

- 8 APR 1988

UFOs: be open-minded

I cannot believe that the planets Venus and Jupiter could be mistaken for the spate of UFO sightings as many seem to be in complete contrast to the orbits of the planets.

For instance, some sightings have been cigar-shaped objects, others have had different coloured lights pulsating within them and the objects seen have only stayed stationary for very short periods before shooting away at phenomenal speeds sometimes climbing vertically.

Of course it's easy to dismiss these sightings as aircraft or planets, or even to one's imagination, but over the past 50 years or so many intelligent people like airline pilots and military personnel have seen them.

Even the American astronauts returning from the moon have given accounts of UFO's which have been conveniently suppressed by the United States defence department.

Obviously I agreed that a large percentage of sightings can be explained away by rational argument.

But what of the other five percent which seem to have no logical kind of explanation?

After all, there are hundreds of galaxies in the universe and astronomers discover more each year.

Many contain solar systems very much like ours, so it is not inconceivable that higher forms of intelligence could exist and that they have learned how to span the light years that separate us.

Perhaps we should be more open-minded and not dismiss these sightings out of hand.

Futurist,
Brownhills.