come about. My Lords, we have had an interesting discussion this evening. I should like to thank the right reverend Prelate the Bishop of Norwich and all noble Lords who have taken part in this debate for their wonderful contributions. I should also like to congratulate the noble Viscount, Lord Oxfuird, upon his splendid maiden speech. May I also thank all other noble Lords for their rapt and riveted attention. I beg leave to withdraw the Motion for Papers, by leave, withdrawn. **END**

When Aliens Come Knocking

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Everybody who has a home with a door leading directly onto a public highway will at some point receive visits from uninvited strangers. These visits are usually unwanted and annoying; religious preachers, political canvassers and salesmen are the most common. However, occasionally people receive very different callers of a more exotic nature. The example that automatically springs to mind are the Men in Black. I shall leave them aside because other UFO Truth Magazine contributors have covered them in detail, such as Nick Redfern. Also the Men in Black, whoever they are, are clearly making an attempt, to a greater or lesser degree, for whatever reason, to appear human. However, other extraterrestrial guests make no such pretence; they even turn up in their own vehicles.

One such experience happened to a woman living in northeast England in January, 2009. I'll call her "Casey", but that is not her real name; she guards her privacy fiercely because her job in a senior position in local government. It was about 9 pm when Casey went into her back garden to throw some rubbish away. The weather was dry with a clear sky and it was very cold. As she opened the door she noticed a bright orange light coming from above. She looked up to see an orange-coloured structured object with a grey outline above the roof of her house. This was the source of the orange light and it was shaped like a "ray fish"; a ray is a flatfish with a diamond-shaped body. It was completely silent and had no smell. Casey estimates that the craft's altitude was about that of a fifteen storey block of flats; roughly 150 feet. From this she judged its size to be about half that of a Boeing 747 airliner, roughly 120 feet. Below the main structure was a square appendage that resembled an "undercarriage" or "balloon gondola". Casey had a positive belief in UFO's but no serious interest in the subject before her encounter. She called her husband to come outside into the garden too which he did and he too saw the same object (Unfortunately he died in 2012 so I could not speak to him). Neither witness thought to fetch a camera from indoors and photograph the object because they were afraid it would vanish by the time they came back; also Casey felt that it would be a "violation" to take a picture of the craft without its permission. She felt very much at peace with the aerial intrusion above her house; she was totally calm. This might seem an odd frame of mind; and I made the same point in UFO Truth Magazine issue 18 when discussing Antonio Villas Boas who had consensual sex with one of the aliens who abducted him. It seems that the presence of an extraterrestrial object can sometimes change human thoughts and feelings into a different form than normal. Another strange element to the story was that ambient noise stopped. Casey lived on a busy street and also has a stream running through her back garden, yet the usual background sounds of these were hushed. She also did not feel cold

despite the fact that she stood in her garden for half an hour watching the UFO wearing only indoor clothing when the weather was freezing. This is what the researcher Jenny Randles calls "the Oz factor"; witnesses sometimes report that all the normal features of their surroundings change when these objects appear, as if UFOs have the ability to alter the very fabric of the universe. Either that or this alteration is a natural side-effect of their presence. Then Casey noticed a second object ten minutes after seeing the first one. It was exactly the same in appearance and behaviour and hovered at the same height above a house four doors along the street. She felt very differently about this object to the first one. She said it was "menacing". The second object then moved towards the first one at a walking pace. The first one glided away at the same speed at a right angle course leaving behind an "imprint"; a dark shadow where it had been, the same shape, like a footprint in the sky. The witnesses lost sight of it and ran through the house to the front garden to continue watching it. The orange light of the craft faded until it became invisible. When they returned to the back garden the second object was still there, it had stopped in the imprint of the first one. Eventually it glided off along the track of the first object and disappeared in the same manner. The imprint eventually dissolved and normal sounds returned. Then a black-coloured light aeroplane flew low over the house in the same direction as the UFOs. It was flying too slowly for a normal aircraft and had no engine noise. It had no lights or markings on it. This likely indicates that it was an 'esoteric object' attempting to disguise itself as a terrestrial aircraft and, like the Men in Black, not getting it quite right. Casey developed an osteoma soon afterwards, a benign tumour of the skull; and she has always wondered if this was connected to her UFO encounter. (1)

There are tantalizing similarities with Casey's close encounter to two others, also in England. A quite famous case, covered extensively by the media, is one that happened on October 21st, 1954 to Jessie Roestenberg. It was featured in a BBC television documentary in 1977 (in those days mainstream TV occasionally made good programmes about UFOs.) She was at home with her children at Ranton, an isolated hamlet in Staffordshire, when she heard a loud hissing sound. She ran outside to find her two sons lying on the ground with fear. She looked up and saw a disk shaped object; she described its appearance as a "giant Mexican hat", silver in colour. It was hovering low above her house, so low that it obscured most of the roof. It was tilted slightly so the top part of the craft was visible from the ground. The dome of the saucer was transparent, like a bubble canopy on an aircraft cockpit, and inside were two beings looking down at her; she called them "people". They were both masculine

and looked very similar. They wore identical blue suits with polo necks. Their hair was long and golden blond, and neatly cut in a bob. She said they were "beautiful" and thought that their attitude was somehow "sympathetic". She glanced away for a moment and when she looked back, the craft had moved considerably. It was now circling the area at a much higher altitude. After three orbits it ascended further until it was out of sight. She and her children were terrified and hid indoors until her husband came home. (2) Jessie Roestenberg spoke publicly about her encounter for her entire life, doing several televised interviews, and she never changed her testimony.

Another less renowned, but even more alarming, incident took place on September the 10th, 1981. This time, as with Casey, the setting for the encounter was a populated urban area, Plymouth in Devon. A woman called Denise Bishop arrived home in a taxicab and got out beside her house.

and shone onto the back of her hand. It caused her to stop moving and become rigid. After about thirty seconds the beam switched off and she was released from her paralysis. She bolted inside and slammed the door behind her. Before she did so she saw the UFO fly upwards into the distance and out of sight. Her sister was there, but she never saw anything strange. Denise then noticed a mark on her hand where the beam of light had touched it. She described it as a "burn" however there were spots of blood on her skin. This appears remarkably similar to the wounds many people complained of during the Colares flap of 1977 in Brazil. The scar endured for several months afterwards. (3)

In all of these cases the UFOs appear to be making deliberate approaches to human beings near their homes. This is very different to the more common sightings in which people happen to see a UFO at a distance in a public space and such events could be explained as 'accidental'. At the moment the



Denise Bishop showing the injury she sustained from her close encounter with a UFO in Plymouth in 1981.

She walked to the door and noticed a bright light behind her. She turned round and saw an object hovering in the sky above her. She estimated that it was 125 feet in diameter and was shaped like a "crab's body". Does she mean without the claws and legs? If so, this would make it similar in shape and size, to Casey's UFO. However this time the object itself was not luminescent. It had lights emanating from it; beams of light that were pastel shades of pink, purple and white. She fled towards her front door, hoping to hide inside her home, but as she grasped the door handle a lime green pencil-sized beam of light came from the object

UFOs motives remain unknown however for the people involved though, it is an unforgettable experience.

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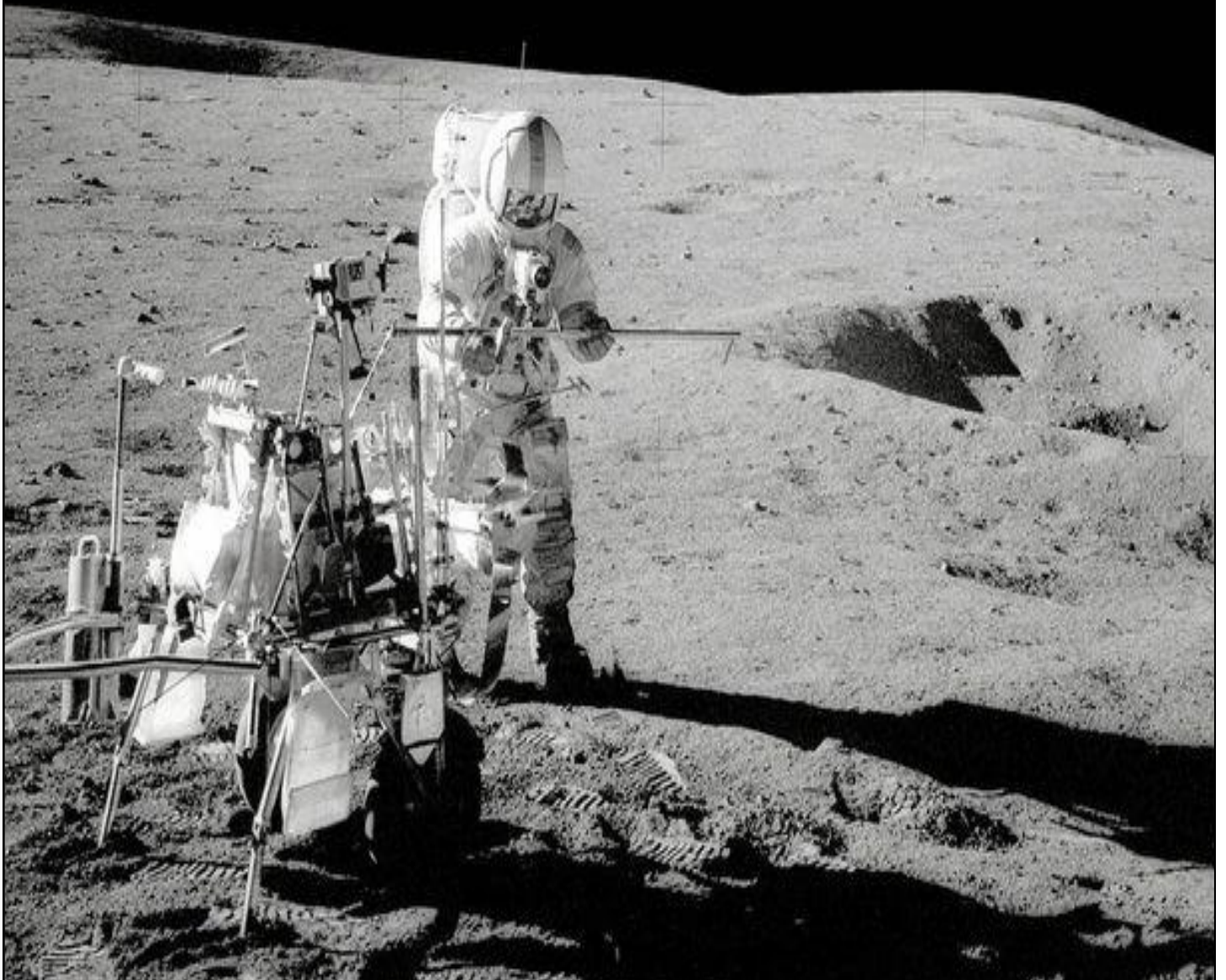
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