

From: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos <ballesterolmos@yahoo.es>
Date: Wed, 1 Jan 2003 16:55:31 +0100 (CET)
Subject: [UFORL] Anomaly Foundation web site-highlights in English, January 2003

Dear friend:

The "Anomaly Foundation" is a not-for-profit organization, based in Spain (Europe) and approved 1997 by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Culture. Aimed to perform, encourage and fund scientific-oriented UFO research, it collects financial donations from individuals and companies in order to achieve its objectives (in Spain, donations are 25% and 35% tax-deductible, respectively). The Anomaly Foundation provides grants, scholarships and prizes (one international in scope) and it regularly publishes two journals ("Cuadernos de Ufología" and "@nomalía"), as well as books under its "Camille Flammarion UFO Library". The Foundation's Board is formed by a large group of experienced, dedicated UFO investigators from all over Spain who have created a lot of synergy by combining their forces, talents and resources towards a common goal.

Our web site <<http://www.anomalia.org>> is in Spanish language but you will find relevant papers and information in English in the following links:

"What it is the Anomaly Foundation" <<http://www.anomalia.org/english.htm>>

"UFO book by V.J. Ballester Olmos again available"
<<http://www.anomalia.org/g009.htm>>

"Declassification! Military UFO Records Released: The Spanish Experience",
by V.J. Ballester Olmos: <<http://www.anomalia.org/declass.htm>>

"Anomaly Foundation Solves the Manises UFO Case":
<<http://www.anomalia.org/manisen.htm>>

"UFOs (Ballistic Missiles) in the Canary Islands":
<<http://www.anomalia.org/canen.htm>>

"The V.J. Ballester Olmos UFO Bibliography, 1965-2002":
<<http://www.anomalia.org/bibliog1.pdf>>

"The International Zurich UFO Prize By-Laws":
<<http://www.anomalia.org/d002.htm>>

"The Icefall Phenomenon investigated":
<<http://www.anomalia.org/premio01en.htm>>

"Ummo, the Planet of the Anonymous Correspondents", by Luis R. González
<http://www.anomalia.org/ummo_en.pdf>

"FOTOCAT Project": <<http://www.anomalia.org/fotocat1-htm>>

In addition to the English section, the Spanish-speaking readers will also benefit from plenty of other interesting information in the web site.

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Any cheques (payable to "Anomaly Foundation") can be mailed to:

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Yours sincerely,

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January 2003

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Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 18:43:28 +0000
Subject: [UFORL] Yahoo group 1 - UFO sightings recorded information line

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Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 20:15:30 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Here the New updatings of ufoitalia.net, 02/01/2003

Here the New updatings of ufoitalia.net, 02/01/2003

- Crete News section about Clonation (all languages)
- Updated the section on the Culture Ufology (italian)
- Updated the section of Malini and Dezi's Articles (italian)
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- New Article: Encuentro Cosmico (espanol)

All this on <http://www.ufoitalia.net> the portal of the new independent ufology.

If you assisted to an outside phenomenon to your knowledge, or sighted an ufo, let us know, send a mail to: dezi@ufoitalia.net For advice, collaborations services, so don't hesitate to write: dezi@ufoitalia.net

Hello from Dezi Federico co-manager of the site
<http://www.ufoitalia.net>
Owner of the strip <http://it.groups.yahoo.com/group/federicodezi> (Italian)
owner of the strip <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/newsufo2002> (international)

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From: "bortaf ----" <fatrob83@hotmail.com>
Date: Thu, 02 Jan 2003 21:23:48 +0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>>To: <UFORL@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham
>Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 05:10:42 -0000
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>Regarding:
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>>From: "David Clarke" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>>Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 09:58:27 -0000
>>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham
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I've seen the video before, on this page
<http://bjbooth.topcities.com/videos.html>
It has a few old sightings reports..
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Date: Fri, 3 Jan 2003 16:50:59 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Kelly Green Men
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mcarlton@kentuckynewera.com

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 4 Jan 2003 02:24:16 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com
>Date: Tue, 31 Dec 2002 13:55:13 EST
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

Tim wrote:

>For those of us on this side of the pond who watch FOX-
>News, we were entertained last night with a brief
>discussion of Rendlesham on "The Factor". After all the
>tease throughout the show, I sort of expected to see Ian
>Ridpath, James Easton, Jenny Randles, David Clarke, or
>Andy Roberts discussing the matter. However, the one
>individual who was presented talking about the "newly
>released" documents was Peter Robbins. Needless to say,
>I couldn't believe it. Chris Gibson really demonstrated
>no preperation for the brief interview...

Tim,

Thankfully, that's not always the situation.

I know from contacts, especially via 'rendlesham.com',
that many media sources are more informed about the true
facts.

It's not accidental that any online search for
information on the "bentwaters ufo", or "woodbridge ufo",
or "rendlesham forest ufo" normally returns
'rendlesham.com' as the most prominent source of
information.

In December, for example, the local BBC radio station for
the Eastern Counties [covering the south-east England
area where the case has its origins] broadcast a feature
on the newly released documents and I was asked to
participate. As Dave Clark and Andy Roberts had direct
involvement with the documents release, I suggested they
would be ideal guests and was able to quickly arrange
this with Dave.

I'm also aware of several mainstream media sources who
intended to significantly highlight certain 'UFO cover-
up' claims published during the last couple of years.
After I had been asked for a formal comment to be

included and was able to factually set the 'cover-up' nonsense in perspective [even before the MoD's file was available], not one of those proposed 'sensationalist' articles or programs went ahead.... that was their call.

>...Robbins was able to say anything (stating there were
>three nights vice two to include Larry Warren...

>...If I recall correctly, Col. Halt stated that Warren
>was never involved with the incidents in question.

Halt's argument is that he believes Warren hadn't completed his training and could not therefore have been on duty.

It isn't proven and Halt may be mistaken. As recently noted, there are elements of Warren's story which appear to include specific references to parts of the radio communication we can hear on Halt's microcassette recording. It seems Warren first described these before a copy of Halt's recording was generally available, although Warren could simply have heard the radio traffic without being involved.

Warren is probably correct in claiming there were 'three nights' - it was one of the first points which John Burroughs mentioned to myself.

It doesn't exactly strengthen the 'alien spaceship [repeatedly] landing' scenario when 'strange lights' are observed in the same vicinity three nights in a row and we now appreciate the base personnel were unfamiliar with coastal lights that could deceptively be seen from within Rendlesham forest, which was off-base.

As it happens, I was speaking with Ian Ridpath earlier tonight and on his new web site Ian has uploaded a night-time photograph of the general 'landing site' area which he took in 1983, see:

<http://users.macunlimited.net/ianrid/ufos/rendlesham>

The larger version available is more revealing.

>It was too that somebody with a firmer grasp on the case
>conducted the interview or had been included in on the
>debate.

All going well, there might just be more than one prominent, factually insightful, media development later this year.

James.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "Erick Maillot" <erick.maillot@wanadoo.fr>
Date: Sat, 4 Jan 2003 21:46:48 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Socorro 2

I wrote :

>> When L.Zamora is in the south of the town, on the N.85, he said saw the object at S.E (at left of the road 85), and describe a flame. L.Z see the flame at the moment (in town ?) he stopped to chase a car at high speed (strange attitude for a police officer). Is the object masked, totally or partially, by hills at this moment ?

Only Quintanilla said the object is to South-East (an error?). The other versions indicate _all_ south-west. L.Z stops the car chase when he thinks that the flame is close to the shack... and the dynamite (detail which confirms the S-W direction and why L.Z stopped his chase).

James wrote :

> To recap: in his official report, Zamora explained: « Did not notice any object at top, did not note if top of flame was level. Sun was to west and did not help vision... Could not see bottom of flame because it was behind the hill ».

The hill masked the bottom. But what masked the top is also a problem... The roof of L.Z car is a possible explanation as said by Larry Hatch.

> If it was a hot-air balloon, those 'legs' would be the struts supporting a platform/basket.

The struts are very thin, as your link showed it. Very very thin for the platform without basket. Is it possible to note it at 200 meters?

> Strictly, Zamora did not claim to have seen « two legs », only « what appeared to be two legs of some type from the object to the ground ».

If there is a basket (vertical position), the "legs" don't touch the ground. The "legs" converge and don't diverge (from his point of view) as described by L.Z. If there is no basket the "legs" are too thin so that L. Z. sees them (and he must see the two entities on the platform when the object is on the same level as its car).

> There wasn't necessarily a basket, possibly only a basic platform. For example, see the contemporary, early, 1963 platform on display at the 'Musee des Ballons', Château de Balleroy [.]

The balloon can be only in the south-west of the platform or the basket. Two reasons:

- 1) to be in conformity with the drawing of L.Z: the "legs" are in front of the oval shape which then is well seen towards south-west.
- 2) blowing wind of the North-East and which thus carries out the balloon

towards south-west (to be logical with this hypothesis!).

Zamora did not see either the gas bottles (sphere or cylinder) of this platform.

As regards the large bush, are there photographs of the site? To see whether there exists or not, and where it would be.

> Zamora also confirmed that when he first viewed the landed object from distance, it was only for a couple of seconds and again, he didn't, « pay much attention » [...]

It does not pay any attention at too many moments. L.Z said he stopped his car a couple of seconds to pay no much attention and report that one entity turns to him, jumps in something. Note : jump on a platform is a strange attitude (more coherent with a basket).

> « When I first saw the object (when I thought it might be a car) I saw what appeared to be two legs of some type from the object to the ground.

From: "verafizz2002 <verafizz2002@yahoo.com.br>"
<verafizz2002@yahoo.com.br>
Date: Mon, 06 Jan 2003 00:48:23 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] ARE WE ALONE?

It's very important to watch the video ARE WE ALONE by Zecharia
Sitchin on www.infinitetv.com.br.(spoken in english).VERA

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobins@indiana.edu>
Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 13:02:21 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro
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I originally proposed the hot-air balloon theory. I will comment on your questions. See my comments interspersed within your text.

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See this web page for more:

<http://php.indiana.edu/~lrobins/howisoco.htm>

@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Erick Maillot [mailto:erick.maillot@wanadoo.fr]

@ Sent: Sunday, December 22, 2002 2:20 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

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@ Hello,

@

@ With my friend David Rossoni, we recently discuss on the different

@ hypothesis for the Socorro case. He said to me to subscribe

@ at this list to

@ have more informations and have answers at my numerous

@ questions. As you can

@ see, my english is not very academic and it's difficult for

@ me to explain

@ exactly my mind. If i'm not clear, please say it to me immediatly.

@

@ Many explanations are proposed for Socorro and many problems

@ seems to be not

@ solved with it, for me. To begin, I propose to examine only the most

@ actually consistant : the "balloon". This explanation is still very

@ vague/generalist for me ; many details aren't diffused or

@ specify in french

@ literature and I'm not specialist/amateur in hot-air balloon.

@

@ a/ When L.Zamora is in the south of the town, on the N.85, he

@ said saw the

@ object at _S.E_ (at left of the road 85), and describe a

@ flame. L.Z see the

@ flame at the moment (in town ?) he *stopped to chase* a car

@ at high speed

@ (strange attitude for a police officer).

There is an error in your text. He started to chase the speeder.
He then became aware of the roar, and stopped chasing the speeder
because he thought a dynamite shack in the area might have blown up.

Is the object
@ masked, totally or
@ partially, by hills at this moment ?

@ b/ At this* moment, if there is a balloon, the low sun (approx $W = Az^\circ 280/h^\circ 10$) must reflect brightly (L.Z said the sun embarrass
@ his view and
@ he had sun glasses) on his envelopp ("in mylar", very reflective !?).
@ Strangely , Zamora don't see the big envelope, nor the
@ basket but _only_
@ the flame who is under the envelope. How the list can explain this ?

He was in the drivers seat (on the left) and looking out the right side window. The roof of the car could have hidden the envelope. Or it might have nearly matched the sky (Zamora was wearing sunglasses).

There were no baskets on hot-air balloons in 1964. Instead, they used flat platforms. (Some had just harnesses, like parachute harnesses, for the balloonists.) See attached image of a 1964 balloon.

Mylar was not in general use for anything except recording tape in 1964. The aerostat (envelope) was probably made of nylon sail material.

@ c1/ When L.Z enter with his car on the gravel road, he saw an
@ vertical egg
@ or "car on the radiator" with two legs . Where or what are
@ this legs on a
@ balloon, that L.Z can see _at high_ distance when he saw the
@ two whiteclothes
@ entities?

Probably the A-Frame that holds up the burner over the platform. Possibly he saw the tipped over platform edge-on, plus the A-frame tubing. Or he might have seen the ripdown cords hanging down. These are used to suddenly open the top of the balloon to collapse it after a landing - never in flight. They prevent the balloonists from being dragged by the wind.

@ c2/ L.Zamora saw 2 entities but don't saw the basket. It's
@ only possible if
@ the envelope is N.E side and the basket S.W (masked at his view by
@ the envelope). Is it logic if the wind and the balloon go to S.W ?

He would have had to wait a year to see a basket. The first basket on a

modern hot-air balloon was used in 1965. Gas balloons used them earlier, but not hot-air balloons (too much weight). Flat platforms were used in 1964.

The wind was from the northeast, at Zamora's left back. (You aren't the first UFOlogist to get wind directions backward. The reported direction for wind is always the direction the wind comes FROM, not the direction it blows to. Why do you think weather vanes point into the wind?)

In fact, Coral Lorenzen ALWAYS got it backwards, as she did in this case.

The platform and men were actually hidden behind a low ridge between Zamora and the landing site. Remember that the platform is very small compared to the aerostat (see photo).

@ d/ Are the soil traces conform with a basket which bump into ground ?
@ Precisely, has somebody a proof that a basket with rectangles
@ (how many ?) on
@ his floor exist in 1964 and can make this 4 imprints
@ concordant with the
@ mesurement of the trace?

It probably went bump-bumpity-bump when it hit, bouncing to make the traces. Hot air balloon landings are rarely a single touchdown. Sometimes the platform rotates as it hits, striking successive corners.

@ Was it a triangle basket or a
@ rectangle basket ?

I have photos of platforms of both kinds.

@ e/ If the basket was lied down, to make burning some bush,
@ how would you
@ explain the relative central position of the burned trace*
@ with the four
@ imprints?

Two possibilities:

1. The impact jerked open the burner valves before the platform came to a final rest.
2. They probably had to move the platform to line it up with the envelope (now on the ground, but still full of air), and to stretch open the mouth.

During the re-inflation stage, the burner fires sideways. In early designs, they laid the platform on its side.

HEY! I just thought of something. They needed something to hold up

the mouth ring of the balloon. Maybe they used that bush.

@ The flame can't be "in" the basket imprints but only outside
@ in the
@ direction of the fall/movement. If the basket only touch and
@ go (always in
@ vertical position), any burn trace is coherent.

Like I said, the platform was light, and they probably moved it to line up the burner with the mouth of the envelope.

@ f/ Others witness are referenced in this story (tourist of
@ Colorado, man in
@ a fuel station, ...). Have you those complete reports ?

The reports are not complete at all. The tourist never came forward later. All we have is the hearsay testimony of the gas station attendant.

@ I hope you can light my point of view on those questions with
@ your large
@ knowledge on this case.
@ Cordially, have a nice Christmas and an happy new year !
@
@ Eric Maillot
@
@ PS 1: If you have some photos (or URL) of the balloon which
@ explain this
@ case, please send me it. Idem for photo of the site or trace.
@ PS 2 : In the future, I will developp and submit to your
@ critic spirit an
@ idea based on the Chocktaw H34. But many details/information
@ still missing.

Here is the part which makes me think it was a balloon. The appearances and the sounds match the proper times for the use of the burner in flying the balloon, but not for any rocket or engine powered device:

1. Zamora reported the long axis of the ellipse is horizontal when he arrived at the place where he parked his car. The aerostat (envelope) is now lying on the ground (not enough lift), and the balloonists are out of sight behind a low ridge, as is the bottom edge of the aerostat. The burner is off, and there is no sound.

2. The balloonists turn on the burner. Zamora hears a roar, and sees flames at the bottom of the object. He run, and loses his glasses. At this point, he is thinking of a gas tank truck about to explode.

3. One account (I can't find it now) says that Zamora reported a brief glance which showed the long axis of the ellipse was at a 45 degree angle to the horizontal.

4. When Zamora looks back while running away toward a gully on the other side of the road, he sees that the object has risen up off the ground, and the long axis is vertical. The roar is persisting. At this point, the aerostat has become airborne, but does not have enough lift to raise the platform and balloonists, which are still behind the low ridge.

5. Zamora reaches the gully, slides down into it, and hides. The roar stops. He looks over the ridge, and sees the object, long axis vertical, flying away from him. The aerostat has achieved enough lift to raise the platform and men, so the balloonists shut off the burner. The wind then carries them away.

The flames, and especially the sounds heard, match a balloon takeoff perfectly. Had the object been a rocket or plane, it should have fallen or landed the moment the roar ceased. I have witnessed many hot air balloons (we have three balloon teams in the area), and can tell you that they are LOUD when heard up close.

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 13:20:35 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham

Some things that have not been mentioned much in this case:

1. As in the Washington National case of 1952, and the Kincheloe AFB case in 1967, MTI (moving target indicator) systems had just been installed shortly before the 1956 L-B sighting. RADAR operators unfamiliar with the "new" operation easily got the set out of calibration by continuing to use it the old way. When so misadjusted, stationary targets, instead of disappearing, were brighter than moving ones.
2. The same operator was on duty in both the Lakenheath and Kincheloe cases.
3. Sending planes after spurious targets was nothing unusual in 1956. They were still trying to find out what caused spurious targets, and needed to know what could be found at the target location.
4. They were thinking of Soviet "alien invasions", not extraterrestrial ones, at the time.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: el220101 <garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk>

@ [mailto:garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk]

@ Sent: Monday, December 23, 2002 8:37 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham

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@ Hi All,

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@ Dave in his Lakenheath post wrote:

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@ 'I've spent the best part of two years working almost exclusively on
@ the Lakenheath- Bentwaters case, and related UK radar-visual
@ incidents from the 1940s and 50s and have to say that big question
@ marks remain. The RAF destroyed the majority of their files on all
@ these incidents in 1961, so the true sequence of events may
@ never be known. But I suspect that a number of these early cases were
@ a) the by-products of experimentation with Electronic Counter
@ Measures (or 'radar spoofing'); c) natural phenomena mis-interpreted
@ within the context of evolving radar technology and d) a
@ few 'unknowns' too.'

@

@ There could also be a blend of c) and d) in the form of still as yet
@ unknown natural phenomena causing problems in the context of evolving
@ radar technology...

@

@ Best

@ Gary Anthony

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From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Tue, 07 Jan 2003 14:54:42 +0000
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham

At 13:20 06/01/2003 -0500, you wrote:

>Some things that have not been mentioned much in this case:

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>1. As in the Washington National case of 1952, and the Kincheloe AFB
>case

>in 1967, MTI (moving target indicator) systems had just been installed
>shortly before the 1956 L-B sighting. RADAR operators unfamiliar with
>the

>"new" operation easily got the set out of calibration by continuing to
>use it the old way. When so misadjusted, stationary targets, instead of
>disappearing, were brighter than moving ones.

Which reminds of a story told to me by a retired Air Traffic Controller. When he was working at Coventry Airport in the UK during the 1960's a new radar system was installed. To their shock a number of low-level unidentified targets were detected which had never been seen before. After a period of some hours someone had the bright idea to ask the local RAF base if they were operating in the area. They said "Of course we are, why? Haven't you ever seen us on your radar before!" It turned out that the RAF were using that part of the sky to practice low level flying and that the new radar was able to see through the ground clutter.

Cheers

John

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Thu, 9 Jan 2003 01:21:06 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

Regarding:

>From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
>Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 13:02:21 -0500
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

Larry wrote:

>There were no baskets on hot-air balloons in 1964.
>Instead, they used flat platforms. (Some had just
>harnesses, like parachute harnesses, for the
>balloonists.)

>He would have had to wait a year to see a basket. The
>first basket on a modern hot-air balloon was used in
>1965. Gas balloons used them earlier, but not hot-air
>balloons (too much weight). Flat platforms were used in
>1964.

Larry,

Canvas hot-air balloon 'baskets' were already in use by
January 1964. See, for example, this photograph taken at
the 18 January, 1964 Catalina Channel Balloon Race:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/catalin2.jpg>.

>Mylar was not in general use for anything except
>recording tape in 1964. The aerostat (envelope) was
>probably made of nylon sail material.

My understanding is that the most common, contemporary,
aerostat material was [shiny] polyurethane coated nylon.

Also regarding:

>From: "Erick Maillot" <erick.maillot@wanadoo.fr>
>Date: Sat, 4 Jan 2003 21:46:48 +0100
>Subject: [UFORL] Socorro 2

>>If it was a hot-air balloon, those 'legs' would be the
>>struts supporting a platform/basket.

>The struts are very thin, as your link showed it. Very
>very thin for the platform without basket. Is it
>possible to note it at 200 meters?

Erick,

Initially, I said, "There wasn't necessarily a basket, possibly only a basic platform. For example, see the contemporary, early, 1963 platform on display at the 'Musee des Balloons', Chateau de Balleroy".

I didn't mean to imply there wasn't a basket involved, only that it could _possibly_ have been a more basic platform.

In either event, the struts would indeed have been thin, however, that could apply to landing gear on many types of vehicle - for example the struts supporting wheels on an H-34 helicopter.

All we can say is that Zamora claimed to have briefly observed "what appeared to be two legs of some type from the object to the ground".

Zamora wasn't sure about this and in his statement adds, "I didn't pay any attention to the two 'legs?'". Note his question mark.

>If there is a basket (vertical position), the "legs"
>don't touch the ground. The "legs" converge and don't
>diverge (from his point of view) as described by L.Z. If
>there is no basket the "legs" are too thin so that L. Z.
>sees them (and he must see the two entities on the
>platform when the object is on the same level as its
>car).

The two people he glimpsed were not likely to still be in the basket/platform at that time. They were apparently standing some four feet apart, according to one of Ray Stanford's interview with Zamora as published in 'Socorro Saucer'.

>Zamora did not see either the gas bottles (sphere or
>cylinder) of this platform.

Zamora confirmed to Stanford that during this first observation, he only viewed the entire scene for "two seconds".

As Zamora says, "When I first saw the object... I didn't pay much attention to what it was".

>As regards the large bush, are there photographs of the
>site? To see whether there exists or not, and where it
>would be.

Not that I'm aware of.

>It does not pay any attention at too many moments. L.Z
>said he stopped his car a couple of seconds to pay no
>much attention and report that one entity turns to him,
>jumps in something. Note : jump on a platform is a
>strange attitude (more coherent with a basket).

Zamora's statement reads, "One of these persons seemed to turn and look straight at my car and seemed startled--seemed to jump quickly somewhat".

Here, the translation of "jump" means 'to have a fright'.

>« slanted outwards » indicates a vertical position for
>struts (no basket lied, no returned platform). In this
>case the burners cannot be downwards or horizontal, only
>vertical => How to explain the burning bush ?

That's a good question.

If the flame which had "sliced" a large greasewood bush had been caused by a hot-air balloon's burner being overturned, this could have been at any stage during the brief landing and take-off.

Should that be what did in fact occur, we can only speculate when it happened.

>Very tall ! It masked a platform (or a basket), the gas
>bottles and the two entities who never reappeared in his
>report: they disappeared in the 4th dimension (in the
>balloon's hypothesis!) ?

Helpfully, Stanford later measured the bush and it was, perhaps surprisingly, "five feet, two inches at its highest point".

This seems tall enough to hide critical details.

Stanford documents that from both of Zamora's viewpoints, he could never see the entire bottom of the object because greasewood bushes were always directly in Zamora's line of sight.

Also keep in mind that even Zamora's second and closest observation only lasted a few seconds before the 'roaring flame' started up again and Zamora statedly fled in terror, losing his spectacles in the process.

>I never saw a picture of these « railings ». And you ?
>How are they arranged under the platform ?

In some of those early 1963/64 hot-air balloon flights the platform had railings/bars which were _above_, not underneath (and intended to stop the balloonist(s) falling out!).

>I found summaries of those reports:
>- Felix Philipps, who lives south near from the landing
>site, noticed no sound (open windows). It's only
>possible if the wind blows hard from S/SW to N/NE. In
>contradiction with the supposed movement of a balloon.

What if I suggested the witness might have been partially deaf?

Doubtless this wouldn't be accepted as a possible explanation, however, it was apparently true.

In 'Socorro Saucer', Ray Stanford writes, "US Highway 85, the state's major north-south artery, passes very close to the man's house. Heavy tractor-trailer trucks make a tremendous amount of noise, that probably, without considering the other factors described here, would have masked the UFO's sound (verified in Hynek's report to USAF...)".

Of still more significance, he adds, "the man who Mr Klass quotes, according to several members of the Socorro police force whom I asked about it, is severely hard of hearing. A member of the sheriff's department, named Bates, even said, '...he is so hard of hearing that you have to shout in his ear to get much across to him. Everyone knows that!'."

>Others saw dust when the object landed (L.Z also). L.Z
>indicated that he had seen dust also when the object
>took off. Is it coherent with a balloon?

In 'Socorro Saucer', when describing the object's landing, Zamora reportedly said, "Didn't notice any smoke, but some dust seemed moving over the land in that general direction". He then clarifies, "The wind was blowing hard, Possible it came from the windy day".

In his statement, Zamora wrote that when the object departed again, he noticed, "No smoke, except dust in immediate area".

Could this also possibly have been caused by the wind?

We can surely resolve this by considering Zamora's recollections of the take-off, as published in 'Socorro Saucer', where Stanford writes:

"Zamora felt a distinct heat on his body coming from the craft's exhaust, but there was not nearly so much heat as there should have been if this were a rocket's exhaust of equal size and brilliance.

The sound made up for it, however, Zamora thought later.

Something else, though, made the 'flame', streaming downward only fifteen paces from Zamora, seem unusual.

He told me, 'That roaring flame. It looked like it should'a bounced [deflected] off the ground, but it didn't.

In fact, it was more like some fiery Excalibur, actually penetrating into the rocks and the earth, instead of deflecting off to the side as a gaseous rocket exhaust would have done'."

Stanford adds, 'I was puzzled about this as I stood at the landing site that afternoon...'."

If the perceived rocket exhaust visibly didn't 'deflect' off the ground, then how could it be responsible for scattering any dust?

Would it be, as you ask, consistent with a hot-air balloon?

Is there any other aerial vehicle comparative to what Zamora describes here and which can also, silently, remain airborne after the propulsion unit has evidently been switched-off after only a few seconds initial thrust.

>A witness said he was not far of an airfield at Socorro.
>The airfield is not far (1 or 2 miles south) of the
>landing site ! A weather station (and data) can be found
>in this airfield. It can close the debate on the wind
>direction... Why nobody see the ufo in the local control
>tower?

We don't know that they didn't...

Incredibly, it seems nobody ever contacted Socorro Municipal Airport to ask if they knew of anything flying at the time of Zamora's sighting and which might explain the object he reported.

>I'm very surprise of many deficiencies in the
>investigations. Does one have a weather report of the
>area of Socorro (or at least a newspaper of the day!) in
>this file?

Unfortunately, it wouldn't confirm with any certainty what the wind direction was in the 'landing site' location, at the precise time of Zamora's encounter.

>The balloon's hypothesis is overall tempting, very
>convincing on certain details but on others it poses
>problems which are not taken into account by many
>sceptical ufologist (ie : the high tension line at 1
>miles west).

As you can see, many of the points you consider problematic have known explanations.

What was the issue about a high tension line - I can't recall you mentioning this previously.

>No doubt here is a reality and not a hoax as said P.J.
>Klass.

Absolutely no question about that.

>Now I would like to present the helicopter's hypothesis
>(not the Bell UH1 with a Surveyor probe, a funny one at
>my sense : shape not coherent, out of White Sand
>zone,... but a Sikorsky H34).

>Not easy to test this idea without having all the data
>on the case and without being able to inquire into the
>site of the observation! It is thus only a hypothesis to
>be tested not a solving at this time :

That's fair enough and it's an interesting hypothesis,
however, you have some fundamental problems to overcome
at the beginning.

Could, for example, an H-34 lift-off using a downward
rocket propulsion, then remain silently airborne and
always without any noticeable turbulence from its blades?

As Zamora reportedly confirmed to Ray Stanford; after the
object had slowly ascended again, the 'roaring flame'
ceased and it took off across the ground so silently,
"You could'a heard a pin drop".

James.
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Thu, 9 Jan 2003 02:19:11 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Starscope

Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com
>Date: Fri, 27 Dec 2002 20:17:30 EST
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Starscope

Tim wrote:

>>From: "fatrob83 <fatrob83@hotmail.com>"
>>Date: Fri, 27 Dec 2002 15:02:18 -0000
>>Subject: [UFORL] Starscope

>>Unfortunately i havn't got a radiation meter yet so i
>>can't check for radiation peaks in pine needles but
>>maybee in the new year? Or has anyone rechecked the
>>forest for radiation peaks recently? or since?

>I haven't measured pine needles but using an AN/PDR-27
>with the beta window open usually gave some deflection
>on many sources such as rocks. Also, the number of
>"clicks" reported by the operator don't seem to agree
>with his readings. If I recall correctly it was a few
>hundreds clicks per minute that signified 0.1 mrem (this
>value may be off by this is what I remember from my navy
>days). The 0.07 value should have been a lot more than a
>few clicks described on the tape.

Tim,

Extracted from some correspondence coincidentally being
sent to UFO UpDates:

[BEGIN]

As I was able to prove in 2001, the radiation levels
reported by Halt in his memo to the MoD are much higher
than what was actually recorded - see, for example:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/2001/oct/m16-004.shtml>

and...

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/2001/nov/m04-006.shtml>

Bottom line; on Halt's microcassette recording he confirms more than once that the Geiger counter being operated by Disaster Preparedness NCO, Sgt. Monroe Nevilles, is set to the 'point five scale'.

This [lowest] sensitivity setting enabled detection of radiation between 0-.5 milliroentgens, i.e., a maximum of .5 milliroentgens.

The dial was in units [clicks] of 0-100 and readings documented on Halt's recording reach a maximum of '7 clicks', i.e., 7 on a scale of 0-100.

However, Halt's memo claims the radiation detected was between, "0.5-0.7".

Clearly, that was impossible on a scale where 100 units/clicks would be required to signify 0.5 milliroentgens [and could never record a level of 0.7 milliroentgens].

This has been established for well over a year and not, to my knowledge, ever challenged by any evidence to the contrary.
[END]

Is it therefore proven that the true, maximum, reading [albeit unreliable in the first place] documented on Halt's recording - i.e., 7 units/clicks on the .5 scale - was actually .035 milliroentgens?

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Actually 7 minor units on the 0.5 mr/hr scale would be 0.07 mr/hr.

Tim

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Thu, 9 Jan 2003 03:01:20 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

I wrote:

[BEGIN]

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<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/catalin2.jpg>.

[END]

Note: that formal 'full stop' at the end should of course be edited out if accessing the URL.

James.

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobbins@indiana.edu>
Date: Thu, 9 Jan 2003 10:06:58 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2003 8:21 PM

@ To: UFO Research List

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

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@ Regarding:

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@ >From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobbins@indiana.edu>

@ >Date: Mon, 6 Jan 2003 13:02:21 -0500

@ >Subject: RE: [UFORL] Many question on Socorro

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@ >There were no baskets on hot-air balloons in 1964.

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@ Larry,

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I was thinking of the steel coil baskets they use today.

@ All we can say is that Zamora claimed to have briefly
@ observed "what appeared to be two legs of some type from
@ the object to the ground".

Which could also have been control cables - some of them
are quite thick.

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@ >said he stopped his car a couple of seconds to pay no
@ >much attention and report that one entity turns to him,
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@ turn and look straight at my car and seemed startled--
@ seemed to jump quickly somewhat".

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@ Here, the translation of "jump" means 'to have a fright'.

I do not have any account which states the being jumped INTO
something, just that he seemed startled.

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@ >struts (no basket lied, no returned platform). In this
@ >case the burners cannot be downwards or horizontal, only
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@ That's a good question.

That is assuming they had a textbook landing, which, in a
wind, is a rarity.

@ >I found summaries of those reports:
@ >- Felix Philipps, who lives south near from the landing
@ >site, noticed no sound (open windows). It's only
@ >possible if the wind blows hard from S/SW to N/NE. In
@ >contradiction with the supposed movement of a balloon.

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@ What if I suggested the witness might have been partially
@ deaf?

Actually, I have discovered through repeated observations
that the sound is strongly directional. You can barely hear
a hot-air balloon from the side, unless it is within 100
feet or so. But if you are under the balloon in flight, the
sound is MUCH LOUDER. It seems to be concentrated by the

shape of the aerostat and expelled through the mouth opening.

The first time I heard this effect, the dog was scared, and it sounded like the neighbor's house had exploded. But the dog was barking straight up. So I ran out, and saw the balloon about 200 - 400 feet up, flying over the house. I could hear faintly the voices of the balloonists. As the balloon moved away, the burner fired again, and the sound like a distant airliner - not loud at all.

So, with the balloon on its side, Zamora was in a position to hear the maximum sound, but the neighbor was not.

As the balloon flew away, the burner might have been used again, but Zamora was no longer in a position to hear the loud roar.

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@ general direction". He then clarifies, "The wind was

@ blowing hard, Possible it came from the windy day".

Or the platform scraping the ground when it lifted off.

The wind was blowing on the aerostat, and as soon as the platform became light enough to lift, it would drag on the ground until it lifted clear.

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@ downward only fifteen paces from Zamora, seem unusual.

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@ the landing site that afternoon...'"

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@ If the perceived rocket exhaust visibly didn't 'deflect'

@ off the ground, then how could it be responsible for

@ scattering any dust?

I am looking for a particular account of this sighting that went into great detail of the sighting. It was an interview by a UFOlogist. In this account, Zamora said he was puzzled at times because at times the flames seemed to go up instead of down, which made no sense. It was in a library book, but I haven't seen the book in 30 years. I don't know which book it was, but it contained several detailed line drawings.

I took out ten books about UFOs on the same day in 1969. By the time I started to look for this again (in 1994), the public library had discarded most of its UFO books (and most of the engineering books as well) to make room for a larger art section. I remember taking out books by Hynek, Sanderson, Klass, Lorenzen, Menzel, David*, Condon*, Binder*, and Ruppelt* (* = I have acquired the book since then, and it does not contain the interview.)

Zamora may have rationalized the flames as going down in most of his accounts, because flames going up made no sense to him.

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@ Zamora describes here and which can also, silently,
@ remain airborne after the propulsion unit has evidently
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@ >tour?
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@ We don't know that they didn't...

It was very low.

At the time, sport ballooning was new, and sport balloonists had two very real worries:

1. Staying out of the way of airplanes (it wasn't yet fully recognized by the FAA). That meant staying away from airports and airways.
2. Being arrested (or shot) for trespass when they landed.

@ Incredibly, it seems nobody ever contacted Socorro

@ Municipal Airport to ask if they knew of anything flying
@ at the time of Zamora's sighting and which might explain
@ the object he reported.

Actually, I think Coral Lorenzen did. That's where she got
the backwards wind direction she quoted (she thought the wind
direction was the way the wind blew towards).

Here is the BIG MISTAKE many amateur UFOlogists make. They
call ONE airport, air base, or air traffic control center,
and assume that they know about everything up in the sky.
THEY DON'T! Private airports have no info on commercial or
military flights. Commercial airports have no info in
private or military flights. Military airports (you guessed
it) don't know about private or commercial flights. And air
traffic control centers have info on commercial, and some
military, flights, but almost no info on private planes.

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The balloonist has no way to steer away from these lines,
except to go over them. And since power lines go cross
country, he has to cross them somewhere. They really are
not a factor.

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Subject: [UFORL] Here the New updatings of ufoitalia.net, 09/01/2003

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- Updated the section on the Culture Ufology (italian)
- Updated the section of Malini and Dezi's Articles (italian)
- Updated the section of Ufoitalia.net Case (italian)
- Updated the section of the Contributors in Italy (italian)
- Updated the section of Images Gallery (italian)
- Updated the section of English articles (english)
- Updated the section of Link (italian-english)
- Updated the section Ufo in Italy (italian)
- Updated the section Ufo in the World (italian)
- New Article: Ufo over Bologna, 33 Gennuary 2003 (italian)
- New Article: Ufo on Asti (italian)
- New Article: Ufo over Prato (italian)
- New Article: Ufo in 1961 (english)
- New Article: Ufo in Oneida (english)

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From: "David Clarke" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 11 Jan 2003 12:07:57 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Lakenheath-Bentwaters incident 1956

Larry Robinson wrote:

- > 3. Sending planes after spurious targets was nothing unusual in 1956.
- > They were still trying to find out what caused spurious targets, and needed
- > to know what could be found at the target location.

There is a considerable amount of evidence, both documentary and oral, to support your comment Larry.

I have just returned from the Public Record Office in London where I have been reviewing the 2003 releases of British MoD UFO files under the 30 year rule.

The latest releases contained some new testimony from one of the pilots involved in the famous 1956 Lakenheath-Bentwaters incident that seems to deliver the coup de grace against the 'UFO' status of this case.

In an MoD briefing file dated 1972 the Commanding Officer of the RAF No 23 Squadron scrambled to investigate the 'UFO' detected by USAF and RAF radars on 13/14 August 1956 answers questions about the incident. In the file, Air Commodore Anthony Davis reveals that he was involved in the incident and makes the following comments:

"Our detailed UFO reports going back before 1962 have been destroyed but if there had been any evidence to indicate the existence of an unidentified but real flying object (and not just an anomalous radar echo) it [the file on the case] would of course have been retained and investigated in great depth.

"I was airborne myself at the time of the incident, in a Venom Night Fighter from [RAF] Coltishall, and was vectored on to a suspected UFO but made no radar contact and found myself chasing a star."

Davis' comments can be added to those made by the two aircrew from his squadron who were traced and interviewed for 'Out of the Shadows'. They were scrambled later that night and asked to investigate a radar blip detected by the ATC radars at USAF Lakenheath. They did make radar contact with a 'target' but were unable to intercept it because it appeared to be stationary at around 4-5,000 feet and, in the words of one of the navigators:

"...the first run we had at it I saw nothing...the next time we turned onto a reciprocal heading and I then obtained a contact which I held 10-15 degrees off dead ahead and noticed that it raced down the tube at high speed. We were flying at around 300-350 knots, I remember

saying to David [the pilot], "CONTACT...there, it's out 45 starboard now at one mile' and he kept saying to me 'Where is it? Where is it? I can't see it!' as we rushed past on each pass. And it would go down the right-hand side or the left-hand side depending upon which way we went at it and it would be a little paint [on the AI radar]. Two further runs were made with the same result and it was fairly obvious that whatever it was, it was stationary. There was no movement. Dave looked out on each run but could see nothing. My radar contact was firm but messy but there *was* something there. We continued to fly around looking until returning to base."

The second RAF Venom scrambled to investigate fared no better, and the conclusion reached is preserved in 23 Squadron's logbook under the relevant date:

"...two aircraft were scrambled after a strange object had been picked up by Lakenheath GCA. The GCA became a GCI and several attempts were made to intercept the 'object' but as it was standing [still] it was most difficult and nothing was seen by either of the crews...it was decided that the object must have been a balloon."

So much for the standing of that great UFOlogical classic, the much-vaunted 'Lakenheath-Bentwaters incident' - R.I.P.

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> 2. The same operator was on duty in both the Lakenheath and Kincheloe
> cases.

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That is most interesting -- do you mean Forrest Perkins was the ATC operator in two separate radar UFO incidents?

Best,

Dave Clarke

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>Some things

that have not been mentioned much in this case:
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>1. As in the Washington National case of 1952, and the Kincheloe AFB
>case
>in

1967, MTI (moving target indicator) systems had just been installed
>shortly before the 1956 L-B sighting. RADAR operators unfamiliar with
>the
>"new" operation easily got the set out of calibration by continuing to
>use it the old way. When so misadjusted, stationary targets, instead of
>disappearing, were brighter than moving

ones.

Which reminds of a story told to me by a retired Air Traffic Controller.
When he was working at Coventry Airport in the UK during the 1960's a new
radar system was installed. To their shock a number of low-level
unidentified targets were detected which had never been seen before. After
a period of some hours someone had the bright idea to ask the local RAF
base if they were operating in the area. They said "Of course we are,
why? Haven't you ever seen us on your radar before!" It turned out that
the RAF were using that part of the sky to practice low level flying and
that the new radar was able to see through the ground

clutter.

Cheers

John

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Date: Tue, 14 Jan 2003 22:29:26 -0800 (PST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] ARE WE ALONE?

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Best regards,

Ra'id

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Ra'id,

As you may have realised, the web site mentioned is located in Brazil and doesn't seem to have an English language version.

Although Zecharia Sitchin's claims are perhaps generally regarded as not credible, if it's of interest he has a web site, at:

<http://www.sitchin.com/>

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Fri, 17 Jan 2003 00:52:32 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] 'Discovery Canada' UFO Program

Forwarded for information:

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Tonight (Thursday, January 16) will be the airing on the Discovery-Canada channel of the Wood&Wood infomercial, 'THE SECRET' (EST 7 PM, 1 AM, and 4 AM), which presents a pseudo-archive of patently bogus 'Majestic-12' documents. I just finished a 5-minute piece with Natasha Stillwell for the same network's nightly science show, 'Daily Planet' (7 PM, 11 PM, 4 AM, 9 AM, noon) lambasting the ersatz-'documentary' and the network judgment in running it unbalanced. I hope they leave in my comments on the 1954 "Operations" manual advising cover-uppers to camouflage true UFO crashes as 'downed satellites', more than three years before the first satellite was launched. I also quoted PJK's analysis of the 1947 fake Truman-Forrestal memo (and the past-on signature). Our neighbors to the north can tune in for the fireworks. If anybody else disagrees with the editorial decision to run THE SECRET, let Discovery-Canada know what you think.

Jim Oberg
[END]

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: Jim Giglio <jgiglio2@polaris.umuc.edu>
Date: Fri, 17 Jan 2003 10:09:10 -0500 (EST)
Subject: [UFORL] 15 minutes of fame in Frisco

The San Francisco Chronicle's on-line edition quotes me:

<http://sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2003/01/12/CM200763.DTL>

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THE REST OF THE STORY:

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The location was my grandfather's back yard in Birmingham Alabama (not a ranch). He kept a flock of turkeys (about 25 or so) to sell around Thanksgiving. I was 13, visiting for a week or two in the summer. The "lights" were white spots (perhaps reflective, perhaps producing their own light) moving at a moderate angular speed across the sky. There were three spots in an apparently triangular formation, making no sound. The time was just after sunset, with full daylight and a cloudless sky. Nothing else was in the sky, not even birds. That business about the turkeys tracking the lights is uncertain; I have no way to know for sure what the animals were looking at, only that they tilted their

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After the spots got to the horizon and disappeared, we went back inside, commented that what we had seen was strange, but said nothing more about it (I don't recall that we even mentioned it to my grandmother). The next summer I visited again. Sitting in the living room with my grandfather, each of us reading a section of the daily newspaper, he passed his part of the paper to me, pointing out the headline story. It was coverage of the 1952 flap involving "flying saucers" over the US capitol, the scrambling of fighters, and associated excitement. For the first time, it occurred to us that what we had seen may have been these "flying saucers" that seemed to be causing such a stir.

Obviously the term had been invented by 1951, but for some reason neither my grandfather nor I had been aware of it until the summer of 1952, about a year after our sighting in the back yard.

What's always seemed interesting to me about this sighting is that with no preconceived notions about "flying saucers," neither of us formed any opinion about what we had seen until a year later, other than the fact that we had no idea what the three objects were. We did not, for instance, attempt to estimate speed or altitude; we knew that the cloudless sky made that impossible. We drew no imaginary "fuselages" around the triangular formation, inserted no portholes, and saw no mysterious beams or rays. So taken as seen, our "sighting" contains precious little information, and nothing that might support the idea of ET visitors tooling around over Birmingham in interstellar spacecraft on a late summer afternoon in 1951.

For some time I've thought that the most likely explanation would be a set of three weather balloons tethered together, riding along with the wind at a not-too-high altitude, reflecting the light of the sun that had just gone below our horizon but not theirs; they appeared larger than simple points of light, and if at some great altitude would have been moving at a much smaller angular speed, assuming they were being carried by the wind. But we saw no sign of a suspended instrument package, which should have been visible at a low altitude. So that possibility is not strongly supported by the evidence, and fifty years later there's no possibility of collecting any more.

So to sum up, what we have is a witness report containing very little data, adding up to not much other than a mildly entertaining story when the subject of UFOs comes up in casual conversation.

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My idea of what they were before I was told this was that they were test missiles launched from missile silos.

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It was coined by a newspaper editor for a headline on the Arnold case in May 1947, after Arnold described them as moving "as a saucer skips on water".

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From: "Werner Walter" <CENAP@addcom.de>

Date: Fri, 24 Jan 2003 00:47:36 +0100

Subject: [UFORL] EuroSETI? Whats that?

Hello all,

I'm wondering about the EuroSeti-group in England. Has anyone hearing before of Mike Murray and EuroSeti? Is EuroSeti to find in the I-Net?

Greetings

WW

Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 25 Jan 2003 17:00:59 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Rendlesham file

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 04:06:30 -0000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Rendlesham file

I wrote:

[BEGIN]
>From: "Robert McLean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>
>Date: Mon, 16 Dec 2002 22:02:48 -0000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Rendlesham file

Robert asked:

>James wrote
>
>>If Veranno did make the CNN 'UFO film' testimony -
>>absolutely yet to be proven - it would of interest as
>>Veranno was apparently one of those five personnel who
>>accompanied Halt that night.

>Is there any evidence or testimony that Capt Mike Verano
>was with Halt's party?

Robert,

As you know, there was one person in Halt's team of five who hadn't been identified.

In 'Left at East Gate' [LaEG], there's a transcript of Larry Warren and Peter Robbins' reportedly taped discussions with Halt [page 365] and from this, evidently Verano was one of the officers who accompanied Halt.

Therein, Halt allegedly stated:

"My recollections fit very closely with all of the people, the four or five people that were with me that night, and I've had an opportunity through the years to talk with them. In fact, Bobby Ball, you remember him?

...I talked with him when we did the NBC thing, I talked with Verrano [spelling?] at great length, and everything all fits together. There were no discrepancies other than somebody remembers this detail a little better or that

detail a little better".

However... in LaEG, it's also noted [page 217] that in a little-known 1987 commentary, Halt reportedly claimed:

"Captain Mike Verrano was involved in the first incident during the day, he went to the landing site and made some observations, pictures on the ground, he was a player early on".

Although this confirms Verano, as we know, was "a player early on", there's no indication of his later involvement.

>There certainly was another officer - quite a few
>passages on the Halt Tape attributed by others to Halt
>are actually this other officer - he has a northern
>accent as opposed to Halt's almost southern accent. I
>wonder if it was another Colonel, because he doesn't
>call Halt "Sir" and seems to talk with Halt as an equal
>or even a superior.

[...]

It's not definitively persuasive as Verano was apparently on 'day shift' and that's why he took an interest in the inaugural 'landing site'...
[END OF EXTRACT]

Robert,

I now have strong reason to believe that the 'fifth member' of Halt's team was not Verrano, the person we seek could be Major Malcolm Zickler.

Zickler, as you know, was Chief of Security Police.

That would surely explain why the unidentified person we hear on tape has evident authority.

I can't confirm Zickler's participation for absolute certain, although I'm hopeful of doing so shortly.

James Easton.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 25 Jan 2003 17:46:58 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Satellite TV Broadcasts

For subscribers with access to UK Satellite TV, there are a couple of programs being broadcast later tonight and which might be of interest:

'The War Illusionist'
History channel [Sky 561], 10:00 p.m.

The story of Jasper Maskelyne, a renowned British stage magician who adapted his knowledge to create illusions which could fool German pilots.

Maskelyne subsequently wrote a book entitled, 'Magic: Top Secret'.

'Flightpath to the Gods'
UK History channel [Sky 582], 9:00 p.m.

This seemingly little-known documentary records Dr Tony Spawforth's endeavours to explain the Nazca lines - those enormous images only fully visible from the air - in Peru.

I've seen this program before and it successfully explains much of the perceived mystery. Highly recommended.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "North Kent" <northkent121@hotmail.com>

Date: Tue, 28 Jan 2003 17:01:55 +0000

Subject: [UFORL] Yahoo group 1 - UFO sightings recorded information line

Dear Members,

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Best regards,

Chris Rolfe

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From: "bobdog1973 <bobdog1973@yahoo.ca>" <bobdog1973@yahoo.ca>
Date: Tue, 28 Jan 2003 18:34:00 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] IRRIDESCENT SPHERES

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From: YoungBob2@aol.com
Date: Tue, 28 Jan 2003 17:05:26 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] IRRIDESCENT SPHERES

Dear Bobdog:

What was the date of this event, and in which country was it?

Clear skies,
Bob Young

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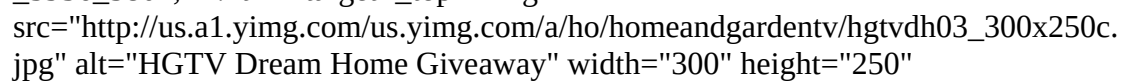
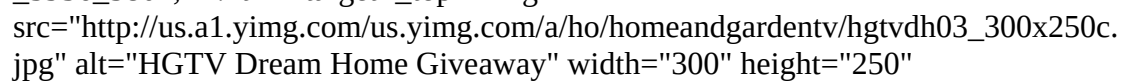
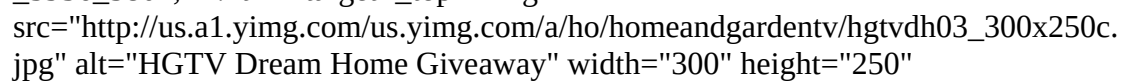
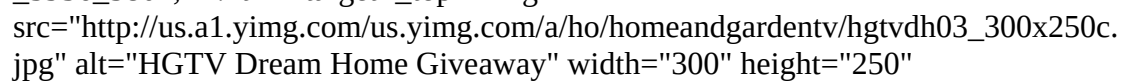
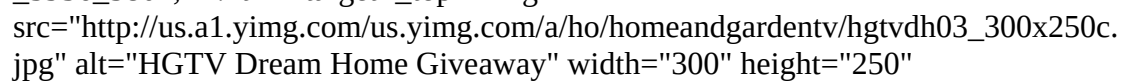
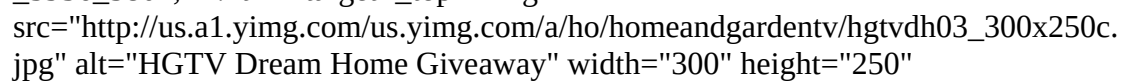
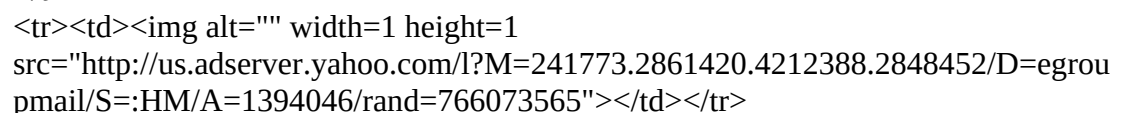
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From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Wed, 29 Jan 2003 11:56:10 +0000
Subject: [UFORL] RAF Tornado / UFO encounter

Hi All

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Cheers

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Thu, 30 Jan 2003 10:33:38 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] IRRIDESCENT SPHERES

Kugelblitz?

This sounds like a form of kugelblitz, or ball lightning. The description is similar to typical descriptions of kugelblitz. See "Strange Fires and Lights" by Vincent Gaddis for more on kugelblitz. Note that the physics behind kugelblitz are not yet well understood.

I have seen two phenomena myself which might be kugelblitz, and one of them was under totally clear sky conditions. Both were associated with power line faults, not thunderstorms.

The first one was in 1969. I saw a brilliant red-violet ball come out of a 4 KV power line just as the power failed. It floated around for about 15 seconds. The power failure was caused by a shorted turn in a substation transformer two miles away. Such a failure can cause voltage spikes. The weather was clear with very little wind.

The second one was in 1988, and was started when a high wind whipped a 120 volt pair of service drop lines with bad insulation together during a rainstorm. Suddenly a dazzling cyan ellipsoid of light at least the size of a car erupted from the lines. (This time I had an absolute distance reference - the power lines themselves - so there could be no mistaking the distance or size.) The ball lifted up from the lines and became spherical, lasting for 4 or 5 seconds. It disappeared by shrinking to nothing. The display was repeated two more times as the lines touched again in the wind.

The interesting part of the second one was that the ball was NOT dragged away by the high wind, but stayed over the faulty lines. It was also so bright that it saturated the cones in my eyes. It looked like some computer video captures look when the image is brighter than the brightest the capture board can take, with a center region of constant brightness that looks silvery.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: bobdog1973 <bobdog1973@yahoo.ca> [mailto:bobdog1973@yahoo.ca]

@ Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2003 1:34 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] IRRIDESCENT SPHERES

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From: "David Clarke" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 30 Jan 2003 17:51:40 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Tornado / UFO encounter

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Therefore the 'unknown object, case closed' is incorrect. 'Known object, case closed' would be more appropriate.

The full details and explanation were published in a recent issue of UFO Magazine (UK).

Best,

Dave Clarke

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From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Fri, 31 Jan 2003 08:49:27 +0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Tornado / UFO encounter

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Date: Sat, 1 Feb 2003 12:08:52 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Tornado / UFO encounter

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Further details of the Gorizont-Proton connection can be found on James Oberg's Insights URL at:

<http://www.beyondroswell.com/roswell/casestudies.html>

In addition, my colleague Gary Anthony has plotted the RAF Tornado sightline from co-ordinates supplied by the MoD signals, and found a direct correlation with the re-entry trajectory of the Russian rocket body, supplied by NASA.

Pope was HEO at Sec(AS)2a MOD, 1991-94, and the Tornado case was dealt with (or not, it seems) by his predecessor there, Owen Hartop.

The MOD were aware in 1990 that the incident was caused by the re-entry of space junk. Nick Pope, if he had made sufficient checks, should have been aware of this fact when he decided to include the incident in his book, written after leaving Sec(AS) and published in 1996. Yet he decided to refer to the case as an unexplained incident, and further support for his claim that the MOD had cases which were evidence of ET visits.

Would you buy a used flying saucer from this man?

Personally, if he told me it was Saturday today I would have to check the calendar before I believed it.

Best,

Dave Clarke

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From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Mon, 03 Feb 2003 08:51:29 +0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Tornado / UFO encounter

At 12:08 01/02/2003 +0000, you wrote:

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Strangely enough it wasn't. I can't remember the title at the moment but it seems that the author has taken parts of other publications to use. And yes, it was Mr Pope who mentioned this case on TV!

Regards

John

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From: "NeilSThompson <neilsthompson@yahoo.co.uk>"
<neilsthompson@yahoo.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 11:20:17 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Euroseti Images?

Hi

Any opinions on the Euroseti sat images that were shown at the UK National Space centre last month?

I've yet to see them myself, but some of the images posted on various web sites look interesting to say the least.

Any comments?

Neil T

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From: TPrinty@aol.com
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anyone would think they have "discovered" alien spaceships dancing around the
sun! Anyway, this link was highly informative:

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ascom.nasa.gov/hotshots/2003_01_17/

Enjoy,

Tim Printy

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From: "Luis R. Gonzalez" <lrgm@arrakis.es>
Date: Thu, 6 Feb 2003 18:09:17 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Asking for help

I am trying to locate first hand reports or articles about the following abduction or related cases:

- 1.- According to Magdalena del Amo's "Abducciones" (pp. 101-103), Hynek and Sprinkle investigated the abduction of Daniel Perkins, in the outskirts of Las Vegas (Nevada) on June 12 1974. He saw a light in the sky and had a 5-hour missing time. Under hipnosis by Sprinkle an abduction emerged. Allegedly, the aliens made "some changes in his organism". According to Magdalena del Amo, 3 years later his wife gave birth to a female stillborn and a Dr. John W. Grayson made a detailed autopsy on the deformed creature!
- 2.- According to Magdalena del Amo's "Abducciones" (p. 223), in the early 1980s, seven doctors from the Genetic Medical Department of the Churchill hospital in Headington-Oxford, under Dr. John Wolstenholme's direction, found a microscopic object like a crossword during a prenatal chromosomic examination. I remember to have seen a photo of this alleged object (maybe in an article in "Nature" that I have been unable to locate)
- 3.- In September 1984, Walt Andrus wrote an article in the MUFON UFO Journal titled "Close Encounter with possible missing time" about Carolyn Green (35) and his child Timothy (7) who had a close encounter with a UFO on January 26, 1984 near Cedar Creek Lake (Texas). There was missing time and Walt said he was arranging regressive hypnosis. Has anybody publish anything else about this case?

Thanks in advance for any help

Luis R. González Manso

From: Jim Giglio <jgiglio2@polaris.umuc.edu>
Date: Fri, 7 Feb 2003 11:33:13 -0500 (EST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Asking for help

On Thu, 6 Feb 2003, Luis R. Gonzalez wrote:

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> abduction of Daniel Perkins, ...

Hynek is no longer with us, but Sprinkle, as of a few months ago, was still around, so it might be useful to ask him directly. His background goes way back; he participated in the 1968 U.S. House of Representatives "Roush Symposium" on UFOs (www.ncas.org).

I went looking for the name on GOOGLE. His academic affiliation is emeritus at the University of Wyoming Counseling Services, but they don't have any contact info.

I also ran across this at <http://www.drboylan.com/may2003.html>. It's quite goofy, but contains contact info for Boylan, who might be able to put you in contact with Sprinkle.

Hopefully, Sprinkle is still with us; he's getting on in years.

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May, 2003 Predicted Upheavals

There follow four predictions about next May, 2003's upheavals, as told by Dr. Leo Sprinkle, Native teacher Nestor NightOwl, John Kimmey, and psychic Marian MacNeils Star Visitor guide, Neuman.

Very recently I received a communication from venerable UFO researcher, Dr. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., emeritus Professor at the University of Wyoming. Dr. Sprinkle and I are old friends, and I count him a mentor, he having been in UFO research since several decades before the modern era of interest in UFOs/Star Visitors.

Dr. Sprinkle passed on to me a personal message from his "Higher Guides". Among the contents of the message was a warning that there will be a momentous global event during May, 2003, seven months away. I do not choose to divulge most of the personal message, but feel that one element of it must be shared widely with those who are inclined to attend to it. This 05/03 Event will be of either geophysical or societal-political devastatingness. The message was not detailed, but Alternative One seems to indicate a geophysical disaster affecting the Earth and a sizeable percentage of humanity, which would not survive

the disaster.

Alternative Two seems to be that if the geophysical disaster is averted, the surrounding circumstances will be such that the Old Order will crumble, and the government will have to acknowledge Star Visitor reality. That is tantalizingly all the details that were relayed. Apparently, humans have some potential, mostly metaphysical and spiritual I suppose, to avert the crippling planetary geophysical disaster. In so doing, a "better" upheaval will occur in the societal-political order, as the Establishment's efforts to control global information, technology, wealth and political control are radically diminished by the inability to any longer maintain denial of Star Visitor presence. Disclosure will destabilize the building New World Order/Cabal.

Like you I am tempted to fill in the dots with a plausible scenario which fits the available 05/03 data. One such scenario _could_ involve a near-pass by a planetoid object, which sets off massive geophysical calamities. And if collective human (and apparently enlisted Star Visitor assistance) focus succeeded in averting the object from too close a pass-by, then the resulting fact of helpful Star Visitor intervention surely would make clear globally that "they are here". (And not as invaders, as the Cabal have been trying to propagandize.) Thus, the UFO Cover-Up would be broken irretrievably. And the beneficent nature of the Visitors made apparent to all.

That is likely not the only scenario that could fit the advisement that the Higher Guides provided through Dr. Sprinkle. But it is a plausible one. At any rate, I feel that Dr. Sprinkle is sufficiently unimpeachable, that I tend to take soberly what he relates. And thus I pass this advisement on.

Please do not ask me to press Dr. Sprinkle for more details. He values his privacy, and I do not pester him. The information is shared, because those who are forewarned can more prudently prepare.

As a follow-up to my October 10 posting about Dr. Leo Sprinkle's Higher Guides's prediction for May, 2003, I am now presenting Dr. Sprinkle's follow-on letter further clarifying the message.

16, October, 2002

Friends and correspondents:

This letter is a response to several requests for further information about a "reading" that I conducted for Richard Boylan, Ph.D. (P.O.Box 22310, Sacramento, Ca

95822)(916-422-7400).

I sent an audiotape, with comments from my "inner guides" about the potential for Richard's work with "StarKids". The message included what seemed to be some "Oh, by the way...." comments on May 2003: Possible destructive events that could affect Planet Earth and/or Humanity.

YIKES! At the time, my conscious thought was that the comments could have been influenced by my recent reading of *Blindsided*, by Marc Hazelwood, or my earlier reading of *Zetataalk*, by Nancy Leider. Both writers present information, from different sources, that the "tenth planet" (Marduk, or Nibiru, a la Z[echaria]. Sitchin) is headed our way and shall cause much death and destruction.

My own personal bias is rather different: that Planet Earth and Humanity have many good years ahead. (The Vedic literature contains references to 3 and 4 thousand years, etc.) I believe that the "destruction" that shall occur is to the "world view" that our culture maintains: the overextended patriarchal system that has dominated our institutional society. (The man "owns" the women and children, and most use violence to maintain his position. Thus, exploring becomes exploiting, whether it be in science/religion/ nature, etc.) In my opinion, the ET strategy (a la Jim Deardorff [atmospheric scientist, Oregon State University]) is to minimize our awareness of the ET presence and to maximize our awareness of ourselves. When we ride our rockets (Look, Ma, no hands!), then ETs issue warnings (Watch out! You'll fall & hurt yourself!") Are ETs mentors or tormentors or both?? Is light comprised of waves or particles or both? Does Leo know what he's talking about or not? Well, I am a person of integrity, but my "readings" have been known to be wrong. (Marilyn and I are still waiting for the predicted benefits - 1998 & 1999 - of some minor investments.) My best guess? In June 2003, the political & military leaders (who according to Zecharia Sitchin, are aware of the planet & potential destruction) will climb out of the underground facilities and face -----not a planet of destruction, but----a world of dilemma: When to release information about "free energy", ETs, etc? If I'm wrong ----sorry about that! Otherwise, we UFO contactees/abductees/experiencers face a similar dilemma: How to keep on keeping on, spreading the word,

in Love & Light,

Leo

[R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus of Psychology,

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Richard Boylan, Ph.D. continues:

While in the Hawaiian Islands (10/02), I contacted my Native American shaman friend, Nestor Night Owl. He was anxious to talk because he had gotten a very strong vision about next May being a time of great upheaval. I compared notes with him, sharing what Dr. Leo Sprinkle's Guides had told him about next May and the upheaval, physical or socio-political, that would occur then.

Nestor then went on to report a conversation he had with John Kimmey, the only Euro-American to have been extensively taught inner secrets and prophecies by the Hopi traditional Elders.

Nestor shared that John, too had gotten the sense that next Spring will be a time of great upheaval.

(And I know that Marian MacNeil's Star Visitor guide, Neuman, also stated that next May would be a very dark and challenging time for the people of Earth.) Thus, multiple indicators point to that period as a time to hold ourselves in appropriate readiness.

As a spiritual teacher, Nestor made the point that the most important thing is to keep in the light, hold one's integrity, operate with spiritual vision, and trust in and follow Spirit's guidance.

- Richard Boylan, Ph.D.

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Date: Tue, 11 Feb 2003 02:33:57 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] 'Rendlesham' Update

Regarding:

>From: voyager@ukonline.co.uk
>Date: Tue Apr 23, 2002 2:38 am
>Subject: Re: Rendlesham UFO [1/2]

I wrote:

[BEGIN]

There's one more aspect to Battram's story which is a critical factor and if true, could require some re-appraisal of the entire 'UFO' perspective.

As such, I'm surprised the following hasn't merited previous discussion. In a moment, I'll explain why I haven't brought it to light before now.

This concerns Battram's opening remarks from Larry Fawcett's interview and I'm using the LaEG transcript which, with a couple of editing exceptions, is verbatim - one disparity is noted.

From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Tue, 11 Feb 2003 09:52:50 -0500
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@ Sent: Monday, February 10, 2003 9:34 PM

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@ We watched them for a while and then they disappeared... in a

@ clearing of a forest and that's when we saw the object or

@ whatever. We thought it was a fire at first.

Another possibility is that publicity from the first sighting
prompted someone to launch fire balloons.

@ GB: We got out there and parked the truck on the side of the road

@ and went walking in toward the clearing. Just as we got about

@ fifty yards away, we started to feel the hair on our necks and

@ arms and stuff stand up.

This might be a well-documented reaction of the human body to an
unknown threat, often referred to as "one's hair standing on end"
instead of static electricity. I have experienced this effect
several times.

@ The unanswered question is whether any military operations were

@ in fact simultaneously scheduled.

@

@ Endeavours to clarify this were instrumental in why I hadn't,

@ "brought it to light before now".

@

@ It seems so improbable that training exercises would be conducted

@ during the Christmas/New Year holiday period. If they had been,

@ why were so many others on base seemingly oblivious to this?

snip

@ "This incident [hoax] occurred right after Christmas. For reasons

@ that are hard to explain it is my impression that I pulled my

@ stunt during an exercise. We would not have had an exercise

@ during the Christmas holiday. That is a strong indication that my

@ stunt is not the source of this specific incident".

@

@ However, there is obviously evidence which, if reliable,

@ substantiates an exercise was being conducted, for some reason,

@ during the night of 27 December.

snip

@ I believe it's now possible to understand this seeming confusion

@ and allusions to a base exercise during the 'UFO' sightings.

@

@ It's improbable there would be any exercises during the holiday

@ period, so what was Battram referring to?

@

@ It seems that the explanation is an 'Alert Condition'.

@

@

@ Although known the base complex was on alert because of the

@ Solidarity crisis in Poland, some repercussions of this have

@ perhaps not been fully appreciated.

@

@ There's a photograph in 'Left at East Gate' taken on the morning

@ of 28 December, 1980 and which shows the entrance to RAF

@ Bentwaters. A prominent notice board declares, "ALERT CONDITION".

@

@ This was also known as a 'Security Alert' and synonymous with an

@ 'exercise', as former 81st Security Police Squadron, Senior

@ Airman, Kenneth Greene, explained:

@

@ "In response to your question 'what exactly was an Alert

@ Condition?', Alert Conditions fall under emergency security

@ operations. Being placed on alert means an increase in security

@ awareness and day to day security operations because something is

@ going on in the world that may affect the installation.

@

@ Depending on what was going on and where it was happening would

@ dictate the level of alert you would be in. For example, if

@ something were going on in N. Korea, Bentwaters would have

@ probably been placed in a minimum state of alert. However, if it
@ were known there was an imminent attack planned on the U.K., then
@ Bentwaters would have been placed in the highest state of alert.
@ This would have meant that only mission essential personnel would
@ be allowed on the base, additional security posts would be
@ manned, etc. Alert Conditions applied to every organization on
@ base and each organization would be responsible for completing
@ their specific alert requirements".

Something WAS going on in the world right then.

The American hostages in Iran were released within a month of the event. Why does this fact seem to escape researchers on this case?

President Jimmy Carter's failed rescue had happened shortly before. Ronald Reagan was elected President of the US, but had not yet taken office. And there was a question at the time of whether the extremists would hand over the hostages as they had said, or whether they would kill them.

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Luis, I can photocopy this and send it to you

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Date: Thu, 13 Feb 2003 00:45:56 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] First UFO Occupants study

John, Edo got the bid, thanks in any case.
I had cover Portugal, Spain, Italy and Britain quite well, but the rest of Europe is sketchy. If any local researcher contacts me privately, I will appreciate their help.

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From: Ktperehwon@aol.com
Date: Thu, 13 Feb 2003 16:06:35 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] couple of things - Utah Ranch and lifters

NEIL --

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Contact Jim Moseley at PO Box 1709, Key West FL 33041. He has a reprint of a lengthy report written by George Knapp. Also, see John Alexander's letter in the current "Saucer Smear," also available from Jim. -- Cheers, KARL

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From: "herald_covert <covert@subintsoc.net>" <covert@subintsoc.net>
Date: Thu, 13 Feb 2003 21:23:25 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Re: couple of things - Utah Ranch and lifters

I certainly know a little about the so called lifter project. As a matter of fact I recently visited the home of a friend of mine who works for NASA. He tells me that the US Space agency is working on this technology to power a new class of aircraft or even spacecraft. My friend had actually built duplicates of some of the apparatus and was experimenting with variants of the emitter loops.

I myself had done a little experimentation using this idea.

So far I have trouble ascribing this as "anti gravity". These devices do in fact produce a certain amount of physical deflection, not enough (in the versions I have personally experienced) to actually lift themselves off of the ground. But the devices could be applied to lighter than air craft using fuel cells or even solar power, creating thrust using no moving parts and producing little or no pollution.

Harry Covert

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Bill,

So far as I'm aware, the base can be visited with permission.

On some of the web sites for ex-base personnel, there are photographs of the base complex taken during return visits. It might also be possible to access buildings - presuming someone still knows where the keys are...

Maybe Suffolk County Council could help?

Also regarding:

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Rob,

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One peculiar aspect to Warren's claims is that the 'UFO debriefing' isn't given by USAF personnel, it's the 'Office of Naval Intelligence' [ONI].

In LaEG, the person who allegedly reveals that Warren and co. have just witnessed alien technology is actually named - 'Commander Richardson', statedly from the ONI in London.

However, that's not the story related to Phil Klass; Warren states that two people from the ONI were present and he didn't know their names.

Also, they hadn't arrived from London, it was from a submarine base in Scotland...

Warren names this and although not entirely clear on tape, I believe he says 'Prestwick'.

No subs there, although Prestwick International Airport was used by US Navy personnel from the nearby 'Holy Loch' submarine base.

I don't know when the ONI and especially Richardson were first indicted as being instrumental in our supposed 'ET landing cover up', however, I do know I have unpublished copies of Larry Warren's [at that time under the pseudonym of 'Art Wallace'] earliest testimonies and that these make no mention of the ONI and instead cite the 'Air Force Office of Special Investigations' as being responsible for that same 'debriefing'.

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Date: Sat, 15 Feb 2003 09:21:50 -0000

Subject: [UFORL] Prestwick

Up until recently, Prestwick also housed HMS Gannet, a Royal Navy anti-submarine Sea King helicopter base. It also houses the Oceanic Control centre handling trans-Atlantic air traffic. It's fog-free location means it also acts as a diversion field for just about every other airport in the UK.

Prestwick also provided the air link for US Navy operations at the Holy Loch, ie had a Military Airlift Command office (on the concourse, next to the check-in desks) and was visited regularly (every week) by USAF C-141 and C-5 aircraft hauling personnel and material for the Holy Loch. I suspect the US Navy would have a liaison officer at Prestwick to work with MAC.

Can't see why that officer would be sent to Bentwaters to debrief some squaddies.

Chris

PS it's only 40 miles from Macrahanish if that makes things more interesting / conspiratorial. :-)

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From: TPrinty@aol.com
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base in Scotland...

Warren names this and although not entirely clear on tape, I

believe he says 'Prestwick'.

No subs there, although Prestwick International Airport was used

by US Navy personnel from the nearby 'Holy Loch' submarine base.

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Interesting point James. When I was stationed aboard USS Lafayette (SSBN
616) we flew into Scotland from the states at Prestwick airport and then took a
wonderful bus ride up to the Holy Loch area. Ballistic missile subs ran a "two-
crew" rotation where half the time you were on the sub and half the time you were in
the states conducting training. Upon arrival in Holy Loch, you spent several
days with the other crew relieving them, and then assumed "ownership" of the
sub. As a result, Prestwick received flights every couple of weeks that brought
these crews in and, about a week later, flew the relieved crew out. It is possible
this individual may have flown in on one of the routine flights that brought in sub
crews thus creating the apparent confusion.

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From: "Chris Gibson" <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>

Date: Mon, 17 Feb 2003 18:10:14 -0000

Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham in the Eye

Evening All,

I'm not up to speed on Rendlesham, never have been, but is the following accurate? It appears in the UK's Private Eye magazine in reply to them rubbishing the "aliens in Suffolk" and the impressions left being nothing but rabbit diggings.

snip

"Let's remember that a number of professional US air force (sic) personnel, including the base commander, witnessed and recorded, over a period of evenings, a flying craft of unknown origin performing strange movements over and around their base, that left high radiation levels on the trees and clearly measureable markings on the ground. Soon after these trees were taken down, and some flown to the US."

end snip

Any record of trees being removed to the States? Or is some-one beating the Eye at their own game? ie not allowing the truth to get in the way of a good story.

The full letter is probably available at www.private-eye.co.uk

Chris

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From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>
Date: Tue, 18 Feb 2003 00:08:33 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

Bill

The former airbase is owned and operated by Bentwaters Parks Ltd. Their main office is in the Bentwaters control tower. Many of the buildings and hangers are being rented out to small businesses - mainly light industrial. The base is huge compared with your average industrial park, with many widely dispersed buildings, so security is an issue. The gate at the control tower, which gets you onto the airfield and the interesting part of the base, is normally locked out of working hours. The people that work there have a key, and can come and go as they please, but visitors are all supposed to sign in at the control tower. This involves signing an indemnity, by which you also promise not to enter any of the disused buildings, which are potentially dangerous. Imagine if you somehow got locked in one!

At weekends, the office is unmanned and the gate is often open. I wouldn't recommend entering the base at such times, if only because you might find the gate has been locked when you try to leave!

When signing in, you need to give a reason to be there. Being interested in the military history of the base, should be good enough. You could explain that you would like to walk around the Weapons Storage Area (WSA). They will ask you to give them at some point copies of any photos you take.

The WSA is very interesting. Some of the bunkers are open, and it's interesting to see how much care was taken to ground every bit of metal, and also provide fire extinguishing.

There is nothing to stop you going up the guard tower in the WSA, which is at one end of the "hot row". In 1980 there was a second, shorter guard tower, which is visible in http://www.homestead.com/81sps/files/bwwsa_1_.JPG

For the same view today, see

http://www.homestead.com/81sps/files/View_of_the_Hot_Row_from_the_Whiskey_Tw_o_Tower.jpg

The old photo gives the impression that one could not have seen over the height of the trees in 1980 when in the guard tower - but the tower from which the photo was taken is tall enough to see over the trees when looking south towards RAF Woodbridge.

If you really wanted to get into a building, you'd have to ask the owners of the site. But they have a business to run, and they probably wouldn't bother, unless you had a really good reason.

If you want to visit the site, I'd suggest you either write: Bentwaters Parks Ltd., Control Tower, Rendlesham, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 2TW, or give them a phone call first 01394 460655 (fax 460355) to introduce yourself and to make sure they will let you onto the site when you arrive.

I might be able to join up with any visitors, too, so let me know.

Former SP Don Laisure lives locally, and might be able to give a tour. Incidentally, Don was the guy who signed out two starlight scopes to Bruce England and Bobby Ball the night of Col. Halt's expedition.

Best regards

Robert McLean

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Saturday, February 15, 2003 2:31 AM

Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

> Regarding:

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> >From: "devilmoosifer <billwignall@hotmail.com>"

> >Date: Thu, 13 Feb 2003 14:51:04 -0000

> >Subject: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

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> Bill wrote:

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> >I understand that RAF Bentwaters is being or has been sold off

> >as the base closed?

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> Bill,

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> So far as I'm aware, the base can be visited with permission.

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> On some of the web sites for ex-base personnel, there are

> photographs of the base complex taken during return visits. It

> might also be possible to access buildings - presuming someone

> still knows where the keys are...

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> Maybe Suffolk County Council could help?

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> James.

> E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>
Date: Tue, 18 Feb 2003 00:12:40 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

John

Yes, I went to that last summer - very modern piano and vocal music - in the Debrief Building.

Best regards

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Chris,

The only person [leaving aside Warren's tales] who ever claimed to see an actual craft flying about is Jim Penniston - the huge problems with his story already highlighted.

Although it was alleged that some of the nearby trees had been felled due to 'radiation', there seems to be zero evidence for this and the area was already being used for logging.

Consequently, I believe we can safely conclude not one Corsican pine tree was secreted away to the US - first time I've heard that claim!

James.
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Tue, 18 Feb 2003 02:27:01 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

Regarding:

>From: joan and micheal labrucherie <jmklab@yahoo.com>
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Date: Wed, 19 Feb 2003 23:18:03 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
>Date: Tue, 17 Dec 2002 09:00:20 +0000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

John wrote:

>I did hear that one possibility was that a F-111E had a tactical
>nuke come adrift and as the US was trying to get cruise missiles
>in to the UK at about the same time a cover up was ordered so
>that public opinion would not turn against US bases in the UK.
>
>Probably a load of BS but worth a mention.

John,

I commented on this and noted how it evidently didn't equate with those 'UFO' perceptions, however, can you say where you heard the story?

I've now come across reference to an actual F-111 crash which allegedly occurred just after Christmas 1980, as the aircraft was approaching RAF Woodbridge's runway!

The data comes from a military aviation enthusiast in the U.S., who was unaware that any such incident assuredly related to our 'UFO' story.

Both the F-111 type and its serial number are given.

I'm advised this information originated from the U.K. and I now have relevant contact details which are being followed up.

As it seems untenable an aircraft could have crashed, or crash-landed, without this being evident, it wasn't a surprise that I could locate the present whereabouts of an F-111 bearing the same serial number.

If it ever crashed, the damage was presumably repairable.

Maybe that's the origin of stories about the aliens being offered "parts from the electronics division" to fix their spaceship!

Alternatively, as the serial number comes with a caveat that it's only suggested as identifying the F-111 which crashed on approach to RAF Woodbridge, it's conceivably another F-111 which was involved.

Although I remain dubious about the claim, it would be interesting to confirm where this originated and whether it's the same source as your own.

Certainly, the approach to RAF Woodbridge's runway would be in the exact vicinity of those 'unfamiliar lights' within Rendlesham forest.

However, we know for sure that Orfordness lighthouse was responsible for much of the confusion.

That acknowledged, there's possibly one facet which has perhaps never been appreciated until recently.

The now defunct UK 'Sightings' magazine featured a December 1994 interview with Col. Halt [volume 2, issue 3], which reports:

"It seemed peculiar, but an unscheduled American CS Galaxy transport aeroplane landed at RAF Woodbridge a few days after the first incident, bringing with it its own security personnel and Halt wasn't even allowed to know what their mission was.

With that, why did a Lt. Colonel and Deputy Base Commander, with a security clearance too high to mention, not have the authority to know what a visiting plane is doing on his base?

He also said that following the planes arrival un-marked helicopters, that were not from Woodbridge, were seen above the landing site during the following days".

I hadn't seen this detailed interview until a few weeks ago - David Clarke pointed out there's a copy online, at:

<http://www.ufology.org.uk/modules/sections/index.php?op=viewarticle&artid=123>

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Note that those helicopters were supposedly operating over the landing site for "days".

I can't recall Halt ever mentioning this in any other interview.

However, it seems comparable with a story I became aware of before reading the above.

A member of the 81st Security Police Squadron (I won't name him for now) told me about events which occurred between 29-31 December, 1980.

For three days, he was posted to the now infamous east gate and witnessed both personnel and helicopters [unfortunately, he wasn't aware where either came from] operating in the 'landing site' area.

Advised by his Shift Commander that 'the base' knew what was going on, he was given no further information, except for being warned not to report over the radio anything observed.

He could only conclude it looked like they were all searching for something.

I would be cautious about directly relating this to the overall case evidence - it still requires verification.

Also, as I commented in reply to your original posting, on the night of that second 'UFO' excitement:

"...the Base Commander, Ted Conrad, had stayed behind at the belated officer's Christmas party, the Wing Commander, Gordon Williams, was at another function and the RAF Liaison Officer, Don Moreland, had not been recalled from his Christmas holiday leave".

There might be circumstances where Halt had no need to be advised about operations outwith the Security Police, however, surely Williams and Moreland would have to be briefed, especially as the forest was strictly outwith USAF jurisdiction.

All good fun though and I'll see if I can help resolve the origin of this F-111 crash rumour [even if it already doesn't make much sense!].

Incidentally, where would F-111s have been based in the UK at that time - RAF Lakenheath?

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<P>Sincerely

<P>Michael

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From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
Date: Fri, 21 Feb 2003 15:26:44 +0100
Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

The movie 'Defence of the Realm' features an F-111 crashing with a nuke on board - and the subsequent cover-up. It would be interesting to know whether the incident inspired the film, or the film has led to an urban myth. I wouldn't be surprised to find it's the latter.

a+
Steve

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Date: Fri, 21 Feb 2003 15:26:44 +0100
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From: joan and micheal labrucherie <jmklab@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, 21 Feb 2003 16:54:37 -0800 (PST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters
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<jmklab@yahoo.com></I> wrote:
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<P>Dear james
<P>I do non particularly remember the incident, but remember Chas Cambell & Wagner very well and spent much time at Ken Kern's home in Ipswich, they were very reliable men and do rememmer the tale concerning the object that Cambell and Wagner saw, but tha is all that I remember.
<P>Sincerely
<P>Michael
<P> <I>James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com></I> wrote:
<BLOCKQUOTE style="BORDER-LEFT: #1010ff 2px solid; MARGIN-LEFT: 5px;
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>From: joan and micheal
labrucherie <jmklab@yahoo.com>
>Date: Fri, 14 Feb 2003 21:33:35 -
0800 (PST)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] RAF Bentwaters

Michael
wrote:

>Larry Warren is and always has been a joke.

>I
certainly hope that he gives up the ghost and stops
>attempting to change
his stories so that those who have
>something real to bring forward can
without ridicule.

Michael,

If I'm not mistaken, you were
recently mentioned on this
list!

I wrote:

I thought this
might be of interest - I noticed it on a
web site for former base Security Police
personnel:

[BEGIN]
As I write this, I am looking at two 3X5 inch
index
cards.. part of a larger group of index cards which
comprised my
diary while at RAFs Woodbridge & Bentwaters.
Now read verbatim what I
wrote back in June 1980 onto
these
two 3X5 cards.. clearly, a half a year before the
now famous December 1980
incidents:

"15 June 80 - Interesting nite - it's our 2nd mid and

Wagner & Campbell have A-2. They sighted a UFO at five
different
occasions that nite. Described as a red globe
20ft. in diameter. It hovered at
times over aircraft
pads/structures. Labrucherie also sighted the UFO; he had

A-1. At one time they said the UFO glided over the trees
to a meadow
where it suddenly disappeared into a white
flash (pooof!) and then nothing;
except two deer which
they say were not there previously. I believe this story

to be authentic."

A-2 was the area security patrol & A-1 was
the entry
control post to the Alpha aircraft parking area at RAF

Bentwaters. The word "mid" references our midnight shift.

Ken
Kern.
[END]

Can you recall this
incident?

James.
E-mail:

voyager@jeaston.com

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<P>James,</P>

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it did not occur. I have been having difficulty remembering alot that happened back
then and would really appreciate some help jogging my memory.</P>

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From: "Alexandra Amy Lee <strixca@yahoo.ca>" <strixca@yahoo.ca>
Date: Sun, 23 Feb 2003 00:50:54 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Re: RAF Bentwaters

hi

i am new to this group.

the subject of bentwaters is pretty open. i was born a while after this but i spent a lot of my childhood at bentwaters.

they r selling the base of and putting houses and stuff on it last i heard.

hope this helps

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From: "THE WATCHDOG" <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Sun, 23 Feb 2003 13:32:36 -0800
Subject: [UFORL] Release

PRESS RELEASE

LAWSUIT AIMS TO SILENCE VOICE OF CRITIC IN UFO DEBATE
Supposed Psychic and Self Proclaimed UFO Authority Alleges Libel In
Unfounded Lawsuit
21-February-2003

Sean David Morton, who has promoted himself as "one of America's greatest psychics" and as the "world's foremost UFO researcher", has filed a one-million dollar defamation lawsuit against UFOWATCHDOG.COM.

Morton was the subject of a series of UFOWATCHDOG.COM articles, most notably 'The Shameless Psychic and His Prophecy of Lies' in which many of Morton's claims were called into serious question. Morton was invited to directly comment on the story, which was later published in February 2001. Morton failed to respond to several invitations for comment, including a posted open invitation on the UFOWATCHDOG.COM website.

In his lawsuit, Morton alleges all information pertaining to him published by UFOWATCHDOG.COM is "false", including an autobiography and a list of production/writing credits both authored by Morton himself. This leaves the question of why Morton would actually claim something written by him is false.

UFOWATCHDOG.COM editor Royce J. Myers III calls the lawsuit "completely meritless and an absolute abuse of the judicial system." Myers further added, " Mr.Morton is simply trying to use the courts by trampling on the First Amendment in an attempt to silence one of his numerous critics."

When asked about Morton's claim of being libeled, Myers said, "Mr.Morton's allegations are pure fantasy, as are the vast majority of his UFO and psychic claims. Mr.Morton was invited to comment and has, by choice, continually failed to respond or comment. Mr.Morton has been aware of UFOWATCHDOG.COM since it debuted in February 2001. You can't hold someone else accountable for your own failure to speak up."

"Mr.Morton apparently will go to any length in trying to silence someone with something to say about him, as he has named UFOWATCHDOG.COM's webhost as a defendant, which is ludicrous. Thanks to Mr.Morton's baseless lawsuit, the webhost has shut down the UFOWATCHDOG.COM website. The webhost has nothing to do with the content of the website. The lawsuit is clearly retaliatory and intended to stifle any debate about Mr.Morton's public claims about UFOs, the paranormal, and his alleged credentials. Essentially, he's trying to scare anyone from engaging him in the eye of the public and

apparently is under the assumption that issues pertaining to UFOs and the paranormal are one-sided debates solely for him to participate in." Myers stated.

Prominent Los Angeles civil rights attorney Carol A. Sobel, representing UFOWATCHDOG.COM, responded to the complaint. On February 20, 2003, Sobel filed a motion to have the lawsuit dismissed on the grounds that Morton is "...prevent[ing] Defendants from engaging in protected expressive activities -- namely calling into question [Morton's] self-proclaimed national expertise on extraterrestrial life, UFOs, and the paranormal."

Filed under a special California state law enacted in 1992 to combat what the California Legislature called "...a disturbing increase in lawsuits brought primarily to chill the valid exercise of the constitutional rights of freedom of speech", the state law protects people from defamation and other SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation) lawsuits. The motion allows for the lawsuit to be quickly dismissed when such complaint arises from the exercise of First Amendment petition and free speech rights on an issue of public interest.

Sobel noted in the motion to dismiss the lawsuit, "The existence of extraterrestrial life is unquestionably a matter of great public interest. People all over the world are engaged in research to answer the question of whether such life exists. Needless to say, this matter is quite controversial, bringing with it vehemently contrasting positions based on scientific and religious grounds."

A hearing on the motion is scheduled for March 14, 2003 at 8:30AM in L.A. Superior Court in department E at 825 Maple Ave., Torrance, California.

Since early 2001, UFOWATCHDOG.COM has been a news source for both UFOs and the paranormal. Most notably, UFOWATCHDOG.COM has challenged a number of the claims made by well known UFO personalities, has provided commentary on the UFO and paranormal fields, as well as having exposed UFO hoaxes all in an effort to further more rational and scientific debate regarding issues such as UFOs and the paranormal.

Contact: ufowatchdog@earthlink.net

Release compiled by C. O'Shaughnessy

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From: Max Fraser <lord_of_the_guardians@yahoo.com>
Date: Sun, 23 Feb 2003 17:52:34 -0800 (PST)
Subject: [UFORL] F-111's

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Mon, 24 Feb 2003 02:21:51 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
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Likewise and it might be even more bizarre than that. Although I can't say for certain, I have a vague recollection of perhaps reading (possibly in 'UFO Magazine') that 'Defence of the Realm' was inspired by the original 'UFO' incidents.

The RAF Woodbridge crash claim refers to an F-111A, as reported on Joe Baugher's web site:

<http://home.att.net/~jbaugher/1967.html>

See serial number 0069.

I've advised Joe that 0069 is indeed at the Southern Museum of Flight, Birmingham:

<http://f-111.net/museums/>

Where though, does this story of the RAF Woodbridge crash originate?

Joe confirms his source was 'John Howland' and kindly provided a contact e-mail address. Unfortunately, mail sent to that '.com' address is now returned 'User unknown'.

Joe presumed that Howland lived locally, however, it looks like there's no 'J. Howland' in the Surrey telephone directory and consequently no indication he even resides in the UK.

It would be desirable to resolve this somewhat eclectic facet and we'll see what results from various ongoing enquiries.

James.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "Chris Gibson" <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>
Date: Mon, 24 Feb 2003 13:15:14 -0000
Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111's

Good Morning.

1) Naval F-111B was for air defence and cancelled early on in the F-111 development programme in 1968.

2) SAC used FB-111As for strategic nuclear strike, based in the USA.

3) The F-111E and F models based at Upper Heyford and Lakenheath respectively were for deep penetration of Warpac rear areas. I quote Rick Stephens in the "World Air Power Journal"

"F-111s were designed as Cold Warriors of the first degree, and carriage of nuclear weapons was a vital part of that mission." He later states that only the F-111C didn't carry nuclear weapons and these were based at Cannon AFB, NM

I can't see a F-111 cavorting about East Anglia with a B61 nuke on the wing. Stranger things have happened though.

Chris

-----Original Message-----

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I don't recall the F-111 ever being used by the US Navy. The attack aircraft
used were the A-6 Intruder and A-7 Corsair. The F-111 had always been used
by the USAF.

Tim Printy

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If I recall correctly, this was supposed to be a joint fighter built for the USAF and
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USN's needs. I think it had something to do with the undercarriage and aircraft carrier
landings but that is just from what I recall over the years.

Tim Printy

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From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 00:27:43 +0100
Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Well, I *think* it was an F-111 - but I'm going from memory. Can't remember when you said the incident happened. The movie came out in 1985, which means it was almost certainly in production at least a year before that and had been written at least a year or two earlier, the movie business being what it is.

Don;t think the story could have been a movie promoter's stunt, do you? Just kidding...

a+
Steve

-----Original Message-----

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

I had queried the crash claims on a dedicated F-111A mailing list and Denis Lefebvre observes:

"I think f-111.net has it mistaken... I took a good look at the image that they claim is tail number 67-0069. First, you cannot make out the tail number. Second, it has a 'MO' designation with '366th TFW' on the tail. Unless those markings are counterfeit, as an alumni of the 366th, I can say with confidence that aircraft is not an 'A' model... it is an 'F' model and its tail number is most likely prefaced with 72 - xxxx.

As for the actual whereabouts of tail 67-0069... the mystery lives".

David de Botton, who operates 'f-111.net', is also a subscriber to the same mailing list and has responded, commenting he will investigate further.

Meantime, I've asked the museum if they could please resolve what I assuredly did not envisage becoming an 'F-111 mystery'...

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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If I recall

correctly, this was supposed to be a joint fighter built for the USAF and USN to
cut down costs. Unfortunately, the F-111 was not suitable for the USN's

From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 10:10:35 +0000
Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

At 15:26 21/02/2003 +0100, you wrote:

>The movie 'Defence of the Realm' features an F-111 crashing with a nuke on
>board - and the subsequent cover-up. It would be interesting to know whether
>the incident inspired the film, or the film has led to an urban myth. I

The "lost Nuke" theory has always been my favourite explanation of the events (I heard it many years ago from a retired RAF officer) and keeping in mind that the US wanted to base cruise missiles here in he UK during 1980's I don;t think the public would be too keen on the fact that the USAF were carrying nukes over their heads so to speak.

Also RAF Vulcans carried "Yellow Sun" H-bombs during "training" flights over the UK just in case the Soviets launched a surprise attack. I had not realised this until I spoke to a friend of mine who was a Vulcan pilot. He told me that it was never spoken about publicly as the RAF / MoD did not want the public to start worrying in case one crashed!!

Cheers

John

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Tim Radford, science editor

Tuesday February 18, 2003

The Guardian

Abduction by imaginary aliens can be almost as traumatic as being

caught up in real horror, according to US psychologists. The only

difference is that when asked "would you go through it again?",

most of ET's abductees replied: "Yes."

In one of the more out-of-this-world research projects,

Richard McNally [1] of Harvard University told the American Association

for the Advancement of Science meeting in Denver, Colorado [2],

that he had interviewed 10 of the thousands of Americans who

claimed to remember being carried off by extraterrestrials.

The Harvard scientists measured heartbeat, facial tension and

sweating on the palms as they played back audiotapes of the

subjects recounting their experience. "Our question is: do

people who have apparent false memories of trauma show the

same psycho-physiological reactivity? The answer appears to

be yes," Prof McNally said

Prof McNally IMAGE:

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"In fact, the heart rate responses and skin conductance responses
 were at least as great in the alien abductees, when they heard
 their memories of being abducted and molested by space aliens,
 and subjected to these experiments on spaceships, as for people
 with genuine traumatic events.

"The moral of the story appears to be that it underscores the
 power of emotional belief."

In his research, Prof McNally also identified the recipe for
 an alien abductee. Most of the subjects were interested in
 astral projection, tarot cards, telling the future, bioenergetic
 therapies and, of course, aliens. "So they had a whole set of
 new age beliefs to begin with," he said.

They were also prone to fantasies, and vivid images. Third, and
 crucially, they had had episodes of sleep paralysis and
 hallucinations upon awakening. Sleep paralysis is not imaginary:
 it occurs on awakening from the dream state marked by rapid eye
 movement, and is experienced by 30% of the population. Some victims
 of sleep paralysis also report hypnopompic ("upon wakening")
 hallucinations.

"It is part of the basis of believing in ghosts," Prof McNally said.
 "In the European middle ages it was the incubus and the succubus
 who were the agents of the devil. In Cambridge, Massachusetts,
 it is space aliens. During REM sleep, the body is fully paralysed
 except for the eyes ... Often elements of dream will intrude
 into wakefulness."

Such experiences were often terrifying. So, typically, his
 abductees would consult mental health professionals, who would
 suggest they had repressed memories.

"So when we piece together the new age beliefs, the hypnopompic
 hallucinations, the absorption, and sometimes a little help from
 the memory recovery folks, you have got yourselves an alien abductee."

-end-

John. W. Auchettl

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[2]. ASSOCIATION:

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[6]. Alien abduction claims examined:

Signs of trauma found

By William J. Cromie

Gazette Staff

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[7]. BOOK:

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Richard J. McNally

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Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 09:44:26 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Release

This will be interesting, because the burden of proof is on Morton.

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The Learning Channel (TLC) had an hour show on last week on sleep paralysis as one explanation for UFO abductions.

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@ Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2003 6:52 AM

@ To: AUFORN@yahoogroups.com; uforq@coollist.com;

@ aussieufolinks@coollist.com; UFORL@yahoogroups.com

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@ Abductees

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From: "North Kent" <northkent121@hotmail.com>

Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 18:23:50 +0000

Subject: [UFORL] Yahoo group 1 - UFO sightings recorded information line

Dear Members,

You may be interested to know, we run a UFO sightings recorded information line. Updated each week, we bring you all the latest news in UFOLOGY. Please feel free to leave a message after our news update and we can include your topic, news and views in a future update. You may wish to promote your own group or forthcoming meeting etc.

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Does anyone have any information about the work

NIDS is doing at the
ranch in Utah?

Secondly - any opinions on the

Lifter movies at
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thanks

Neil

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 26 Feb 2003 00:54:18 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 03:45:28 -0000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

I wrote:

[BEGIN]

I had queried the crash claims on a dedicated F-111A mailing list and Denis Lefebvre observes:

"I think f-111.net has it mistaken... I took a good look at the image that they claim is tail number 67-0069. First, you cannot make out the tail number. Second, it has a 'MO' designation with '366th TFW' on the tail. Unless those markings are counterfeit, as an alumni of the 366th, I can say with confidence that aircraft is not an 'A' model... it is an 'F' model and its tail number is most likely prefaced with 72 - xxxx".

David de Botton, who operates 'f-111.net', is also a subscriber to the same mailing list and has responded, commenting he will investigate further.

[END]

David now replies to Denis Lefebvre's comments:

"Regards this A model at The Southern Museum of Flight.

I appreciate & welcome your questions with verification of the true identity of this particular aircraft.

I can't begin to convey the 100's of email that went into updating the museums page over a 12 month period!!

This involved emailing everyone in our email address book. It gave me leads to follow that meant I also had to chase up plenty of promises for images. Many aircraft on display at various museums do not in fact have the paint schemes they should/or last had. Some even have the incorrect tail numbers?

Can assure you Dennis that this aircraft has a intake splitter plate making it an 'A' & not 'F' model".

Also regarding:

>From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
>Date: Tue, 25 Feb 2003 10:10:35 +0000
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

John wrote:

>The "lost Nuke" theory has always been my favourite explanation
>of the events (I heard it many years ago from a retired RAF
>officer).

John,

Thanks for clarifying the source.

Can you recall how he claimed to know of this?

James.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "Werner Walter" <CENAP@addcom.de>
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 2003 00:16:27 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] UFO filmed end of February above Peru?

Hi listfolks,

does anyone have information about a gigant UFO which was seen and filmed end of February above Peru? Two german newschannels has reported about such a affair in the early morning hours of the last Saturday but nothing more was hearing about this story later on this day. Request to the staff of both channels has bring up until now no answers... Nothing more in the newspapers and nothing more about such a story in the international news. I'm wondering...

Best wishes

WW
Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Fri, 7 Mar 2003 01:54:51 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Mon, 24 Feb 2003 02:21:51 -0000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

I wrote:

[BEGIN]

The RAF Woodbridge crash claim refers to an F-111A, as reported on Joe Baugher's web site:

<http://home.att.net/~jbaugher/1967.html>

See serial number 0069.

I've advised Joe that 0069 is indeed at the Southern Museum of Flight, Birmingham:

<http://f-111.net/museums/>

Where though, does this story of the RAF Woodbridge crash originate?

Joe confirms his source was 'John Howland' and kindly provided a contact e-mail address. Unfortunately, mail sent to that '.com' address is now returned 'User unknown'.

Joe presumed that Howland lived locally, however, it looks like there's no 'J. Howland' in the Surrey telephone directory and consequently no indication he even resides in the UK.

It would be desirable to resolve this somewhat eclectic facet and we'll see what results from various ongoing enquiries.
[END]

With Joe's further assistance, I've traced Howland to a specific town in the U.K.

I called the only two 'Howland' telephone directory entries in the entire county and neither could help. Frustratingly, there is one other ex-directory (British Telecom can not divulge the phone number) entry, although it's not a 'J' Howland (John Howland could be their son though).

Someone has set up a web site for the town and it has a discussion forum. My request for possible help in locating John Howland has so far produced one response, which suggests I could perhaps go around town with a megaphone.

Meantime, hopefully putting this story to rest, I had submitted a FOIA request via the RAF Lakenheath web site, at:

<http://www.lakenheath.af.mil/>

I note their FOIA 'Reading Room' cautions:

"Unidentified Flying Objects

The 48th Fighter Wing does not have records concerning the alleged Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) incident at RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge, England in December 1980".

My FOIA request also queries any F-111 tactical nuke accident during December 1980.

I do not anticipate our postman arriving with a large package of related documents and suspect it will be a letter which begins, 'This is about that stupid UFO story, isn't it? Didn't you read our web site?...!.

Won't be the first time.

James.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "Benjamin Walker" <bpwalker00@hotmail.com>
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 2003 12:03:22 +0000
Subject: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

I haven't used a 'group' before, so I hope this works.

I am trying to find the best place to report what two of us watched for 2 hours last night (6/3/03).

Briefly it was two formations of lights which brightened/dimmed. The formations split up, most of the lights then headed off in I think 2 or three different directions. About three or four lights remained roughly in the same vicinity and moved only a relatively short distance. Some of these brightened and dimmed 2 or 3 times, such that they were easily the brightest object that either of us have ever seen in the night sky (except the moon). The motion of several of them seemed very jerky and had lights which flashed at a constant rate.

I joined this group (but haven't contributed) a few months ago when we both saw a similar bright light which dimmed and moved, but having now seen something much more dramatic we both felt that it should be reported.

bpwalker00@hotmail.com

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From: "David Clarke" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 8 Mar 2003 13:36:50 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] MOD TV programme records released

BBC Online, 6 February 2003
www.bbc.co.uk

UFO PROGRAMME 'PANIC' GRIPPED MINISTRY

By Dominic Casciani
BBC News Online at the Public Record Office

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Many of the public are convinced about UFO's
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Full sympathy

Having decided to take part, the ministry was so determined to quash UFO rumours, officials arranged for RAF Lightnings and one US Air Force Phantom to be filmed flying in formations that they said were the basis for the rumours.

"Good colour film taken [by the BBC] at dusk should show the fire-cones of their jet effluxes in re-heat, apparently hovering and then moving sharply away, as often described in UFO sightings," Air Commodore Davis told the ministry.

"On UFOs, I found both the producer and interviewer apparently fully in sympathy with the MOD point of view; they have probably had their fill of the cranky ufologists whom they have already interviewed at length."

The man from the ministry came away satisfied that the MOD has quashed the rumours for good - not least after his successful performance during the subsequent studio discussion.

Unfortunately, that did not turn out to be the case and the letters kept coming in to the ministry - including one from a Mr Creighton of Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire.

Like many UFO enthusiasts, Mr Creighton thought the programme was a seminal moment in the battle to prove the existence of extraterrestrials.

"It was not only epoch-making for its treatment of the subject but that the star performer of the evening was a gentlemen who, if my memory is not at fault, holds a government certificate of proficiency in the more exotic branches of xenoglossy and speaks fluent Uranian or Plutonian," he wrote.

Mr Creighton said he and other enthusiasts desperately wanted this official to appear as a guest-speaker at UFO clubs around the country.

"I have made several unsuccessful attempts to locate him - could you be so good as to put me in touch with him or indicate how he may be contacted?"

Unfortunately for Mr Creighton, the men from the ministry denied they had a chap conversant in alien languages.

"This department has no knowledge of the person you mention," came the terse reply.

"I can only suggest that the staff of the BBC programme may be able to assist you."

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Having decided to take part, the ministry was so determined to quash UFO rumours, officials arranged for RAF Lightnings and one US Air Force Phantom to be filmed flying in formations that they said were the basis for the rumours.

"Good colour film taken [by the BBC] at dusk should show the fire-cones of their jet effluxes in re-heat, apparently hovering and then moving sharply away, as often described in UFO sightings," Air Commodore Davis told the ministry.

"On UFOs, I found both the producer and interviewer apparently fully in sympathy with the MOD point of view; they have probably had their fill of the cranky ufologists whom they have already interviewed at length."

The man from the ministry came away satisfied that the MOD has quashed the rumours for good - not least after his successful performance during the subsequent studio discussion.

Do you speak Uranian?

Unfortunately, that did not turn out to be the case and the letters kept coming in to the ministry - including one from a Mr Creighton of Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire.

Like many UFO enthusiasts, Mr Creighton thought the programme was a seminal moment in the battle to prove the existence of extraterrestrials.

"It was not only epoch-making for its treatment of the subject but that the star performer of the evening was a gentleman who, if my memory is not at fault, holds a government certificate of proficiency in the more exotic branches of xenoglossy and speaks fluent Uranian or Plutonian," he wrote.

Mr Creighton said he and other enthusiasts desperately wanted this official to appear as a guest-speaker at UFO clubs around the country.

"I have made several unsuccessful attempts to locate him - could you be so good as to put me in touch with him or indicate how he may be contacted?"

Unfortunately for Mr Creighton, the men from the ministry denied they had a chap conversant in alien languages.

"This department has no knowledge of the person you mention," came the terse reply.

"I can only suggest that the staff of the BBC programme may be able to assist you."

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From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>
Date: Sun, 9 Mar 03 00:05:34 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Re: MOD UFO programme file released

Duke's compliments:

Amazing. I didn't realize Gordon Creighton had gone quite so mad so early. I don't think we can put this one down to his sense of humour, either (always a moot point with him). And this is the man whom the Adm. of the Fleet Hill-Norton considers to be an intellectual colleague. Mmm.

best wishes
Baron Nasty

"Who can resist being a sage? -- Max I. Dimont

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 8 Mar 2003 23:23:11 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

As some subscribers might know, the BBC is to broadcast a new documentary on the 'Rendlesham Forest UFO' incidents.

The program is being produced by a company called Mentorn, see:

<http://www.mentorn.co.uk/beontv/rendlesham.pdf>

At the outset, the Producer, Duncan McAlpine, contacted myself and asked if I could act as a research consultant.

Specifically, said Duncan, can you fill us in on what's happened since ITV's 'Strange But True?' feature some years back.

I suggested:

On 9 December, 1994, 'Strange But True?' asserted, "the Americans were well aware of the lighthouse and said that wasn't what they saw".

The critical development was that it has now long been proven otherwise and uncovering those original witness statements was devastating to the 'aliens landed in Suffolk' mythology.

Far from examining a 'landed craft' at his leisure for some twenty minutes and actually touching its 'strange symbols', SSgt Jim Penniston had in truth never been closer than 50 metres to what were merely some unfamiliar lights somewhere within Rendlesham forest.

Worse yet, Penniston, Burroughs and Cabansag trekked for two miles through the pitch black countryside before realising they were pursuing a coastal lighthouse.

These were the true facts, documented at the time and never disclosed by Burroughs or Penniston in their TV appearances.

Although Lt. Col. Halt was oblivious to the abortive lighthouse pursuit when he had his own coastal 'UFO encounter', in exactly the same location, he took those statements at the beginning of January 1981 and would then have become aware how deceptive those coastal lights were, when viewed through the forest trees.

Halt never disclosed this either.

I published those statements on 1 March 1998 and consequently, it's been five years since the 'ET visitation' story had credibility.

It's only the fervent believers who still maintain otherwise, citing as evidence ludicrous claims such as the statements being fraudulent and part of a Government 'UFO cover-up'.

Although all easily disproven, it was still tedious having to set out the copious proof - which you have separately been provided with.

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I also explained to Duncan and Riva Marker, Development Researcher, that since 'Strange But True?', Halt has given interviews where he describes precisely where the 'strange flashing light UFO' and Orfordness lighthouse were in relation to the farmhouse at Capel Green.

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As I detailed in an article:

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Halt was asked about the assertion he had been deceived by the Orford Ness lighthouse and replied:

"First, the lighthouse was visible the whole time. It was readily apparent, and it was 30 to 40 degrees off to our right. If you were standing in the forest where we stood, at the supposed landing site or whatever you want to call it, you could see the farmer's house directly in front of us. The lighthouse was 30 to 35 degrees off to the right, and the object was close to the farmer's house and moving from there to the left, through the trees".

Here, as never before, Halt provides specific details of the perspective he believed to be accurate. When he states, "If you were standing in the forest where we stood, at the supposed landing site or whatever you want to call it, you could see the farmer's house directly in front of us", that's correct and the Orford Ness lighthouse is in a direct line of sight, east, towards the coast.

However, when he claims, "The lighthouse was 30 to 35 degrees off to the right." that seems to be consequentially incorrect; the Shipwash lightship was "off to the right", the lighthouse was straight ahead, where Halt observed the 'unidentified light' to be.

His comment that "the object was close to the farmer's house", again places the light source in the line of sight to Orford Ness lighthouse, whereas he believed the lighthouse to be much further south.

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There's a map on my web site which unequivocally proves this:

<http://www.rendlesham.com/map2.jpg>

More recently, John Burroughs, who accompanied Penniston on their adventures within Rendlesham forest that first night, has corresponded with myself.

This has been ongoing for over a year and most of his revelations have yet to be published.

What I will reveal are some of his verbatim confirmations, including:

"As far as the part about Penniston saying he examined it [the 'craft' - James] at his leisure, I believe that came out when he went under hypnotic regression".

"As far as the lighthouse goes, the statements that everybody made such a big deal about were first made available by Col Holt during the filming of 'Unsolved Mysteries'."

"One thing I can say from what I have pulled off of the internet about Halt and Penniston is that their story's sure changed a lot since Strange but True. Also I feel some of Penniston story is being influenced by him going under hypnosis".

"Anyway I have went over many of the articles that you have written from talking to witness over the years. First of all everybody makes a big deal about the lighthouse, including you, how it was being held back. Well if you read my statement I described seeing several things before coming to a Farmers House then seeing a beacon, mind you a beacon, not the lights we saw before. We followed it for 2 miles and could see it was coming from a Lighthouse".

Does this help to understand the real context of our supposed 'UFO mystery'?

[...]

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Etc.

What Mentorn also wanted was contact details for John Burroughs. As I had been asked not to reveal this without his express permission, I offered to inform him about Mentorn's proposed documentary and provide their own contact information.

However, I cautioned:

"What I must distance myself and all research contributions from is an outcome where Burroughs critical evidence is effectively lost amidst highlighting counter-claims from the patently preposterous 'cover-up' bandwagon and it's all left 'open' for the viewer to decide.

There's no reason that should happen; you have been entrusted with comprehensive, factual, research material which should hopefully result in significant closure".

Unfortunately, I was hearing that Mentorn intended to merely interview anyone they could access and who had some connection with the case.

As it turned out that Burroughs would be unavailable anyway, Riva Marker wrote to indicate they would not therefore be featuring his "theory" at all.

Meantime, Halt and Penniston had been flown over from the U.S. for interviews on location at Rendlesham forest.

I'm aware of many others that have been interviewed and who would be known to most subscribers.

I declined Mentorn's interview request.

Accordingly, despite Mentorn's public proclamation that they, "will attempt to come up with the clearest explanation yet for what may have happened over those two fateful nights", it seems evident that did not perhaps undertake any thorough investigative research.

One paramount reason could be that Duncan McAlpine confirmed in our first conversation that he was required to produce, in only six weeks, a documentary that should really take six months.

In eventual discussions with Nick Curwin, one of the two Executive Producers and statedly, "responsible editorially", I queried:

Seriously Nick... are Mentorn going to reiterate Penniston's tales without even mentioning that both the original witness statements and his partner confirm Penniston's proclaimed twenty minute 'spacecraft examination' never happened, that it's evident hypnotised fantasy and how in truth, they ended up chasing a lighthouse beacon for two miles?

Etc...

Especially disconcerting is the following, as Duncan and Riva were alerted to:

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This point about Penniston's documentation is absolutely pivotal.

On 22 April, 1997, Penniston was interviewed by American journalist Salley Rayl. This was for an online feature being broadcast by the then fledgling Microsoft Network.

Salley kindly provided myself with copies of her significant interviews with both Halt and Penniston and even managed to ask Halt some questions on my behalf, which resulted in his first-ever acknowledgement that the incident dates in his memo to the MoD might be wrong (which of course they were), as he had compiled the memo "from memory".

Penniston claimed:

"I had my notebook and camera while I was out there, so I began taking notes. This is what I wrote:

'Triangular in shape. The top portion is producing mainly white light, which encompasses most of the upper section of the craft. A small amount of white light peers out the bottom. At the left side center is a bluish light, and on the other side, red. The lights seem to be moulded as part of the exterior of the structure, smooth, slowly fading into the rest of the outside of the structure, gradually moulding into the fabric of the craft'."

He also provided Salley with three detailed sketches of the object and its 'strange symbols' [I have copies of the drawings], which allegedly came from his notebook and had been drawn at the scene.

It's quite straightforward; either these document an extraordinary event, or the documentation is fraudulent.

Given that Penniston denies the lighthouse pursuit, charges that this was a fabrication by the MIB, that Burroughs denies they ever observed a structured object, plus how those critical witness statements confirm Penniston was never closer than 50 metres to the 'strange lights', some have concluded the answer is self-evident.

Anyway, thankfully I'm not one of those who regard Penniston's tales as the foundation of a alien spaceship landing, covered-up as always by the nefarious Ministry!

You can't tell the people such sheer nonsense, some might say!
[END]

Since no reassurances have been forthcoming this past week, you can draw your own anticipatory conclusions.

The program will be broadcast by BBC3, at 10:35 on 15 March.

James.
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As you will see from the article, this could be entirely
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Best wishes,

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Dave, do you know the date and location of this movie case? Thanks.
V-J

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Hi Werner,

That's interesting - I hadn't heard of those machines.

The only thing is that when the (visible) cloud bank so drifted the lights did dim accordingly as though the light source really was above them. Would you expect this to happen with this machine? Also at times the lights were separated by about 100 degrees I would guess - so presumably the special cloud conditions necessary for there to be no "light finger" would have to have been present over a wide portion of the sky. Is that usual?

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Date: Sun, 9 Mar 2003 23:18:19 EST
Subject: [UFORL] For Your Amusement - Kecksburg

Ladies & Gents:

For your amusement, please see how the CSI Kecksburg petition is treated by this local Pittsburg newspaper. As long as there are promoters of a "mystery", and people who want to get into the fun for their 15 minutes of fame, this hoax will never die.

Clear skies,
Bob Young

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People in Kecksburg want to resolve what fell from the sky in 1965
Sunday, March 09, 2003

By Tom Gibb, Post-Gazette Staff Writer

KECKSBURG, Pa. -- Dec. 9, 1965. A day that will live in incongruity. That was the late afternoon when something -- or nothing -- shot from the heavens over this south edge of Westmoreland County and landed -- or didn't -- in a gully a mile outside of town.

A life-size replica of what some say they saw fall from the sky on

Dec. 9, 1965, is mounted on a raised platform outside the Kecksburg Volunteer Fire Department. (John Beale, Post-Gazette)

Really. It came down, an acorn-shaped something a size up from a Volkswagen Beetle, some insist.

Bunk, say others.

In the intervening 37 years, the dispute busted up a few friendships. Even

now, pair Kecksburg and UFO in a sentence and it kick-starts a back-and-forth, said Kathy Leeper, bartender at the local firefighters club.

"They were talking about it just the other night," she said. So, now come UFO sleuths, figuring to settle this by getting as much of the public behind them as they can and demanding a look at the record. Except that key elements of the record, if there is much of one, may be locked away in government files. And the UFO sleuths, a coalition of

cash,
legal expertise and ardor for probing the supernatural, figure that
getting
at it will take a major petition drive, a congressional investigation
and
maybe some legal muscle.

"This case is so incredibly fascinating," said Leslie Kean, a San Francisco-area freelance journalist whose writing on UFOs appeared from opinion pages of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution to news pages of the Boston Globe. "Even now, the trail is not cold."

For years, retiree Robert Bitner, former Kecksburg fire chief, a man
who
believes that something noteworthy fell from the sky, hasn't spoken
with
his brother-in-law. He maintains only a nodding acquaintance with
neighbor
and fellow ex-fire chief Ed Myers. It's a cold war born of the UFO
dispute.

"I'd love to know what the government knows about it," Bitner said. "It might help us end this thing for good."

That's end, not forget.

The Roswell of Pa.

What looks like a Bunyanesque brown acorn perched on a platform next to
the fire hall is actually a 7-foot replica of what believers say they
saw
-- modeled a dozen years ago for the television show "Unsolved
Mysteries,"
then put on permanent display here.

North of town, the twisting township route closest to the purported
crash
site has been renamed Meteor Road.

The records hunt begins with a newly launched online petition drive, at
www.signpetition.com, to persuade Congress to put its General
Accounting
Office on the case, a gambit that Kean said might shake loose records
that
the general public hasn't seen.

Then, through a law firm doing freedom-of-information work, the
coalition
would sue where it felt government agencies shortchanged requests for
declassified files on Kecksburg.

The drive is being bankrolled by television's SciFi Channel, where fare ranges from "The Twilight Zone" reruns to the ultimate vision of the American melting pot, a serial about space aliens blending in with the Roswell, N.M., locals.

This isn't about Kecksburg's promotional value to SciFi, channel
Special

Projects Director Larry Landsman vowed. "We're committed to solving this," he said.

Along with reporter Kean, the records hunt includes Greensburg resident Stan Gordon, 53, an electronics salesman and, since age 16, gumshoe tracking the unexplained.

Gordon's pursuit of enigmas ranging from UFOs to Bigfoot, detailed at his

Web site, www.westol.com/~pauf/, brings 200 e-mails a day and "phone calls at 2, 3, 4 in the morning," he said. His Kecksburg inquiry, begun when he was a teenager, has yielded reams of files and produced a 92-minute, \$25 videotape, "Kecksburg: The Untold Story," a 1998 production

bearing the tag line "New Mexico has Roswell, but in Pennsylvania it was

Kecksburg." Sales, he said, "have been in the hundreds."

"I keep an open mind," said Gordon, who recites Kecksburg particulars with

edge-of-his-seat urgency, " ... but something of military importance seems to have fallen."

He has critics.

Between me and trees

Ed Myers, fire chief in 1965, complains that Gordon "turned this into a circus." And Bob Young, an amateur astronomer who lectures at the state planetarium in Harrisburg and studied the Kecksburg puzzle, said people who insist that something slammed down outside town ignored hard evidence

that the matter was much ado about a meteor that came nowhere close. But the UFO case also has people dropping tantalizing hints.

Retiree Bob Schmidt, an amateur astronomer in Pittsburgh's North Hills, tells of a friend, wary of reporters, who worked with NASA and had associates who said they examined debris retrieved from Kecksburg. "They said it looks very much like a Russian nose cone," Schmidt said. Around Kecksburg, 300-some people strong, that's the talk that rumpuses

are made of.

On that dreary 1965 afternoon, the episode began in a flash -- a "brilliant fireball" lighting the dusk sky, according to the next morning's Post-Gazette.

It was meteor, photographed by at least a couple earthlings, visible from Chicago to New York State to Virginia, astronomers Von Del Chamberlain and David Krause of Michigan State University wrote in a paper published 20 months later by the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada. The space rock burst and vanished 15 miles southeast of Windsor, Ontario, but not before fooling spectators as it streaked into the horizon, Chamberlain wrote.

"Observers in several states were certain the object landed within a mile from them," he wrote in a follow-up paper for the state of Michigan's Geological Survey.

"Individuals often report: 'It definitely went between me and the nearby trees.' "

Actually, it did, says Bill Bulebush.

'Big, huge piece of metal'

Bulebush, 40 then, was home just outside Kecksburg, tinkering with his 1964 Corvair.

He saw the flaming whatever-it-was fly over, then double back "just like it was controlled," he said last week. And when he watched it go down just north of town, Bulebush said, he drove off after it, up what's now Meteor Road.

There, maybe a quarter-mile into the woods, lay this thing -- burnt orange, maybe 10 feet long, shaped like an acorn, he said. "It was smoldering and cracking, sparks coming off it ... no sign of life, with a sour smell, sort of like sulfur," Bulebush said. It was half-buried, after tearing a trench into the ground with a belly-flop landing, he said.

"I went down and stood behind a tree and watched it ... 10 feet away," he

said.

And when he heard people tramping through the woods, he said, he got scared and hightailed back home -- where wife, Betty Bulebush, concedes she met the story with enough lack of interest that "I kept watching TV."

James Romansky, now 57 and a disabled machinist living near Derry, insists

he came upon it, too, as a volunteer firefighter, called from Lloydsville, 25 miles from Kecksburg, to comb woods for what was supposed to be a crashed plane.

In the flashlight beams, he said, he and a handful of searchers saw "one big, huge piece of metal buried in the mud ... goldish, copperish, yellow, quiet as a church mouse."

The wreckage bore markings Romansky likens to hieroglyphics. Nobody touched it.

"I'm running around, looking for bodies and scratching my head and my butt

because there aren't any," Romansky said. "There's no loose pieces. This

thing has no rivets, no portals, no way to get in and out."

Out of the dark came "two guys with crewcuts and trench coats," Romansky

said. "And they said, 'This is quarantined. You get the hell out,' very loud and very adamant."

Then-Fire Chief Ed Myers' response, in a word: hooey.

"Afterward, there was no sign of it," he said. "There wasn't so much as a bird spot."

People who figure that something indeed hit the ground suggested origins

ranging from extraterrestrials to a misfired NIKE missile to a remnant of

Kosmos 96, a Soviet probe that was bound for Venus but, according to U.S.

Space Command, crashed in Canada 14 hours earlier.

Like to get it resolved

No matter what the case, reporter Kean said, the case is ripe for investigation because it has living witnesses who saw something on the

ground and three decades worth of evidence rounded up by Gordon.
"It's a very good case," she said.

Except that in Kecksburg, even what happened in plain sight is open to dispute.

U.S. Air Force documents tell of a three-man team coming from its Oakdale radar station, finding nothing and heading home in early morning. Retired firefighter Bitner recalls seeing "a dozen" military men. Carl Porch, whose farmland sits nearby, says there barely were any. "There were all kind of military people," said Robert Gatty, now publishing a trade magazine in the Washington, D.C., suburbs, then a reporter with the Tribune-Review in Greensburg. "I couldn't get past them."

"And the government didn't send all them out because of some shooting star," Bitner said.

By Romansky's account, the military trucked out its find under tarp, on a flatbed truck, and commandeered the fire hall as a command post, stationing armed guards who turned him away when he tried to use the restroom.

Myers' response: More hooey. The firehouse was open and people jammed the social club, he said.

"We probably sold as much beer as we ever did because of all the people," he said.

So it goes. Storytellers question each others' credibility. Critics who turned up a criminal past that included theft and armed robbery scoff at Romansky's believability. Gordon defends him for offering corroborated detail. Allegations simmer of people massaging stories over the years. If townspeople figure that the new push to open records will settle this, though, a spokesman for Kecksburg's congressman offers little hope. If there are files locked away and the government justified sealing them, said Brad Clemenson, aide to Rep. John Murtha, D-Johnstown, GAO probably won't find a rationale to unseal them.

That's not what a lot of people want to hear.

"This thing dies off, then it comes up," current Fire Chief Duane Hutter

said. "Everybody'd like it if we got it resolved."

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From: John Burtenshaw <jburtens@bournemouth.ac.uk>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2003 09:08:16 +0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

Hi All

I saw one of these laser shows in action a few years ago. Rings of light were moving around the night sky (it reminded me of the "Mysterons from the Captain Scarlet TV programme!). I did not see the lasers just the reflections off the clouds. I phoned the local police who told me that they had been flooded with calls about UFO's and that it was part of an outdoor disco. It was very spooky....

Cheers

John

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>did dim accordingly as though the light source really was above them. Would
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>separated by about 100 degrees I would guess - so presumably the special
>cloud conditions necessary for there to be no "light finger" would have to
>have been present over a wide portion of the sky. Is that usual?

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>Thank you very much

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>Ben Walker

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> >From: "Werner Walter" <CENAP@addcom.de>

> >> >To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

> >>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

> >>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 2003 18:02:06 +0100

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> >>Hi James,

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> >>Thanks very much for your reply.

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> >>I've read the article with interest - I had not actually heard before of
> >>scintillating stars.

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> > >I'm certain, though, that this isn't the explanation here, for amongst
> > >others, the following reasons:
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> > >1) Our initial observation was of two distinct formations of 8-10 lights
> > >each - arranged in circles - the circumferences separated by a distance
> > >roughly equal to their (equal) radii. My mother (the other observer)
> > >describes them as each looking like the European flag.
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> > >2) The motion of the bulk of the lights (which moved off) after split-up
> > >was
> > >fast - certainly seemingly at least as fast as an aircraft. Most of these
> > >travelled out of view completely towards the horizon/cloud bank - in two
> > >or
> > >three different directions. It was fortunate that the sky was almost
> > >clear
> > >at the time. To our view at least two or three made the return trip and
> > >back
> > >to the original position, where some paused very close together.
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> > >3) The relatively short distance was short compared only with the motion
> > >of
> > >those that disappeared from view altogether. It was certainly not the
> > >motion
> > >of a star or planet.
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> > >4) The objects which flashed were similar to the description of the
> > >scintillating stars, but these had an overall rapid motion over large
> > >distances.
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> > >We observed the lights with naked eye and binoculars mainly. The main one
> > >which stayed put in one place for the longest periods of time I even had
> > >enough time to focus my telescope on to, but this didn't really add much.
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> > >It's obviously a bit difficult to describe briefly the motions/relative
> > >motions and brightnesses of what amounted to about 20 lights, so I
> > >wondered
> > >who might be interested in a more full report on this. I would have
> > >thought
> > >that other people must have seen it too.
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> > >I would be glad of any more suggestions.
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> > >Ben Walker
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> >Hello List,
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> >I'm not surprised of this "phenomenon" because I can see it self all night
> >long
> >since more as two years here in Mannheim/Germany. It is furthermore a very

> >common matter for Germany and more as 20 % of all UFO reports here in
> >Germany
> >reporting the same.
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> >The "UFO-light-effect-producer" sitting on the ground in mid of a open
> >air-festival or disco or a thing like this - a relatively small "machine"
> >called
> >SKYTRACKER which is used for attraction to a commercial happening. In few
> >cases
> >is the SKYTRACKER-engine also mounted on a pick-up-truck and works on the
> >spot
> >only for the night of happening. On the next night is nothing more to seen
> >because the pick-up is at home by a leasing-company hundred miles away.
> >Leasing-rate for a night here in Germany: around 200 Euros. Power-output of
> >the
> >"laser"-light ist until 8000 Watts. You can seen the lights until 20 or 25
> >km`s
> >away. A computer-regulated light-display in the sky makes up few different
> >motion-pictures of the projection possible. A programm projected a perfect
> >"saucer" in the sky. Under a special clear air in the sky your can seen NOT
> >the
> >"lightfingers" from the ground to the air and only reflections on small
> >clouds
> >high enough above for not seeing them himself. A sightings-duration of
> >many
> >hours is normal. Many times in the last ten years I have hunted such
> >"lights" in
> >Germany and ever I came out after a fantastisc hunt quer across the country
> >by a
> >theater, disco, mall etc with the SKYTRACKER-machine on the parking lot or
> >on
> >the top of the building. :-(
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> >Best wishes,
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> >Werner Walter
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Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2003 12:58:25 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] UFO filmed end of February above Peru?

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Werner Walter [mailto:CENAP@addcom.de]

@ Sent: Thursday, March 06, 2003 6:16 PM

@ To: Project 1947

@ Cc: UFO Updates; ufotolist@yahoogroups.com;

@ UFORL@yahoogroups.com; euroufo@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] UFO filmed end of February above Peru?

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@ Hi listfolks,

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@ does anyone have information about a gigant UFO which was

@ seen and filmed end of@ February above Peru?

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2003 13:14:43 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

Possibly it was a prank - kids launching some fire balloons, made of a dry-cleaner's suit bags, drinking straws, and candles. Here is some info:

<http://php.indiana.edu/~lrobin/candbal.htm>

What color were they?

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Brian Walker [mailto:bpwalker00@hotmail.com]

@ Sent: Sunday, March 09, 2003 6:59 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

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From: Ufologe@aol.com
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2003 13:52:48 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] UFO filmed end of February above Peru?

In einer Nachricht vom 10.03.2003 19:18:42 Uhr schreibt lrobins@indiana.edu:

<< That was probably the Space Shuttle Columbia burning up on re-entry. >>

Hi Larry,

it slightly looks like like the Space Shuttle, but as we all know the shuttle went down in Houston, not in Peru, plus the alleged duration of the sighting was said to be 2 hours.

Best regards,

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From: YoungBob2@aol.com
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 2003 23:24:57 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] For Your Amusement - Kecksburg

In a message dated 3/10/2003 7:04:55 PM Eastern Standard Time, TPrinty@aol.com writes:

> Did you really think they would state the case was "solved"?

I could always hope. Actually, compared to the crap that has been shoveled out on this one over the years, this is a reasonably balanced account. Do you know that it is one of the few ever to actually mention the meteor research? I can point to local papers and one radio station out there which never bothered to publish or respond to anything I sent them. I once proposed to the radio station which has milked this for over twenty years that I, and the _real_ 1965 Kecksburg Fire Chief, would be happy to be on their three hour long talk show which had just featured a saucer promoter and phony witness. Of course they never even answered my letter.

Typical.

Clear skies,
Bob Young

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Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2003 09:26:55 EST
Subject: [UFORL] Did Roswell produce a transistron or transistor?
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<FONT SIZE=2 FAMILY="SANSERIF"
FACE="Arial" LANG="0">James & List,

Another paradox in the life of the PnP transistor.

Just to pre warn you, very soon there will be a new book out that

will give due credit to two German physicists (Matare & Welker),

strange as it may seem, who independently discovered the transistor

only two months after the Bell Laboratory group did (Bardeen,

Brattain & Shockley). And the Bell story from 1947 to 1956 was and

is still in disarray.

Now the odd thing - it was Westinghouse laboratory in Paris, who got

the solution to the same experiment? The book will not give you any links

to the Roswell case so don't ask, but it will show that the original

idea was in "transit". The German group got their working model up and

going in 1952 (Intermetall) a year before Bell Laboratory did,

and that's right - they called the system a "transistron"!

How close was that!

Now, this information has been killed off for years by many, but just

recently it has again surfaced. The USA - Institute of Electrical

and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) did most of the cover-up (Why?).

If you were in the loop you will remember the case, but that was a

very small loop.

It's a long mixed up story, but another strange case of history

obscured. The Australian link has again been left out in the book,

however the USA story is covered. The public won't get their copy

until next month (I think?).

So meet another paradox in the life of the PnP transistor.

Best regards to you all,

John Auchettl

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2003 16:12:01 -0500
Subject: [UFORL] Belgium jet chase

The History Channel had a special on this past tuesday:

"UFOs vs the Government"

In that special, it said that when the RADAR positions of the F-16 and the UFO were analyzed, they found that the RADAR position of the UFO as reported by the RADAR in the jet went below ground level several times.

Do I sense an odor of ECM? Or just anomalous propagation?

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Date: Fri, 14 Mar 2003 16:44:46 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

----- Original Message -----

From: Benjamin Walker <bpwalker00@hotmail.com> Sent: Sunday, March 09, 2003 11:16 PM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Formations of lights over Worcestershire

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> have been present over a wide portion of the sky. Is that usual?

I confirm that skytracers are also an usual cause of UFO mistakes in France after years 80. Your case is a typical image of this explanation (so say Werner Walter).

The mistake is possible only when the witness don't see the light finger (atmosphere very transparent, without smog or rain, but with clouds), only the spot on the clouds.

It can be seen between 0 to 20km. Very nice effect !

Eric

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From: "ERICK MAILLOT" <erick.maillot@wanadoo.fr>
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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Belgium jet chase

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> In that special, it said that when the RADAR positions of the F-16 and
> the UFO were analyzed, they found that the RADAR position of the UFO as
> reported by the RADAR in the jet went below ground level several times.
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> Do I sense an odor of ECM? Or just anaomalous propagation?

Just anomalous propagation of radar waves : actual conclusion d'Auguste Meessen,
SOBEPS physician,
who had himself cautionned this affair as strange or quasi-extraterrestrial, in the first
times.
Many data in those lockons was doubtfull, without any physical coherence.

Eric Maillot

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 2003 02:04:27 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] 'Flying Saucers' Genesis

Although the following was published some time ago, it wasn't available online, or on UFO UpDates and I can't see it was ever posted to UFORL either (although some of the content originated from this list):

[BEGIN]

The following is a compilation, suitably edited, of research findings and material which was predominately, although not entirely, recently published on the 'UFO Research List' [UFORL].

I have for some time been searching for copies of the following Kenneth Arnold publications:

1. 'I Did See the Flying Disks!', 'Fate' magazine, Vol. 1, No. 1, Spring 1948.
2. 'Are Space Visitors Here', 'Fate' magazine, Vol. 1, No. 2, Summer 1948.
3. 'The Flying Saucer as I Saw It', a booklet self-published by Arnold in 1950.

I'm pleased to say that a copy of both FATE articles have kindly been provided by a UFORL subscriber and a copy of Arnold's booklet will hopefully be available soon.

'I Did See the Flying Disks!', is an almost exact duplication of Arnold's lengthy letter/report to the Air Force.

Although there's accordingly no new information therein, a related 'Vol. 1, No. 1' article is entitled 'The Mystery of the Flying Disks', by FATE's publisher, Ray Palmer and contains an addendum - Kenneth Arnold's story of his participation in the Maury Island case investigation. Arnold does then add some significant insights.

This also features the first published story of his second 'flying disk' encounter with those 20-25 small objects near La Grande airfield, Oregon.

A wealth of further historical material from that FATE first edition includes newspaper reports, photographs and an interesting letter to the 'Seattle Times' from Major-General Willis H. Hale, Commanding General of the Fourth Air Force. Hale

confirms 'official' policy, as at 25 August, 1947, was one where only "reliable" reports will be investigated "in the interest of national defense".

He has "no knowledge" of an explanation for the flying disk tales and "no authentic information" to indicate why any individual should hesitate to report a sighting, because of concerns about 'secrecy'.

Arnold's Summer 1948 FATE article discusses explosions and sightings which had been attributed to meteors. Together with some 'flying disk' reports, incorporating a detailed analysis of the Captain Mantell case evidence, Arnold portrays the overall reality of an enigmatic phenomena.

No question that by this time he was a 'ufologist' and a commendable writer on the subject.

Indeed, bearing in mind his Maury Island research, Kenneth Arnold was a foremost ufologist, in addition to essentially being responsible for the subject's foundation.

Honey, I Shrunk the Disk

In 'The Coming of the Saucers', circa 1952, Arnold wrote of his 'second flying disk observation':

"As I looked up from my instrument panel and straight ahead over the La Grande valley, I saw a cluster of about twenty to twenty-five brass coloured objects that looked like ducks".

[...]

"I was a little bit shocked and exited when I realized they had the same flight characteristics of the large objects that I had observed on June 24".

Arnold initially wrote of perceived "small disks" in FATE, Spring 1948:

"It was July 30 at dawn I took off in my own plane, intending to reach Tacoma before dark and contact Mr Dahl.

It was at 7:00 o'clock that morning I sighted a formation of small disks going south at 4,000 feet as I was letting down at La Grande, Oregon.

I attempted to turn and catch up with them, but they were out of sight before I could complete my turn".

[...]

"I would judge them about thirty inches across, very thin, and light brown in color".

A somewhat striking difference; "brass coloured" suggests that the formation of small, 'duck-like' artefacts were metallic.

Conversely, Arnold's much earlier "light brown" description does not.

How infinitely more likely is it why those 25 or so 'objects' were in fact ducks [Oregon being prime duck country] than miniature alien spaceships.

Similarly, Arnold's 1952 recollection reads, "I attempted to make a turn and follow them but they disappeared to the east at a speed far in excess of my airplane. I knew they were not ducks because ducks don't fly that fast".

By comparison, in 1948 they were merely "out of sight before I could complete my turn".

Even though it was a flock of 25 or so light-brown, duck-like objects which "looked like ducks... I thought they were ducks when I first saw them" [1952] and which were only 2-3 feet in diameter, this evidently did not cause Arnold to rationalise how utterly improbable it all was and whether there was a more mundane explanation for these formations, with comparative "fluttering" [in both sightings] flight characteristics, he kept seeing.

The Ever-Changing Story

I'm presently not certain when Arnold wrote to the Air Force, however, it was apparently just before 12 July, based on a letter Arnold sent to the Commanding General of Wright Field on that day - see:

http://pages.prodigy.net/thr-ok/sighting_that_started_it_all.htm

We know when Arnold's FATE article was written, as he helpfully dates this within the text:

"On Tuesday, June 24th, 1947, I had finished my work for the Central Air Service at Chehalis, Washington, and at about two o'clock I took off from Chehalis, Washington, airport with the intention of going to Yakima, Washington. My trip was delayed for an hour to search for a large Marine transport that supposedly went down near or around the southwest side of Mt. Rainier in the state of Washington. (This airplane has been discovered at the time of this writing - July 29, 1947.)"

It's now become clear that the FATE article is over 95 per cent a verbatim copy of Arnold's letter to the Air Force.

The Air Force letter transcript I'm using and which I presume to be accurate is online, at:

<http://www.project1947.com/fig/ka.htm>

By 29 July, Arnold seems to have edited slight parts of his account. Most changes are understandable, others are puzzling.

Comprehensible are additional explanations and changes of emphasis such as the following [Air Force letter shown first and asterisks, if required, highlight the differences]:

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"I was determined to clock their speed, as I had two definite points I could clock them by..."

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"Even though I openly invited an investigation by the Army and the FBI as to the authenticity of my story or a mental or a physical examination as to my capabilities, I have received no interest from these two important protective forces of our country; I will go so far as to assume that any report I gave to the United and Associated Press and over the radio on two different occasions which apparently set the nation buzzing, if our Military intelligence was not aware of what I observed, they would be the very first people that I could expect as visitors".

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country *until two weeks after my observation*. I will go so far as to assume that *if our Military intelligence was not aware of what I observed and reported to the United and Associated Press and over the radio on two different occasions which apparently set the nation buzzing, they would be the very first people I could expect as visitors"*.
[END OF EXTRACTS]

It seems Arnold is bringing his story up-to-date, noting that he now has supportive letters from Europe and how the Army and FBI did subsequently contact him.

Further proof is that he informed the Air Force:

"Although these objects have been reported by many other observers throughout the United States, there have been six or seven other accounts written by some of these observers that I can truthfully say must have observed the same thing that I did; particularly, the descriptions of the three Western [Cedar City, Utah] Air Lines employees, the gentleman [pilot] from Oklahoma City and the locomotive engineer from Illinois, plus Capt Smith and Co-Pilot Stevens of United Air Lines".

By July 29, Arnold expanded:

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The significant point is that Arnold is carefully and intentionally altering his written testimony. He's not being careless in transcribing the Air Force letter/report.

It must therefore be deduced that the following alterations, in which the case evidence is changed, are also deliberate:

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"As I was flying in the direction of this particular ridge, I measured it and found it to be approximately five miles so I could safely assume that the chain of these saucer like objects were at least five miles long. I could quite accurately determine their pathway due to the fact that there were several high peaks that were a little this side of them as well as higher peaks on the other side of their pathway".

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Comment: If we hadn't been aware of Arnold's earlier version, wouldn't it be taken that "several of them" refers to the objects?

Even with an appreciation of the former, I would personally still conclude that Arnold is now indeed referring to the objects.

"As the last unit of this formation passed the southern most high snow-covered crest of Mt. Adams..."

"As the last unit of this formation passed the *northernmost* high snow-covered crest of Mt. Adams..."

"...I am making a drawing to the best of my ability, which I am including, as to the shape I observed these objects to be as they passed the snow covered ridges as well as Mt. Rainier".

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[END OF EXTRACTS]

In his 1952 book, 'The Coming of the Saucers', co-authored with

Ray Palmer, Arnold wrote:

It was while going through my mail about the fifteenth of July [1947] that for some reason or other I gave attention to one particular letter that I had received. It was from a Mr. Raymond A. Palmer. It was written on stationery with the letter head of THE VENTURE PRESS. I didn't know who Raymond Palmer was and I had never heard of the Venture Press. At the time, had I known who he was, I probably wouldn't have answered his letter. It wouldn't have been because he wasn't a sincere or a good man, but later I found he was connected with the type of publications that I not only never read but had always thought a gross waste of time for anyone to read.

[...]

This letter from Mr. Palmer was far from being anything sensational, but somehow it had a tone of softness and sincere interest that appealed to me. I think I read that letter at least ten times. Finally I answered it. I was intensely interested in finding out who Raymond Palmer was and inquired from all my friends as well as the newspaper offices here in Boise. Nobody that I ran into had ever heard of either him or the Venture Press.

His next letter arrived about a week later. In it he expressed his desire to pay me if I would write down my experience for him. This didn't particularly appeal to me. I had received other letters and other offers. However, since Mr. Palmer was so interested, I sent him a carbon copy of the report I had sent the commanding officer of Wright-Patterson Field.
[END OF EXTRACT]

If anyone can please provide a copy of the actual Air Force report, as opposed to an online transcript, we can resolve the question of which changes which were made to that 'carbon copy'.

Disklosure

In Arnold's FATE story of his Maury Island investigations, he recalls how Lieutenant Brown and Captain Davidson from 'military intelligence' [apparently connected with the Fourth Air Force] arrived at Tacoma - Arnold had requested some 'official' involvement. Arnold immediately took them to task and asked them to 'come clean' with him. What did they _really_ know about the flying disks.

He explains what happened next:

"Captain Davidson asked me to come over and sit down on the bed where he took out a pencil and piece of paper and drew me some pictures. He said: 'We have several [surely only two - Editor] photographs in our Intelligence Department that were taken by a man in his front yard in Phoenix, Arizona, that are authentic. They are pictures and good pictures of those flying saucers or flying disks. I am drawing you here, Mr. Arnold, the photographs that we have in our possession'.

He drew me a picture. First, of an almost round object that had a dark circle in the center of it and made this remark: 'It apparently seems, according to the negative, that this flying disk had a hole in the center of it, or it could be a hole in the center of it [yes, I know this doesn't make complete sense - Editor].

I was being very much convinced by this time.

Then he drew another picture. This picture was really quite a shock to me. He drew a picture of a half-moon that had a sort of half-peak in the center of it. It was all rounded, easy flowing lines, and this picture was of another type of disk. This is the peculiar part of it and the reason I was shocked. On June 24th when I made my observation of the nine flying disks, the second one from the bottom looked exactly like the picture he drew. The reason that I had never mentioned it or even talked about it or said anything to anyone about this peculiar shaped disk was that I thought the angle that I was looking from was the reason why the second one from the bottom in this formation looked like the one they drew in their picture, but upon reviewing my observation carefully, I feel that if one had looked like that picture, all of them would have looked the same which, of course, they didn't. They had a convex angle at the tail instead of a more or less concave angle rounded in shape. The peculiar object which they drew is four times as wide as it is long and the tips of its wings are rather bat-like and its center of fuselage is exactly the same length as the tips of the wings".
[END OF EXTRACT]

Arnold mentions the two pictures taken on 7 July, 1947 by William Rhodes in Phoenix and evidently the crescent-shaped, outline sketch drawn by Captain Davidson was intended to depict the 'craft' which Rhodes claimed to have photographed - as presumably was also the circular profile with a 'hole in the middle'.

Uploaded to UFORL's file area is a scan of those 'flying disk' outlines he was shown, as recalled by Arnold:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/files/>

This is as published in FATE, Spring 1948.

It now seems to be established that Arnold genuinely believed these were representations of a 'flying disk', photographed by William Rhodes on 9 July, 1947. As Rhodes' photographs were not featured in the national press, Arnold would have been unaware why, in truth, those outlines were never representative of the 'heel-shaped object' shown in Rhodes' pictures.

Either Davidson has not drawn the 'Rhodes' outline accurately, Arnold has not recalled it correctly, or a combination of both.

However, not only did it appear to substantiate his own sighting, he was now investigating claims of a 'flying disk' which had allegedly been observed at length and had dumped material debris on 'Maury Island'. According to the claimed witness, Harold A. Dahl, his observed flying disks, 'were doughnut-shaped, with a hole in the center'.

This was all clearly instrumental in Arnold's, perfectly understandable, conviction why it corroborated evidence of a 'flying crescents/disks/doughnuts/saucers' reality.

Furthermore, hadn't the Air Force told him the photographs in their possession were considered genuine.

However... there's a much closer resemblance between the Rhodes object and Arnold's crescent than perhaps first evident.

Consider Arnold's version:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/arnold/crescent.jpg>

Discount 'heel-shaped' and look at one of the Rhodes photographs as being a similarly shaped 'crescent':

<http://www.earthfiles.com/img/RhodesUFO.jpg>

This explains why Arnold writes about how startled he was when Davidson produced the sketch, and what must have appeared to Arnold as momentous, corroboration.

Coincidentally, according to Rhodes, this is the correct orientation - see:

<http://www.earthfiles.com/earth099.htm>

Therein, it's claimed:

"His photographs were taken late in the afternoon of Monday, July 7, 1947 and published in The Arizona Republic on Wednesday, July 9, 1947 upside down".

The 'Arizona Republic' published two front page photographs.

However, the left-hand-side photograph as shown on the 'Earthfiles' web site is truncated and the original newspaper publication was of a much longer image, which shows buildings at the bottom.

In 'The Mystery of the Flying Disks', Ray Palmer notes of Rhodes photographs that, "Photo number one also included a skyline of trees and a telephone wire, adding to its authenticity".

That photograph, at least, can not be upside-down.

What's also apparent [Ray Palmer helpfully includes a copy of the entire 'Arizona Republic' feature] is that the first Rhodes picture must surely be even more expansive than the long, relatively 'thin' strip published.

Also, unless Rhodes' stated 'box camera' had a telephoto lens, the 'second' photograph as published must be an enlargement from an image which would show the proverbial bigger picture.

I have uploaded a copy of the original 'Arizona Republic' front page feature [as reproduced in FATE] to the UFORL library:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/files/>

What I presumed at first to be a third Rhodes photograph was published by the 'Los Angeles Evening Herald and Express', also on 9 July, 1947 [amidst an article on the Roswell case].

There's a copy on my web site, at:

<http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/060.jpg>

It's now clear this is not another photograph, there were only two and the 'Los Angeles Evening Herald and Express' image is from that same left-hand-side 'Arizona Republic' photograph.

Bizarrely, the 'object' shown is an artefact of some kind which

can be seen in the full-length copy of Rhodes' first photograph, beneath the 'flying disk'.

Rhodes photographs were allegedly 'borrowed' by 'the Government' and never returned. Did this include his negatives?

It seems we may have an answer to that question.

An online source states, "One week after the publication of the photos in the Republic Rhodes was visited by an FBI agent and a Intelligence officer from Hamilton Camp (California). The visitors flooded the witness with innumerable questions and asked him whether he would be willing to give the Air Corps the photographs "for assessment". The photographer, in good faith, let the officers take the documents, trusting they would promptly be returned to him. One month later Rhodes asked to have the pictures back but Washington replied that was utterly impossible" - see:

http://www.jjbenitez-only-eyes.com/HTML_GALERIA/html%20inglesas/1947/1947_phoenix.htm

Although I am personally unable to verify any of this, I will assume the basic premise is factual.

If Captain Davidson did say, "according to the negative", it implies that 'Military Intelligence' did have possession of same.

When looking for an online copy of the Rhodes photographs, I came across a 1965 UFO report from a William Rhodes, in Phoenix:

<http://www.xdream.freemove.co.uk/UFOBase/Rhodes.htm>

On the 'Earthfiles' web site, Linda Moulton Howe states:

"I talked with Mr. Rhodes in September 1999 at his Phoenix home about how he came to take these rare photographs. He told me, 'During World War II, I was a flight instructor out at Falcon's Field here in Phoenix. I taught flying as well as aircraft identification. That gives me a leg up when I see something flying, by looking at its shape and watching it maneuver and fly, I can tell approximately how far it is away and how big it is'."

As that 1965 report notes the claimed witness, "Briefly taught aircraft identification during W.W. II", presumably it's the same

William Rhodes.

Alas, the perceived Maury Island 'flying disk' substantiation was evidently borne of a hoax, as summarised in an online article by Paul B. Thompson - see:

<http://www.parascope.com/nb/cautionarytales/mauryIsland.htm>

'Flying Saucers' - A Deadly Affair

Lieutenant Brown and Captain Davidson were killed when their B-25 crashed en route from Maury Island.

Palmer's 'The Mystery of the Flying Disks', article cites a report from the Chicago 'Sunday Times', dated 3 August 1947:

"Link 'Sky Metal' to Mystery Blast"

[...]

Whether the box of Maury Island "specimen molten lava" aboard the plane had anything to do with the crash has caused considerable speculation.

Authorities at (Hamilton) field admitted the plane had made a flight to McChord field, outside Tacoma.

They said, too, that the airplane was carrying an "unclassified cargo" and went on to describe it as "hot stuff".

Asked whether the cargo was connected with the Maury island matter, a spokesman at the field said the query was "very close" to the situation.

[END OF EXTRACT]

In 'The Mystery of the Flying Disks', [Palmer's article incorporating Arnold's report of his Maury Island investigation] Arnold writes:

We heard through Crisman that morning that both the pilot and the co-pilot were killed, but that two other men, a chief engineer and a passenger, had parachuted to safety. [Captain] Smith verified all this information at McChord Field. We found that the bomber had been under military guard while Lieutenant Frank M. Brown and Captain Davidson were interviewing us at the Hotel Winthrop.

We also found out that the two men who parachuted from the plane were ordered to parachute by the co-pilot who strapped chutes on

them and forced them out the door. The plane did not crash until eleven minutes later. This was found out through the United Press and their informants.

Ted Morello [United Press correspondent - Editor] let us listen to the first recording of one of the men who had parachuted to safety and who was slightly injured. It was the passenger. This boy told the story that the left engine had burst into flame all at once and that it happened about twenty minutes after the take-off. It was also mentioned that the chief engineer had said that the automatic fire fighting apparatus installed in this airplane had failed to function.

There was a sheriff at Kelso who watched the plane in the air and saw it crash. The description this man gave the press was that the plane was observed at high altitude with the left engine on fire. Its wings, tail and fuselage were intact. It turned, went into a very steep dive and crashed into the hillside. This steep dive lasted for quite some time before the crash.

If a man is conscious and his airplane is on fire, the first thought any pilot would have is to try to slow that airplane up, as slow as possible, because he would rather crash at 90 miles an hour than 250 or 300 miles an hour.

Their plane was intact; tail, rudder surfaces and wings. I know both of these pilots and I saw their licenses. They were pilots of the highest type of ability and would have slowed up that airplane before they crashed. Were both of these men dead long before their plane actually crashed and is that the reason their plane was under little or no control?

Further, this airplane was equipped with the finest type of radio devices. They did not radio or attempt to radio anyone that their engine was on fire or that the plane was in trouble.
[END OF EXTRACT]

If this is a reliable account, then Brown, and Davidson, heroically gave precedence to saving their passengers.

Why though, as Arnold deliberates, didn't they save themselves?

D'oh...nuts

One mystery seemingly solved is why FATE's first ever cover illustration is of a flying saucer with a hole or 'spot' in the middle.

Aside from that outline shape being shown in the reproduction of Davidson's sketches and that the Maury Islands UFOs 'were doughnut-shaped, with a hole in the center', in 'The Mystery of the Flying Disks', Palmer highlights comparative photographs and sightings of these 'doughnuts'.

An accompanying article is entitled, 'What Were the Doughnuts?', by John C. Ross, an 'aviation writer'. This is a fascinating analysis of contemporary aircraft and possible classified developments which could explain 'saucer' sightings.

Ross concludes there are no candidates.

Flying Saucers and Where They Came From

It seems to have generally been accepted that the 'flying saucer' terminology originated when Kenneth Arnold's description of those nine unfamiliar objects' flight characteristics had been misconstrued by the press.

On 7 April, 1950, Arnold was interviewed by Edward R. Murrow, a 'popular news commentator of the 1940's and 1950's' and Arnold explained:

MURROW: On three different occasions, Mr. Arnold was questioned by military intelligence. They expressed doubt as to the accuracy of some of his reported observations.

ARNOLD: That's right. Now of course some of the reports they did take from newspapers which did not quote me properly. Now, when I told the press, they misquoted me, and in the excitement of it all, one newspaper and another on got it as ensnarled up that nobody knew just exactly what they were talking about, I guess.

MURROW: Here's how the name "flying saucer" was born.

ARNOLD: These objects more or less fluttered like they were, oh, I'd say, boats on very rough water or very rough air of some type, and when I described how they flew, I said that they flew like they take a saucer and throw it across the water. Most of the newspapers misunderstood and misquoted that too. They said that I said that they were saucer-like; I said that they flew in a saucer-like fashion.

[END OF EXTRACT]

See:

<http://www.project1947.com/fig/kamurrow.htm>

In his 1952 book, 'The Coming of the Saucers', Arnold noted, "As I put it to newsmen in Pendleton, Oregon, they flew like a saucer would if you skipped it across the water".

Martin Kottmeyer also appropriately commented, in an article entitled, 'The Saucer Error':

While people presumably thought they were seeing the same things that Kenneth Arnold saw, there was a major irony that nobody at the time realized.

Kenneth Arnold hadn't reported seeing flying saucers.

In a memoir of the incident for the First International UFO Congress in 1977 Arnold revealed the flying saucer label arose because of a "great deal of misunderstanding" on the part of the reporter who wrote the story up for the United Press. Bill Bequette asked him how the objects flew and Arnold answered that, "Well, they flew erratic, like a saucer if you skip it across the water." The intent of the metaphor was to describe the motion of the objects not their shape. Arnold stated the objects "were not circular." A look at the drawing he did for his report to the Air Force shortly after the incident confirms the truth of that statement. It is hard to describe in a word or two; beetle-shaped is the best I can come up with. However you describe it, one thing is clear. It is not the elegant alien geometric perfection we have come to know and mystify ourselves over.
[END OF EXTRACT]

See:

<http://www.debunker.com/texts/SaucerError.html>

On 17 May, 1997, 'The Toronto Star' ran a feature, 'How we were saved from flying speedboats'.

It specifically attributes, as seemingly did Kenneth Arnold, that 'flying saucers' were a misnomer resulting from Bill Bequette's influential account:

The reporters, who'd been alerted to the incident after Arnold had refueled a couple of hours earlier in Yakima, Washington, traded furtive glances. They pressed the young man, by all accounts a community pillar, to describe exactly what he'd seen.

Struggling for an image, Arnold first likened the objects to

speedboats on water, then to the swooping tail of a Chinese kite. The scribes still weren't getting the picture. Then Arnold said it: "They flew like a saucer would if you skipped it across the water."

Bingo. Before running out to file, Bill Bequette scribbled two words that would effectively launch (so to speak) one of the more persistent and perplexing pop culture phenomena of the postwar century. According to the reporter, Arnold had seen "flying saucers".

[END OF EXTRACT]

Courtesy of:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1997/may/m17-010.shtml>

I've reviewed the evidence which credited Bill Bequette with coining the phrase 'flying saucers' and it seems to clearly indicate otherwise.

Arnold recounted in 'The Coming of the Saucers':

It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when I landed at Yakima and went straight to Al Baxter, general manager of Central Aircraft.

[...]

The high point of my enthusiasm got its top knocked off when one of the helicopter pilots said, "Ah, it's just a flight of those guided missiles from Moses Lake."

I proceeded to gather my scattered wits together, got back in my airplane, and took off for Pendleton, Oregon.

[...]

When I landed at the large airfield at Pendleton there was quite a group of people to greet me. When I got out of my plane no one said anything. They just stood around and looked at me. I don't recall just how the subject came up in those first few minutes after I landed, but before very long it seemed everybody around the airfield was listening to the story of my experience.

[...]

To me, that evening, that was that. They were guided missiles, robotly controlled.

[...]

After talking to the editor of the East Oregonian newspaper, I was fairly convinced that it was some new government invention along the line of guided missiles. I could almost tell what this editor thought when the story went scudding over the news wires--that the government had taken this way to announce a new principle of flight.

I could have gone to sleep that night if the reporters, newsmen, and press agencies of every conceivable description had left me alone.

[END OF EXTRACT]

Arnold doesn't clarify when he spoke with the newspaper's editor, however, it was presumably the following day.

In various accounts, Arnold says his destination was Yakima and never explains why he then flew on to Pendleton.

It could be that he intended to inform the FBI, as revealed in Bruce Maccabee's review of Arnold's June 1977 lecture at the 'First International UFO Congress':

"Arnold goes on to say he made the 35 minute flight from Yakima to Pendleton, Oregon. There were people at the airport. His story had preceded him. While flying he had figured the speed. He had measured the distance and minimum 39 miles distance in the time he measured. He got speeds above 1200 miles an hour. Says he stopped at Pendleton because he thought he should tell the FBI. He thought they could possibly be from Russia. Of course, no one had seen circular aircraft. So at Pendleton he went to the FBI office but it was locked. So he went to the newspaper office and told the guy there he wanted to see the FBI. The newspaper man wanted to know what the story was. He had charts with him and described it to the newspaper man. Before the evening was over Arnold was besieged and asked all types of questions".

The Tacoma Public Library has a helpful and lengthy online feature entitled, 'Unsettling Events', from which the following is excerpted:

FLYING OBJECTS

Curtis Peebles, "The Age of Confusion begins," Watch the Skies! A chronicle of the flying saucer myth. Washington and London: The Smithsonian Institution Press, 1994. p. 8-15.

On the summer day the flying saucer myth began, Kenneth Arnold was a 32-year-old successful businessman, married with two daughters. He owned the Great Western Fire Control Supply and flew his own light aircraft. Kenneth Arnold was, in the vernacular to come, a reliable witness.

[...]

Arnold did not measure the distance between the two peaks until he landed at Pendleton, Oregon, later that afternoon. He found it was forty-seven miles which gave a ground speed of 1,700 mph-more than twice the speed of sound. No aircraft had yet flown as fast as the speed of sound. Other pilots suggested the objects might be guided missiles.

Arnold took his map and calculations to the local FBI office, but found it closed. He then decided to go to the East Oregonian newspaper. Arnold talked with Nolan Skiff, the editor of the 'End of the Week' column.

He said the objects 'flew like a saucer would if you skipped it across the water.- A report was sent out on the Associated Press wire. It read:

PENDLETON, Ore. June 25 (AP)-Nine bright saucer-like objects flying at "incredible speed" at 10,000 feet altitude were reported here today by Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, [a] pilot who said he could not hazard a guess as to what they were.

[...]

[END]

The AP dispatch went out in the late morning of June 25. Newspapers in the northwestern U.S. carried the report that evening. The following day (June 26), it had spread nationwide. [END OF EXTRACT]

This was the full Associated Press [AP] 'news cable':

PENDLETON, Ore. - (AP) - Nine bright, saucer-like objects flying at "incredible" speed at 10,000 feet altitude were reported here yesterday by Kenneth Arnold, Boise, Idaho, pilot, who said he could not hazard a guess as to what they were.

Arnold, a United States forest service employee engaged in searching for a missing plane, said he sighted the mysterious objects Tuesday at 3 p.m. They were flying between Mount Rainier and Mount Adams, in Washington state, he said, and appeared to

weave in and out of formation. Arnold said he clocked and estimated their speed at 1,200 miles an hour.

Inquiry at Yakima brought only blank stares, he said, but he added he talked with an unidentified man from Ukiah, south of here, who said he had seen similar objects over the mountains near Ukiah Tuesday.

"It seems impossible," Arnold said, "but there it is."

In Washington, the war department said it had no information on the Oregon sky mystery. An army spokesman expressed interest in any object which would fly at an estimated speed of 1,200 miles per hour, declaring: "As far as we know, nothing flies that fast except a V-2 rocket, which travels at about 3,500 miles an hour - and that's too fast to be seen."
[END]

The 'Pendleton (Oregon) East Oregonian' and AP 'wire' clearly use a common source.

Did the paper rely on that AP newswire, vice-versa, or were they both simply giving their version of the same story, when Arnold gave an interview to a group of reporters?

If Arnold ever did say the objects, "flew like a saucer would if you skipped it across the water", then was it either Nolan Skiff or an unidentified AP reporter who was responsible for first describing them as "saucer-like"?

It's unlikely that both Nolan Skiff and an AP reporter both misconstrued Arnold's simile in the exact same manner.

The 'Pendleton (Oregon) East Oregonian' was first to report Arnold's sighting, on 25 June and also published the most detailed account - Bill Bequette's 26 June article.

Was Bequette the author of that inaugural news item?

I have located one source which does indeed credit "Bequette" with breaking the story, on 25 June.

We can definitively answer some of these questions and set in context that entire 'flying saucer' media genesis.

Fundamental in being able to do so and illustrating how those various pieces of the puzzle conceivably fit together, is the

following excerpt - I understand the full article was published as, 'A moment in history: An interview with Bill Bequette', in the 'International UFO Reporter', Winter 1998 edition:

AN INTERVIEW WITH BILL BEQUETTE

By Pierre Lagrange

Bill Bequette is one of the "inventors" of the flying saucer terminology used to describe Kenneth Arnold's sighting of nine objects near Mt. Rainier in June 1947. As a 28-year-old journalist, working for the East Oregonian newspaper in Pendleton, Oregon in 1947, he wrote the first Associated Press dispatches about Kenneth Arnold's sighting. His AP report launched a campaign of interest, not only from within the media, but from the public as well. Bequette's story of the Kenneth Arnold sighting began the first modern UFO craze.

[...]

Lagrange: How did you meet Kenneth Arnold?

Bequette: My first meeting with Kenneth Arnold? June 25, 1947. Both Nolan Skiff and I were in the office, which was small, when Mr. Arnold came in. As I remember, we both talked with him, listened to his story, told him we didn't have a clue to what he had seen but would send the story to the Associated Press in hopes some editor or newspaper reader might be able to explain the strange objects.

That first meeting probably lasted no more than five minutes. Nolan jotted down a few notes, then wrote a short story, which I squeezed into the bottom of page one. Then I punched an even shorter (as I recall) version into the AP wire. We were only minutes from "putting the paper to bed" so we didn't have much time to give him.

Lagrange: Why did you give the story to the Associated Press?

Bequette: The story was given to AP as a matter of course. AP is a Cooperative and a member paper is obligated to offer its local stories to AP. In those days, AP member papers in Oregon were linked together, and to the AP Bureau in Portland, by a Teletype transmission wire usually referred to as the "C wire." Member papers "punched" their stories onto the C wire. Other papers were free to use stories from the C wire and the AP Bureau took whatever stories the Portland editors thought had regional or national interest and transmitted them on the AP's main, or trunk, wire. Stories from the C wire sometimes were rewritten for the trunk wires I punched the original story into the C wire.

Lagrange: What happened then?

Bequette: When I returned to the office after lunch, the receptionist's eyes were as big as saucers - the kind we use under coffee cups! She said newspapers from all around the country and Canada had been calling. They wanted more details on the "flying saucers." I spent the next two hours with Mr. Arnold in his hotel room.

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I think Meesen did a large amount of work here and showed the problems with the
data (as did a few members of the Belgian Military - Salmon and Gilmard). In the
case of the UFO flying into the ground, one can only make the assumption that it was
a ground reflection. In one instance, one of the UFOs turned out to be a lock-on of the
other F-16! It is too bad that Meesen's work on this case is not found anywhere
in English. I can only find the belgian text:

<http://home.nordnet.fr/~phuleux/analyse.htm>

My translation software just doesn't cut it for a completely accurate translation but
one can get the basic points. Anyone with a good english version of this text,
feel free to share.

Tim Printy

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group got their working model up and

going in 1952 (Intermetall) a year before Bell Laboratory did,

and that's right - they called the system a "transistron"!

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Ooops missed this. Shockley's design was completed in January 1948 but did
not become a reality until it was realized the point contact transistors had serious
problems in manufacturing in 1951. The first junction transistors based on
Shockleys design were apparently produced by Texas Instruments in
1954. While the Germans may have manufactured the first junction
transistors, it was only because of the work of Shockley, Bardeen and Brattain had
been completed four years before! Building a transistor is not the same thing
as inventing them.

Tim Printy

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 2003 22:39:45 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Research Institute on Anomalous Phenomena

Forwarded for Information:

My name is Alexander Beletsky. I am Vice-Director of Research Institute on Anomalous Phenomena (RIAP) - an independent scientific-research body, established in Kharkov (Ukraine) ten years ago.

We aim at scientific studies in the fields of the UFO problem and the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) question. The Institute makes its investigations in close collaboration with the CIS Academy of Cosmonautics and Russian Academy of Sciences. Please find here attached (as Appendix I) a RIAP Information Leaflet describing the Institute's research programs in some detail.

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If you are interested in subscribing to RIAP Bulletin, please let me know. I and my colleagues would be happy to inform you about advances and prospects of anomalistic studies in this part of the world. There will appear in the next RB issues, in particular, the following papers: "Astroengineers over Tunguska", by V.K.Zhuravlev; "UFOs: False and Genuine", by Y.V.Platov; "UFO Landings on the Mzha River: the Investigations Continue", by V.P.Goloveshko et al., "Examining Possible Paleovisit Traces", by Y.N.Morozov, and many others.

With all my best wishes and warmest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours, Alexander V. Beletsky, M.A., Vice-Director, RIAP
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Appendix I

RESEARCH INSTITUTE ON ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA, Kharkov, Ukraine

The principal trends of researches of the institute in the UFO field are as follows: creation of an efficient system of reconstruction of a real anomalous event on the basis of witnesses' testimonies; formation of a unified CIS UFO data base (in collaboration with the Expert Group on Anomalous Atmospheric Phenomena of the Russian Academy of Sciences) and a computer expert system to identify genuine UFOs (GUFOs); development of physical models of GUFOs; monitoring of a place of recurrent UFO landings on the river Mzha, near Kharkov; studies in the hidden history of Soviet ufology.

In the SETI field, there was realized, under the guidance of Alexey V. Arkhipov, phase I of the program "Search for Alien

Artifacts on the Moon" (SAAM) and its results have been presented on the pages of RIAP Bulletin. Besides, we have been examining some enigmatic finds that can be considered candidate extraterrestrial artifacts (ancient, or not so ancient). These are the so-called "Kassimov ball" - a small (diameter some 4.5 cm) black ball of unknown origin, found in Central Russia in 1983 at a depth of 7 meters, in a layer of pure red clay, - and the remains of a strange object that obviously originated from space and fell down near Kharkov in 1994 (judging from its chemical composition, it is neither a meteorite, nor terrestrial space junk).

The institute pays considerable attention to the problem of the Tunguska explosion of 1908. We are studying statistical parameters of the forest fall area, as well as the biogeochemical elemental and isotopic anomalies and population-genetic effects, revealed in the area of the catastrophe. A state-of-the-art collection of research papers on the Tunguska problem is now under preparation.

The Scientific Council and Advisory Board of the Institute include such Russian and Ukrainian specialists in the UFO problem and SETI field as Dr. E.A.Ermilov (specialist in radio detection of aerial anomalous phenomena), Dr. V.N.Fomenko (investigator of the famous Vashka find, as well as other supposed ET artifacts), Dr. L.M.Gindilis (astronomer and SETI expert), Dr. Y.V.Platov (Vice-Chairman of the Academic UFO Study Group), Dr. V.K.Zhuravlev (investigator of the Tunguska explosion), and others. The Advisory Board comprehends also a group of well-known Western scientists, scholars and engineers - V.-J.Ballester Olmos (Spain), Dr. T.E.Bullard (USA), Dr. R.F.Haines (USA), Dr. A.Meessen (Belgium), et al.

Dr. Vladimir V. Rubtsov, Full Member of the CIS Academy of Cosmonautics and one of the pioneers of ufological studies in the former USSR, is Director of RIAP.

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Date: Sat, 22 Mar 2003 20:10:11 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] MOD UFO programme file released

V-J -- I'm hoping to get a VHS copy of the 1972 programme from the BBC soon. Will let you know when it arrives.

Dave Clarke

----- Original Message -----

From: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos <ballesterolmos@yahoo.es> Sent: Sunday, March 09, 2003 6:10 PM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] MOD UFO programme file released

> --- David Clarke <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk> wrote: > This is a
> better version of the BBC article --
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> snip
> >... and one Air Force
> > Phantom to be filmed flying in formations that they said were the basis
> for the rumours.
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> > "Good colour film taken [by the BBC] at dusk should show the fire-cones
> > of their jet effluxes in re-heat, apparently hovering and then moving
> > sharply away, as often described in UFO sightings," Air Commodore Davis
> told the ministry.
> >
> Dave, do you know the date and location of this movie case? Thanks.
> V-J
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Date: Sun, 23 Mar 2003 20:26:15 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] MOD UFO programme file released

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Hello Dave,

I'm also interested in this BBC-broadcast in view of a VHS-copy.

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 2003 10:48:53 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Did Roswell produce a transistron or transistor?

Point contact transistors are PNP or NPN too. The doping comes from atoms from the wire terminals bleeding into the germanium.

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1025 E 7th St Rm 112 I voted for gridlock.
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-----Original Message-----

From: TPrinty@aol.com [mailto:TPrinty@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 15, 2003 9:23 AM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Did Roswell produce a transistron or transistor?

In a message dated 3/14/2003 7:00:37 PM Eastern Standard Time, praufo@aol.com writes:

Another paradox in the life of the PnP transistor.

There is an interesting history about the development of the PNP transistor in the book "The invention that changed the world" by Robert Buder. It demonstrates how it was a product of hard work and development over almost a decade not a chance discovery like that of somebody receiving it from some supersecret organization that had recovered it from a crashed spaceship. Interestingly, the first transistor was a point contact transistor and not a PNP. It was created by trial and error experimentation at the lab by Brattain and Bardeen. William Shockley was a bit miffed by his co-workers discovery and began to do a lot of work trying to find a better invention. One month later he figured the design of the PNP transistor based on Russell Ohl's work in semiconductor materials in the late 30's. It later turned out the point contact transistors did not work very well and it was the PNP that eventually took over (BTW there is also an NPN type transistor ! - the letters standing for the type of doping the material received). Poor Ohl would not be allowed to share in the Nobel Prize for the transistor development in 1956. I guess there wasn't room on the stage for a fourth person.

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 2003 01:22:22 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Kaikoura New Zealand UFO's

Hi everyone,

I am new to this forum, so I am not sure if this information has previously been posted, but a very good skeptics v. believers debate on the 1978 Kaikoura UFO sightings from New Zealand can be found on the web here:

http://brumac.8k.com/NEW_ZEALAND/NZSB.html

Bruce Maccabee, perhaps not surprisingly, argues that the main UFO from that series of sightings was an anomalous airborne object, while Kiwi scientists Ireland and Andrews argue it was only a squid boat which carry bright lights at night to attract squid. Maccabee says:

"This is a two part presentation. The first part consists of three technical papers which discuss one of the sightings that occurred off the East Coast of the South Island of New Zealand. These papers are unique because they seem to be the only series of articles containing a discussion of a single UFO sighting that has appeared in a refereed technical journal. The journal is called Applied Optics, a publication of the Optical Society of America".

Maccabee further discusses this little known UFO case at:

http://brumac.8k.com/NEW_ZEALAND/NZFlashingLight/NZFlashingLight.html

In my respectful submission, this UFO case deserves to be more widely known, which is why I mention the above links. Personally, I

think the squid boat explanation makes sense, but I would be interested in the views of others.

Kindest regards
Dennis King.

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From: John Lundberg <john@circlemakers.org>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 2003 14:25:12 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Armen...

Hi people,

Can anyone give me - off list! - a current telephone number for Tim Good?

Also, I'm making a documentary about Armen Victorian aka Henry Azadehdel.
I would be interested to hear any stories any of you have about Armen and
any insight you have as to what is motivating his interest in exotic
subjects such as ufos, crop circles, mind control, etc.

All the best,
John

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Armen...

Regarding:

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>circles, mind control, etc.

John,

I have a 1994 'bulletin board' text file ["Originally by Don Allen, these newspaper articles courtesy of John Alexander"] with 1989 newspaper reports of Armen's infamous court appearances for smuggling rare orchids.

Of relevance, from 'The Sun':

"The smuggler will have to give up another passion while inside - UFO spotting.

Azadehdel, of Aspley, Nottingham, is listed in a spotters' bible and specialises in 'people kidnapped by aliens'."

The content has some later, 1991, newspaper articles re his involvement with providing aid for Kurdish refugees and a copy of Dennis Stacy's published comments on that Rob Irving and Jim Schnabel controversy.

You can let me know if it might be useful.

There's further background information on 'Dr' Victorian at:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1997/apr/m19-006.shtml>

From: armen victorian <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Subject: Re: Someones' new book - to be published regarding
"alien autopsy"
I read with interest the "joyful" news about yet more pulp
hitting the stands.

Another one "claiming" to have resolved the riddles of the
phenomena - which its complexity - has produced a rich industry,
ran by a handful with healthy bank balances, and thousands of
followers who look up to them to announce the 'Second Coming'.

Alas, many times they have made such announcements, none of which
has come to pass - yet the obedient and faithful hungrily follow
their signs for salvation, and solving of the 'myth'.

I remember the time when one of the authors of this forthcoming
book, still in his UFOlogical infancy wrote me a note asking
whether I would have him as an apprentice. My apprentice to be,
was THE MUFON representative in UK, appointed to solve the myth -
in every shape and form they came; sightings, abductions,
etcetera.

Since then, he seemed to have graduated - from which school of
learning - one could only guess. He might not have been able to
solve any of the myth, but he sure has been shrewd enough to
learn from his MUFON boss, back in Texas, how to seek for a
healthy bank balance.

His co-author, has equally colourful background.

I wish them both good luck for their 1997 contribution to the
field.
[END]

Philip Mantle replied:

Hello Henry, yes, this is the guy's real name Henry Azadehdel and
not Armen Victorian. Yes, the same Henry the convicted orchid
smuggler who claimed to have a PhD in physics which proved to be
bogus. The same Henry that was kicked out of MUFON.

This MUFON Representative for England never requested to be your
apprentice and you have no knowledge of the state of my bank
account either.

What contribution to the field of UFO literature are you best
renowned for Henry ? Answer: none.

If you want to discuss colourful backgrounds I suggest we start

with yours as it is positively technicolour and puts the rest of us in the shade.
[END]

Some might question; does 'ufology' get any better than this...

Incidentally, an online search for 'Henry Azadehdel' has uncovered a fact I was unaware of. Did you know that after two years of wrangling, the International Orchid Commission relented and despite his smuggling conviction, credited Henry Azadehdel with discovering a new species of Orchid, which was thus named 'paphiopedilium henryanum'.

That's got to be worth a spotter's badge.

I'm sure it will be an interesting documentary and please let us know when you have a scheduled broadcast date.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos <ballesterolmos@yahoo.es>
Date: Thu, 3 Apr 2003 10:27:39 +0200 (CEST)
Subject: [UFORL] Ballester-Guasp Report Evaluation Calculator

Terry Groff (MUFON Field Investigator Trainee) has prepared a Certainty Index Calculator following the Ballester-Guasp evaluation system officially adopted by the Mutual UFO Network (see the MUFON Investigator's Manual).

Please visit this web site: <<http://www.terrygroff.com/mufon/eval/>>

Best wishes,

V-J

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From: "kcstarman" <kcstarman@kc.rr.com>
Date: Tue, 08 Apr 2003 15:30:44 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Radio Interview

Hi everyone,

I will be interviewed on Jim Hickman's Internet radio show "Wake Up USA...A UFO Study" this Wednesday April 9th at 8:00PM EDT. I will be speaking about the mysterious San Luis Valley in Colorado, a historically known hot-spot of UFO activity; and is the location of the upcoming unique UFO convention UFO Watch 2003. At this event you hear the latest lectures from Stanton Friedman, Dennis Balthaser, Jim Hickman, John Major Jenkins, and many more. Also, the audience will participate in the taping of Jim's UFO radio show. Click on this link or copy and paste it into your browser to listen to the show.

<http://www.stardustent.com/wakeupusa.htm>

Regards,
Bill

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From: "THE WATCHDOG" <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Tue, 8 Apr 2003 15:46:52 -0700
Subject: [UFORL] Press Release

UFOWATCHDOG.COM PREVAILS IN COURT Frivolous Litigation Fails To Silence Website

Touting himself as "one of America's greatest psychics", Sean David Morton didn't have the ability to foretell his own future when he filed a one-million dollar defamation lawsuit against the Internet website UFOWATCHDOG.COM and its editor Royce J. Myers III.

Morton alleged in a lawsuit that UFOWATCHDOG.COM and its editor had "printed false and libelous statements" in a series of articles appearing on the Internet. These articles, most notably 'The Shameless Psychic and His Prophecy of Lies', challenged many of Morton's public claims regarding his supposed psychic abilities, his UFO claims, and raised serious questions about Morton's alleged background and educational claims.

Representing UFOWATCHDOG.COM, well-known Los Angeles civil rights attorney Carol A. Sobel filed a motion to have Morton's lawsuit dismissed under a California statute enacted in 1992 to protect people from defamation and other Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPP). A SLAPP suit is usually filed under the guise of a defamation claim and is designed to silence outspoken opponents or critics by forcing them to devote time and resources in combating a lawsuit.

Once the motion to dismiss is filed by the defendant, the party filing the motion is faced with proving two burdens: The statements complained of were made on an issue of public interest and the statements were made in a public forum. The public forum in this matter was the UFOWATCHDOG.COM website and the public issue was Morton's alleged expertise and public claims regarding UFOs and paranormal phenomena, which are both obviously issues of public interest.

Sobel appeared at a hearing on March 13, 2003, in Los Angeles Superior Court before Judge Cary Nishimoto. In arguments submitted to the court on behalf of UFOWATCHDOG.COM, attorney Carol A. Sobel noted that Morton had "not submitted a shred of evidence to prove the falsity of even a single one of the alleged defamatory statements he claims Defendants made of and concerning him." A tentative ruling was issued by Judge Nishimoto in favor of UFOWATCHDOG.COM. The ruling was not final, as Judge Nishimoto provided Morton's attorney a second chance to file papers with the court to offer evidence of Morton's claims.

"Apparently Mr.Morton's attorney failed to file some papers with the court. The judge gave Mr.Morton's attorney another chance to file the papers. After the initial ruling, we had to wait for a final ruling from the court so the judge could take Mr.Morton's papers into account. Even with the judge giving Mr.Morton a second chance to offer proof to the court, it still

didn't do any good," Myers said.

On April 1, 2003, Myers was notified of Judge Nishimoto's final ruling, which was in favor of UFOWATCHDOG.COM. In a two-page ruling and the initial ruling, Judge Nishimoto stated that Morton had "not shown that he can prevail or show actual malice or that the matters complained of are not true..."

"Obviously, Judge Nishimoto made the appropriate decision. California's SLAPP statute gives a fair and open opportunity for the plaintiff to make their case. Mr. Morton created an opportunity for himself to prove the veracity of his claims publicly and he couldn't do it. Not only does the court's ruling vindicate UFOWATCHDOG.COM, it also serves to demonstrate that you can't extort people into silence by suing them."

UFOWATCHDOG.COM is now back online and features an updated version of its original investigation into Morton. You can read the updated story 'The Shameless Psychic and His Prophecy of Lies' by visiting <http://www.ufowatchdog.com/morton1.html>

UFOWATCHDOG.COM editor Royce J. Myers III will be appearing on various radio programs throughout the week discussing the lawsuit. On Tuesday, April 8, 2003, Myers will be a guest on the nationally syndicated Jeff Rense radio program and will also be a guest on Strange Days...Indeed hosted by Errol Bruce Knapp on Saturday, April 12, 2003.

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Since early 2001, UFOWATCHDOG.COM has challenged a number of the claims made

by well known UFO personalities, has provided commentary on the UFO and paranormal fields, has served as a news source for both UFOs and the paranormal as well as having exposed UFO hoaxes all in an effort to further more rational and scientific debate regarding issues such as UFOs and the paranormal.

Contact: ufowatchdog@earthlink.net

Release compiled by C. O'Shaughnessy

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Luis Pacheco

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Date: Fri, 11 Apr 2003 18:48:54 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] UFO over Geordieland

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From: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos <ballesterolmos@yahoo.es>
Date: Sat, 12 Apr 2003 23:40:44 +0200 (CEST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] UFO over Geordieland-Request to Chris

Chris, can I have the photographs you took for my FOTOCAT catalogue?<<http://www.anomalia.org/fotocat1.htm>>

Thanks.

Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos
Apartado de Correos 12140
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Tue, 15 Apr 2003 04:54:27 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] New Insight Re Arnold's Founding 'Encounter'

I've come across what seems to be a largely unknown newspaper report of Kenneth Arnold's founding, 'flying saucers' sighting.

As we now understand, definitively proven is that Arnold did not describe 'disc(k)-shaped' objects at all, it was his depiction of their undulating motion as, 'like a saucer if you skipped it across water', which resulted in the Associated Press newswire reporting his "saucer-like" encounter.

On 26 June, 1947, the 'Sacramento Bee' evidently published an article which contains elements of inherent AP newswires and also, crucially, first-hand statements from Kenneth Arnold - see:

http://www.think-aboutit.com/ufo/pilot_reports_seeing_mystery.htm

Some of Arnold's reported comments therein are previously unknown to myself.

The article claims of Arnold's enigmatic objects, "A flash of reflected sunshine brought them to his attention, he asserted, and for a second he was stunned by their 'incredible' speed".

Contrast with his later 'official statement' to the Air Force:

"Their speed at the time did not impress me particularly, because I knew that our army and air forces had planes that went very fast".

Note, however, it was a "flash of reflected sunshine" which alerted Arnold to the object's existence, not, as increasingly recalled in later years, "a tremendous flash appeared in the sky and it lit up my whole aircraft, even it seemed the cockpit of the airplane...".

The object's speed was, as explained in aforesaid 'Sacramento Bee' article and consequently by Arnold, based on a subsequent triangulation.

What isn't mentioned is how Arnold separately confirmed why he believed those nine unidentified objects, "were about 25 to 30 miles away when first sighted flying north".

We now realise this was dependant on Arnold's perception that the

objects flew beyond, a "jagged peak" on Mt. Rainier.

As I've evidenced, the 'peak' Arnold describes in his resultant accounts is identified from local expertise as 'Little Tahoma [or Tacoma]', which was on the other side of Mt. Rainier and not consequently between Arnold's aerial position and the mountain.

If the objects had truly been seen to travel beyond that peak, they must consequently have passed behind Mt. Rainier.

Yet, Arnold's objects were statedly observed between his aerial location and the slopes of Mt. Rainier.

When in later years asked by prominent 'ufologists' if he could resolve the identification of that 'peak', Arnold was unable to.

Duly essential 'flying saucers' history aside, this 'Sacramento Bee' article significantly reports Kenneth Arnold's confirmation of a principal aspect relating to those nine, unfamiliar, objects.

When I first evidenced, via input from Pacific North-West ornithologists, why several experienced individuals therein identified those distinctive flight characteristics of Arnold's 'strange aircraft' as being markedly tell-tale of indigenous 'American White Pelicans, Brad Sparks rebutted:

"Arnold said 2-3 objects light-flashed/dipped altitude every 2-3 seconds _irregularly_, but _not_ the whole chain of 9 objects in _unison_"

There was no concrete evidence otherwise, at that time.

Cue the 26 June, 1947, 'Sacramento Bee':

"He reported that they appeared to fly almost as if they were fastened together-if one dipped the others did too".

James.

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 15 Apr 2003 11:37:32 +0100 (BST)
Subject: [UFORL] magoniaexchange@yahoo.com

Dear list,

We are currently setting up a pre-1947 UFO discussion/information exchange list. Subscription is open, but strictly limited, to those willing to contribute information (cases) to a common database.

To join, please send a message to the following address:

magoniaexchange@yahoo.com

Once the list and database has been created you will receive notification of your membership.

Regards,

Chris Aubeck

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Tue, 15 Apr 2003 15:38:18 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] New Insight Re Arnold's Founding 'Encounter'

Notice the error in Arnold's "triangulation":

He did not know how far away the objects were, but assumed them to be the same distance as the landmarks he used for reference. If they had been closer, the speed would have been lower.

He also failed to account for his own motion in the calculation.

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@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Monday, April 14, 2003 10:54 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] New Insight Re Arnold's Founding 'Encounter'

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 19 Apr 2003 01:43:25 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Insight Re Arnold...

I've received some correspondence from the publishers of a German magazine, noting their interest in any updates on research into Arnold's sighting.

The magazine is featuring Arnold in their current issue and as it's not a publication I'm familiar with, I thought it was worth a mention - see:

<http://www.ufozine.de.vu/>

Dr. Robert E. Bartholomew is an author who has written about the Arnold case, see for example:

<http://www.csicop.org/si/2000-05/delusions.html>

The 'Oregon Historical Quarterly' 101(2):192-213 (Summer), featured an article by Robert entitled, '

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The bubble gets "frozen" in place when the silica rich ash / dust hardens. The partial or complete filling of the bubble may occur immediately or even thousands to millions of years later and can encompass a variety of different minerals.

I have opened thousands of these and have found beautiful crystal and mineral deposits. However I have never found anything like this: it appears to be polished metal of manmade origin (close-up above, full image below).

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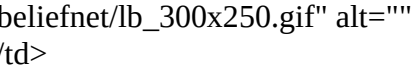
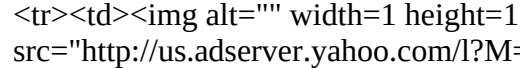
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interesting.

However, I would be most interested in seeing a better
photograph of the item in question, or a line drawing
if possible. At least this would enable me to contrast
the find with similar discoveries made, or allegedly
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Thank you for making your finding known through the
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Subject: [UFORL] 'UFO Hoaxes' Which Fool 'Believers'

Regarding:

>From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
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Steve wrote:

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Steve,

It sure does.

Pierre Stromberg is founder of the 'Pacific Northwest Skeptics'
and has an interest in UFORL discussions.

A paper on his joint research into the Coso, 'Champion spark-plug
ancient artefact' is online, at:

<http://www.eskimo.com/~pierres/coso/coso.html>

Great story and one I expect Chris Aubeck is familiar with.

I note that the letter from 'Mike Walters' and accompanying
photos are already featured on a couple of web sites:

<http://www.coasttocoastam.com/gen/page107.html>
<http://www.aliensthetruth.com/ancientartifact.html>

Was it sent as a 'mailshot' to those who were likely to publicise
a perceived alien connection...

Thanks to PRAUFO for highlighting the claims.

Obviously, it all understatedly seems just a bit 'dodgy',
especially with no identifying features from the source.

If a premeditated hoax, targeted at 'UFO believers' [or whatever
the politically correct phrase is - many of us are merely
intrigued by the eclectic subject and reserve the right to be],
it's an interesting, intentionally or otherwise, subtle approach
to take.

Have bogus 'flying saucer' photographs had their day?

Was that ultimately a result of increasingly elaborate 'crop circles', or footage of a proclaimed 'Roswell alien autopsy', or the proliferation of supposed 'insider revelations' and documents alleging evidence of an inherent 'cover-up' about contact by ET civilisations?

Some might conclude intrinsic 'MJ-12' material shouldn't fool a twelve-year-old and the more recent 'MJ-12 documents' were clearly [sic] written by one.

Discussing with former Command-Sergeant Kevin Conde, his spectacular 'beams of light' hoax during the 'Rendlesham UFO' perceptions, which evidently equates with Halt's sighting of same 'light-beams' [looks like there was fundamentally a documented witness to that fact... more in due course], Kevin expresses his astonishment such a rudimentary prank could have become part of 'UFO folklore'.

When I explained how analogous hoaxes had equally evolved as 'defended best evidence ever' and mentioned those which came to mind - Adamski, Meier, Trent, 'Gulf Breeze', etc., I realised this was becoming understated...

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The first reference to them therein seems to be:

"The ideas of humor among the green men of Mars are widely at variance with our conceptions of incitants to merriment".

See:

<http://www.literature.org/authors/burroughs-edgar-rice/a-princess-of-mars/chapter-04.html>

As you may know, these were not however, 'little green men'. From his subsequent, 'Thuvia, Maid of Mars':

"The man was a splendid specimen of his race. Fully fifteen feet towered his great height from sole to pate. The moonlight glistened against his glossy green hide, sparkling the jewels of his heavy harness and the ornaments that weighted his four muscular arms, while the upcurving tusks that protruded from his lower jaw gleamed white and terrible".

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See:

<http://www.literature.org/authors/burroughs-edgar-rice/a-princess-of-mars/chapter-04.html>

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>Daily Register (Harrisburg, Illinois)Thursday, May 22, 1947

>Section Two, Page One

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>Green Skin

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James.

E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, 25 Apr 2003 12:16:34 +0100 (BST)
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Little Green Men

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Apr 2003 03:25:57 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] THE WING??...

Regarding:

>From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>
>Date: Sat, 26 Apr 2003 16:32:33 -0700
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] THE WING??...

Jim wrote:

>...the content is such that, well, you may be better off not
>fixing your browser. :-)

Jim and list,

I didn't have time to look at the cited URL content before
posting.

However, it seems said content has duly been reviewed and set in
factual perspective!

End of this particular topic and thanks to those who responded.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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Sent: Saturday, April 26, 2003 11:48
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awful. The page shows up but there is very little there (a top secret label
and a few yellow "added on such and such a date"). No text is visible at
all. Maybe my browser is messed up but I find that hard to believe. Not
very informative at all.

Tim Printy

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From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
Date: Sun, 27 Apr 2003 01:10:38 +0200
Subject: RE: [UFORL] THE WING?? -- MACH 25 ORBITAL FLYING WING ???

Yes, I sincerely hope this is a joke - no-one could be stupid enough to believe any of this, could they?

A darkroom FFS? Haven't these people heard of digital imaging. A wingspan that big - you'd have thought someone would have noticed something that big taking to the skies, even in Oklahoma. Oh dear, oh dear...

a+
Steve

-----Original Message-----

From: David [mailto:win@dircon.co.uk]
Sent: 26 April 2003 19:11BlackAerospace@smartgroups.com
Cc: info@ufolab.info
Subject: Re: [UFORL] THE WING?? -- MACH 25 ORBITAL FLYING WING ???

Thanks for the URL. Can't remember when I've read something that's made me laugh so much or had so little basis in aerospace reality. I can't think where to start a critique...but here a few of my favourite rib ticklers:

"This "WING" is able to leave the atmosphere, but not by much, and still take crystal clear pictures of its targets."

How does that fit with this bit ?

"The "WING" has the ability to leave Earth's atmospheres and cruise at a couple thousand miles outside our atmosphere."

"The "WING" is approximately five to six times the wingspan of a B-52 bomber. It is a huge plane equipped with living quarters, kitchen, exercise area, cockpit, computer room, darkroom and more."

"Imagine an airplane such as the WING which has the capability of carrying 2000 nuclear bombs flying just outside our atmosphere. "

Shucks - you guys....

Best

David

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 18:06:52 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] "It's All Ballooney!"

There's a lot of balloons in this business...

http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/1439_25.wmv

James.
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 18:04:37 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Amazing Discovery

Once upon a time, I wrote:

[BEGIN]

Some background regarding Ed Yost, from a brief, authorised biography:

"On October 22, 1960, Yost made the first free flight of a modern hot-air balloon from Bruning, Nebraska. By then Yost had switched to nylon for the envelope, and had created a propane heater. The gross weight of the balloon, including Yost and fuel, was 404 pounds. He was in the air 25 minutes and landed 3 miles from his takeoff point".

Raven Industries sold their first sport balloon in November 1961 and the new sport of hot-air ballooning was born.

On Saturday April 13, 1963, Ed Yost made the first hot-air balloon crossing of the English Channel. With crew member Don Piccard, he made the flight from Rye, Sussex, England to Gravelines Nord, France, in 3 hours and 17 minutes in a 56,000 cubic foot Raven balloon named 'Channel Champ'.

The 'Balloon Life' article recalls:

"An Air Force tanker flew Piccard and Yost from Milwaukee to England, 'Loaded everything on board and away we did go!' The two balloonists were designated, 'Majors in the Wisconsin National Guard: uniforms, I.D. cards; everything.' He pauses and chuckles softly. 'All in the national interest, of course'."

The 'Channel Champ' balloon was a model 'S 50' and its back-up an 'S 45'. Both balloons were brought back to America, returning by airplane to General Mitchell Field in Milwaukee.

Incredibly, there may be a connection between this promotional flight, Raven's work for the government and Lonnie Zamora's April 1964 'UFO' sighting.

During my research, the most profound discovery was evidence of 'classified' hot-air balloon flights which took place in the New Mexico area during 1963 and 1964. Publicly, their existence was previously unknown and full details are disclosed here for the first time.

As would be expected, these test flights involved Raven balloons.

U.S. researcher Karl Pflock contacted Ed Yost, who acknowledged having flown in the tests which took place. However, Yost was adamant that none of the balloons were ever within some 50 miles of Socorro. He didn't say whether any activities took place on the 26 April, 1964, only that they did extend into 1964.

It was my understanding, from an informed source, that two hot-air balloons involved in the New Mexico tests were the 'Channel Champ' model 'S 45' and its back-up balloon, the 'S 50'.

Independently, another informed source suggested this was more than likely, as these balloons were effectively owned by the government.

I can now confirm this was not only correct, it seems the 'Channel Champ' flight was, extraordinarily, something of a US government/military public relations and marketing exercise.
[END]

Locating a photograph of that 'Channel Champ' balloon, if only for the record, has proved to be impossible, so far.

Even Don Piccard doesn't have one.

However, I can now reveal that during my related research more than a photograph was discovered. Although it's not great quality [and I don't know what happened to the sound!], some unique and rare film of this historical event can now be downloaded from:

http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/2653_11.wmv

It requires Windows Media Player.

So far as I'm aware, this must be the first ever footage of a hot-air balloon.

The source of this find has proved to be a proverbial treasure-trove; more on that separately.

James.

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Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 17:33:11 +0100
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It's true...

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Subject: [UFORL] "Flying Saucer Mystery!"

Cue the spooky music...

http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/2606_04.wmv

[Requires turning up the brightness!]

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Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 14:59:57 +0100 (BST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Here at last is the original text, from 1964 but taken from the 1962 publication.

Case closed!

Eine Rillenschrift kündigt von Luftfahrzeugen vor
12.000 Jahren
(DINA) Tokio, im Juli

Im Grenzgebiet zwischen Tibet und China liegt das
Höhlengebiet des Baian-Kara-Ula-Hochgebirges. Hier
sind
schon vor 25 Jahren die merkwürdigsten Schrifttafel-
und Hieroglyphenfunde gemacht worden.

Mit unauffindbaren und völlig unbekannten Geräten
sägen vor mehreren tausend Jahren Menschen, von deren
Aussehen die chinesischen Forscher nur vage
Vorstellungen haben, aus härtestem Granitgestein
schallplattenförmige Teller. Die bisher in den Höhlen
des Baian-Kara-Ula aufgefundenen 716 Gesteinsteller
weisen, genau wie
Schallplatten, in der Mitte ein Loch auf. Von dort
bewegt sich eine Doppelrinne in Spiralenform zum
Außenrand.
Dabei handelt es sich natürlich nicht um Tonrillen,
sondern um die eigenartigste Schrift, die jemals in
China und
wohl auf der ganzen Welt entdeckt wurde.

Es dauerte über zwei Jahrzehnte, bis Archäologen und
Wissenschaftler alter Schriften und Hieroglyphen die
Schriftzeichen entziffern konnten. Der Inhalt ist so
verblüffend, daß die Akademie für Vorgeschichte in
Peking den
Bericht des Gelehrten Prof. Tsum Um-nui anfangs gar
nicht veröffentlichen wollte. Dann tat sie es doch.

Mit vier Kollegen kam der Archäologe Tsum Um-nui
überein: "Die Rillenschrift kündigt von Luftfahrzeugen,
die es den
Schriftplatten nach vor 12000 Jahren gegeben haben
muß." Wörtlich heißt es an einer Stelle: "Die Dropa

kamen mit
ihren Luftgleitern aus den Wolken herab. Zehnmal bis
zum Aufgang der Sonne versteckten sich die Männer,
Frauen
und Kinder der Kham in den Höhlen. Dann verstanden sie
die Zeichen und sahen, daß die Dropa diesmal in fried-
licher Absicht kamen..."

Funde der Dropa- und Kham-Rasse sind in den Höhlen des
Hochgebirges schon früher gemacht worden. Archäo-
logen können diese nur bis zu 1,30 Meter großen, also
sehr kleinen Menschen heute noch nicht völkerkundlich
un-
terordnen. Es besteht keine Parallele zu den Chinesen,
Mongolen oder Tibetanern. Man kann natürlich vermuten,
daß
sich vor Jahrtausenden ein Schriftkundiger der Kham
einen Scherz erlaubt hat oder daß es Aberglaube war,
als er
von "Luftfahrzeugen" berichtete.

Was sollte dann aber die Aussage anderer
Rillenhieroglyphen der Kham bedeuten, die, will man
jede Sensation aus-
klammern, schlicht einen Klagegesang darüber
darstellen, daß die eigene "Luftflotte" bei der
Landung in dem
schwer zugänglichen Gebirge zerstört wurde und es
keine Mittel und Wege gab, eine neue zu bauen.

Die Hieroglyphen von Baian-Kara-Ula scheinen der
chinesischen Archäologie so mysteriös, daß sie nur mit
Vorsicht
wissenschaftlich davon Gebrauch macht. Man hat
Gesteinspartikel von den Schrifttellern geschabt und
zur Analy-
se nach Moskau geschickt. Dabei wurde eine
sensationelle Entdeckung gemacht: Die Rillenplatten
sind stark kobalt-
und metallhaltig. Beim Test einer ganzen Platte mit
einem Oszillographen zeigte sich ein überraschender
Schwin-
gungs-Rhythmus, so als wären die Platten mit der
Rillenschrift einst "geladen" gewesen oder hätten
irgendwie als
elektrische Leiter gedient.

Niemand kann sagen, was hinter diesen
Rillenschriftplatten aus der Zeit vor 12000 Jahren
steckt. Mutmaßungen

wären zu gewagt und nicht objektiv genug.

Man erinnert sich aber der alten chinesischen Sage von den kleinen dünnen gelben Menschen, die "aus den Wolken" kamen und wegen ihrer Häßlichkeit - ungewöhnlich große und breite Köpfe auf spindeldürrer Körper - von allen gemieden und von den "Männern mit den schnellen Pferden" (Mongolen?) getötet wurden.

Tatsächlich fanden sich in den Höhlen Grab- und Skelettüberreste aus der Zeit vor 12000 Jahren.

Tatsächlich wie-
sen die als Dropa- und Kham-Rasse bezeichneten Funde Maße eines schwächtigen Körperbaus und gewaltigen Schädels auf.

Noch komplizierter wird das Rätsel von Baian-Kara-Ula dadurch, daß man in den Höhlenwänden Ritzbilder der Schriftplatten fand, welche mehrfach die aufgehende Sonne zeigen, den Mond und die Sterne und dazwischen ganze Schwärme erbsengroßer Punkte, die sich in elegantem Schwung dem Gebirge und der Erdoberfläche nähern.

Reinhardt Wegemann

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Hi James,

Thanks for your reply to my message about the Dropa stones.

I hope my previous note has provided enough bibliographical details for you to see that the usual "story behind the story" has, as I said in my first message, been tangled up in incorrect data.

There has been some very sloppy research done on this issue to date. I smiled when I read your note that Hesemann had written

"Regarding the alleged Baian Kara Ula crash, the story started here in Germany in the late 1950ies (1956 or 7) and was originally a science fiction story published in 'Das vegetarische Universum'."

I wonder how the story could have started in the 1950s but not be published until the 1960s in 'Das vegetarische Universum'? I wonder how he was able to date it at all without any bibliographical reference to go by?

One of the main problems I had with the Dropa trail was the publication date of the Sputnik journal. A Google search will tell you it was published anywhere between 1960 and 1968, whereas my Russian colleagues gave me a firm date of 1967 (which makes sense for historical reasons, too). In fact, this is the magazine sometimes referred to as the Russian Digest, and not that 1960 publication as others would have it. The University of Kansas Libraries Slavic Department has the following description:

SPUTNIK: digest of the Soviet press (Moscow: Novosti, 1967-) Monthly. Periodicals/Stacks 050 Sp97n

In a format similar to the Readers' Digest. Features mainly abridged articles from the Soviet press. Original source given with each article.

If the story had been published in Russian in 1963 and not four years later the origin of the story would still be the German magazine, of course. I understand that he was living in Japan at the time, so maybe the story was not German after all.

Best wishes,

Chris

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Best,

Chris

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 08:54:22 +0100 (BST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Hello list,

This is the information I have gathered so far. I think I now only need to acquire the original published version(s) to finish off my investigation. It will be interesting to see where the accretions were added.

Bibliographical history:

July 1962 "Das vegetarische Universum." (German)

July 1964 "UFO-Nachrichten" (German)

March-April 1965 "BUFOI" Newsletter (French, Belgium)

1966 "Neman" (Russian)

The "Russian Digest" did not exist as such. The publication some writers have become confused about was "Literaturnaja Gazeta," in which V. Ritsch and M. Tschernenko published "Were Alien Visitors on Earth?" in 1960. However they do not mention the Dropa disks.

Dr. Vyatcheslav Zaitzev wrote about the disks for "Sputnik" in its first edition, published in 1967, based on "Das vegetarische Universum."

David Agamon (a pseudonym of 'Gamon') edited a book about the Dropa called Sungods in Exile in 1979, claiming it was the posthumous work of a British scientist named Karyl Robin-Evans. Robin-Evans (who did not exist) supposedly led an expedition to the Baian-Kara-Ula area in 1947 in order to find out more about a disc that had been bought in India or Nepal by his colleague at Oxford, Polish Professor Sergei Lolladoff (who did not exist, either). Agamon writes that the expedition came across a tribe of dwarfs in a remote valley in Baian-Kara-Ula. These dwarfs, the Dropa, told him that their ancestors had come from a planet in the Sirius system and had crash-landed on earth in 1014 AD. (There is no evidence that the Dropa have ever existed.)

Agamon, using his real name Gamon, wrote to the British magazine Fortean Times (issue 75) stating that "Sungods in Exile" was his "favourite hoax," and adding that "The author of this leg-pull received correspondence from as far away as Kiev. Don't ask me how I know." When Bob Rickard telephoned Gamon while preparing a note on the case for issue 109 of the same publication, Gamon confessed to the deceit. To add to the confusion Gamon had produced photographs of another, fake disc that many still believe to be genuine.

Does anyone have access to the original German articles? I'd love to see them, scanned or otherwise.

Regards,

Chris

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Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 07:37:50 +0200
Subject: [UFORL] [Hessdalen] A rebuttal of the EMBLA 2002 report on the optical survey in Hessdalen (Matteo Leone, 2003)

Hi to all,

article of possible interest.

Best regards,
Roberto Labanti

Italian Committee for Project Hessdalen
Comitato Italiano per il Progetto Hessdalen
<http://www.itacomm.net/PH>

Matteo Leone

"A rebuttal of the EMBLA 2002 report on the optical survey in Hessdalen"

On August 2002, a scientific expedition to the Hessdalen valley (Norway) - code-named EMBLA - aimed at investigating on an unidentified atmospheric light-phenomenon, was carried out by the physics section of an Italian team of scientists. According to the EMBLA 2002 physics report, the evidence collected point at an unknown atmospheric light phenomenon "able to produce a luminous power of up to 100 kW". The photometrical and spectroscopical data collected by the team of scientists on August 2002 are analysed and reasons for rejecting the suggested conclusions are presented in this paper. Furthermore, it is proposed an explanation that satisfactorily explains the evidence in terms of a known phenomenon. In spite of this negative findings, the anecdotal evidence collected by this author at Hessdalen suggests that clearly-defined, specific studies into the field of anomalous aerial phenomena should be supported.

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Date: Mon, 28 Apr 2003 21:48:08 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Regarding:

>To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com
>From: <caubeck@yahoo.com>
>Subject: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Chris wrote,

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>help me untangle the threads.

Chris,

Hoping it's more helpful than further confusing, the following is
a reply sent to Jim Oberg, re a similar query, some time ago:

Jim,

There's some background material online, at:

<http://www.dromo.com/fusionanomaly/dzhopa.html>
<http://www.crystalinks.com/dropa.html>

More importantly, these were informed insights from related
March, 2001 discussions on the 'UFO Skeptics' list:

As I recall, Gordon Creighton (not exactly an arch-skeptic)
debunked the whole 'Dropa' story in an article called "But I Read
It in a Book!" This was reprinted in the anthology "Encounter
Cases from Flying Saucer Review."

Source: Paul Thompson.

From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 28 Apr 2003 21:25:22 +0100 (BST)
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Hi Keith,

I think I may have received the solution already, from a Russian colleague. I shall check it and then report on my conclusions.

The main reason I'm interested is that it seems to have been based on another tale I have been researching, dating from the 19th century (but rehashed every ten years or so).

BTW, are there any German ufologists on the list who'd be willing to send me a photocopy?

Best regards,

Chris

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Date: Mon, 28 Apr 2003 21:26:51 +0200
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Hello all,

enclosed is a jpeg about the found of a "Alien" in this days in Austria. But it is only a try mummy of a "Rochen"/manta. However, I have a dark memory about a similiar "Alien-picture"-case years ago. Do anyone known more about such a case?

Greetings from Germany

WW
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Date: Mon, 28 Apr 2003 13:51:40 +0100 (BST)
Subject: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Dear list,

I am searching for the original source of the "Dzopa discs" story and have come to a dead end. Could anyone on this list help me untangle the threads?

The source of the confusion is as follows:

Hartwig Hausdorf, the latest champion of the case, notes in the sources for The Chinese Roswell that the first mention of the discs in a non-specialist publication was in an article by V. Ritsch and M. Tschernenko in Russian Digest. Hausdorf says this article, titled Were Alien Visitors on Earth?, was included in a 1960 issue. However, this conflicts firstly with the claim that Tsum Um Nui translated the hieroglyphics in 1962 and secondly with Hausdorf's statement that "...Dr. Vyatcheslav Saitzev...first told the story of the alien discs of Bara Kara Ula for the Soviet Magazine Sputnik..." This becomes even less clear when we read in the same book that the German magazine Das vegetarische Universum also published an article about the discs based on the Sputnik report, yet the edition of the German magazine cited is dated July 1962 and the Sputnik article was apparently published in its first issue in 1963!

Bruno Mancusi, who has also looked into the problem of when the story was first published, has written that the report was first published in UFO-Nachrichten #95, July 1964, p.3. The author was one Reinhardt Wegemann, Tokyo correspondent of a DINA news agency. (UFO UpDates July 26th 1998)

On the other hand, Gordon Creighton wrote (in Flying Saucer Review Vol.19, No.1 January 1973, p24-27) that he had learnt that Zaitsev "had done no original investigation of his own and had simply taken the story as it had appeared in the German publication Das Vegetarische Universum (no date given) and in the German publication UFO-Nachrichten, No. 95 (of 1964)."

So, where was the story first published, who wrote it and in which language?

I've been working on this problem on and off for over a year and I'd sincerely appreciate a hand in reaching some sort of a conclusion and obtaining a copy of the original source.

Thank you,

Chris Aubeck (apologies for those who receive more than one copy of this letter via different lists)

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>Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 15:21:50 EDT
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Karl wrote,

>...why are you concerned about 26 April 64. The Zamora incident
>occurred on 24 April.

Karl,

Indeed, like Arnold, the 24th was a big day.

For general list interest, a further significant discovery is now available online.

I once mentioned:

"Some three months prior to events at Socorro, on 19 January 1964, the recently formed California Balloon Club hosted a balloon race to highlight the new sport of modern hot-air ballooning. It was 'fastest time wins', from Catalina Island to the California mainland".

It proved to be a tragic event.

Remarkably, I was also able to locate, from the same source, some footage of this competition and it can be downloaded, with no copyright issues, via:

http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/3155_17.wmv

Note that at beginning [far left] and end, Ed Yost's balloon is featured.

Once again, it's the 3-man, model S-50 'Channel Champ', which can now be seen in scale and looks comparatively smaller than in film of the channel crossing.

Don Piccard, highlighted in the Catalina footage [although his balloon isn't], was flying a specific Raven model S-45 which was the S-50's back-up.

It was both of these which were used in those 'classified' 1963/64 New Mexico flights.

It's not suggested either were involved with Zamora's incident.

However, Coral Lorenzen described comparative 'UFO' sightings in that period:

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Amazing Discovery

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>Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 15:21:50 EDT
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Karl wrote,

>...why are you concerned about 26 April 64. The Zamora incident
>occurred on 24 April.

Karl,

Indeed, like Arnold, the 24th was a big day.

For general list interest, a further significant discovery is now available online.

I once mentioned:

"Some three months prior to events at Socorro, on 19 January 1964, the recently formed California Balloon Club hosted a balloon race to highlight the new sport of modern hot-air ballooning. It was 'fastest time wins', from Catalina Island to the California mainland".

It proved to be a tragic event.

Remarkably, I was also able to locate, from the same source, some footage of this competition and it can be downloaded, with no copyright issues, via:

http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/3155_17.wmv

Note that at beginning [far left] and end, Ed Yost's balloon is featured.

Once again, it's the 3-man, model S-50 'Channel Champ', which can now be seen in scale and looks comparatively smaller than in film of the channel crossing.

Don Piccard, highlighted in the Catalina footage [although his balloon isn't], was flying a specific Raven model S-45 which was the S-50's back-up.

It was both of these which were used in those 'classified' 1963/64 New Mexico flights.

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>Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 16:01:51 -0500
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Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 16:07:33 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Amazing Discovery

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Can these be had in another form?

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2003 12:05 PM

@ To: UFO Research List

@ Subject: [UFORL] Amazing Discovery

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@ Once upon a time, I wrote:

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@ [BEGIN]

@ Some background regarding Ed Yost, from a brief, authorised

@ biography:

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@ "On October 22, 1960, Yost made the first free flight of a modern
@ hot-air balloon from Bruning, Nebraska. By then Yost had switched
@ to nylon for the envelope, and had created a propane heater. The
@ gross weight of the balloon, including Yost and fuel, was 404
@ pounds. He was in the air 25 minutes and landed 3 miles from his
@ takeoff point".

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@ Raven Industries sold their first sport balloon in November 1961
@ and the new sport of hot-air ballooning was born.

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@ On Saturday April 13, 1963, Ed Yost made the first hot-air
@ balloon crossing of the English Channel. With crew member Don
@ Piccard, he made the flight from Rye, Sussex, England to
@ Gravelines Nord, France, in 3 hours and 17 minutes in a 56,000
@ cubic foot Raven balloon named 'Channel Champ'.

@

@ The 'Balloon Life' article recalls:

@

@ "An Air Force tanker flew Piccard and Yost from Milwaukee to
@ England, 'Loaded everything on board and away we did go!' The two
@ balloonists were designated, 'Majors in the Wisconsin National
@ Guard: uniforms, I.D. cards; everything.' He pauses and chuckles
@ softly. 'All in the national interest, of course'."

@

@ The 'Channel Champ' balloon was a model 'S 50' and its back-up an
@ 'S 45'. Both balloons were brought back to America, returning by
@ airplane to General Mitchell Field in Milwaukee.

@

@ Incredibly, there may be a connection between this promotional
@ flight, Raven's work for the government and Lonnie Zamora's April
@ 1964 'UFO' sighting.

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@ During my research, the most profound discovery was evidence of
@ 'classified' hot-air balloon flights which took place in the New
@ Mexico area during 1963 and 1964. Publicly, their existence was
@ previously unknown and full details are disclosed here for the
@ first time.

@

@ As would be expected, these test flights involved Raven balloons.

@

@ U.S. researcher Karl Pflock contacted Ed Yost, who acknowledged
@ having flown in the tests which took place. However, Yost was
@ adamant that none of the balloons were ever within some 50 miles
@ of Socorro. He didn't say whether any activities took place on
@ the 26 April, 1964, only that they did extend into 1964.

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@ It was my understanding, from an informed source, that two hot-
@ air balloons involved in the New Mexico tests were the 'Channel
@ Champ' model 'S 45' and its back-up balloon, the 'S 50'.

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@ Independently, another informed source suggested this was more
@ than likely, as these balloons were effectively owned by the
@ government.

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@ I can now confirm this was not only correct, it seems the
@ 'Channel Champ' flight was, extraordinarily, something of a US
@ government/military public relations and marketing exercise.

@ [END]

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@ Locating a photograph of that 'Channel Champ' balloon, if only
@ for the record, has proved to be impossible, so far.

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@ Even Don Piccard doesn't have one.

@

@ However, I can now reveal that during my related research more
@ than a photograph was discovered. Although it's not great quality
@ [and I don't know what happened to the sound!], some unique and
@ rare film of this historical event can now be downloaded from:
@
http://www.rendlesham.com/ftp/2653_11.wmv

It requires Windows Media Player.

So far as I'm aware, this must be the first ever footage of a
hot-air balloon.

The source of this find has proved to be a proverbial treasure-
trove; more on that separately.

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Date: Wed, 30 Apr 2003 15:45:09 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Do you remember on "Alien-picture"-cases like this?

I remember seeing it in a UFO tabloid sometime in the 80s. Can't put it any closer.

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@ Sent: Monday, April 28, 2003 2:27 PM
@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com
@ Cc: ufotolist@yahoogroups.com
@ Subject: [UFORL] Do you remember on "Alien-picture"-cases like this?

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@ Hello all,

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@ enclosed is a jpeg about the found of a "Alien" in this days

@ in Austria. But it

@ is only a try mummy of a "Rochen"/manta. However, I have a

@ dark memory about a

@ similiar "Alien-picture"-case years ago. Do anyone known more

@ about such a case?

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@ Greetings from Germany

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@ WW

@ Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim

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JAMES -- Interesting.
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Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 14:52:17 +0100 (BST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Hi James,

Thanks for your reply to my message about the Dropa stones.

I hope my previous note has provided enough bibliographical details for you to see that the usual "story behind the story" has, as I said in my first message, been tangled up in incorrect data.

There has been some very sloppy research done on this issue to date. I smiled when I read your note that Hesemann had written

"Regarding the alleged Baian Kara Ula crash, the story started here in Germany in the late 1950ies (1956 or 7) and was originally a science fiction story published in 'Das vegetarische Universum'."

I wonder how the story could have started in the 1950s but not be published until the 1960s in 'Das vegetarische Universum'? I wonder how he was able to date it at all without any bibliographical reference to go by?

One of the main problems I had with the Dropa trail was the publication date of the Sputnik journal. A Google search will tell you it was published anywhere between 1960 and 1968, whereas my Russian colleagues gave me a firm date of 1967 (which makes sense for historical reasons, too). In fact, this is the magazine sometimes referred to as the Russian Digest, and not that 1960 publication as others would have it. The University of Kansas Libraries Slavic Department has the following description:

SPUTNIK: digest of the Soviet press (Moscow: Novosti, 1967-) Monthly. Periodicals/Stacks 050 Sp97n

In a format similar to the Readers' Digest. Features mainly abridged articles from the Soviet press. Original source given with each article.

If the story had been published in Russian in 1963 and not four years later the origin of the story would still be the German magazine, of course. I understand that he was living in Japan at the time, so maybe the story was not German after all.

Best wishes,

Chris

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Subject: [UFORL] PRA - "Lore Of The Rings".

"LORE OF THE RINGS"

April 30, 2003

The Australian Bulletin Magazine 2003
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~ Crop circles - an alien landing evidence, a message from the ~
~ outer cosmos or an elaborate hoax? Anthony Hoy embarks on a ~
~ journey to the twilight zone. ~

When Don White discovered a seemingly inexplicable pattern of 30 circles in a wheat crop on his Victorian farm in October 2001, he put it down to "some sort of weather phenomenon". "I certainly didn't give any thought to extraterrestrials or flying saucers," he says. And there the matter would have finished had he not mentioned it to his sister, Ruth Ellis, who farms nearby.

Ellis, who once worked for the Victorian Department of Natural Resources, mentioned the circles to her former colleagues and "it sort of - snowballed from that point", White says.

Television crews and press photo-graphers suddenly began climbing all over White's 400ha Corrymeela property, 50km north of Bendigo. If aliens had arrived - as many of Australia's pseudo-scientists and UFOlogists preferred to believe - they could have picked a better time. At one stage, White's lamb- eeding and cropping routine was being disrupted by as many as 50 phone calls and visits a day.

While all that distraction eventually died down, it is threatening to blow up again after the inclusion of the Corry-meela case in a recent ABC radio broadcast about the crop circle phenomenon. "I would rather the whole thing went away. I'm sick of talking about it," White says.

Australian crop circles first achieved major media coverage with the appearance of "saucer nests" in a wheat field near Wokurna, a community south-east of Adelaide, in December 1973. Soon after, seven circles up to 4.26m in diameter appeared in a field of oats at nearby Bordertown.

In December 1989, as many as 90 intricate circles - ranging from a few centimetres to a few metres in diameter - appeared on land

owned by the Jolly family in the Mallee wheat belt, north-west of Melbourne. Unusual nocturnal lights were also reported in the sky, as were strange high-pitched warbling, swirling or screaming noises.

Some sharper UFOlogists have been quick to capitalise on interest in the phenomenon - mainly at the expense of amateur enthusiasts. To the chagrin of Australia's legitimate space science fraternity, one entrepreneurial UFOlogist registered the company name The National Space Centre, established a 1900 telephone hotline and charges about \$5 a minute to field "inquiries and reports" from true believers and the curious.

Staff at the only legitimate NASA facility in Australia - the Deep Space Communications Complex at Tidbinbilla, near Canberra - have since fielded calls from irate, unsuspecting UFOlogists slugged as much as \$250 by calling The National Space Centre.

More money may change hands if the recent radio broadcast rekindles interest. The program featured an interview with Nancy Talbott, a music producer with "a research background" at the University of Maryland and Harvard and a member of the so-called BLT Crop Circle Research Team. The name comes from the first initials of the surnames of Talbott and her two associates, New York businessman John Burke and Michigan biophysicist William C. Levengood. The organisation, Talbott claims, is funded by New York philanthropist Laurance S. Rockefeller.

Crop circle plants examined by BLT associates were covered in a pure iron glaze associated with magnetic meteorite dust, according to Talbott. The Corry-meela crop circles, she says, could have been the direct result of the annual Perseids meteor shower.

"There are pervasive, re-occurring abnormalities in crop circle plants and soils which are consistent with exposure of these plants and soils to an intense and complex energy system which emits heat (possibly microwaves) along with highly unusual electrical pulses and strong magnetic fields," Talbott told listeners of A Country Breakfast.

She and her colleagues claim to have jointly sampled 300-plus crop circles between 1990 and 2000. "More than 90% showed the characteristic anomalous changes in plant tissues, and magnetic material was consistently documented in those formations where soil sampling had also been conducted."

The media, Talbott said, was making progress "more difficult" by labelling the phenomenon as "fringe". "But hard data is difficult to ignore. And following such data wherever it leads will most likely lead us - eventually - to an understanding of this most

enigmatic, peculiar phenomenon."

Darren Osborne is editor of the CSIRO's science magazine, The Helix. Before taking up his post, Osborne served for five years as public relations officer at NASA's Tidbinbilla complex - one of three global tracking points for inter-planetary space orbiters probing Jupiter, Saturn and Mars.

"Tidbinbilla's expertise is often called upon for anything that is space-related," says the man who in five years possibly fielded more UFO calls than almost any other Earthling. "It was amusing, really. We weren't looking out for these things. But I became an expert of sorts, and certainly came to know which UFOlogists were serious, and which were downright shonky."

His first crop circle call while at Tidbinbilla turned out to be a publicity stunt perpetrated by Canberra radio station FM104.7. Other stunts were staged by self-admitted crop circle hoaxers Doug Bower and David Chorley. They operated in northern Queensland before exporting their crop circle expertise to England, where they conjured up about 250 intricate circles.

Matthew Williams, 30, of Wiltshire, was fined £100 (\$256) by a British magistrate in November 2000 after admitting on the internet to damaging a farmer's crops near Marlborough, England. He subsequently made a film revealing the secrets and techniques of crop circle creators, who use posts, ladders, tapes, planks, ropes, rollers and even computer-generated designs.

The hoaxers' handiwork was undoubtedly a factor in the popularity of the Glastonbury Symposium, now in its 12th year and said to be the largest international gathering of "cereologists", people who study crop circles (after Ceres, the Roman goddess of agriculture and fertility).

"Just because it doesn't sit in a gallery doesn't mean it's not art," Williams says. "It's a living sculpture. But for some people it forms a temporary religious site. Some people get very angry when you tell them, because they really want to believe. It tells you a lot about religion and belief ... how these cults are created."

Says Osborne: "In my view, the crop circle thing is a furphy. Extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence. And a couple of trampled bits of wheat don't add up to much. The most simple explanation is the most likely one. And scientists have yet to be convinced that little green men and/or big-eyed monsters are leaving impressions in our wheat fields."

Movie-makers routinely use delusion and superstition to suggest

the supernatural - ignoring any reasoned explanation. Such was the scenario in Signs, the recent movie in which Mel Gibson played a farmer and former pastor whose faith was tested when his Pennsylvania cornfield was transformed overnight into what looked like an alien landing pad.

"At the end of the day, government-related organisations have not got the resources to investigate pseudo-scientific claims," says Osborne. "And people are let down that they don't get the answers they are seeking. So they turn to the pseudo-scientists and UFOlogists, some of whom profit from the exercise. It's a problem that no one really knows how to address."

But Barry Williams, full-time officer of the NSW Skeptics Association, is prepared to have a crack at addressing the issue. He dismisses crop circles as acts of art or hoaxes. "It is one of the strangest beliefs people have ever come up with. If some inter-galactic entity is really out there trying to send us messages using ancient Sumerian symbols or representations of alien DNA, why not write it in English so we can understand it? Crop circles tend to happen in places where a lot of people have got a lot of time on their hands - near universities, for instance."

Don White doesn't subscribe to improbable UFO theories. All the same, he is still nervously posting a lookout around Corrymeela's wheat and canola paddocks.

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Subject: [UFORL] PRA - "Lore Of The Rings".

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~ Crop circles - an alien landing evidence, a message from the ~
~ outer cosmos or an elaborate hoax? Anthony Hoy embarks on a ~
~ journey to the twilight zone. ~

When Don White discovered a seemingly inexplicable pattern of 30 circles in a wheat crop on his Victorian farm in October 2001, he put it down to "some sort of weather phenomenon". "I certainly didn't give any thought to extraterrestrials or flying saucers," he says. And there the matter would have finished had he not mentioned it to his sister, Ruth Ellis, who farms nearby.

Ellis, who once worked for the Victorian Department of Natural Resources, mentioned the circles to her former colleagues and "it sort of - snowballed from that point", White says.

Television crews and press photo-graphers suddenly began climbing all over White's 400ha Corrymeela property, 50km north of Bendigo. If aliens had arrived - as many of Australia's pseudo-scientists and UFOlogists preferred to believe - they could have picked a better time. At one stage, White's lamb- eeding and cropping routine was being disrupted by as many as 50 phone calls and visits a day.

While all that distraction eventually died down, it is threatening to blow up again after the inclusion of the Corry-meela case in a recent ABC radio broadcast about the crop circle phenomenon. "I would rather the whole thing went away. I'm sick of talking about it," White says.

Australian crop circles first achieved major media coverage with the appearance of "saucer nests" in a wheat field near Wokurna, a community south-east of Adelaide, in December 1973. Soon after, seven circles up to 4.26m in diameter appeared in a field of oats at nearby Bordertown.

In December 1989, as many as 90 intricate circles - ranging from a few centimetres to a few metres in diameter - appeared on land

owned by the Jolly family in the Mallee wheat belt, north-west of Melbourne. Unusual nocturnal lights were also reported in the sky, as were strange high-pitched warbling, swirling or screaming noises.

Some sharper UFOlogists have been quick to capitalise on interest in the phenomenon - mainly at the expense of amateur enthusiasts. To the chagrin of Australia's legitimate space science fraternity, one entrepreneurial UFOlogist registered the company name The National Space Centre, established a 1900 telephone hotline and charges about \$5 a minute to field "inquiries and reports" from true believers and the curious.

Staff at the only legitimate NASA facility in Australia - the Deep Space Communications Complex at Tidbinbilla, near Canberra - have since fielded calls from irate, unsuspecting UFOlogists slugged as much as \$250 by calling The National Space Centre.

More money may change hands if the recent radio broadcast rekindles interest. The program featured an interview with Nancy Talbott, a music producer with "a research background" at the University of Maryland and Harvard and a member of the so-called BLT Crop Circle Research Team. The name comes from the first initials of the surnames of Talbott and her two associates, New York businessman John Burke and Michigan biophysicist William C. Levengood. The organisation, Talbott claims, is funded by New York philanthropist Laurance S. Rockefeller.

Crop circle plants examined by BLT associates were covered in a pure iron glaze associated with magnetic meteorite dust, according to Talbott. The Corry-meela crop circles, she says, could have been the direct result of the annual Perseids meteor shower.

"There are pervasive, re-occurring abnormalities in crop circle plants and soils which are consistent with exposure of these plants and soils to an intense and complex energy system which emits heat (possibly microwaves) along with highly unusual electrical pulses and strong magnetic fields," Talbott told listeners of A Country Breakfast.

She and her colleagues claim to have jointly sampled 300-plus crop circles between 1990 and 2000. "More than 90% showed the characteristic anomalous changes in plant tissues, and magnetic material was consistently documented in those formations where soil sampling had also been conducted."

The media, Talbott said, was making progress "more difficult" by labelling the phenomenon as "fringe". "But hard data is difficult to ignore. And following such data wherever it leads will most likely lead us - eventually - to an understanding of this most

enigmatic, peculiar phenomenon."

Darren Osborne is editor of the CSIRO's science magazine, The Helix. Before taking up his post, Osborne served for five years as public relations officer at NASA's Tidbinbilla complex - one of three global tracking points for inter-planetary space orbiters probing Jupiter, Saturn and Mars.

"Tidbinbilla's expertise is often called upon for anything that is space-related," says the man who in five years possibly fielded more UFO calls than almost any other Earthling. "It was amusing, really. We weren't looking out for these things. But I became an expert of sorts, and certainly came to know which UFOlogists were serious, and which were downright shonky."

His first crop circle call while at Tidbinbilla turned out to be a publicity stunt perpetrated by Canberra radio station FM104.7. Other stunts were staged by self-admitted crop circle hoaxers Doug Bower and David Chorley. They operated in northern Queensland before exporting their crop circle expertise to England, where they conjured up about 250 intricate circles.

Matthew Williams, 30, of Wiltshire, was fined £100 (\$256) by a British magistrate in November 2000 after admitting on the internet to damaging a farmer's crops near Marlborough, England. He subsequently made a film revealing the secrets and techniques of crop circle creators, who use posts, ladders, tapes, planks, ropes, rollers and even computer-generated designs.

The hoaxers' handiwork was undoubtedly a factor in the popularity of the Glastonbury Symposium, now in its 12th year and said to be the largest international gathering of "cereologists", people who study crop circles (after Ceres, the Roman goddess of agriculture and fertility).

"Just because it doesn't sit in a gallery doesn't mean it's not art," Williams says. "It's a living sculpture. But for some people it forms a temporary religious site. Some people get very angry when you tell them, because they really want to believe. It tells you a lot about religion and belief ... how these cults are created."

Says Osborne: "In my view, the crop circle thing is a furphy. Extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence. And a couple of trampled bits of wheat don't add up to much. The most simple explanation is the most likely one. And scientists have yet to be convinced that little green men and/or big-eyed monsters are leaving impressions in our wheat fields."

Movie-makers routinely use delusion and superstition to suggest

the supernatural - ignoring any reasoned explanation. Such was the scenario in Signs, the recent movie in which Mel Gibson played a farmer and former pastor whose faith was tested when his Pennsylvania cornfield was transformed overnight into what looked like an alien landing pad.

"At the end of the day, government-related organisations have not got the resources to investigate pseudo-scientific claims," says Osborne. "And people are let down that they don't get the answers they are seeking. So they turn to the pseudo-scientists and UFOlogists, some of whom profit from the exercise. It's a problem that no one really knows how to address."

But Barry Williams, full-time officer of the NSW Skeptics Association, is prepared to have a crack at addressing the issue. He dismisses crop circles as acts of art or hoaxes. "It is one of the strangest beliefs people have ever come up with. If some inter-galactic entity is really out there trying to send us messages using ancient Sumerian symbols or representations of alien DNA, why not write it in English so we can understand it? Crop circles tend to happen in places where a lot of people have got a lot of time on their hands - near universities, for instance."

Don White doesn't subscribe to improbable UFO theories. All the same, he is still nervously posting a lookout around Corrymeela's wheat and canola paddocks.

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Link: <http://www.paraview.com/redfern/index.htm>

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Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 10:00:00 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] PRA - "Lore Of The Rings".

Artists are often a weird bunch. The circle makers don't care whose property they damage or destroy, and now an artists lobby group wants government to pay them for their art (no matter how good or bad), and give them healthcare benefits.

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From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 21:17:35 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

James

> In a new and recent breakthrough, I have also located and
> contacted someone who served with 'Task Force 158' during
> that formative period.

Can't wait to hear more about this!!!

Best,
Rebecca

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From: "North Kent" <northkent121@hotmail.com>
Date: Wed, 07 May 2003 11:55:13 +0000
Subject: [UFORL] Yahoo group 1 - UFO sightings recorded information line

Dear Members,

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From: "MK" <airsmith@yaho.com.br>
Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 22:04:51 -0300
Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Baptism of Christ UFO Painting!

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Hi,

Diego Cuoghi has a very clarifying page on supposed UFOs on medieval art. He deals with "Baptism of Christ" by Aert De gelder and offers this conclusion:

http://www.sprezzatura.it/Arte/Arte_UFO_3.htm

"In the "Baptism of Christ" by Aert De Gelder there is no UFO. The light disc in the sky is similar to other discs seen in many other "Baptism of Christ" paitings. At Jesus' baptism, the Dove (often inside the light circle) represented the presence of the Holy Spirit, and so is most frequently used to symbolize the third person of the Trinity. In the Fitzwilliam Museum catalogue the painting is described in this way: "In the foreground of a hilly landscape, Christ is baptised by St. John, amid a circle of onlookers. The two figures are brilliantly lit by rays from the Dove high above, against general darkness..."

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Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 04:07:18 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Baptism of Christ UFO Painting!

Regarding:

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>Aert De Gelder. And in the scene is a UFO hovering above
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><http://cgfa.sunsite.dk/h/p-haarlem2.htm>

Thanks for highlighting this.

The question is; why would De Gelder be depicting a 'UFO'?

In the Bible, there's no mention of one appearing at said, supposed, Baptism.

Also regarding:

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A couple of years back, I had a look at comparative online examples and although the URLs have changed since, the proof of that disc/dove/vessel imagery remains:

<http://btr0xw.rz.uni-bayreuth.de/cjackson/p/p-patinir2.htm>
<http://cgfa.sunsite.dk/ghirlandaio/p-ghirlandaio10.htm>
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http://www.bnf.fr/enluminures/images/jpeg/i6_0026.jpg
<http://www.nga.gov/cgi-bin/pimage?32708+0+0+gg32>

One further example which might perhaps have generated more interest and perceptions that 'flying saucers' were depicted in the background, is:

<http://cgfa.sunsite.dk/francesc/p-frances1.htm>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 23:55:29 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Regarding:

>From: <caubeck@yahoo.com>
>Date: Tue, 29 Apr 2003 14:59:57 +0100 (BST)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Seeking original source

Chris wrote:

>Here at last is the original text, from 1964 but taken from the
>1962 publication.
>
>Case closed!

Chris,

Thanks for noting this interesting discovery and well done.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 01:00:52 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Lakenheath case investigation on-line

Regarding:

>From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>Date: Thu May 1, 2003 9:31 pm
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Lakenheath case investigation on-line

Dave wrote:

>The website is the product of three years work by the Lakenheath
>Collaboration - a team of British researchers that includes
>Martin Shough, David Clarke, Paul Fuller, Andy Roberts and Jenny
>Randles. Please remember the site remains under construction,
>with further documents (including several that are the subject
>of FOIA requests) to be added in the near future.

Dave,

Congratulations to all involved for an excellent research
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 7 May 2003 00:46:12 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: "Chris Gibson" <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>
>Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 21:27:00 +0100
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

Chris wrote:

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Chris,

Correct, I see that it occurred on 19 December, 1979:

http://f-111.net/t_no_E.htm

This comprehensive F-111 web site documents all known crashes and fatalities. It's one reason I seriously doubt a fatal crash occurred near RAF Woodbridge in late December 1980.

I'm more interested in the FOIA request re a contemporary lost nuke from an F-111, as John Burtenshaw noted being told about by a retired RAF officer.

I recently mentioned:

"A member of the 81st Security Police Squadron [SPS] (I won't name him for now) told me about events which occurred between 29-31 December, 1980.

For three days, he was posted to the now infamous east gate and witnessed both personnel and helicopters [unfortunately, he wasn't aware where either came from] operating in the 'landing site' area.

Advised by his Shift Commander that 'the base' knew what was going on, he was given no further information, except for being warned not to report over the radio anything observed.

He could only conclude it looked like they were all searching for something".

The presently unidentified witness is actually someone previously known to have been involved in the incidents, however, this

revelation was new.

I've also previously mentioned that around the same time, a nearby and also as yet unidentified village was allegedly cordoned off by armed USAF personnel.

There are also those reports of local prisons being alerted they may have to evacuate all staff and prisoners.

It's all a scenario which might conceivably equate with the search for and recovery of unexploded ordnance.

I have to say this seems unlikely though.

Incidentally, the SPS witness wasn't strictly forbidden to report what he observed, he was warned that whatever he might see, not to call in a 'UFO' sighting.

James.

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Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 01:02:38 +0100
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>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 7 May 2003 05:04:46 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
>Date: Mon, 5 May 2003 21:17:35 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Rebecca wrote:

>>In a new and recent breakthrough, I have also located and
>>contacted someone who served with 'Task Force 158' during that
>>formative period.

>Can't wait to hear more about this!!!

Hi Rebecca,

Cash-Landrum will of course be of particular interest to you!

I can now reveal some more from ongoing developments.

As mentioned, this contact has a distinguished military career and although Cash-Landrum is of inherent intrigue to ourselves, given its nature, it's such an awkward incident to highlight and ask questions about.

I had hoped, at worst, he would be willing to discuss even the general background to 'Task Force 158', especially overall activities in Texas during late 1980.

As, in truth, that proverbial bigger picture is personally of more importance and interest, this was the approach taken, with only a cursory reference to Cash-Landrum observations.

The outcome has been a privileged insight into formation of 'Task Force 158' and all activities from its inception during May 1980, through to December 1980. That encompasses particulars of all bases used by the special task force and code names of all operations.

It's information not to be found on any web site and seemingly unpublished, period.

This was a point expressed to myself; that early history of 'Task Force 158' has never fully been documented and what subsists is

only "bits and pieces" with never, "a complete or accurate account of what took place out there in the western mountains and deserts between May 1980 to Dec 1980".

I expect it's because of my stated intention to redress same, I have now been entrusted with an appreciably insightful first-hand account.

Great result; great deal of work now required.

In, 'The Age of the UFO', a recommended book with an "introduction by Dr J. Allen Hynek" and "edited by Peter Brookesmith", there's a lengthy article on Cash-Landrum. Reporting comparative 'UFO' sightings the day previously, it's noted that "residents of Ohio County, Kentucky" had witnessed "strange moving lights" and how when a helicopter arrived on scene, the "UFOS left".

It's now evident that the surprise would be if "strange moving lights", aka "UFOS", were not contemporarily being seen in Kentucky, with one or more accompanying helicopters.

There's documentation of a significant interview with our central witnesses, at:

<http://www.cufon.org/cufon/cashlani.pdf>

Note their stated conclusion of a probable explanation for what they encountered [and opinions of 'UFO' investigators!].

Although Cash-Landrum still has more questions than proven answers, I've grateful to now have been informed where those conclusive answers can readily be found.

It should absolutely not be assumed that our enigmatic object, or subsequent ill-health experienced by the witnesses, are in any way related.

'There's many a twist in the tale...'.

Meantime, one historical question I can confidently answer; from 'The Age of the UFO':

"By this time the helicopters were spread out over a 5-mile (8-kilometre) area. One main group was still near to UFO, but moving in an erratic flight path.

[...]

As they watched from this new vantage point the victims counted 23 helicopters. Many of the helicopters were the large double rotor types, with four wheels, and a large housing to the rear (these were later identified as CH-47 Chinooks...)

Others were smaller, very fast, single rotor helicopters. These were never clearly identified, but they appeared to be of the Bell Huey variety".

Evidently not, "of the Bell Huey variety", whatever that meant:

"...when the OH-6 'Little Bird' was added to the original task force with an entirely new plan in mind, that's the training witnessed in Texas".

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 05:05:50 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Any targeted FOIA request is always capable of producing unexpected results and ongoing is one I had submitted re the Cash-Landrum case:

[BEGIN]

I am requesting any information or records pertaining to operations involving 'Task Force 158', a forerunner to the legendary Night Stalkers. This is the genesis as told by the Night Stalkers themselves:

"After the failure of Operation RICE BOWL, the attempted U.S. hostage rescue in Iran in April 1980, the United States Army began testing and evaluation to develop special operations aviation capabilities. Volunteers were selected from the 101st Aviation Group's C/158 and D/158 (UH-60), A/159th (CH-47), and B/229th (OH-6) to form and develop tactics, techniques and procedures for aviation in special operations mission profiles.

The 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) provided the UH-60s and CH-47s while the National Guard initially provided the OH-6s. The 101st was selected because it had recently fielded the UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter, which was already proven to be extremely reliable and safe while conducting demanding mission. Additionally, the 101st possessed a large number of CH-47 medium lift helicopters that could complement the smaller Black Hawks and agile OH-6.

Beginning in June 1980, intensive training was conducted focusing on long range, low level, flying at night with primitive full-faced AN/PVS-5 night vision goggles. As proficiency increased, mission profiles became more demanding and complex - challenging the Task Force to develop additional capabilities of blacked-out and close formation flight. The testing and evaluation resulted in the development of the light helicopter company, the extended range and lift UH-60, and the extended range FARP capable CH-47".

Bringing the Night Stalkers story up to date:

"Upon resolution of the hostage crisis early 1981, the Army recognized that it took a great deal of time, training, and resources to develop the unique capabilities to accomplish special operations mission and there may not be sufficient time to prepare and respond to future crisis. The decision was made to form a standing Army Special Operations Aviation Task Force known as Task Force 160 consisting of volunteers from Task Force 158. The 160th quickly established a reputation in the Special

Operations community as a unit that could deliver: always at the right place at the right time with the right assets. On 1 April 1982, Task Force 160 was designated as the 160th Aviation Battalion. However, the 160th continued to be referred to as Task Force 160 until the present".

Specifically, I request any information or records pertaining to operations involving 'Task Force 158' during December 1980, in Texas.

This should encompass all training exercises and any incidents arising from them which involved members of the public.
[END]

In 'Voyager Newsletter - Issue No. 9', I first suggested a connection:

[BEGIN]

I believe a military 'special ops' training exercise was at least in part responsible for another classic UFO encounter, a drama which was soon to unfold on the other side of the Atlantic.

During the evening of 29th December, 1980, Betty Cash, Vickie Landrum and Colby Landrum were travelling along Highway FM1485 in eastern Texas. It was a quiet road in a sparsely populated area.

They noticed a bright light above the trees and as it descended towards them, it hovered at tree-top level.

Diamond-shaped and much larger than their car, the object intermittently expelled a 'cone of fire', apparently downwards. This caused it to rise slightly, similar to a hot-air balloon using a burner to keep aloft.

The object also reportedly glowed brightly and something emitted an occasional beeping noise.

With the object now above the road, the witnesses got out of their car, reportedly experiencing an intense heat and light from the object.

Suddenly, a large number of helicopters appeared overhead, seemingly arriving from all directions. The unidentified object was then lost from sight behind some trees and the helicopters left.

Driving further on, the object and helicopters were again seen in close proximity. The witnesses counted 23 helicopters and these were identified as mainly CH-47 Chinooks, plus faster single-

rotor helicopters, similar to a Bell-Huey.

The witnesses apparently all suffered from illness afterwards, with Betty Cash, who was closest to the object, being the most poorly. It's generally assumed this was directly related to the incident.

Despite extensive enquiries, no trace of the helicopters' origins was ever found, with Houston Airport unable to assist and military bases in Texas and Louisiana denying any possible involvement.

It remained a mystery.

One statement came from the US Army's Fort Hood press officer, Major Tony Geishauser, who confirmed no aircraft from that base were in the Houston area at the time. He commented, "I don't know any other place around here that would have that number of helicopters. I don't know what it could be... unless there's a super secret thing going on and I wouldn't necessarily know about it".

It's a point which I can maybe help substantiate in this case. Although there could now be a rational explanation for the brightly glowing, diamond-shaped object, that's still the subject of investigation and is left aside for now.

However, of arguably more importance, I can identify the special operations unit who would appear to be most likely responsible for the helicopters witnessed.

It seems this was probably 'Task Force 158', a forerunner to the legendary Night Stalkers.
[END]

I can now reveal there is documentary evidence which confirms that during late 1980, a named USAF base in Texas was being used by a large number of 'Task Force 158' CH-47 Chinooks.

It wasn't Fort Hood and Major Tony Geishauser correctly surmised, "...unless there's a super secret thing going on and I wouldn't necessarily know about it".

The related operations couldn't in fact have been any more "super secret".

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contacted someone who served with 'Task Force 158' during that formative period.

Those top-secret 1980 operations are the real story and I asked a simple question of him, "Can that story now be told?"

The answer, so far, is affirmative.

He has a distinguished military career and is documented as being involved with a landmark combat incident.

It's seemingly the most promising lead ever in this case and like ongoing FOIA processing, we shall see what's revealed.

Given the nature of 'Cash-Landrum' and that possibility of civilians being seriously injured as a consequence of reported events, I have proceeded with due caution.

Potentially, this is proverbially treading on dangerous ground, for a number of reasons I'm now acutely aware of.

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Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 00:06:14 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] 'Lakenheath case investigation on-line'

There were two recent posting which although online, I didn't receive a copy of.

As I'm not sure if this was a glitch with my e-mail address or whether it affected all subscribers, you might care to check messages 1605 and 1606, see:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/messages>

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, 6 May 2003 08:51:51 +0100 (BST)
Subject: [UFORL] The Baptism of Christ UFO Painting! correction and addition

In my previous message please read

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In addition, I would like to present a very
curious case from the 17th century in which a genuine
anomalous phenomenon _may_ have been observed and
given a religious interpretation. The following is
from my notes and the translation is my own:

A fascinating case was included in a small volume
written by Silva-Caldas in 1879. The sighting took
place on January 29th 1640 and was recorded for
posterity because it coincided with an important
moment in Portuguese history: the discussions that
would eventually lead to Portugal's political
independence. We do not know what it was that they saw
in the sky (or 'on the moon,' though this cannot be
taken literally) over Braga but it was probably round
and flat because they thought it was thought to be a
consecrated wafer. Two humanoid entities were seen to
accompany it. The following is the complete text
referring to the 'miracle,' the original of which is
in Portuguese:

Apparition of a Wafer in the sky in Braga in 1640.

Favouring the fortune of Portuguese glory
Correia de Melo – Joanneida
Cant. X Oit. 133

Two prodigious cases are described in our history,
which amazed Portugal during the restoration of 1640,
and heightened the belief amongst our ancestors that
the sky had to be protected from the Spanish.

The first sign was the stretching out of the Arm of the Image of Christ in Lisbon, as a sign of approval of the liberation of our autonomy, oppressed for 60 years by the tyranny of the Kings [King Philip - CJA].

The second apparition was that of a wafer in the firmament over Braga, also seen from other distant points, understood by all as amazing proof of the divine assistance given to our daring patriots.

Here is the document pertaining to the prodigy of Braga, transcribed from the Favores do Ceo [Celestial Favours], from the bookseller Francisco Lopes, of Lisbon, reprinted in Braga in April 1878 with preliminary considerations from Dr. Pereira Caldas, high school professor in that city:

“Year of the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ 1641, May 9th, in this city of Braga, in the lodgings of Reverend Doctor Jao d’Abreda Rocha, ecclesiastic judge and general vicar of this court, the archbishop of Braga: there the Reverend Judge was alerted by D. Gastao Coutinho, general of the province of Entre Douro e Minho, of the fact that many people going towards the area of Porto acting upon a warning given in this city that the enemies were approaching in that area, saw some signs on the moon, in which there appeared a Wafer and two human figures that looked like Angels; and that the said judge know the truth of it: about which the Reverend Doctor ordered this writ to be made, that I sign; and he asked the following witnesses. Father Simao Alvares, apostolic notary, wrote it.”

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> >Date: Mon, 05 May 2003 09:41:00 -0000

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Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 05:44:28 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

I recently mentioned the online copy of an interview with our central witnesses on 17 August, 1981, see:

<http://www.cufon.org/cufon/cashlani.pdf>

Especially from this detailed account, we can see that even without cited intermittent flames from its propulsion system, the enigmatic object could remain airborne, although slowly descending.

It had an evident lighter-than-air [LTA] capability, or some other means of not instantly crashing to ground when said propulsion unit wasn't being used.

According to Betty Cash, it emitted an accompanying "whooshing sound" with the flame and she also recalled a deafening, shrill "beeping" noise.

From: Ktperehwon@aol.com
Date: Sat, 10 May 2003 21:09:01 EDT
Subject: [UFORL] Major 1959 sighting in N.M.?

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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>From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
>Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 00:22:22 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Rebecca wrote:

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>the roadway (from shoulder to shoulder), somewhat resembling a
>washboard. The center yellow line was extremely wavy. If I
>remember this from a TV program rather than an actual photo, it
>could have been a re-creation.

Rebecca,

That's extremely helpful and much appreciated.

We seem to have a contradiction in terms of evidence.

The only reference I could readily find concerning any road damage is online, at:

<http://bjbooth.topcities.com/Pineywoods.html>

Therein, it's claimed, "The black top road was badly damaged by the emissions from the craft that night, but it was very quickly repaired".

Given that Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum didn't tell their story until much later and it was reportedly Vicki's grandson, Colby, who revealed to 'a doctor' what had happened, how could anyone know the road had been 'quickly repaired'?

How was it possible to take photographs of that supposed damage if the repairs were 'hurried' and evidently preceded any awareness of our intrinsic incident!

Looks like, as expected, there's zilch substance to that claim.

It emphasises a fundamental point; when did this classic 'UFO' case first come to attention, outwith the central witnesses?

In, 'The Age of the UFO', a book with an "Introduction by Dr. J.

Allen Hynek", there's a detailed account of the case, which I've also seen published elsewhere. Reportedly:

[BEGIN]

Colby tells all

The following morning Betty was moved to Vickie's home, and all three were cared for there. Betty's condition continued to deteriorate, and three days later she was taken to a hospital casualty department. The casualty staff assumed that Betty was a classic burns victim, and treated her accordingly. They were not told about the UFO until several days later when Colby blurted out to a doctor that he knew what had burned them.

[END]

In that aforementioned, pivotal, 17 August, 1981 interview, Vicki Landrum states:

"I mean I was sick, I had the diarrhea and everything, but I was taking care of Betty, I was taking care of Colby, I didn't have time to go to the doctor, and I didn't have time to carry him 'cause he was like a little baby for over a month. I mean he had no control over his bowels, or his, you know, nothing, and I was taking care of him, and I wasn't going to leave him".

If Colby, a seven-year-old kid, was so incapacitated [distressing to read] that Vicki, "didn't have time to go to the doctor", then when did Cash-Landrum actually emerge publicly as a story?

Also regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com

>Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 21:50:59 EDT

>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Tim wrote:

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Tim,

It is a known, named, Air Force Base in Texas.

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>of standdown during the christmas holidays. In this case we have
>tens of helicopters on a training mission during a time when
>most commands would be operating at a "skeleton crew" status.

>This and other items have been always a concern on this case.

Absolutely, yet, those 'top secret' TF158 operations were in fact mentioned in a significant book which highlighted contemporary 'black projects'.

Said book did not identify TF158 as being responsible for its cited 'covert' operations in Texas at that time.

I can confirm the connection.

More details later...

James.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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> considered as conclusive evidence of a UFOs presence.

Perhaps it would have been more correct to write: "...but I
recall seeing a picture of what was claimed to be the damaged
road."

Rebecca

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Date: Mon, 12 May 2003 00:07:56 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: "Rockheads Comics" <brian@rockheads.com>
>Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 01:15:53 -0500 (CDT)
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James,

I'm really, really looking forward to learning more about this.
You have me on the edge of my chair.

- > 3. I note one claim that the road surface underneath was
- > damaged
- > and "quickly repaired". As the object was apparently some 70
- > feet
- > above, is there any factual evidence to back up this claim?

I'm not sure if this will help, but I recall seeing photo of the damaged road. I can't say for sure where I saw it, but it could have been one of two places. I think it's very likely that I saw the photo in the early '90s at one of John Schuessler's VISIT meetings in Clear Lake City. It is also possible that I saw the photo on a television program about the incident. I remember the photo showing a stretch of two lane blacktop that was severely damaged with narrow ripples/bumps that ran across the roadway (from shoulder to shoulder), somewhat resembling a washboard. The center yellow line was extremely wavy. If I remember this from a TV program rather than an actual photo, it could have been a re-creation.

But now I'm having second thoughts on this. This could all be a false memory. I'm thinking now that when I heard Schuessler speak of the incident, he might have described the road, not having seen it himself, but describing it from someone else's reporting of the damage. I do remember him saying that the road was repaired very quickly. That remark leads me to believe that he didn't get photos of it.

[snip]

- > When Betty Cash reportedly says, "fire would shoot out of it
- > and
- > then it would let up, when it would let up", could that
- > possibly
- > be 'light up', not 'let up'?
- >
- > No-where else in the transcript does she use a terminology,
- > "let
- > up" to describe said object intermittently rising.

Could be either way. I would not be surprised to hear someone from that area of Texas to use the words 'let up' to describe a

sound or brightnes of light. Alternatively, 'lit' could have been used incorrectly as a past tense of the word light. These people were from East Texas, where the language is, uhm, really interesting, to say the least. <G> Misusage and different pronunciations are certainly not an anomaly in that part of the state.

For the past four years I worked very near the area of the sighting and came in contact with many people from East Texas. Having heard these people speak on a daily basis, nothing would surprise me.

Rebecca

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Date: Sat, 17 May 2003 03:23:46 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: "Chris Gibson" <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>
>Date: Fri, 16 May 2003 08:12:46 +0100
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum + Chinooks

Chris wrote:

>These twelve CH-47 Chinooks. Could they have actually been
>Vertol CH-46 Sea Knights belonging to the US Marine Corps? Any-
>one checked that out? The USAF don't use Chinooks, whereas the
>US Army use loads.

Chris,

I can now reveal that the connection with TF158 and Texas during late 1980 was Reese AFB, in Lubbock.

I noted it wasn't a big secret and that's because it's confirmed on the 'official Night Stalkers' web site.

The background to those Army Chinooks and a whole lot more is explained therein, see:

<http://www.nightstalkers.com/history/1.html>

I'm pleased to say I have persuaded my contact within TF158 that his first-hand insight can be published and he's also agreed to be identified as the source.

This will make any progress much easier, especially being able to identify him when contacting others who served during that formative May to December period.

I won't name said source for now.

That online history is apparently not entirely accurate and this is a point he seems keen to correct.

In summary, he explained:

"The second attempt, 'Honey Badger', was never executed as fortunately the hostages were released. Its planning and training were top secret at the time.

Since then I have never read a complete or accurate account of what took place out there in the western mountains and deserts between May 1980 to Dec 1980. We only find bits and pieces here and there. Even the Night Stalker website description of operation 'Honey Badger' is flawed. It's probably due to the fact that the operation, or operations, had a sort of planning creep due to a changing hostage situation and/or location. Different people participating in that later stages from the former.

'Honey Badger', the training that I participated in, started in late May 1980 and was completed by Aug 1980. We fully expected to deploy at that time. However, we were released and sworn to secrecy back to our home base at Fort Campbell Ky.

That training, 'Honey Badger' involved the original cast operating out of Norton AFB California, Dugway Proving Grounds Utah and White Sands, New Mexico. There were no OH-6 involved then. Only Army Uh-60s, Ch-47ds, Air Force H-53 pavelow helicopters and C-130 aircraft. I am sure the 'Honey Badger' execution was to be very similar to the first rescue attempt.

The one main weakness of the first attempt was the helicopter element. That is, we had Marine pilots flying Navy helos conducting an Army aviation mission. Long range night vision goggle flights through mountains and over desert.

The problem with Army aviation in April 1980 was we were not trained to that capability as we had just received the Uh-60, so in May 1980 a decision was made to obtain that mission capability using the Uh-60 and conduct the second attempt to free the hostages using Army aviation flying Delta Force and Army Rangers in Army Uh-60s supported by Army Ch-47d, Air Force H-53 pavelow and C-130 transports.

That was 'operation Honey Badger'.

After returning to Ft Campbell add on operations which took place from Aug 1980 until Dec 1980, of which I have only second hand information; I did not participate.

That's when the Oh-6 'Little Bird' was added to the original task force with an entirely new plan in mind.

That's the training witnessed in Texas.

Although the second rescue attempt was not required due to their release in Jan 1981, the lessons learned from 'Honey Badger' and

the long term benefits to our military aviation training, in particular to special operations, had become quite obvious to those of us who were involved".

Presently designated the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne), the 'Night Stalkers' remain based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

I recently highlighted:

[BEGIN]

In, 'The Age of the UFO', a recommended book with an "introduction by Dr J. Allen Hynek" and "edited by Peter Brookesmith", there's a lengthy article on Cash-Landrum. Reporting comparative 'UFO' sightings the day previously, it's noted that "residents of Ohio County, Kentucky" had witnessed "strange moving lights" and how when a helicopter arrived on scene, the "UFOS left".

It's now evident that the surprise would be if "strange moving lights", aka 'UFOs', were not contemporarily being seen in Kentucky, with one or more accompanying helicopters.

[END]

And we can now understand why.

As previously mentioned, between August to December 1980 there were at least three more operations which superseded 'Honey Badger' and I was informed of their names. This information is not in the public domain and currently subject to numerous FOIA requests.

Tim and Bob's helpful comments re the 1980 election duly noted, there seems to be a conflict of evidence about whether a second hostage rescue attempt was a realistic prospect and if TF158 were to be involved.

Operation 'Credible Sport', apparently aborted in October 1980, was reportedly to entail commandos aboard the modified C-130, with helicopters already having been proven unreliable for such a mission.

Yet, one source within TF158 claims they were only ordered to "stand down" after Reagan won the election, see:

<http://www.nightstalkers.com/articles/>

If 'Credible Sport' had been aborted in October, how does the following relate:

"Barely six months after a botched April 1980 US attempt to rescue American hostages from Iran, Major General James Vaught, of the Pentagon's Joint Staff, asked permission for several 'Blackbird' reconnaissance flights in the Gulf region, 'to assist in selection of low level air penetration routes.' In his letter, Vaught mentioned a possible 'US military contingency action' in the region, a reference interpreted by experts from the archive as an indication that the United States was planning a second hostage-rescue mission".

See:

<http://www.jang.com.pk/thenews/oct2002-daily/18-10-2002/world/w6.htm>

Another source confirms Vaught's letter dates from October.

There's an inherent story which it seems has never fully been told.

One reason for ongoing TF158 training is reportedly that before the end of 1980 they had upgraded from 2nd generation 'night-vision goggles' [NVGs] to 3rd generation NVGs.

In general, what seems to be an objective online summary of the hostage crisis and why it ended without the need for further U.S. military action, is:

<http://xenohistorian.faithweb.com/neareast/ne17e.html>

A TF158 connection to Cash-Landrum seems evident, although only in respect of the helicopters reported and, currently, nothing else.

James.

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Date: Wed, 14 May 2003 23:39:00 EDT
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

In a message dated 5/14/2003 4:44:43 PM Eastern Daylight Time,
lrobins@indiana.edu writes:

- >
> 4. There were some quack cures being sold during that time. They were
> cloth-covered plastic bags filled with uranium mine tailings.
>
> 5. Were the injuries more consistent with nuclear, X-ray, ultraviolet,
> or infrared exposure.
>

List folks:

I understand that Betty Cash sued the U.S. Government, unsuccessfully,
to pay for her cancer treatment. Does anybody on list know anything about
this? If this happened, maybe there is a record of the proceedings.

Clear skies,
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Rebecca:

Thanks. Are you sure that the cop reported seeing 12 dual roter choppers?

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In a message dated 5/14/2003 1:43:35 PM Eastern Daylight Time, rebeccask@yahoo.com writes:

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It seems that somebody could have been using a balloon or modified aircraft that used
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"X-ray, ultraviolet, and infrared are easily stopped by metal. Paper

can stop alpha rays."

I don't think that X-rays can be stopped by metal although it can be reduced in
strength. This is why lead is often used to shield those operating the equipment
(as well as the patient in the case of dental x-rays). Alpha can be stopped by
the skin as well as Beta. Both are more dangerous if inhaled/eaten or enter through a
wound (via contamination). Gamma and neutron radiation is highly
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In any case, it seems that Betty's illness does not seem to be radiation related.

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"This area (Dayton-Huffman) was pretty damn desolate and very dark in

1980."

Interesting that Betty states they went about 12-15 miles on 1485-2100 from New
Caney when they saw the UFO. This puts them on the southbound leg of 2100
but there seem to be some housing developments in the area. Was "River
terrace" an ongoing development at the time?

"Since then the city has crept ever closer but the area

was a place I used to go to watch meteor showers."

Meteor observing Rebecca? Interesting activity. Did it for quite a few
years for the AMS in the mid-1970s. Most of my work has been around major
showers ever since.

"I am concerned about the physical symptoms reported by the

Betty Cash. "

I don't think they were radiation related. Just does not seem to match. The
pilots would have been dead from their exposure.

"There were witnesses (a Dayton police officer and his wife) who

saw at least 12 chinooks on the same evening and around the

same time. They didn't see the diamond-shaped craft though."

Interesting that there were so few witnesses. The helicopter fleet would have
been noticed no matter which direction they took. Eventually they would have crossed
a major highway or departure/arrival at a base would have been noticed by the
communities surrounding them. The CH-47 is VERY noisy and more than one
would have been quite disturbing to the community. I recall being woken up in
the middle of night by ONE police helicopter hovering over an accident a quarter mile
from my house. Imagine the ruckus a fleet of very loud copters would have
caused. Were there any complaints to the police in the surrounding areas?

"Can anyone tell me was Ellington AFB active at the time?"

Deactivated by USAF in 1976 but the ANG and CG seem to still use it.

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"Did anyone ever examine the "melted" dashboard with the fingerprints
(if it melted, it would probably include the fingertips)?"

I am not sure but the date was December 1980. Temperatures do get cool in
Texas at that time of year. Perhaps they were linking the event with the fact
their car heater may have been up on high causing the dashboard to be warm.
Just a guess but you never know.

"It seems to me that if the symptoms claimed by Betty actually

happened, and were caused by radiation, she would be dead. Almost

immediate sickness, etc? "

Betty would have been exposed to several REM to get this exposure. It seems
that Vicki and Colby were not as exposed but they did not have much shielding
except for the shell of the car, which for a high radiation field is not much. To reduce
the levels by 1/10th, requires about 4 inches of steel. A car may have a thin
layer of perhaps a half-inch or less. They should have had similar
effects. Take a look at:

http://www.science.uwaterloo.ca/~cchieh/cact/nuctek/safetyexposure.html

There you will discover that Betty's symptoms indicate and exposure of at least 100
REM! Consider this and then let's talk about our helicopter
pilots who don't have very much shielding in their choppers. Radiation from a
point source falls off by the square of the distance from the source. Betty was
probably at a distance of 3 times that of the pilots. This means they would
have been exposed to 9 times (This is a minimum value since the source would not
become a point source, the closer you got to it) what Betty was making them receive a
generous 900 REM (The pilots also appeared to be exposed for much longer than
Betty making their dose even greater). This is FATAL! Even if we fool
with the distances and add some generous shielding, the pilots still end up
DEAD! I know of no reports that indicate any mass loss of a helicopter pilots
during the time period. The sickness Betty reports could easily have been
something else. Maybe food poisoning or something akin to that which she
immediately related to the "encounter".

"Is there any physical evidence collected by anybody to support this

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Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 9:24 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@ Rebecca,

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@ At present, all three are separate elements, with no proof they
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From: TPrinty@aol.com [mailto:TPrinty@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 13, 2003 4:46 PM Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@ Bob wrote:

@ "It seems to me that if the symptoms claimed by Betty actually
@ happened, and were caused by radiation, she would be dead. Almost
@ immediate sickness, etc? "

@ Betty would have been exposed to several REM to get this exposure.
@ It seems that Vicki and Colby were not as exposed but they did not
@ have much shielding except for the shell of the car, which for a
@ high radiation field is not much. To reduce the levels by 1/10th,
@ requires about 4 inches of steel. A car may have a thin layer of
@ perhaps a half-inch or less. They should have had similar effects.

(snippage)

@ There you will discover that Betty's symptoms indicate and exposure
@ of at least 100 REM! Consider this and then let's talk about our
@ helicopter pilots who don't have very much shielding in their
@ choppers. Radiation from a point source falls off by the square of
@ the distance from the source. Betty was probably at a distance of 3
@ times that of the pilots. This means they would have been exposed
@ to 9 times (This is a minimum value since the source would not
@ become a point source, the closer you got to it) what Betty was,
@ making them receive a generous 900 REM (The pilots also appeared
@ to be exposed for much longer than Betty making their dose even
@ greater). This is FATAL! Even if we fool with the distances and add
@ some generous shielding, the pilots still end up DEAD! I know of no
@ reports that indicate any mass loss of a helicopter pilots during
@ the time period. The sickness Betty reports could easily have been
@ something else. Maybe food poisoning or something akin to that
@ which she immediately related to the "encounter".

Several thoughts:

1. There are several types of radiation to consider besides nuclear:

- x-ray
- ultraviolet
- infrared

2. Among nuclear radiations, there are several types with different properties:

- alpha
- beta
- antibeta
- gamma
- neutron
- proton
- antiproton

3. There is no evidence concerning the distance to the UFO except the statements of the witnesses. And unless the object went in front of or behind something, cast shadows, approached within 30 feet (two car-lengths), or in some other way revealed its true distance, there is no way the witnesses could have determined the distance. Their statements are nothing but guesses.

4. Remember that the human visual system is not equipped to measure distance beyond 30 feet without additional information.

5. Given that, the UFO could have been much closer to the witnesses than it was to the helicopters.

6. X-ray, ultraviolet, and infrared are easily stopped by metal. Paper can stop alpha rays.

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobins@indiana.edu>
Date: Wed, 14 May 2003 11:45:43 -0500
Subject: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Questions and comments on Cash-Landrum:

1. Is there actual evidence of the fingerprints "melted" into the dash?
2. Nail-polish remover could do the same thing to the dash. Acetone was a common ingredient in nail-polish remover during that period. It melts plastic.
3. Is it possible that the UFO story was concocted to explain injuries caused by some other source (such as playing with a high voltage spark coil and a Crookes tube for long periods)?
4. There were some quack cures being sold during that time. They were cloth-covered plastic bags filled with uranium mine tailings.
5. Were the injuries more consistent with nuclear, X-ray, ultraviolet, or infrared exposure.
6. There are several military air bases in the area.

- LBJ Space Center, Houston
- Corpus Christi NAS
- Chase Field NAS, Beeville
- Lackland AFB, San Antonio
- Kelly AFB, San Antonio
- Martindale Army Airfield, San Antonio
- Randolph AFB, San Antonio
- Bergstrom AFB, Austin
- Fort Hood, Killeen
- Matagorda Is. AFB
- Carswell AFB, Ft Worth
- Dallas NAS
- Barksdale AFB, Shreveport LA
- Fort Polk, LA

There are also many Naval Weapons Reservations in the area, but I do not know if they have air capabilities.

7. I have seen several night hot air balloon flights, so I do know that they happen.
8. In the case of a metal cable dangling from a hot air balloon, that WOULD have been an emergency. It might be that a cable intended for securing the balloon once it lands accidentally fell overboard, with one end still secured to the balloon. The other end then fouled in power lines. If the balloon had landed at that

point, the crew could have been electrocuted.

9. It is always possible that several events totally unrelated to each other combined to produce the effects reported in the sighting. This is something that must always be considered in any UFO case.

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Date: Mon, 12 May 2003 15:19:46 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

That sounds like the kind of damage caused by a military or construction vehicle track if the road is crossed unprotected.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2003 11:58 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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@ Regarding:

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@ >From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>

@ >Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 00:22:22 -0700 (PDT)

@ >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@

@ Rebecca wrote:

@

@ >I remember the photo showing a stretch of two lane blacktop that

@ >was severely damaged with narrow ripples/bumps that ran across

@ >the roadway (from shoulder to shoulder), somewhat resembling a

@ >washboard. The center yellow line was extremely wavy. If I

@ >remember this from a TV program rather than an actual photo, it

@ >could have been a re-creation.

@

@ Rebecca,

@

@ That's extremely helpful and much appreciated.

@

@ We seem to have a contradiction in terms of evidence.

@

@ The only reference I could readily find concerning any road

@ damage is online, at:

@

@ <http://bjbooth.topcities.com/Pineywoods.html>

@

@ Therein, it's claimed, "The black top road was badly damaged by
@ the emissions from the craft that night, but it was very quickly
@ repaired".

@
@ Given that Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum didn't tell their story
@ until much later and it was reportedly Vicki's grandson, Colby,
@ who revealed to 'a doctor' what had happened, how could anyone
@ know the road had been 'quickly repaired'?

@
@ How was it possible to take photographs of that supposed damage
@ if the repairs were 'hurried' and evidently preceded any
@ awareness of our intrinsic incident!

@
@ Looks like, as expected, there's zilch substance to that claim.

@
@
@ It emphasises a fundamental point; when did this classic 'UFO'
@ case first come to attention, outwith the central witnesses?

@
@ In, 'The Age of the UFO', a book with an "Introduction by Dr. J.
@ Allen Hynek", there's a detailed account of the case, which I've
@ also seen published elsewhere. Reportedly:

@
@ [BEGIN]
@ _Colby tells all_

@
@ The following morning Betty was moved to Vickie's home, and all
@ three were cared for there. Betty's condition continued to
@ deteriorate, and three days later she was taken to a hospital
@ causality department. The casualty staff assumed that Betty was a
@ classic burns victim, and treated her accordingly. They were not
@ told about the UFO until several days later when Colby blurted
@ out to a doctor that he knew what had burned them.

@ [END]

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@
@ In that aforementioned, pivotal, 17 August, 1981 interview, Vicki
@ Landrum states:

@
@ "I mean I was sick, I had the diarrhea and everything, but I was
@ taking care of Betty, I was taking care of Colby, I didn't have
@ time to go to the doctor, and I didn't have time to carry him
@ 'cause he was like a little baby for over a month. I mean he had
@ no control over his bowels, or his, you know, nothing, and I was
@ taking care of him, and I wasn't going to leave him".

@
@ If Colby, a seven-year-old kid, was so incapacitated [distressing
@ to read] that Vicki, "didn't have time to go to the doctor", then
@ when did Cash-Landrum actually emerge publicly as a story?

@

@

@ Also regarding:

@

@ >From: TPrinty@aol.com

@ >Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 21:50:59 EDT

@ >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@

@ Tim wrote:

@

@ >This seems to be a very interesting train of thought and I am

@ >interested where all these helicopters came from.

@

@ Tim,

@

@ It is a known, named, Air Force Base in Texas.

@

@ >My experience in the military usually had everyone in some form

@ >of standdown during the christmas holidays. In this case we have

@ >tens of helicopters on a training mission during a time when

@ >most commands would be operating at a "skeleton crew" status.

@ >This and other items have been always a concern on this case.

@

@ Absolutely, yet, those 'top secret' TF158 operations were in fact

@ mentioned in a significant book which highlighted contemporary

@ 'black projects'.

@

@ Said book did not identify TF158 as being responsible for its

@ cited 'covert' operations in Texas at that time.

@

@ I can confirm the connection.

@

@ More details later...

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@ James.

@ E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Rockheads Comics [mailto:brian@rockheads.com]

@ Sent: Sunday, May 11, 2003 1:16 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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@ Sent: Saturday, May 10, 2003 11:44 PM

@ To: UFO Research List

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 14 May 2003 22:00:51 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

- > Either Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum mistakenly reported
- > seeing
- > the key components of a then *absolutely top-secret* special
- > operations unit - a large number of both Chinooks and
- > unidentified, smaller, single-rotor helicopters in unison -
- > or it
- > was TF158.
- >
- > I'll go with it being TF158.

I wonder why this task force would be toting around a lighter than air craft that lit up the night sky? It also made noise. If they were training for a rescue attempt, it seems to me that the military might not want to call attention to themselves with a fire-belching, slow-moving LTA craft? What am I missing?

I can see the task force. I just can't put the balloon in the picture. Not yet, anyway.

Rebecca

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From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, 14 May 2003 22:00:51 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

- > Either Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum mistakenly reported
- > seeing
- > the key components of a then *absolutely top-secret* special
- > operations unit - a large number of both Chinooks and
- > unidentified, smaller, single-rotor helicopters in unison -
- > or it
- > was TF158.
- >
- > I'll go with it being TF158.

I wonder why this task force would be toting around a lighter than air craft that lit up the night sky? It also made noise. If they were training for a rescue attempt, it seems to me that the military might not want to call attention to themselves with a fire-belching, slow-moving LTA craft? What am I missing?

I can see the task force. I just can't put the balloon in the picture. Not yet, anyway.

Rebecca

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

> I understand that Betty Cash sued the U.S. Government,
> unsuccessfully,
> to pay for her cancer treatment. Does anybody on list know
> anything about
> this? If this happened, maybe there is a record of the
> proceedings.

Peter Gersten took up the CAUS and sued in federal court here in Houston for \$20 million. The judge tossed the case before anything was ever done. I'm trying to find out more about this because I remember him tossing the case. That made the local news. This judge has passed away, but I don't know too much more.

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Hi,

- > Given that the story wasn't news until [how?] much later,
- > contemporary newspapers [outwith the 'Houston Chronicle',
- > were
- > there also any smaller, localised publications?] could reveal
- > key
- > evidence:
- >
- > "Huffman Residents Complain of Low-flying Aircraft"
- >
- > "Balloonist in Near-Fatal Collision With Military
- > Helicopters"
- >
- > "Mystery Illness Affects Locals"
- >
- > "'UFO' Sightings Proven to be [whatever]!"

While trying to brush up on my knowledge of Cash-Landrum, I ran across the the JSE web page that has some of Schuessler's Medical Effects catalog listed. Schuessler lists several newspapers, one in Liberty, TX and one Corpus Christi, TX. I'll see if I can find anything else about those articles. Although the articles cited were 6 months or more after the event, perhaps there were other articles more contemporary to the event.

I'm curious if we have any other list members in the Houston area? If so, I wouldn't mind someone else getting involved locally.

Thanks,
Rebecca

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> "This area (Dayton-Huffman) was pretty damn desolate and very
> dark in
> 1980."
>
> Interesting that Betty states they went about 12-15 miles on
> 1485-2100 from
> New Caney when they saw the UFO. This puts them on the
> southbound leg of
> 2100 but there seem to be some housing developments in the
> area. Was "River
> terrace" an ongoing development at the time?

I'm not sure. I do know that the road has had major changes but I will try to go back to the area and see what it looks like. I now live in central Houston, so it's a long way. I did speak with someone that lives about a mile from 1485 and 59. She tells me the truck stop is no longer there. Her husband is very familiar with the area having lived there for 30 years and I will try to meet with him to get a feel for the lay of the landscape 23 years ago.

> "Since then the city has crept ever closer but the area
> was a place I used to go to watch meteor showers."
>
> Meteor observing Rebecca? Interesting activity. Did it for
> quite a few
> years for the AMS in the mid-1970s. Most of my work has been
> around major
> showers ever since.

Not anything spectacular, just curiosity. Whenever it was time for for the perseids or leonids I would try to find a dark area. Even went out that way to check out Hale-Bopp. All with the naked eye. I'm less than an amateur when it comes to astronomy.

>
> "I am concerned about the physical symptoms reported by the
> Betty Cash. "
>
> I don't think they were radiation related. Just does not seem
> to match. The
> pilots would have been dead from their exposure.

My brain tells me that it couldn't possibly be radiation. My heart tells me, I don't think they made this up. I just wish we

knew what Betty's health was like prior to the sighting. That's the major problem I have with Schuessler's investigation. He has that information but refuses to release it. Sure, I can understand it is personal info, but I can't just take his word for it.

- > "There were witnesses (a Dayton police officer and his wife)
- > who
- > saw at least 12 chinooks on the same evening and around the
- > same time. They didn't see the diamond-shaped craft though."
- >
- > Interesting that there were so few witnesses. The helicopter
- > fleet would
- > have been noticed no matter which direction they took.
- > Eventually they would
- > have crossed a major highway or departure/arrival at a base
- > would have been
- > noticed by the communitys surrounding them. The CH-47 is
- > VERY noisy and more
- > than one would have been quite disturbing to the community.
- > I recall being
- > woken up in the middle of night by ONE police helicopter
- > hovering over an
- > accident a quarter mile from my house. Imagine the ruckus a
- > fleet of very
- > loud copters would have caused. Were there any complaints to
- > the police in
- > the surrounding areas?

I think the police were queried -- that's how they found the Dayton officer and some other witnesses. If it was cold (and 40 degrees with mist can be very cold in this area of Texas) many folks would have been huddled in their trailer houses, reveling in the Rubik's cubes received for Christmas. <VBG>

- > "Can anyone tell me was Ellington AFB active at the time?"
- >
- >
- > Deactivated by USAF in 1976 but the ANG and CG seem to still
- > use it.

And NASA. Thanks.

Rebecca

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Bob,

I admit, I'm not expert on anything except fine china. I don't have Jerry's encyclopedia (the horror!) but I asked a friend to read part of the article to me. He read something to the effect that the officer and his wife saw 12 ch-47s. I, being a novice, asked: "how would he know they were ch-47s?" And I was told that if one reported seeing dual rotor choppers, they had to be chinooks. I think he said something about Russia having some dual rotor choppers but those wouldn't fit the description.

That's about all I know.

And now, I must go make some fine china saucers fly! <G>

R

--- YoungBob2@aol.com wrote:

> Rebecca:

>

> Thanks. Are you sure that the cop reported seeing 12 dual

> rotor

> choppers?

>

> Bob Young

> -----

>

> In a message dated 5/14/2003 1:43:35 PM Eastern Daylight

> Time,

> rebeccask@yahoo.com writes:

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> > hate to sound like Jerry Clark, but I think it's in his

> > Encyclopedia (2nd Edition) published in 1998.

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> > >

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

- > That aside, a couple of questions - can anyone assist?:
- >
- > Cash-Landrum is sometimes called, "The Piney Woods Incident".
- >
- > What area does that 'Piney Woods' encompass and is there a
- > separate 'Piney Woods' near Dallas?

<http://www.tourtexas.com/piney.html>

this gives a pretty good description of the piney woods. It's more of region that encompasses a relatively small (if anything is possible to be small in Texas <G>) area of Texas. There are some national forests and state parks in this area that runs from north and east of Houston to the Louisiana border up to the east of Dallas. My guess would be that the piney woods are closer to Houston than they are to Dallas. But I'm prejudiced. I don't like Dallas and I wouldn't want them to have the piney woods. <VBG>

- > 'UFO report (Vicki Landrum and Betty Cash say a UFO being
- > chased
- > by U.S. military helicopters doused her with radiation near
- > Dayton TX)'
- >
- > 'Dallas Times Herald'
- > September 21, 1981
- >
- > Is there a copy readily available?

I certainly don't have one, but I might be able to get one, if not from Dallas, through our very own lousy newspaper, The Houston Chronicle or possibly the library.

I would not be able to look into this until next Tuesday though.

I could possibly go to the Chronicle and library on Friday morning. If they are no help, then I could drive to Dallas next week.

Rebecca

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> Can any subscriber suggest even a conceivable scenario to
> explain
> *all* of the reported effects?

Not yet. I think a sign can be ruled out. This area (Dayton-Huffman) was pretty damn desolate and very dark in 1980. Since then the city has crept ever closer but the area was a place I used to go to watch meteor showers.

I am concerned about the physical symptoms reported by the Betty Cash.

While I think the helicopters could possibly be explained, I'm not sure that we can tie the helicopters to the diamond-shaped craft that belched fire. Call me naive, but could it be coincidence?

There were witnesses (a Dayton police officer and his wife) who saw at least 12 chinooks on the same evening and around the same time. They didn't see the diamond-shaped craft though. With all the vast area the military has at its disposal in this country, why Dayton-Huffman? This place, is relatively close to Houston and very close to Houston Intercontinental airport.

Just some thoughts I'm tossing around.

Can anyone tell me was Ellington AFB active at the time?

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Date: Sun, 11 May 2003 22:18:28 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Hi James,

I am probably incorrect in a lot of things that I remember and I have tried to read the links you have provided, but it has been my understanding that John Schuessler was in on this investigation early in the case. I don't expect that he would be all that helpful in answering questions about the incident. I do think that Schuessler claimed the road had been repaired quickly and that he had even searched for proof from the county that a repair had occurred but could never locate any documentation.

Not sure what it all means, but I'm fascinated by all the information you are providing.

Keep up the good work.

Rebecca

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Crop circles puzzle farmer

May 16, 2003

THE overnight appearance of dozens of bizarre crop circles in a

field of sorghum has spooked a Sunshine Coast hinterland farmer

and his workers.

The phenomenon, which was accompanied by loud "zapping noises",

a flash of green light, lost power and barking dogs has the Gowen

family of Glass House Mountains flumoxed.

Fifth generation land owner Kel Gowen said he was woken about

midnight on Wednesday by two loud "zaps".

His farm hand, Noel Brady, whose cottage overlooks the 4ha of

sorghum, said he was also woken by the first zapping sound, which

was followed by the loss of power and bright green flashes.

Mr Gowen said it was only during a routine check of his property

early yesterday morning that he noticed the 30 flattened circles

in the sorghum.

Mr Gowen said his family had never taken notice of stories of

crop circles or UFOs.

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Regarding:

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Rebecca,

At present, all three are separate elements, with no proof they are connected.

That acknowledged, I'm not comfortable with the idea that three strange happenings occurred at almost the same time.

I would conclude; if the object truly did emit such intense heat, then that's so exceptional it relates to the subsequent injuries.

I would have to then conclude both in tandem are even more exceptional and are likely to relate to whatever those helicopters were involved with.

The heat and injuries remain for now a mystery. The helicopters do not.

Before going any further, it should be noted that both Tim Printy and yourself have kindly agreed to take on board some further background information outwith the list. This exclusively concerns TF158 - I know no more about the enigmatic object than revealed on the list and that's only what was gleaned from information already published!

One important issue was identifying to both Tim and yourself the person involved in the early days of TF158 I had contacted. If I refer to my 'contact', at least subscribers can be reassured someone else knows who he is and also how he was located.

That also acknowledged, I can reveal this person has further

explained the role of TF158 in Texas between August 1980 and December 1980, inclusive.

TF158 had been formed with one mission in mind - rescuing the hostages in Iran.

After the catastrophic failure of the first rescue attempt, it was realised that a suitable task force for such missions simply did not exist.

TF158 trained for a second rescue mission and during August 1980, the OH-6 'Little Bird' helicopter was added to their inventory.

It was directly as a result of this new capability - a single rotor helicopter which could carry four people, was small, quiet, could land in restricted spaces and could also have weapons mounted giving air support to ground troops - that TF158 moved their training to Texas and Oklahoma.

The mission strategy and planning changed.

Either Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum mistakenly reported seeing the key components of a then *absolutely top-secret* special operations unit - a large number of both Chinooks and unidentified, smaller, single-rotor helicopters in unison - or it was TF158.

I'll go with it being TF158.

If one third of our mystery is solved, the other two-thirds pieces of the puzzle would hopefully then fall into place.

Instead, it seems any rational scenario falls into pieces.

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>Date: Wed, 14 May 2003 18:37:20 EDT
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Tim wrote:

>Interesting that there were so few witnesses. The helicopter
>fleet would have been noticed no matter which direction they
>took.

Tim,

There might be more witnesses than we're aware of and

Schuessler's book needs to be looked into.

>Were there any complaints to the police in the surrounding
>areas?

This is potentially an invaluable overall aspect.

Given that the story wasn't news until [how?] much later,
contemporary newspapers [outwith the 'Houston Chronicle', were
there also any smaller, localised publications?] could reveal key
evidence:

"Huffman Residents Complain of Low-flying Aircraft"

"Balloonist in Near-Fatal Collision With Military Helicopters"

"Mystery Illness Affects Locals"

""UFO' Sightings Proven to be [whatever]!"

Huge scope...

James.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
>Date: Tue, 13 May 2003 19:54:33 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Rebecca wrote:

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If it's of interest, I've uploaded to the UFORL photo library three photographs of an 1980 Cutlass Oldsmobile Dashboard see:

<http://photos.groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/1st>

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Sounds like the imprint was perhaps caused when Betty clammed on the brakes! Vinyl on top of foam could damage easily.

One reason the inside of their car would have been warm is that they had the heater on.

Although this isn't mentioned in their interview with USAF officials, it must have been spoken about elsewhere.

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>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Tim wrote:

>I know of no reports that indicate any mass loss of a helicopter
>pilots during the time period. The sickness Betty reports could
>easily have been something else. Maybe food poisoning or
>something akin to that which she immediately related to the
>"encounter".

Tim,

This does seem much more likely.

Consider, for example, the following symptoms:

"Mild transient headache, anorexia, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea and abdominal cramps, ringing or buzzing in ears, visual disturbances (e.g., blurred vision, difficulty in focusing, or accommodation) seizures, agranulocytosis, loss of appetite, bleaching of hair or unusual hair loss, blue - black discoloration of skin, finger-nails, or inside of mouth: dizziness or light headedness, nervousness or restlessness, skin rash or itching".

Sounds like what our witnesses experienced, however, these are adverse effects from chloroquine phosphate, used to treat "malaria, other parasitic diseases and rheumatoid arthritis".

Schuessler even documents "loss of appetite", which we find above - see:

<http://home.mho.net/schuessler/projects.htm>

Note also:

<http://www.aopis.org/longtermsymptoms.html>

There are clearly many toxic chemicals which can duplicate the Cash-Landrum symptoms to a large extent.

They had called in at a "truck stop restaurant" earlier that night.

Could they have been exposed to toxic chemicals from one of the trucks [if so, others surely must also have been].

It's supposition and we still have to account for the intense heat reported. Betty also claims:

"And then I started to get back in the car, and when I did I had to use the bottom of my leather jacket. I touched the door handle, and the door handle was so hot I couldn't stand it with my bare hand, so I got the pocket of my leather jacket to open the car door and get back in".

Perhaps one significant clue to the probabilities is mentioned in, 'The Skeptics UFO Newsletter (SUN) #53, September 1998', where Phil Klass writes:

"But when Schuessler inspected Betty's car in early 1981 and used a Geiger counter to check for radioactivity, he found none".

That aside, a couple of questions - can anyone assist?:

Cash-Landrum is sometimes called, "The Piney Woods Incident".

What area does that 'Piney Woods' encompass and is there a separate 'Piney Woods' near Dallas?

I have located the following, early, case article:

'UFO report (Vicki Landrum and Betty Cash say a UFO being chased by U.S. military helicopters doused her with radiation near Dayton TX)'

'Dallas Times Herald'
September 21, 1981

Is there a copy readily available?

If not, as expected, any subscribers in a position to maybe visit the newspaper or local library archives and basically get one!?

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Date: Tue, 13 May 2003 05:18:11 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
>Date: Mon, 12 May 2003 15:00:53 -0500
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

>Maybe the balloon had a lowered cable caught on power lines.
>While not electrically dangerous to the balloonists unless they
>are forced to land (and become grounded), the cable would
>endanger the flight of the balloon, and could cause arc-welding-
>type UV emissions.

Larry,

If the object was a lighter-than-air vehicle and its directional movement was primarily subject to meteorological conditions, an emergency landing seems more likely.

This was a stretch of road surrounded by trees and there wasn't much to aim for!

That's the point; it doesn't seem to make sense anyone would be flying a hot-air balloon or similar, late at night, in such a landscape.

How could you safely see where you were about to land?

This equally applies to either a civilian or military flight.

A remote-controlled vehicle, with no occupants...?

The same problems remain.

>Or maybe some device elsewhere (arcing neon sign, a Puritron, or
>some experimental device on the helicopters) produced UV.

What about the heat though?

In that 17 August, 1981, interview, Betty Cash declared how intense it was:

"Well, I guess that the dashboard melted, her [Vicki Landrum - James] fingerprints right where she pressed on my dash, when I threw on my brakes to save, to keep from going under it... they're imbedded in my dash".

That reportedly occurred after they had stopped, got out of the car, watched the object for an unknown length of time and then returned to the car:

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This doesn't seem to make sense either.

The heat melted Betty's dashboard and nothing else?

We're not dealing with 'direct sunlight'.

Can any subscriber suggest even a conceivable scenario to explain *all* of the reported effects?

James.

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Tim wrote:

>Could you shed some light on this? One has to consider the range
>of said helicopters when one is discussing such a base.

>Could you mention the title?

Tim,

If you have no objections, I'll have a word with you about this
outwith the list and you could then perhaps confirm to the list
whether you're satisfied that TF158 were indeed the source of
those helicopters.

Although the answer to both questions is no big secret, I want to
take this one step at a time and I can explain to you some more
without jumping too far ahead on the list.

There are enough unresolved questions presently and I hope to
have some of them answered [it should be possible to shortly
clarify what TF158 were actually training for so close to the
hostage release date - operation 'Credible Sport' had already
been aborted] before highlighting other evidence publicly.

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Date: Fri, 16 May 2003 08:12:46 +0100
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum + Chinooks

Morning all,

These twelve CH-47 Chinooks. Could they have actually been Vertol CH-46 Sea Knights belonging to the US Marine Corps? Any-one checked that out? The USAF don't use Chinooks, whereas the US Army use loads. Checking with the USAF about Chinooks would be barking up the wrong tree. Try the Army.

Sea Knight is twin rotor, noisy, looks like a Chinook, but is only used by USMC, Japan and Sweden. The USMC also use single rotor choppers such as UH-1 Iroquois and AH-1 Cobra. Try the Marine Corps.

Chris

> > > There were witnesses (a Dayton police officer and his wife)
> > who
> > > saw at least 12 chinooks on the same evening
> >

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I can now reveal that the connection with TF158 and Texas during late 1980 was Reese AFB, in Lubbock.

I noted it wasn't a big secret and that's because it's confirmed on the 'official Night Stalkers' web site.

The background to those Army Chinooks and a whole lot more is explained therein, see:

<http://www.nightstalkers.com/history/1.html>

I'm pleased to say I have persuaded my contact within TF158 that his first-hand insight can be published and he's also agreed to be identified as the source.

This will make any progress much easier, especially being able to identify him when contacting others who served during that formative May to December period.

I won't name said source for now.

That online history is apparently not entirely accurate and this is a point he seems keen to correct.

In summary, he explained:

"The second attempt, 'Honey Badger', was never executed as fortunately the hostages were released. Its planning and training were top secret at the time.

Since then I have never read a complete or accurate account of what took place out there in the western mountains and deserts between May 1980 to Dec 1980. We only find bits and pieces here and there. Even the Night Stalker website description of operation 'Honey Badger' is flawed. It's probably due to the fact that the operation, or operations, had a sort of planning creep due to a changing hostage situation and/or location. Different people participating in that later stages from the former.

'Honey Badger', the training that I participated in, started in late May 1980 and was completed by Aug 1980. We fully expected to deploy at that time. However, we were released and sworn to secrecy back to our home base at Fort Campbell Ky.

That training, 'Honey Badger' involved the original cast operating out of Norton AFB California, Dugway Proving Grounds Utah and White Sands, New Mexico. There were no OH-6 involved then. Only Army Uh-60s, Ch-47ds, Air Force H-53 pavelow helicopters and C-130 aircraft. I am sure the 'Honey Badger' execution was to be very similar to the first rescue attempt.

The one main weakness of the first attempt was the helicopter element. That is, we had Marine pilots flying Navy helos conducting an Army aviation mission. Long range night vision goggle flights through mountains and over desert.

The problem with Army aviation in April 1980 was we were not trained to that capability as we had just received the Uh-60, so in May 1980 a decision was made to obtain that mission capability using the Uh-60 and conduct the second attempt to free the hostages using Army aviation flying Delta Force and Army Rangers in Army Uh-60s supported by Army Ch-47d, Air Force H-53 pavelow and C-130 transports.

That was 'operation Honey Badger'.

After returning to Ft Campbell add on operations which took place from Aug 1980 until Dec 1980, of which I have only second hand information; I did not participate.

That's when the Oh-6 'Little Bird' was added to the original task force with an entirely new plan in mind.

That's the training witnessed in Texas.

Although the second rescue attempt was not required due to their release in Jan 1981, the lessons learned from 'Honey Badger' and

the long term benefits to our military aviation training, in particular to special operations, had become quite obvious to those of us who were involved".

Presently designated the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne), the 'Night Stalkers' remain based at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

I recently highlighted:

[BEGIN]

In, 'The Age of the UFO', a recommended book with an "introduction by Dr J. Allen Hynek" and "edited by Peter Brookesmith", there's a lengthy article on Cash-Landrum. Reporting comparative 'UFO' sightings the day previously, it's noted that "residents of Ohio County, Kentucky" had witnessed "strange moving lights" and how when a helicopter arrived on scene, the "UFOS left".

It's now evident that the surprise would be if "strange moving lights", aka 'UFOs', were not contemporarily being seen in Kentucky, with one or more accompanying helicopters.

[END]

And we can now understand why.

As previously mentioned, between August to December 1980 there were at least three more operations which superseded 'Honey Badger' and I was informed of their names. This information is not in the public domain and currently subject to numerous FOIA requests.

Tim and Bob's helpful comments re the 1980 election duly noted, there seems to be a conflict of evidence about whether a second hostage rescue attempt was a realistic prospect and if TF158 were to be involved.

Operation 'Credible Sport', apparently aborted in October 1980, was reportedly to entail commandos aboard the modified C-130, with helicopters already having been proven unreliable for such a mission.

Yet, one source within TF158 claims they were only ordered to "stand down" after Reagan won the election, see:

<http://www.nightstalkers.com/articles/>

If 'Credible Sport' had been aborted in October, how does the following relate:

"Barely six months after a botched April 1980 US attempt to rescue American hostages from Iran, Major General James Vaught, of the Pentagon's Joint Staff, asked permission for several 'Blackbird' reconnaissance flights in the Gulf region, 'to assist in selection of low level air penetration routes.' In his letter, Vaught mentioned a possible 'US military contingency action' in the region, a reference interpreted by experts from the archive as an indication that the United States was planning a second hostage-rescue mission".

See:

<http://www.jang.com.pk/thenews/oct2002-daily/18-10-2002/world/w6.htm>

Another source confirms Vaught's letter dates from October.

There's an inherent story which it seems has never fully been told.

One reason for ongoing TF158 training is reportedly that before the end of 1980 they had upgraded from 2nd generation 'night-vision goggles' [NVGs] to 3rd generation NVGs.

In general, what seems to be an objective online summary of the hostage crisis and why it ended without the need for further U.S. military action, is:

<http://xenohistorian.faithweb.com/neareast/ne17e.html>

A TF158 connection to Cash-Landrum seems evident, although only in respect of the helicopters reported and, currently, nothing else.

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From: James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 17 May 2003 03:09:44 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] List Postings

The 'Yahoo! Groups' e-mail distribution has been unpredictable since yesterday, with some approved list postings only being circulated hours afterwards, not necessarily in sequence and even one duplication.

Presumably it will only be temporary.

At present, more trustworthy is the online archive, at:

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From: James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 05:35:29 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] 'Gulf Breeze'

Re:

http://www.paranetinfo.com/UFO_Files/ufo/kfyi-gb.txt

It's claimed therein by UFORL subscriber [public], Jim Speiser, highly regarded researcher and a founder of ParaNet:

"[Bruce] Maccabee CANNOT be unmindful of that, so why the strident endorsement of a case that is questionable at best? Could it have anything to do with the fact that Maccabee was PAID A FIVE-FIGURE SUM by Ed Walters, for the material that appears in the book's appendix?"

Is there factual evidence of that payment?

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Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 04:24:23 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] More Questions Than Answers

Regarding:

>From: Ktperehwon@aol.com
>Date: Thu, 22 May 2003 18:16:51 EDT
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] More Questions Than Answers

Karl wrote:

>Why not ask John for a high-quality print of this pic and of any
>others he or others took (IF they did)?

Karl,

Thanks for the helpful comments.

Is it likely Schuessler is willing to provide evidence which
could help prove Cash-Landrum absolutely did not involve an ET
'close encounter'?

Can you think of one example where a foremost proponent of such
pivotal beliefs was asked to help prove otherwise and they
replied, 'for sure, no problem!'.

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Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 03:54:13 +0100
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Regarding:

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>Date: Wed, 21 May 2003 21:42:27 -0700 (PDT)
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>other sightings could be tied to it.

Rebecca,

Well there's an interesting question.

Although I'm not aware if Tracy Barnes has a detailed history of that 1966, first ever crossing of America by hot-air balloon, I expect it's highly unlikely a definitive account of where the balloon was and when exists and seemingly never published.

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REBECCA ET AL. --

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If one looks at the rather murky photo of the dashboard in John Schuessler's book, the damage looks just like that caused by exposure to the sun over a period of years, and there are no finger imprints evident. Practically every car that spends a lot of time parked outside here in New Mexico has a dash like that. I suspect the southeast Texas sun can be darn near as brutal.

Qualification of the above: Note that the photo is murky, with poor contrast, and was shot from outside thru the windshield (highly scientific data collection, that). So it's possible the important features--finger impressions--were there but either not picked up on film or, if they were, just got washed out in the reproduction process for the book.

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Also there is a little devil living inside of me, and I wanted to needle you just a bit. <VBG>

Unlike most of my friends, I find the case for a balloon at Socorro to be very compelling. I've been waiting and waiting and waiting some more for Larry Robinson's article to appear.

However, finding that story was really so simple, in early June, I plan to return to the library to scan the papers from '64 and see if I can find any stories related to ballooning. It more than likely won't be the tale of the police officer, but it might be story of the balloon trip and might provide us with more information in the quest for Larry's article.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] More Ballooney

Regarding:

>From: Rebecca <rebeccask@yahoo.com>
>Date: Tue, 20 May 2003 23:30:03 -0700 (PDT)
>Subject: [UFORL] More Ballooney

Rebecca wrote:

>While at the library today I ran across this little article from
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Some time ago, I mentioned:

[BEGIN]

Added to this was the potential significance of an article Larry Robinson recalled seeing:

"1965-Feb 1967: I saw an article or ad showing the results of a multi-state series of hot-air balloon flights. A map was included, showing the landing points of the balloon and some amusing anecdotes of things that happened to the balloonists. One of these was an encounter with a lawman who they thought was going to shoot it out with them. The balloon freaked him out. The article said, 'We later found out that he thought he was seeing a space ship'."

That 1965-Feb 1967 article about a "multi-state series of hot-air balloon flights" would most likely have been a feature on the first transcontinental crossing of the U.S. by balloon. This endeavour was undertaken by a known balloonist between April to

September 1966, a story which appeared in a number of magazines.

As it seems the article Larry remembers must have been written after the successful crossing, it narrows the publication date to September 1966-February 1967. Of course, if it was the tale of a lawman who was startled by a balloon during the 1966 flights, it couldn't relate to Zamora's 1964 experience. It would have to be the account of an earlier incident.

Of more consequence now is having identified the 1966 pilot and obtaining contact details, he should be able to clear up all of these points first-hand".

[END]

Since then, I've been in touch with Tracy Barnes and indeed, presently await his reply to a recent letter.

I have also been in contact with Terry Wright, whose daughter, Beth Wright-Smith, is a renowned balloonist and co-owner of a major hot-air balloon company in Albuquerque.

Their comments re Socorro '64 will be published in due course.

Like Cash-Landrum, there's a bigger picture, incorporating those contemporary 1964 'UFO' sightings near the Rio-Grande, where the then classified 'Albuquerque flights' - of a hot-air balloon - were taking place.

I [still] await the CIA's response to related and specific FOIA requests.

James.

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Date: Wed, 21 May 2003 20:56:20 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] More Questions Than Answers

Bob,

You are absolutely correct that it is up to the one making the claim to show documentation. But that is no excuse for us not doing our homework.

I think we can reasonably assume that the road was damaged but we can't prove that the object caused that.

The medical effects have been written about, especially by John Schuessler; however, I haven't seen the documentation, but I do *believe* they suffered some sort of malady. I can't prove it happened because of the object but I don't think we can write off the injuries just because we don't have documentation. Perhaps someone should talk to the witnesses or the principle investigators to see what kind of documentation exists.

The same applies to the dashboard.

Just saying it didn't happen as claimed without communicating with the investigators and/or witnesses is just lousy research, IMO.

As it stands right now with the claims made on this list about TF158, I think we might have some solid footing for explaining the helicopters. But there is a lot more work to be done.

Rebecca

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From: YoungBob2@aol.com
Date: Wed, 21 May 2003 16:37:02 EDT
Subject: Re: [UFORL] More Questions Than Answers

In a message dated 5/21/2003 3:08:59 PM Eastern Daylight Time, rebeccask@yahoo.com writes:

- > What about the road?
- > The dashboard?
- > The injuries?

Rebecca, List:

What is the evidence that any changes occurred that were not related to normal road maintenance?

Is there any physical evidence that the dashboard melted?
If not, why isn't there any?

Are there any medical reports available to document the claimed injuries? Are any medical reports from before the incident?

It isn't our responsibility to provide documentation for the claims, but the lack of same sure tells something about those who claim that this incident represents something more than just a tale.

Bob Young

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James,

It hasn't been debunked to my satisfaction... yet. "New" details about the incident have been revealed, but rather than raise more questions -- which is all we've really done -- I think we need to try raising a few good answers.

How would you answer the ufologists who say:

What about the road?
The dashboard?
The injuries?
The helicopters?

I am not suggesting that any or all of these things necessarily happened as claimed, but as a "mainstay of ufology," Cash-Landrum needs more than the suggestion that TF158 was in the area and that the witness statements were misrepresented, to be debunked.

With the right contacts and right questions, we should be aiming for a few good answers. If we get them, we'll not only have debunked C-L, but discovered how this incident became so messed-up in the first place. And that's a fine goal for researchers of all persuasions.

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Barnes said he was concerned that the balloon might drift over Mexico and he does not have a night flying permit for that country.

He said the mountains east of San Diego posed problems that he would rather meet in daylight.

Barnes operates a company which builds balloons.

Lift for the 70-foot-tall balloon is provided by hot air heated by liquid petroleum gas.

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Subject: RE: [UFORL] PRA -Crop circles puzzle farmer.

And do these effects have anything to do with each other?

- Green can be generated by vaporizing copper wire.
- Artists clandestinely produce crop circles.
- Somebody may have thrown a copper wire with a weight at one end over some power lines to cause a "power failure caused by UFOs".

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The Courier-Mail, Queensland, Australia

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http://news.com.au/common/story_page/0,4057,6441922%255E13762,00.html

Crop circles puzzle farmer
May 16, 2003

THE overnight appearance of dozens of bizarre crop circles in a field of sorghum has spooked a Sunshine Coast hinterland farmer and his workers.

The phenomenon, which was accompanied by loud "zapping noises", a flash of green light, lost power and barking dogs has the Gowen family of Glass House Mountains flumoxed.

Fifth generation land owner Kel Gowen said he was woken about midnight on Wednesday by two loud "zaps".

His farm hand, Noel Brady, whose cottage overlooks the 4ha of sorghum, said he was also woken by the first zapping sound, which

was followed by the loss of power and bright green flashes.

Mr Gowen said it was only during a routine check of his property early yesterday morning that he noticed the 30 flattened circles in the sorghum.

Mr Gowen said his family had never taken notice of stories of crop circles or UFOs.

~End~

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
Date: Mon, 19 May 2003 18:00:22 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Possibly they were testing an antipersonnel weapon.

More likely is the possibility that some kind of herbicide or insecticide was being sprayed in the area.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 10:52 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@

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@

@ Regarding:

@

@ >From: TPrinty@aol.com

@ >Date: Thu, 15 May 2003 19:36:03 EDT

@ >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@

@ Tim wrote:

@

@ >It seems that somebody could have been using a balloon or

@ >modified aircraft that used rockets or some form of propulsion

@ >system like that (similar to that used by the C-130). I think it

@ >is still a stretch but it remains a possibility.

@

@ Tim,

@

@ I've come across a couple of insightful online articles.

@

@ Both feature an interview with the same person who served with

@ TF158 in late 1980. He claims it became evident that TF158's

@ involvement in a second hostage rescue mission was dependent of

@ the presidential election. If Carter had been re-elected, the

@ mission would have been undertaken. If Reagan won, it was likely

@ the hostages would be released.

@

@ Within hours of Reagan being declared 'victorious', TF158 were told to 'stand down'.

@

@ So far as I'm aware, the election was held in early November, 1980.

@

@ Although I'm not sure when Reagan was formally pronounced to be America's new President, he was inaugurated on 20 January, 1981.

@

@ The hostages were of course released that same day.

@

@

@ When it's alleged that, 'within hours of Reagan being declared victorious', TF158 were told to back off, that could directly relate to Reagan being sworn in ['victorious'] and news of the hostages release on 20 January.

@

@ It would make sense.

@

@ If that's the factual scenario, then as at 29 December, 1980, TF158 could still have been training for a second rescue attempt.

@

@ The point being, as you note, we can't rule out any such modified USAF vehicle potentially being part of that latter mission strategy.

@

@

@ I have located said interviewee, still serving with the 'Night Stalkers' and if he's prepared to discuss those contemporary Cash-Landrum exercises, then we're possibly into the heart of this case.

@

@

@ Outwith Cash-Landrum, is there perhaps a more 'involved' story.

@

@ Que, 'The October Surprise' and "allegations that members of the Reagan/Bush campaign cut a secret deal with the revolutionary government in Iran before the 1980 election".

@

@ See, for example and quoted therein:

@

@ <http://www.sumeria.net/politics/oct-sur.html>

@

@

@ See also, aforementioned:

@

http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible_Sport.htm

Which states:

"A test was scheduled for three days before the planned mission date in October. If the tests were successful, the mission would be a GO".

"In the end, they said, 'Don't come'. The Iranian leaders wanted to end the hostage situation but wanted to save face. The hostages were released shortly after President Reagan was sworn in".

Some might question why operation 'Credible Sport' was aborted in October 1980 and the catalyst for reportedly, 'the Iranian leaders wanted to end the hostage situation', at that time.

Perhaps also why the hostages were not released until the day Reagan was formally established as President.

James.

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Date: Mon, 19 May 2003 17:54:21 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Who says the two had anything at all to do with each other? They might have both just been there at the same time.

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@ From: Rebecca [mailto:rebeccask@yahoo.com]

@ Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 12:01 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

@

@

@ > Either Betty Cash and Vicki Landrum mistakenly reported

@ > seeing

@ > the key components of a then *absolutely top-secret* special

@ > operations unit - a large number of both Chinooks and

@ > unidentified, smaller, single-rotor helicopters in unison -

@ > or it

@ > was TF158.

@ >

@ > I'll go with it being TF158.

@

@ I wonder why this task force would be toting around a lighter

@ than air craft that lit up the night sky? It also made noise.

@ If they were training for a rescue attempt, it seems to me that

@ the military might not want to call attention to themselves

@ with a fire-belching, slow-moving LTA craft? What am I missing?

@

@ I can see the task force. I just can't put the balloon in the

@ picture. Not yet, anyway.

@

@ Rebecca

@

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Date: Mon, 19 May 2003 23:37:36 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Regarding:

>From: James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Mon, 19 May 2003 02:58:52 +0100
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

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>last known to be recently a Texas based helicopter pilot.

He still is and I briefly explained my interest in TF158's early history, noting:

"My reason for writing is that reportedly a former 'Chinook pilot' who is your namesake had some knowledge of an incident on 29 December 1980, near Huffman, Texas.

If you are that same person, you will doubtless know the story referred to".

Asking if he might please be able to provide some insight [I directly connected TF158 with the Huffman incident], the response was brief:

"I'm sorry that I cannot provide you with any information that would add anything to your story".

We can of course take this to mean either, "There's nothing I'm aware of which would be of help", or, "I decline to say anything which would add to what's already now known".

What it does mean is that there's presently no point in pursuing this particular avenue any further.

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"Within hours of Reagan being declared 'victorious', TF158 were

told to 'stand down'.

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1980."

I was browsing through Tom Clancy's Special Ops book at the local bookstore the
other night and noticed he stated that "Honey Badger" was going through its final
trials in January 1980 and it was not canceled until the inauguration. If this is
accurate (and you can never tell until all the facts come out), I might revise my belief
that it was unlikely that so many helicopters would be out during that Christmas time
period. Such a hectic schedule might have specially selected troops training
during a "stand down" period in order to get ready for a final dress rehearsal in
January. One can never know until all the facts about "Honey Badger" is
disclosed.

Another thought crossed my mind about the UFO and the CH-47's. Although
the UFO seems to have been described as being seen up close and near to the ground,
is it possible that what really was seen was some form of refueling exercise with the
CH-47s and some other aircraft (like a modified C-130 with a searchlight to aid in the
refueling process)? This would explain why no nearby army bases reported the
use of their air bases. I realize this may be a stretch regarding the testimony of
Cash/Landrum but it may be something to consider as a possibility.

Tim Printy

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Date: Mon, 19 May 2003 21:58:06 +0100 (BST)
Subject: [UFORL] Questions

Two questions, can anyone answer them?

1) When did the German journalist Reinhardt Wegemann die?

2) Where and when did Philippe Piet van Putten publish an article on the Dropa a few years ago, in Portuguese?

Thanks so much if anyone can help.

Best wishes,

Chris

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for some reason here in "Houston, British Columbia" there is getting to be a
large number of Triangular sighting this year in 2003. Last year in 2002 I
believe I received one report only of a boomerang shaped object. That was as
close as I could come to receiving any triangle reports. This year the number is
growing by the month. </DIV>
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these types of reports, I sure would like to know. After a few major cases last
year out of 103 I investigated, there was one in particular which took
place on July 29, 2002 that brought the military to our area. Trying to find out
why these is very frustrating as not a sole is talking, but dozens upon
dozens of northern residents saw them running around the area, in trucks,
planes, etc... </DIV>
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<DIV>Even now after a sighting of a
triangular
craft was witnesses by two peoples on April 21, 2003, I just found out late last
week that some other also saw the saw object on the same night. Plus a formation
of colored lights flying in a "C" formation. There is something strange taking
place in my area and it sure would be nice to be able to get some kind of lead
as to what it is going on here. </DIV>
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matter
what part of the world we live in. -:)))</DIV>
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From: "UFOWATCHDOG.COM" <ufowatchdog@earthlink.net>
Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 08:39:07 -0700 (PDT)
Subject: [UFORL] Address Change

Hi there,

Just want to let everyone know that my e-mail address has changed to:
ufowatchdog@msn.com

Thanks!

Regards,

Royce J. Myers III
UFOWATCHDOG.COM

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From: YoungBob2@aol.com
Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 10:05:23 EDT
Subject: Re: [UFORL] 'Gulf Breeze'

In a message dated 5/24/2003 12:37:23 AM Eastern Daylight Time, voyager@jeaston.com writes:

> Is there factual evidence of that payment?

James:

Phil Klass reported a number of times in his SUN newsletter, in the early 1990s, including these:

(SUN #2, March 1990, p. 6) "[The Walters] shared \$20,000 of this with Navy physicist Dr. Bruce S. Maccabee for writing a chapter in which hereports finding no eveidence of a hoax."

and,

(SUN #3, May 1990, p. 3): "Maccabee has not challenged reports that he was paid approximately \$20,000 for his contribution to the Walters book, but has so far refused to give the precise amount."

Bob Young

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Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com
>Date: Sat, 24 May 2003 19:03:30 EDT
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] 'Gulf Breeze'

Tim wrote:

>The only "proof" would come from Walters or Maccabee
>openly stating that the cash was transferred. I am not
>aware of any such statement.

Tim (and Bob),

Thanks for that background info.

I came across Jim Speiser's article by chance and
wondered if the claim had any proven substance.

I now see that Maccabee has confirmed receiving the
payment [less agent's fees] and states the circumstances
under which it was made:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m17-014.shtml>

I was merely curious.

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the early 1990s"

Phil may be considered a source as to where this value came from but it is not really
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brought up, Dr. Maccabee never denies receiving these funds. The only
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<DIV>my late brother actually went to tibet in the 60s-he was there for 2 years-or so he said;i attended a jesuit seminary in the u.k.-when he came back he was obsessed with the idea that we(jesuits) had somehow 'corrupted the akashic records with our ignorance'!</DIV>

<DIV>i just laughed it all off as the mad ramblings of an old sad hippy-after his death i found a massive collection of books in the attic concerning tibet-and,believe it or not, i actually remember reading about that 1660ish expedition in a book that was ,i would guess,was printed in london (60s)and was called ,i'm certain,"THE SECRETS OF TIBETAN MONKS"-green soft cover-maybe 100 pages.i am sorry to say my sorry sister cleared the attic.its been years,but i remember it vividly-i hope i've been of any help.

<I>"Robinson, Larry" <lrobins@indiana.edu></I> wrote:</DIV>

<BLOCKQUOTE style="PADDING-LEFT: 5px; MARGIN-LEFT: 5px; BORDER-LEFT: #1010ff 2px solid"><TT>I have a little trouble with that
quote:

'My son, what you witnessed just now was not magic,
because beings from other worlds travel across the
oceans of space, and it was they who breathed the
spirit into the first people who lived on this earth.'

It was definitely NOT written or translated in the 17th century, for the
concept of "space" as being a vast expanse of vacuum between worlds did
not yet exist. The word "space" was not yet used for that purpose. Indeed,
the Copernican solar system was just coming into general acceptance at
that time, and most European people were still thinking in terms of
Ptolmaic crystal spheres moving the stars and planets around a stationary
earth.

It's not in 17th century English, either.

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James:

Thanks for this. I noted that,

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Not a dozen, or 27, or whatever.

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A couple of Usenet items I've never seen before and which may be of interest [these URLs will awkwardly 'wrap around']:

'James Oberg on Cash Landrum'

<http://groups.google.com/groups?q=cash-landrum+oberg&hl=en&lr=&ie=UTF-8&selm=2u1nl6%24pv6%40search01.news.aol.com&rnum=1>

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Another research source, which Rebecca recently reminded us of, are the Usenet archives.

Although the 'UFO' related groups contain much dross, some material therein is of value.

The archives are now owned by Google and their Usenet online search facility is excellent, see:

http://groups.google.com/googlegroups/deja_announcement.html.

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b) An incident in April 1957 involved Javelins scrambled to intercept fast targets heading SW outbound over the UK and turning W over the Atlantic (later explained as Hunters). This incident attracted ministerial attention and could be the 'major flap' referred to.

c) On the other hand, if the interceptors were not Javelins and the date is correct then it is interesting to note the Bornholm, Denmark radar trackings of hypersonic targets heading down from the N then turning W over the Baltic during late August/early September 1956. It appears these incidents were part of a major NATO flap and were linked with Lakenheath at the time.

d) There really isn't the remotest likelihood that tracks of the sort described could be caused by meteors.

Apologies if this duplicates comments already made. I'd be interested to know if anyone has more info or opinions on these

matters.
Regards
Martin Shough

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Kenny wrote:

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Kenny,

Some input which might be interesting exists within the
ParaNet Archives just mentioned.

These document in 'real time' the discovery of a 'UFO'
model at Ed's previous house, including first-hand
accounts from the reporter who broke that story.

From: James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Wed, 28 May 2003 03:24:58 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] ParaNet Archives

Long time ago, I wrote to Michael Corbin re the ParaNet archives, which were once located at:

<ftp://grind.isca.uiowa.edu/info/paranet/>

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Regarding:

>From: "Michael F. Corbin" <mfcorbin11@attbi.com>
>To: <UFORL@yahoogroups.com>
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] ParaNet Archives
>Date: 10 January 2002 13:53

Michael wrote:

>I don't know what happened to them.

Michael,

There is a considerable amount of material from the ParaNet forum which would be of interest.

When archives were available online, I kept a copy of the index and note, for example, circa 1990 discussions relating to 'bentwater,uk on unsolved mysteries', 'and what of socorro?', plus Gulf Breeze, Kecksburg, Hudson Valley, the Belgium 'flap', triangular UFOs, etc. I would particularly like to see the Bentwaters and Socorro content.

As you will appreciate, ParaNet had many knowledgeable subscribers.

[...]

[END]

I'm pleased to say I've found what seems to be an online copy of the entire archives, at:

<http://anomalies.net/archive/paranet/newsletter/>

There are two indexes therein, 'by number' and 'by

subject'.

The latter is by far most useful.

A suggestion; open two browser windows [Alt + Tab will quickly swap between both] and keep the subject index in one of them.

The other can be used to easily access specific newsletters by editing the last three address digits. For example, following the 'jackie gleason' thread requires moving from newsletter 307 to 310 and then 315 - simply change:

<http://anomalies.net/archive/paranet/newsletter/307>

to

<http://anomalies.net/archive/paranet/newsletter/310>

and then

<http://anomalies.net/archive/paranet/newsletter/315>

etc.

Enter 'gleason' in the browser's 'Find/Find Next' menu option and the relevant text within each newsletter is readily located.

I'm sure some of this significant archive material will be of general interest.

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Date: Sun, 1 Jun 2003 07:13:07 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

There's a reported 1980 'clandestine' operation which should perhaps be noted in connection to Cash-Landrum.

'Setcon II'.

Anyone previously heard of it?

I hadn't, until coming across the following, detailed and lengthy account:

'TWO MINUTES'

'The simple line drawn between life and death is luck'.
by Mark S. Daniels.

The Boeing-Vertol CH-47 Chinook helicopter, is considered to be one of the most complicated aircraft of its kind in the world today.

Powered by two, Lycoming T-55L-712 turboshaft engines, the CH-47 is brought to life when shaft horse power is transmitted into a Combining Transmission via two connecting drive shafts, one from the nose "bullet" of each engine.

Those in turn, cause the Combining Transmission to transmit torque forward and aft to drive the gearing of the Forward and Aft transmissions via a single row of "forward" and "aft" reaching drive shafts.

In turn, the Foreward and Aft transmissions convert the torque vertically, causing the movement of the six composite rotor blades on their individual, composite rotor heads.

The two rotor heads are located one on the Forward Transmission drive spline, the transmission itself located above and just behind the cockpit in a place known as the "Forward Crown;" and the other on the Aft Rotary Wing Driveshaft, which extends upward vertically from the Aft Transmission, both of which are housed within the Aft Pylon.

In service for nearly forty years, the six-bladed, tandem-rotored, Chinook, is viewed as a Godsend to today's Army, because it can deliver men and material to a battle area like no other helicopter can.

Today's "Delta" Chinook (CH-47D) can take an M198 Howitzer--an artillery piece that is almost as long as the Chinook itself--at a breathtaking speed of 120 knots Nap-Of-The-Earth (NOE), fully stabilized via a "triple hook" external loads system, without any fear of the load oscillating beneath the aircraft...something that might cause damage to or loss of the helicopter.

The Chinook is also capable of simultaneously accommodating the M198's seventeen-man crew, along with a load of artillery shells slung externally beneath the M198.

Imagine, if you will, a Company of twelve CH-47Ds, moving a DIVARTY (Division Artillery) unit in this manner. Rapid deployment of an Artillery firebase to or beyond the "Forward Edge of the Battle Area," or FEBA.

Utilizing the CH-47D's upgraded, rather ingenious, "Triple Hook" external loads system -- which stabilizes heavy loads for high-speed, low level flight -- the CH-47 provides an Artillery commander with the ability to move on demand, quickly, efficiently, and lethally, when it comes to the enemy he must face along the FEBA.

The Chinook is capable of cruising at 143 knots without external load, and can carry 44 combat-equipped paratroops, or 33 combat equipped soldiers, or in the medical role, some 24 litters or stretchers.

To paraphrase the title of an old TV western, "Have Gun, Will Travel" -- and that's just one sample of a strictly military use for the CH-47D, "Delta Chinook," which has since been joined by the MH-47D for Special Operations/Delta Force missions.

The newest variant of the Chinook is the MH-47E, which is currently in operation with the famed 160th SOAR (Special Operations Aviation Regiment), which was formed by elements of Company A, 159th Aviation Battalion (ASH) "Press On," a Chinook unit; and the 160th Aviation Battalion (Author's note, researching unit information...may have been the 158th Avn Bn...) "Ghostriders," a Blackhawk unit; both of the 101st Aviation Group, 101st Airborne Division, Ft. Campbell, Kentucky.

The MH-47E is capable of individual or unit rapid deployment, utilizing aircraft operational readiness and

aerial refueling capability, rather than disassembly and shipment onboard vessels or aircraft. The aircraft is equipped with two, Textron Lycoming T-55L-714 turbine engines, each capable of 4,000 shaft horsepower, and carries a crew of five, including the pilot, co-pilot, flight engineer, and two side facing gunners, one of which is likely the crew chief as well. The aircraft can carry 44 combat equipped troops.

The MH-47E is similar to the AH-47 "Guns A Go Go" Gunships of Vietnam fame, in that it packs two 7.62 mm minigun emplacements, and also has provisions for Stinger missiles in the air combat role. The MH-47E is equipped with APQ-174A Terrain-following radar at 30 meters, AVR-2A laser warning receivers, GPS/terrain reference navigation, AAR-47 MAWS(IR), ALQ-136 pulse radar jammer, ALQ-162 CW radar jammer M-130 chaff/flare, AAQ-16 FLIR, NVG APR-39A RWR SATCOM.

However, in the early 1980s, the YCH-47D was undergoing Operational Testing at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, and the MH-47D and MH-47E were just being drawn and detailed at Boeing Vertol's Engineering facility, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 1980 saw the continuation of operations by early model Boeing CH-47B and C model Chinooks, which were then being allocated for conversion to the new production "D" model status. One of their missions is what we'll discuss in the paragraphs that follow:

Setcon II

In 1980, Companies "A thru C" of the "Liftmasters" Battalion, were assigned to an operation known as SETCON II, a mission involving the "hush-hush" transportation of obsolete chemical training kits, from a location in Indiana, to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, in Colorado.

The chemical sets--which were known to contain trace amounts of the World War I chemical agent, "Mustard," were to subsequently be destroyed by fire at that depot.

At the time, I was working not only as a mechanic, but as a Battalion Historian and Photographer for the 159th Aviation Battalion, Assault Support Helicopters (ASH). Company "A," my primary unit, had the mission -- along with Company "B" and "C" -- to fly in support of the 101st Airborne Division, Air Assault (AASLT) -- the legendary "Screaming Eagles," of Ft. Campbell, Kentucky***.

Ft. Campbell is situated in the Central United States, on the southern border of Kentucky, between the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and the City of Clarksville, Tennessee.

Ft. Campbell itself, is roughly 50 miles north of Capitol City of Nashville, home of Country Music, The Grand Old Opry, Belle Meade Mansion, the final resting place of President James K. Polk.

Rocky Mountain Arsenal is situated about 1000 miles away to the West, in Colorado.

The mission was called "Setcon II," and was to be kept low-profile, to avoid agitating environmentalists over the shipments.

Now, when I say "low profile," let me briefly explain that there was nothing secretive about these training sets, which were actually leftover training kits from World War II.

The safe transportation and destruction of these chemical sets was of extreme importance to the United States Government, in that, the sets were no longer needed; the sets were taking up valuable storage space; and the sets were taking time away from US Army NBC specialists (MOS 54E), whom -- over the years -- had to constantly monitor the sets for leakage.

With a growing NBC threat overseas at that time, this manpower was seriously needed elsewhere.

However, this was a period of time in which environmental activists were gaining in numbers and strength, as was Press support for them. Further, it was also a time in which an important Chemical Non-proliferation Treaty was under development, in which the outlawing of the use of these weapons was an extreme possibility, if not a great opportunity.

The government certainly wanted to accommodate both the foreign powers and the environmentalists by destroying these wanton, inhumane pesticides. The trouble was located in the transport of the kits over state lines, especially since the government always seemed to catch hell even for the few noble attempts it makes to dispose of obsolete and potentially harmful or deadly chemical caches.

Whether by air, rail, truck or ship...usually, no one wants these deadly items passing through or stored in their area.

A small mishap involving the transfer of these chemicals could have been blown out of proportion -- from molehill to Mount St. Helens -- thereby thwarting the best intentions of a special mission that ultimately would have been in everyone's best interests, worldwide.

In fact, the mission should have been of interest to the environmentalists, in that, the chemicals were to be properly destroyed by fire at Rocky Mountain Arsenal, in Colorado, and rendered non-threatening, beyond just plain, non-existent

Despite the good intent, and though it was a routine mission, with the amount of chemicals involved being so minimal (again, "trace"); someone at Department of the Army felt that we were begging for trouble if we tried to cooperate with "Greenpeace," et al, and thus--the mission went "hush hush..."

...sort of.

Except for Walter Cronkite, the move and destruction of these elements was ultimately completed rather quietly, and without much fanfare. However, Walter's presence in all this comes along a little later in this story, so read on...

Special Ops -- Special Procedures

The government, in response to expected environmental concerns -- but without notifying the environmentalists (a Machiavellian oxymoron...), developed special procedures in which to transport the chemicals.

First: it was decided that each CH-47 Chinook aircraft would have "Poison Gas" placards installed in the cabin windows, facing outward, of course, so that all could see.

Second: two Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Defense NCOs, MOS (Military Occupational Specialty) 54Es, had to be onboard each aircraft -- all for the purpose of monitoring operational chemical alarms for reports of leakage, and for monitoring the security of the loads

themselves.

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The Boeing-Vertol CH-47 Chinook helicopter, is considered to be one of the most complicated aircraft of its kind in the world today.

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To paraphrase the title of an old TV western, "Have Gun, Will Travel" -- and that's just one sample of a strictly military use for the CH-47D, "Delta Chinook," which has since been joined by the MH-47D for Special Operations/Delta Force missions.

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The MH-47E is capable of individual or unit rapid deployment, utilizing aircraft operational readiness and

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The MH-47E is similar to the AH-47 "Guns A Go Go" Gunships of Vietnam fame, in that it packs two 7.62 mm minigun emplacements, and also has provisions for Stinger missiles in the air combat role. The MH-47E is equipped with APQ-174A Terrain-following radar at 30 meters, AVR-2A laser warning receivers, GPS/terrain reference navigation, AAR-47 MAWS(IR), ALQ-136 pulse radar jammer, ALQ-162 CW radar jammer M-130 chaff/flare, AAQ-16 FLIR, NVG APR-39A RWR SATCOM.

However, in the early 1980s, the YCH-47D was undergoing Operational Testing at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky, and the MH-47D and MH-47E were just being drawn and detailed at Boeing Vertol's Engineering facility, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 1980 saw the continuation of operations by early model Boeing CH-47B and C model Chinooks, which were then being allocated for conversion to the new production "D" model status. One of their missions is what we'll discuss in the paragraphs that follow:

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In 1980, Companies "A thru C" of the "Liftmasters" Battalion, were assigned to an operation known as SETCON II, a mission involving the "hush-hush" transportation of obsolete chemical training kits, from a location in Indiana, to the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, in Colorado.

The chemical sets--which were known to contain trace amounts of the World War I chemical agent, "Mustard," were to subsequently be destroyed by fire at that depot.

At the time, I was working not only as a mechanic, but as a Battalion Historian and Photographer for the 159th Aviation Battalion, Assault Support Helicopters (ASH). Company "A," my primary unit, had the mission -- along with Company "B" and "C" -- to fly in support of the 101st Airborne Division, Air Assault (AASLT) -- the legendary "Screaming Eagles," of Ft. Campbell, Kentucky***.

Ft. Campbell is situated in the Central United States, on the southern border of Kentucky, between the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and the City of Clarksville, Tennessee.

Ft. Campbell itself, is roughly 50 miles north of Capitol City of Nashville, home of Country Music, The Grand Old Opry, Belle Meade Mansion, the final resting place of President James K. Polk.

Rocky Mountain Arsenal is situated about 1000 miles away to the West, in Colorado.

The mission was called "Setcon II," and was to be kept low-profile, to avoid agitating environmentalists over the shipments.

Now, when I say "low profile," let me briefly explain that there was nothing secretive about these training sets, which were actually leftover training kits from World War II.

The safe transportation and destruction of these chemical sets was of extreme importance to the United States Government, in that, the sets were no longer needed; the sets were taking up valuable storage space; and the sets were taking time away from US Army NBC specialists (MOS 54E), whom -- over the years -- had to constantly monitor the sets for leakage.

With a growing NBC threat overseas at that time, this manpower was seriously needed elsewhere.

However, this was a period of time in which environmental activists were gaining in numbers and strength, as was Press support for them. Further, it was also a time in which an important Chemical Non-proliferation Treaty was under development, in which the outlawing of the use of these weapons was an extreme possibility, if not a great opportunity.

The government certainly wanted to accommodate both the foreign powers and the environmentalists by destroying these wanton, inhumane pesticides. The trouble was located in the transport of the kits over state lines, especially since the government always seemed to catch hell even for the few noble attempts it makes to dispose of obsolete and potentially harmful or deadly chemical caches.

Whether by air, rail, truck or ship...usually, no one wants these deadly items passing through or stored in their area.

A small mishap involving the transfer of these chemicals could have been blown out of proportion -- from molehill to Mount St. Helens -- thereby thwarting the best intentions of a special mission that ultimately would have been in everyone's best interests, worldwide.

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Except for Walter Cronkite, the move and destruction of these elements was ultimately completed rather quietly, and without much fanfare. However, Walter's presence in all this comes along a little later in this story, so read on...

Special Ops -- Special Procedures

The government, in response to expected environmental concerns -- but without notifying the environmentalists (a Machiavellian oxymoron...), developed special procedures in which to transport the chemicals.

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 > @ through eastern Tibet to Lhasa, and then to India,
 > @ between 1661 and 1664).
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 > @ ii) The English text reproduced above is from
 > Hartwig
 > @ Hausdorf's "The Chinese Roswell" (1994, p.88-89).
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 > @ iii) Hausdorf took the reference from Der
 > @ Gotter-Schock (Munich, 1992), a book written by
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 > @ book, so I don't know what von Däniken's source
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 > @ iv) However, a stroke of luck brought me to an
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 > Volume
 > @ II, published by Inapp, Madrid 1979. On page 391
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 > @ article entitled "Maestros de Otros Mundos en el
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 > @ vii) Eduardo Russo checked the Italian publication
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was for trials and that the Venom squadrons remained the active QRA squadrons
through 1956. Can you clarify the matter from your sources? If
Javelins were on QRA duty "pre-Suez" then Roy Dent's date could be accurate, but
I have doubts. And the story does sound similar to the April 57 incidents
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Javelins in RAF service.

According to Owen Thetford's "Aircraft of the
Royal Air Force since 1918"

"...the first of them (Javelin FAW.1) were
issued to No. 46 Squadron at
Odiham in February 1956." Anthony Robinson's
"Night Fighter" says March
1956.

87 Sqdn in Germany was issued
with
FAW.1s in August 1956.

Francis Mason's "The British Fighter" says that
"Eastern Sector" didn't
receive its Javelins until early 57. (I don't think
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Chris

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] The Michalak Case

Regarding:

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>spotted, and (2) that even the smoke from a burning
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>well.

Jim,

Thanks for that insight.

I incidentally came across this case evidence - recalled
as being featured on either 'Sightings' or 'Unsolved
Mysteries' - whilst looking for unrelated material.

I wondered what effectively had become of it - this was
regarded by many as 'significant evidence of a flying
saucer encounter'.

James.
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For example:

<http://theshadowlands.net/falconlake.txt>

<http://www.sacred-texts.com/ufo/canada.htm>

In the former, Chris Rutkowski states:

[BEGIN]

A year after his encounter, Michalak returned to the landing site with an associate. With a geiger counter, they found two "W-shaped" silver bars, four and a half inches in length, and several other smaller chunks of the same material. All this was found two inches under some lichen in a crack in the rock, over which the UFO was said to hover. Analysis showed that the silver was of "high purity", and contained low amounts of copper and cadmium.

[...]

The problem, however, is not the actual radioactive mechanism on the silver, but why it was missed earlier by other individuals. The Department of Health and Welfare went to the site on more than one occasion, and checked the site thoroughly.

Why was the silver not located?

[END]

Seems an obvious question, to say the least.

Years later and with due hindsight... comments and determinations now invited re, at the time, a perceived 'verification' of Arnold's utterly misconstrued 'flying saucer' evidence.

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It's Case 22 in the Colorado report (www.ncas.org/condon/). One detail that marks the account as highly questionable is the assertion by the primary witness that the UFO set his shirt on fire and he threw it to the ground. The local forest fire lookout towers were staffed at the time (the forest was dry). Those observers commented (1) that any heat source that could set a man's shirt on fire at a distance would also have set the local forest on fire, which would have been spotted, and (2) that even the smoke from a burning shirt thrown on the ground would have been spotted as well.

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<DIV>Re the August 1956 opposition dates, the Bentwaters affair involved Mars prominent in the SE at the time and the control tower chief gave a rather good description of it, complete with perfectly typical overestimates of elevation and angular rates. A radar tracking was underway at the time so he was looking for UFOs. I wouldn't say that the sighting played a very significant role as a 'trigger' though. </DIV>

<DIV>Martin Shough</DIV>

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people are outside to see it in the eveing sky.

Clear skies,
Bob

Young

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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Fri, 30 May 2003 01:17:54 +0100
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

I wrote:

>Some time ago, when I first suggested TF158 as a likely
>candidate for the helicopters observed, Joel Carpenter
>noted that Texas was a favoured location for
>contemporary covert training and this was documented in
>a named book.
>
>I couldn't confirm any connection between that book and
>TF158 until recently, when our former TF158 aviator
>revealed:
>
>"I can direct you to a writer that might help in your
>search: Steven Emerson. He authored a book, 'Secret
>Warriors: Inside the Covert Military Operations of the
>Reagan Era'. If you can find a copy, it makes reference
>to the Texas phase".

I've now received a copy of Emerson's book and the first chapter covers that formative post April 1980 period, after the failed Iran hostage rescue attempt.

Emerson notes that operation 'Honey Badger' was one component of operation 'Snow Bird', a planned second rescue mission.

The 'Honey Badger' objective was , "focused exclusively on developing an aviation capability to mount special or counterterrorist operations in the Middle East and Persian Gulf areas.

'After all', said a participant in Honey Badger, 'what good were commandos if you couldn't get them to where they had to be'."

Emerson refers to 'Task Force 160', perhaps not realising the unit was at this time designated 'Task Force 158'.

He describes some of their training in Texas and claims

that the largest exercise, which involved, "200 aircraft and over 2,000 people", took place at Reese AFB, in Lubbock.

Interestingly, he describes how one early night time exercise [with the pilots relying on night vision goggles (NVG)] used an interstate highway as a map reference point. They would locate the highway and then time themselves between that point and their destination.

Emerson also notes, "the exercises were not coordinated with local police authorities and at times ran into unexpected problems".

He references one exercise held in Southern Texas, where a night drop of parachutists in full combat gear, armed and wearing NVGs, was hampered by a sudden thunderstorm and the operatives couldn't locate the airfield where they were to be picked up.

Stranded in cotton fields, the operatives decided to spend the night in a nearby barn. Unfortunately, the farmer spotted some people entering his barn and called the police, who subsequently found themselves confronted by armed and combat ready soldiers.

Significantly, Emerson explains why that second rescue mission reportedly never materialised. In a crazy situation, the CIA claimed to have located where the hostages had been taken after being dispersed following the first rescue attempt failure. However, as the CIA refused to reveal their source(s), Major-General Richard Secord would not accept the information as reliable.

That dispute escalated to the White House, where ultimately President Carter and his advisors decided they could not risk a second mission on this basis, especially as they realistically expected some thirty percent of the hostages and operatives could be killed or injured.

However, Emerson claims, "throughout November, December and early January, members of Snow Bird remained on standby alert to go into Iran".

I'm not surprised to find he makes no mention of the three code named TF158 operations I'm aware of and which took place between September 1980 to January 1981. It does seem there really is no published reference to them,

as yet.

I presume these were all related to that ongoing training and merely different phases of it. We should hopefully, in due course, find out for sure.

Outwith Cash-Landrum (as all of this remains, until proven otherwise), a couple of apparent anomalies.

Operation 'Credible Sport' was, so far as I'm aware, first revealed by 'Janes Defence Weekly', in a 5 March 1997 article by Nick Cook. See, for example:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~quade/crediblesport.html>

However, Emerson states of that formative late 1980 period, "Other vital achievements included the extension of the C-141 transport planes' range as well as the addition of retrorockets to C-130s that allowed them to land on a dime".

The latter doubtless refers to 'Credible Sport' and Emerson's book was published in April 1988.

Yet, 'Credible Sport' seems to be an entirely separate venture from all that encompassed TF158.

I can't see where this has been reconciled.

Lastly, there seems to be no online material at all relating to operation "Snow Bird", or even "snowbird".

There is however in UFO mythology a proclaimed 'project snowbird', where a recovered ET craft, flown by inexperienced humans, was responsible for the Cash-Landrum incident...

Somewhat 'Fortean' and quite bizarre.

Any further information about Emerson's apparently migrated 'Snow Bird'?

James.

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Tim wrote:

>Another thought crossed my mind about the UFO and the
>CH-47's. Although the UFO seems to have been described
>as being seen up close and near to the ground, is it
>possible that what really was seen was some form of
>refueling exercise with the CH-47s and some other
>aircraft (like a modified C-130 with a searchlight to
>aid in the refueling process)? This would explain why no
>nearby army bases reported the use of their air bases. I
>realize this may be a stretch regarding the testimony of
>Cash/Landrum but it may be something to consider as a
>possibility.

Tim,

I asked my TF158 source about refuelling operations and he replied:

"The first group of army aviators involved in 'little bird' operations were army aeroscout OH-58 pilots from my unit, the 229th attack helo battalion Ft Campbell Ky who volunteered to fly the OH-6 aircraft used in operation 'Honey Badger'.

The original OH-6 aircraft used were obtained from the state of Mississippi National Guard. These 229th aeroscout pilots from Ft Campbell took their OH-6 flight training from Mississippi National Guard instructor pilots in Gulfport Mississippi.

These newly qualified OH-6 pilots formed the first 'little bird unit'. I believe the officer in charge during that Mississippi phase was an army captain Henry 'Hawk' Ruth. I believe the first overall commander of the 'little bird' unit was Maj Mike Grimm, later killed during night training after 'Honey Badger'.

These 'little bird' guys were constantly deploying out of Ft Campbell as a unit for training in Texas and Oklahoma.

These deployments started in Sept 1980 I think and continued until the release of the hostages.

As I only have second hand information on actual 'little bird' operational facts after Aug 1980, I can't say for sure about bases or refueling. I only know that CH-47Ds from the 159th Aviation Battalion Ft Campbell Ky performed the refueling for the UH-60 aircraft during my summer training of 1980".

We might now be in a position to further understand those September to January 1981 operations as I've been able to locate and contact five, possibly six, 'army aviators' who served with TF158 from 1980 through 1981.

The first of them to respond seems enthusiastically willing to help document that formative 'Night Stalkers' history, which has never been accurately credited.

If along the way we can make more sense of Cash-Landrum, then all the better.

James.
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More on Gloster Javelins...

The consensus seems to be an initial in-service date with 46 Sqdn at RAF Odiham in February 1957.

However... three Javelins served alongside Venom NF.3s at RAF Coltishall during Exercise "Beware" in October 1955! Purely as an evaluation, but shows they were up and about.

The last Venom night fighters were retired in November 1957, so their replacement on 141 Sqdn in Feb/Mar 57 is probably correct.

Chris

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visited the Monyut site, hoping it was a meteorite strike, but realised the patterns looked exactly like a lightning strike. In fact, there had been widespread thunderstorms in July 1963 and a loud bang like a thunderbolt had been reported just days before the craters were discovered. Plausible, but not nearly as exciting as alien spacecraft.<o:p></o:p></P>

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"Roswell Declassified"

Formerly secret files finally reveal the truth about the world's

most famous UFO incident.

BY JIM WILSON

Photos by Louis Jawitz

Knowing that old military records often contain startling revelations,

we were eager to see what surprises awaited us in the latest disclosure

from the Roswell files. For decades, UFO researchers had clamored for

the National Archives to come clean about a "flying disc" that

supposedly crashed during the Fourth of July weekend in 1947. The

Army started the story when it used the term in a press release about

a crash that had occurred north of Roswell, N.M. At the time, the

sleepy town had the distinction of being home to the only atomic

bomber unit (at Roswell Army Airfield) in the world. By the end of

that holiday weekend, the Army had retracted its original story,

claiming it had been a mistake. The debris that ranch manager

Mac Brazel had found on the J.B. Foster Ranch was simply the

remains of a weather balloon. The press reported the revised

version of events, and the story promptly died.

Government paperwork, however, is immortal. Once a Roswell file

was created it became a collection bin for all sorts of UFO-related

material. Eventually, the collection moved to a climate-controlled

archive in College Park, Md., about a half-hour drive east of

Washington, D.C. And there the files would have remained

undisturbed were it not for a law that forces the government to

periodically review a document's security classification.

During the 1990s, the time limits on keeping Cold War-era records
 began to expire. Journalists had come to appreciate that these
 automatically declassified files often contained spectacular
 information. Declassified records showed how the Atomic Energy
 Commission intentionally released radiation from its reactors
 in Hanford, Wash., on unsuspecting civilians in that area.
 Other disclosures described how doctors working for the federal
 government were permitted to conduct ghoulish medical experiments
 on women, children and prisoners. Buoyed by these earlier
 disclosures, UFO researchers had good reason to hope the 11 boxes
 of newly opened Roswell files might contain a similar smoking gun.

PAPER CHASE

POPULAR MECHANICS was interested too. In 100 years of covering
 military affairs, our editors had come to realize that everything
 the government touches creates a paper trail. If something
 extraordinary had happened at the Roswell Army Airfield in July
 1947, evidence would turn up in the paperwork compiled by sergeants
 and officers. And it was that possibility that lured us to Maryland.
 If aliens had landed, the soldiers who chased them would have left
 a paper trail, too.

As we had hoped, we found the original government records. But
 first we had to do some digging. Most of the boxes were filled
 with newspaper and magazine clippings about flying saucers, old books,
 and government UFO reports that were made public decades ago.
 There were Betamax videotapes about UFOs. We even found the remains
 of the infamous balloon reflector, which UFO buffs claim the
 government planted at the crash site in place of the pieces of
 the flying disc. These pieces, they say, were taken to an
 undisclosed military base.

Then, amid the clutter, in Box 1, we found what we were after.
 It was a seemingly unimportant document titled "Morning Reports,
 July 1947." This was essentially a log of the day-to-day activity
 at the base. In much the same way that a police blotter would provide
 evidence of a bank robbery, the Morning Reports would provide
 unambiguous evidence of unusual military activity.

As we worked through the Morning Reports line by line, we came
 to a simple realization: Absolutely nothing extraordinary had
 happened at Roswell that Fourth of July weekend. There was no
 indication of an emergency, no mention of a deployment of rescue
 and firefighting crews, as was the case with other crashes.

That was one mystery solved.

For years, UFO researchers had claimed that enlisted men and
 officers involved in the disc recovery operation were transferred

to other bases to ensure their silence. Sure enough, the transfers
 took place. The paperwork explained why. Several months earlier,
 in a sweeping postwar military reorganization, Army fliers were
 systematically transferred to the newly created U.S. Air Force.
 The men had not been transferred. They had merely changed uniforms.
 Another mystery solved.

We left the National Archives and Records Administration complex
 in College Park more confused than enlightened. Surely there was
 more to the story. As the old saying goes: "Absence of evidence
 is not evidence of absence." So with this thought in mind we
 decided to call Frank Kaufmann, the man at the center of the
 Roswell episode.

FORGED RECORDS

Kaufmann was less than the picture of health when we interviewed
 him for our July 1997 cover story about the 50th anniversary of
 Roswell. A respected member of the Roswell business community,
 Kaufmann's name had been tied to the story from the very beginning.
 We were saddened to learn he had died in February 2001.

Kaufmann's credibility arose from his willingness to show journalists
 and book authors a copy of his Separation Qualification Record,
 which supported his claim that he was an intelligence officer
 stationed at Roswell in July 1947. After Kaufmann's death, his widow
 gave UFO researchers access to her husband's papers. One of those
 researchers was Mark Rodeghier, scientific director of the J. Allen
 Hynek Center for UFO Studies. In fall 2002, Rodeghier published his
 findings in the center's journal: "To put it quite plainly, Frank
 Kaufmann created an altered version of an official document to present
 a false version of his military career consistent with his claims
 about his involvement with the events at Roswell. His supposed work
 in intelligence was used to explain how he came to be so knowledgeable
 about what crashed at Roswell and the subsequent military cover-up."

DYING CONFESSION

Stanton Friedman, a physicist and author of several books on Roswell,
 tells POPULAR MECHANICS he was not surprised that Kaufmann had
 altered his service record. "He got out of the service in 1945. He
 was a civilian employee doing the same job, as a clerk."

Friedman says his suspicions were raised during a 1999 meeting with
 Kaufmann and several other researchers. He says he asked Kaufmann
 pointed questions about his working relationship with Maj. Jesse Marcel,
 who was an intelligence officer at the Roswell base in '47, and
 Col. William Blanchard, the base commanding officer at that time.

"Kaufmann knew he was dying," Friedman says, explaining why he trusted

the answers he received. "I asked Kaufmann, 'Did you take Marcel to

the [crash] site?' He said 'no.' I asked him, 'Did you take Blanchard

to the site?' He said 'no.'"

Despite the disappointing document disclosure by the National Archives

and the discovery that Kaufmann had altered his military records,

Friedman says it is premature to close the books on Roswell. He believes

convincing evidence of an alien landing exists but that it has yet to

be disclosed. And he says he knows exactly where to find it--in vaults

at the National Reconnaissance Office and the Central Intelligence Agency.

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Regards,

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Date: Tue, 10 Jun 2003 09:02:32 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] Operation Charlie 1947 RAF UFOs

Ghost Aeroplanes Over England

<http://www.project1947.com/1947/index.html>

Greetings List

Project 1947 is pleased to host Operation Charlie, the code name for "the scheme to trap and intercept target X."

Dr. David Clarke reveals his research on the little known pre-Arnold radar contacts and attempted interceptions of unknown objects over the United Kingdom in early 1947. Through witness interviews and searches of official documents what was just a small summarized incident in the Project Blue Book files becomes a more important aspect of the early UFO picture.

A few news stories which slipped out at the end of April and the beginning of May 1947, but official denials made the whole thing sound trivial. However, there was far more to the incidents than the newspapers knew or printed.

Martin Shough provides an analysis of the radar trackings of the incidents.

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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Sat, 7 Jun 2003 02:55:54 +0100
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

I wrote:

>I'm not surprised to find he [Emerson] makes no mention
>of the three code named TF158 operations I'm aware of
>and which took place between September 1980 to January
>1981. It does seem there really is no published
>reference to them, as yet.
>
>I presume these were all related to that ongoing
>training and merely different phases of it. We should
>hopefully, in due course, find out for sure.

[...]

>Lastly, there seems to be no online material at all
>relating to operation "Snow Bird", or even "snowbird".

Whilst awaiting responses from elsewhere, I asked the
TF158 contact if he could please comment on those points.

He replied:

[BEGIN]

'Snowbird', I think, unlike 'Rice Bowl', was not code for
a specific mission, but more of a code word for a larger
command and control network (headquarters).

Most likely it was command and control at or near
Pentagon level - General Officers and staff.

Remember that, unlike today, there was no Joint Special
Operations Command.

'Snowbird' seems to have been focused at a minimum on two
areas. First, of immediate concern, planning and
executing the second rescue attempt of American citizens
held hostage in Iran - operation 'Honey Badger'.

Secondly, the development of new elite air and ground

units capable of conducting joint unlimited special operations. 'Task Force 158' was involved in both.

By late July 1980, 'Task Force 158' was informed that operation 'Honey Badger' was being cancelled. The hostage location problem you mentioned made any second attempt too costly.

Thereafter, 'Task Force 158' returned to its base at Ft Campbell. After returning, 'Task Force 158' was not disbanded, but started to train under 'snowbird' as part of the new elite special operations units program.

These would be the '[deleted]', '[deleted]' and '[deleted]' missions. These operations took place starting Aug 1980 in Southwest U.S. - Texas, Oklahoma, still under the command of LTC [deleted].

I heard covert units were also formed (seaspray).
[END]

Although I've had to keep some of the ongoing detail back for now, that is the suggested explanation for Emerson's cited, operation 'Snow Bird'.

For further information about 'seaspray', see:

<http://www.specialoperations.com/Domestic/CIA/Seaspray.htm>

It's apparently a summary taken directly from material in Emerson's book.

The generally accepted history of that formative period seems to be as documented on the 'nightstalkers.com' ['Home of the Night Stalker Association'] web site:

"On 20 January 1981, the hostages were released, and Operation Honey Badger was cancelled. The men of Task Force 158 expected to disband and return to their former units; however, Army leadership determined that the unit was needed to meet future contingencies".

However, it's since evidently understood that operation 'Honey Badger' had in fact been cancelled circa July/August 1980 and thereafter, a "new phase" of training began, instrumental to which was the addition of

OH-6 'Little Bird' helicopters.

This involved at least three, separate, code-named operations, which, whilst in readiness for a second hostage rescue attempt, were effectively ongoing developments of the special operations capabilities recognised.

Central, was a continual evaluation/experience of task force helicopters flying in darkness and relying on night-vision goggles.

In summary, I then queried of our TF158 contact:

"As operation 'Honey Badger' had been aborted, am I correct in concluding that those three code-named, September 1980 - January 1981, operations were not specifically connected to plans for a second rescue mission, i.e., this was merely ongoing training in general?"

He explains:

[BEGIN]

James, yes... apparently, as once our intelligence reports indicated that the hostages were scattered all over Iran, the conventional concept of operation 'Honey Badger' was no longer usable.

Those of us in 'Honey Badger', from the 101st aviation group Ft Campbell Ky, who participated as aircrewmembers onboard those army UH-60 and CH-47 helicopters, along with Air Force aircrews of C-130s and CH-53 pavelow helicopters from May 1980 until late July 1980, were assembled together while still at Dugway proving grounds, Utah and so informed.

Yes, while 'snowbird' continued on with an ever-changing scenario of 'how tos and what ifs', with Army and Air Force aircraft, there was never any final solution until thankfully Ronald Reagan arrived on the scene and the bad guys backed down.

I find it hard to believe that anything short of an all-out military operation by the United States on Iran at the time, say, similar to how President Reagan did things later, starting with the invasion in Grenada, would have accomplished anything without heavy loss of life, to not only the hostages but the rescue team itself.

Those were desperate times.

The positive that resulted... the current special operations capabilities of today.

Due to the secrecy and speed with which the original 'Task Force 158' formed for operation 'Honey Badger', no complete personnel records exist and I have yet to recognize the name of any person who says he participated in operation 'Honey Badger'.
[END]

Coincidentally, I have been discussing 'Cash-Landrum' with John Burroughs, inherent 'Rendlesham' participant and still USAF reservist, only recently returned from "forward deployment" elsewhere.

He notes of these contemporary and absolutely founding, late December 1980, 'UFO' cases:

"The Cash-Landrum angle was looked at by a Curt Brubaker and after he looked into that, tying in with Bentwaters, he stopped everything he was doing involving UFOs. Could never get a answer why!".

Curt Brubaker and 'UFOs'?

So far as I'm aware, the only connection is a 1998, prominent, U.S. TV broadcast, "UFO Cover-Up? Live!".

Wasn't that the, 'captive Roswell aliens endorsed strawberry ice-cream and Tibetan chants [whatever]', debacle?

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

Hey folks,

im not as well informed on that case as you are, but does anyone know wether
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Greetings from Germany,

Ferhat
www.ufozine.de

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Subject: [UFORL] WOW!

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- 100's Movies/Pics (Upload Your Own UFO pics)
- Forums/Live Chat Room
- Live Webcam (Catch UFO's On The Webcam Then Submit Them To The Site)
- Audio Interviews with Ufologists
- Hours Of Media (Including NASA TV & UFO Radio Stations)
- Links
- Documents
- Investigations (including Area 51, Roswell + Many More)
- Polls
- Classified Ads

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Date: Sat, 21 Jun 2003 04:33:01 +0100
Subject: [UFORL] 'The great Michigan UFO chase'

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Does anyone recognise this and when it actually dates
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sun, 22 Jun 2003 05:24:08 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Brisbane Australia Conference update 2003

Regarding:

>From: AUFORN <auforn@hypermax.net.au>
>Date: Sat, 21 Jun 2003 16:28:19 +1000
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Brisbane Australia Conference
>update

Diane wrote:

>Thank you for your concern re our speakers James.

[...]

>James I'm dammed if I do answer you and dammed if I
>don't answer you. And with this attached quoted by you
>from the bottom of this e-mail: "I reserve the right to
>publish this list posting in the mainstream, media."

Diane,

Boylan's involvement with children is something I first
highlighted in August 2000, ['Voyager' newsletter No.
14]:

_ 'Star Kids', or the Exploitation of Children in
Ufology? _

Appreciation to Errol Bruce-Knapp and 'UFO UpDates' for
highlighting concerns about the following:

SUMMER CAMP FOR KID E.T. ABDUCTEES

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. -- When E.T. phones home this summer,
he may be calling from Santa Cruz, California.

That's where a UFO researcher is holding the world's
first summer school for kids of E.T. origin.

Dr. Richard Boylan's space-age summer school is for
children who have been genetically modified by aliens.

Boylan claims these so-called "star kids" are not only
brighter than other kids, they can have strange
superpowers such as levitation, invisibility and
teleportation.

Besides reenacting their alien encounters via puppets and role-playing, students will listen to lectures including one titled, "

From: Bill Chalker <bill_c@bigpond.com>
Date: Sat, 21 Jun 2003 20:48:33 +1000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Brisbane Australia Conference update 2003

Dear James,

Your defamatory imputation is totally unfounded:

- > Diane Harrison and Bill Chalker; can you please explain
- > why you evidently endorse this nauseating exploitation of
- > children, ostensibly in the name of 'UFO research'.

I do not endorse any of this and for you to even suggest this on such a filmsy connection (that I will be lecturing on the same platform as someone else whose work you clearly take exception to) is totally wrong and defamatory. I believe an apology is in order from you.

For the record there is very little of what I've seen in Richard Boylan's material and claims that I would endorse or agree with, but I'm happy to take the opportunity to listen to what he has to say. Given my track record I'm sure that if I have a problem with what I hear I'm not one who avoids saying so.

While I may not agree with some of my fellow lecturer's claims, evidence etc., like the intended audience I'm sure I am capable of coming to my own conclusions. Unlike you I don't tar everyone immediately with the same brush in a kind of "guilt by association" approach. I'll make my own conclusions on each individual speaker based on my own listening, research etc. I'm sure the audience at the forthcoming Brisbane conference will do the same, and no doubt with me as well.

Just as you reserve the right to publish your posting in the mainstream media, I reserve the right to do the same and to take whatever steps I deem necessary to protect my reputation.

Bill Chalker

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Friday, June 20, 2003 2:19 PM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Brisbane Australia Conference update 2003

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> > Date: Thu, 19 Jun 2003 08:37:38 +1000

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I forgot the references to the Larson's abduction:

"Woman reports abduction, examination", Skylook nº 100 (included the same drawing).

Coral & Jim Lorenzen, Abducted! (1977), pp. 52-69.

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note that Martin Kottmeyer wrote in 1993:

"Serendipity stepped in to resolve the muddle with a goof by Phil Klass [of CSICOP]. Discussing a recent addition to the roster of nasal implantees, he asserted that [author Budd] Hopkins never mentioned nasal implants in his books and that [author Whitley] Strieber seemed to have started it off. I was sure he was wrong and began to reread Hopkins to freshen my memory about the details. I soon learned the first claimant was Sandra Larson. Pulling out my old paperback copy of Abducted! to verify Hopkins's research, I found the puzzle instantly solved. It all began in a hypnosis session dated Jan. 17, 1976, when Larson unveiled an account of a space mummy (ala the Pasagoula classic three years earlier) performing an operation that did something to her brain. During this operation, an instrument described as "like a little knife or cotton swab" scraped the inside of her nose and made it sore. The kicker is that the investigators note, inside parentheses, that shortly before her UFO experience, Larson had a similar operation for a sinus condition. It was quite painful, and she had been scheduled for additional treatment that she elected not to undergo. Now things start to fall into place. The regression had been a reworking of her fears about her sinus condition and its medical treatment. The Larson story appeared in print in 1977 in a mass market paperback by the Lorenzens".

See:

http://www.lysator.liu.se/skeptical/newsletters/REALL_News/REALL1-6.TXT

Coincidentally, Martin Kottmeyer recently sent myself some related and interesting 'alien imageary' material on CD and I'll have to find time to highlight same.

Also regarding:

>From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
>Date: Mon, 23 Jun 2003 11:47:07 -0500
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] 'The great Michigan UFO chase'

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"Did Cabansag deny they had ventured so far, a documented

two miles?"

Hard to say as I can't recall exactly what was stated but he implied that he was told to
sign the statement that now is public knowledge and that not everything had been
described in the statement. I look forward to the "other side of the coin" in the
show you describe.

In "out of the blue", some of the interviews could have been taken out of context to
draw a certain conclusion they wanted to project. A good case in point is an
"ambush interview" sprung on Jimmy Carter at a booksigning. Apparently,
they could not talk to Carter and instead caught him with a question about his UFO
sighting while he was signing books. Carter seemed taken aback and simply
stated they (I guess he was referring to NICAP who took his report) could not explain
it (is it any suprise that NICAP could not explain a case made by a potential
president?). This implied the US government could not solve the case but it
seems that no such investigation was made on his sighting.

BTW, I recently received permission from Kingston George (via James Oberg), who
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refuted the whole story told in "out of the blue" during a rather one-sided interview of
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>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Tim wrote:

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>SCI-FI channel, we were treated to the first interview
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Tim,

Thanks for mentioning this.

Were either Ed Cabansag or any other 'UFO' witnesses on this show asked a difficult question?

Was he asked to explain why John Burroughs now acknowledges that Cabansag, Penniston and himself did pursue an unfamiliar light for two miles before they realised it was a coastal lighthouse?

If the producers didn't know this, it suggests their research was perhaps inadequate and/or sources they relied on were possibly not entirely dependable.

If they did know, I wonder why John wasn't contacted and interviewed.

No matter, I persuaded him to be interviewed for 'Inside Out', the first time he has publicly commented on this story for almost ten years.

Did Cabansag deny they had ventured so far, a documented two miles?

Penniston apparently refutes this ever happened.

However, some startling new evidence further proves otherwise.

They did pursue a 'UFO' for two miles through the pitch-black countryside. Who confirms this... Charles Halt, no less.

On 31 July, 1994, Halt was a guest lecturer at the 'UFO Magazine' [UK] conference.

Recently, I unexpectedly received a transcript of Halt's lecture, in which he discusses in great detail those first night's events.

So far as I'm aware, it's the only occasion he has ever done so, at such length, in public. Halt states:

Now Penniston and Burroughs were on two different radio nets. However, the radios have little switches to flip the channels back and forth. Then Cabansag gets out of the vehicle and the other two proceed on foot, Penniston and Burroughs. They go into the forest after these lights that they see. The lights are getting brighter this time. They're getting closer; the object appears to be stationary, with the lights just pulsing.

As they approach the object they suddenly discover Cabansag with them. Now, they don't know whether he got frightened [laughter from Col. Halt and audience] because they left him out there in the woods, or if he was drawn with an insatiable curiosity or what, or whatever. They don't and he doesn't know to this day because Cabansag will no longer talk to anybody to this day about anything. He has a sensitive job with the government, that he does not want to risk, and his potential loss of job or whatever. So whatever, he won't talk to anybody no more. I do have a statement taken earlier from him.

Anyhow, as they approached this object, it does something which frightens them. They're not sure what. All three of them hit the ground. They are somewhere around 50 or 100 feet away, and they go down on the ground. Then they are really concerned and all three lay out there. What's going through their minds? They are worrying about everything: what are people going to think about this; this is ridiculous; this can't be; we can't relate to this. On and on. And they're really worried ...[unclear]... They do manage to get upon their feet, and Burroughs and Penniston got much closer.

[...]

The object levitates off the ground, moves through the

forest, and is gone. They all look at each other, and say, 'This can't be. What do we do now?'. Well, they really didn't know. They decided to go on out, through the forest, and see if they can see the direction it landed.

So they go out, through the forest, into the farmer's field, past the farmer's house, and probably walked out towards the coast. They say maybe a mile, maybe two miles. They didn't see much of anything, they did fall in a small stream and get wet, and they're very uncomfortable. Keep in mind this is Suffolk in the winter. It's about 35, 40 degrees and the wind's blowing off the coast. And, uh, Penniston ...[unclear]... right around in the vehicle left his jacket behind. Burroughs did have his jacket on, but he was starting to get cold.

There was about a one and a half hour period when they were totally out of radio control, getting a bad contact.

They claim they were just walking around looking, and, we don't know. But there was great concern on the base, of course, at this time. Where are they? What's happened? Nobody had any idea.
[END]

The critical evidence is of course:

"So they go out, through the forest, into the farmer's field, past the farmer's house, and probably walked out towards the coast. They say maybe a mile, maybe two miles".

Exactly as documented in those early January, 1981 statements.

When Halt adds, "They didn't see much of anything", he seems to have forgotten something not entirely insignificant - they had all seen that what they were pursuing was a "beacon light", or as John's statement affirms, "a lighthouse".

How could Halt not recall this.

Instead, he then claims:

Well, despite the fact they were all cold, wet, and tired, they all headed up to Central Security Control. They checked in their weapons, cleaned, checked in their

weapons, your radio and your equipment. And the Lieutenant who was on duty, Lt. Skip Moran, called them into the office. He didn't know what to do either. This is the gentleman that told the Desk Sergeant 'Don't put that in the blotter. Don't put that in the log.'

Then he called all the men inside. 'Tell me what happened.', and they went through the whole story. And he just shook his head. He didn't know what to do. They were sent home.

That morning, right after that, I came, picked up the blotter. I was quite concerned about it. But I thought, this action[?] ...[unclear]... I didn't have the story by the way about the ...[unclear]... ? I still thought they were lights ...[unclear]... I thought 'There's an explanation for this. The lighthouse is out there, we know where the lighthouse is. There's probably some moisture in the sky. There's a prism effect off the cloud, or something. There's an explanation for this.'
[END]

"The lighthouse is out there, we know where the lighthouse is".

If they knew where the lighthouse was, then why did it, in truth, require an abortive two-mile 'UFO' pursuit to refresh their memories.

When Halt first read those statements, why didn't he recognise what had occurred and that his own 'UFO' sighting - from the same location as Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston - was also probably explained.

The witness accounts were clear enough.

I'm sure we can all understand the striking questions this transcript evidence raises and deduce answers.

Incidentally, re Halt's claim, "The object levitates off the ground, moves through the forest, and is gone", according to John Burroughs, that simply never happened.

Rendlesham is the classic demonstration of why no 'UFO' related evidence can ever be taken at face value, even the most ostensibly trustworthy.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

I can now confirm that the documentary will initially be broadcast by BBC East, as part of their 'Inside Out' series, on Monday at 7:30 p.m.

I'll provide details of the accompanying web site, once work on that has been finalised.

I spoke with the producer today and now have a better idea about the end product. It's clearly going to be even more hard-hitting than I realised. In-house, the finished program is apparently regarded as "exceptional" and BBC East is "buzzing" about what they have captured on film, especially some of the interviews and revelations from a night-time shoot within Rendlesham forest.

I have been offered several copies of the program on tape and will make these available once received.

James.
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Subject: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

I'm pleased to reveal exclusively on UFORL that a new documentary investigating the Rendlesham forest 'UFO' incidents will be broadcast by the BBC next Monday evening, at prime viewing time.

As full details have yet to be announced by the BBC themselves, I will explain further when they do.

Initially, the program will be shown on mainstream BBC 1, regional.

There will be an accompanying BBC web site presentation and BBC radio participation.

Although I have been acting as consultant from the outset of this project, it's the producer who ultimately decides on content.

As the documentary isn't lengthy and the overall story can be complex, only the pivotal evidence will be covered.

That will encompass brand new research material and landmark interviews never before undertaken.

Where this program differs from other 'UFO' documentaries and especially relating to Rendlesham, is how it will take the approach, 'this is one of the most famous 'UFO' cases ever and by far Britain's most celebrated. Its inherent 'UFO' mystery is solved and here's the proof why'.

Furthermore, the producer was already familiar with general case evidence, prepared to take considerable time understanding facts he hadn't appreciated and also then verify them to his satisfaction.

All of which could result in this documentary having the "quite explosive" impact he subsequently expressed.

I can guarantee it will contain some significant surprises.

Achieving such a mainstream TV broadcast is quite a coup

for those who endeavour to see a more critical media investigation of intrinsic 'paranormal' claims.

It also proves this can be undertaken without a story losing its existing, popularised, fascination. After one interview in Rendlesham forest, the program's presenter noted off-camera how it was "the most exciting" documentary he had ever worked on.

Because case material had to be left aside, Monday's broadcast could effectively become the trailer for a more extensive production. I'm aware there is particular interest in this possibility.

One new aspect which could feature is an interview with Major Malcolm Zickler.

Zickler was Chief of Security Police, no less, and although he's never spoken publicly about those events, I have located and contacted him.

It was Zickler's office where Larry Warren and others were 'debriefed', before being taken to see films of 'flying saucers' on the moon's surface, etc.

Allegedly.

Doubtless the documentary will contain material I personally wouldn't have included and vice-versa. More importantly, it will be a welcome fresh look at the 'UFO' evidence, undertaken by a professional BBC team who were prepared to actually undertake their own investigation.

It was their conclusion the case had been solved.

When the BBC's related web site, etc. is available, I'll confirm the full TV schedule details.

In a separate development, Professor Chris French has recently come to realise the extent to which Rendlesham is resolved. As such, a forthcoming issue of 'The Skeptic' magazine will disclose how the truth behind this founding 'UFO' case was unravelled. It's possible the issue may be entirely dedicated to Rendlesham, with contributions from myself and others.

Therein, I will feature some remarkable and previously unpublished case material, more suited to magazine format

than a TV production.

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I am interested in obtaining a copy of the following, if published:

Kenneth V. Anderson: "The morphology and physiology of UFO occupants". This paper was prepared by Dr. Anderson, an APRO consultant, to be delivered at the APRO UFO Symposium held in Tucson (Arizona, USA) on 22/23 November, 1971, but he could not attend. Were those Proceedings published, and his contribution included?

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Subject: [UFORL] The Rest of the Story to "Out of the Blue"

The Rest of the Story to "Out of the Blue"
Jim Oberg (www.jamesoberg.com)
June 28, 2003

The SciFi channel's two-hour program, "Out of the Blue", first aired on June 24, 2003, is undoubtedly one of the slickest UFO-theme productions ever made. But although the claim is made that it was produced in order to show 'the truth' about UFOs, many of its key claims can be shown to be incomplete, misleading, and even false. Anyone seeking truth about UFO reports and what may lie behind them needs far more information than the SciFi Channel appears willing to give them. Here are some suggested additional sources for just such information.

The SciFi channel's Out of the Blue UFO program's home page is
<http://www.outoftheblue.tv/>

Regarding the 1947 Roswell case, the show discusses how congressman Steve Schiff pushed for government release of additional documents. The show fails to mention what happened with his investigation, as described by UFO historian James Moseley: "It is interesting to note that there would be no Air Force reports on Roswell, and thus no solution to this persistent mystery, were it not for a fortunate combination of circumstances. Mary Martinek, wife of UFO researcher Karl Pflock, happens to be the office chief of staff for Congressman Steven Schiff of New Mexico, who is a senior member of the Congressional committee that oversees the General Accounting Office (GAO). In late 1992, Pflock arranged a meeting in Washington, D.C., composed of himself, Jesse Marcel Jr., Stanton Friedman and others from the Fund for UFO Research. This meeting succeeded in interesting Schiff in the Roswell case. Thereafter Schiff tried in vain to get information on Roswell from various branches of the government. After his requests for information were ignored, he finally contacted the GAO, and this eventually led to the nearly 1,000 page 1994 government report on Roswell, which in turn led to the present report. Pflock and the Fund, working through the system, are responsible for the fact that, like it or not, the Roswell Incident is finally solved."

Information on Pflock's investigation and others like it can be found at
<http://www.roswellfiles.com/index.htm>
and
<http://members.aol.com/TPrinty/rwell.html>

Pflock's published book is described at
<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/->

/1573928941/qid=1056661689/sr=1-2/ref=sr_1_2/103-4832636-8179829?
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Other skeptical books are described (and debated) at
<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1573921645/thedebunkedomai>
and at
<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ISBN=1573921270/thedebunkedomai>.

Additional research results can be found at
<http://www.csicop.org/si/9507/roswell.html> and
<http://www.csicop.org/klassfiles/SUN-29.html>
and <http://www.csicop.org/klassfiles/SUN-30.html>.

The show spent considerable energy arranging to ambush Jimmy Carter for on-screen comments regarding his famous UFO report, but apparently never had energy to spare to read and understand the sole investigation of Carter's report, conducted by Robert Sheaffer and presented at
http://www.debunker.com/texts/carter_ufo.html. Worse, the show's script falsely asserts that the 'official' explanation of the Carter case was 'the planet Venus', when in fact there IS no official explanation - no government organization (and no pro-UFO group either) ever performed any verification efforts, so the facts of the case - location and date - as reported on 'Out of the Blue' are also false.

Considerable attention was also paid to a UFO story by Gordon Cooper. "In 1955, while stationed at Edwards Air Force Base, Mercury 7 astronaut Gordon Cooper witnessed an event that has yet to be explained nearly 50 years later. He was supervising the filming of a precision landing facility for F-86 fighter jets. Suddenly, a saucer-like craft flew directly over the cameraman. Three landing gear apparatuses opened, and the object landed on the dry lake bed." The program incorrectly gives the date of Cooper's Mercury spaceflight as 1965 (it was 1963) – such carelessness with easily-checked data is not encouraging for a project's overall reliability.

Twenty years ago, my study
(<http://www.zip.com.au/~psmith/cooper.html>) showed that Cooper was not an eyewitness, and his claim to have been the boss of the cameramen (Bittick and Gettys) was disputed by Gettys and by the man who was Cooper's boss at the time, as well as by the young AF officer who documented the case for Blue Book. The UFO drifted slowly past the cameramen's position, never extended legs, never landed, never soared out of sight. A thoroughly documented prosaic explanation for the sighting (in May 1957, not '1955') was found and published soon after the event. The report (Case #4715) and all the film wound up in the Blue Book files where any competent and honest researcher could have accessed them. The presentation given here is not merely

erroneous in all regards, it could well be deliberately slanted.

Nobody needs to question Cooper's intelligence or integrity in order to raise serious doubts about the reliability of his recent stories. One example is to note Cooper's numerous factual errors in recounting the story of fellow astronaut Jim McDivitt's 'UFO sighting' (see <http://groups.google.com/groups?q=Cooper+McDivitt+accurate&hl=en&safe=off&rnum=1&selm=20000505103036.13656.00000615%40ng-bh1.aol.com>). Another example is comparing Cooper's tale about a Gemini-5 military photography experiment with the recollections of every other witness (http://www.space.com/sciencefiction/phenomena/cooper_questioned_000929.html). A sad chapter of Cooper's life (which he left out of his recent autobiography, 'Leap of Faith'), deals with the millions of dollars (of his and other people's money) all lost on cockamamie aviation business schemes developed and/or endorsed by Cooper, as recounted by the Wall Street Journal (see <http://www.zip.com.au/~psmith/projects.html>). This context suggests at least a cautious approach to checking out Cooper's version of events with other contemporary witnesses, a step that any responsible news organization would obviously have considered prudent. It could be that Cooper's 1978 comment on a taped interview for OMNI magazine was more reliable: "I'd just as soon not get into the Edwards incident. I didn't get to see anything personally, it was all second hand evidence really."

As for the 'Cooper version' of the Edwards case, here's what the real witness, cameraman Jack Gettys, wrote: "I am amazed that Gordon Cooper said the object landed -- as far as I know, he never even saw it.... His story sounds kind of funny to me."

Aside: Carter and Cooper exemplify what can be called 'the celebrity exemption' for UFO stories. It is commonly accepted that the vast majority -- 80 or 90 or 95 or more percent -- of UFO reports, when properly investigated and when collateral documentation can be found, can yield prosaic explanations. But when a famous person is involved, the need for 'good propaganda' seems to dictate that their reports NEVER be investigated, probably out of the legitimate fear of discrediting a useful publicity tool. "Out of the Blue" stuck with this principle.

"Out of the Blue" also features photography expert and AF veteran Bob Jacobs's viewing of the film of the Atlas warhead deployment from Vandenberg in 1964, with no mention of the 'Skeptical Inquirer' article that offered a prosaic explanation of it ten years ago. Their words: "In 1964, former U.S. Air Force Lt. Bob Jacobs was in the 13-69th photo squadron at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. His mission was to film an Atlas Rocket going through all three stages of powered flight. Upon developing the film it was discovered that the camera captured something unexpected. According to Jacobs, when the

rocket was traveling between 11,000 and 14,000 miles per hour, a saucer-shaped craft entered the frame." The scientist in charge of the camera system, Kingston George, wrote in 1993 that the images actually showed a malfunction of the decoy deployment system that could have rendered the weapon system vulnerable to Soviet anti-missile defenses, an alarming discovery that led to the material being classified above the level that Jacobs had access to. George's article is available at <http://members.aol.com/tprinty2/bigsur.html>; he still lives at the address given in the 1993 article and is available for interviews, but it seems that somehow, 'Out of the Blue' didn't get around to tracking him down and talking with him.

Other topics mentioned on the show:

Printy has a rather good rebuttal of the "Phoenix lights" as well as the article by Tony Ortega which highlighted some of the nonsense. <http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/mar/m08-001.shtml>
<http://www.phoenixnewtimes.com/issues/1997-06-26/news2.html>
<http://members.aol.com/TPrinty/AZUFO.html>

Also, the 1950 'Trent Photo' is highlighted, along with comments by William Hartmann, an astronomer (and skilled amateur artist) who worked for the Condon Committee. What 'Out of the Blue' concealed from its viewers is that Hartmann's subsequent research convinced him, for technical reasons, that the photograph was a hoax (<http://www.debunker.com/trent.html>). See also <http://www.ufx.org/mcminn/photo.htm>

The 'Trans en Provence' story is discussed by Eric Maillot, who suggests it could be a simple prank with over-interpreted non-double-blind sampling, at <http://www.zetetique.ldh.org/tep.html>

The Rendlesham case (<http://www.debunker.com/rendlesham.html>) is explained in prosaic terms at James Easton's site (<http://www.rendlesham.com/>) and by Ian Ridpath (<http://users.macunlimited.net/ianrid/ufos/rendlesham>). Easton also reports that a new documentary examining the incidents will be broadcast by the BBC next Monday, June 30, at 7:30 p.m. on BBC East, as part of their 'Inside Out' series - investigating stories of local interest. There will be an accompanying BBC web site presentation and local BBC radio participation.

As for the Condon report (on-line: <http://www.ncas.org/condon/>), Printy has a rather unique discussion about scientific investigations into the UFO phenomena. Not mentioned by 'Out of the Blue' is that the 1997 Sturrock panel agreed with Condon that no contributions to science have been made by the study of UFOs! See <http://members.aol.com/TPrinty/Science.html>

Several UFO cases from Russia were highlighted, and they appeared to be typical pilot sightings (see a discussion of problems with this genre at <http://www.beyondroswell.com/roswell/casestudies.html>) with the glaring exception that they cannot be properly investigated for the prosaic solutions which most such sightings do have. An example of how spectacular Soviet-era UFO reports were actually often sparked by top-secret Soviet military missile and space activities can be seen at http://www.debunker.com/texts/soviet_coverup.html and <http://www.eagle-net.org/UFOSSI/special/sovcoverup.html>, and an overview of why Russian UFO reports in general should be treated with extreme caution is in OMNI magazine, April 1994, "Soviet Saucers", found at <http://www.debunker.com/texts/soviet.html> and http://www.qtm.net/~geibdan/soviet_s.txt.

The last said about 'Colonel' Corso and his embarrassing ravings, the better - except that 'Out of the Blue' is out of step with mainstream UFOlogy in giving his stories any credibility at all. Corso has long since been shot down by many. Here is an interesting review: <http://217.206.205.125/review/roswell.shtml>, and another: <http://www.roswell-ufo-incident.com/14.htm>

Elsewhere, I've addressed other issues such as Greer's 'Disclosure Project' (we debated at Purdue University in 1999, and my prepared remarks are at <http://groups.google.com/groups?q=oberg+STS+UFO&start=50&hl=en&safe=off&rnum=57&selm=19990412145339.02>

139.00001839%40ng-fr1.aol.com. Brief theoretical treatments of a logical case for NOT 'believing' in UFOs can be found in the prize-winning essay "The Failure of The Science of Ufology" (1979) at http://www.beyondroswell.com/roswell/oberg_failure.html, and a later conference paper, 'The Null Hypothesis' (1985) also called 'The Black-Box Perception Model', at http://www.debunker.com/texts/black_box_approach_to_ufo_perceptions.html.

Naturally there are always more cases than can be properly investigated, and some of them are really intriguing, such as the SAC missile reports and the video of a structured object in the sky over England. No explanations have been found for these stories, but the main reason seems to be that no prosaic explanations have yet been sought by investigators with the proper background and skills. Other famous cases of the past also looked just as good, before they were investigated. But as Allen Hynek wrote long ago, no UFO report can be treated seriously until "after examination by qualified persons..." and for many cases presented by 'Out of the Blue', this hasn't even happened yet.

"Out of the Blue" makes an excellent prosecutorial-style case for the

reality of UFOs, and is a skilled piece of advocacy. However, it does not appear to be interested in 'truth', as the numerous omissions, misleading half-truths, and clear misstatements of 'fact' indicate. It covers up contrary evidence, while accusing others of doing the same. To fulfill the publicly announced goal, the SciFi channel should offer its viewers access – perhaps through its own home page – to the `contrary' views like those shown here, so that the evidence FOR the reality of UFOs can be compelled to stand on its merits, and not by default.

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Jerry Cohen's "Rebuttal" of My Investigations of the Cooper UFO Stories // June 26, 2003

For several years, the website of Jerry Cohen (cohenufo@optonline.net) has included a long rambling self-styled rebuttal of my own research results on the Gordon Cooper UFO stories (see <http://www.zip.com.au/~psmith/cooper.html>), a report completed in 1983-1984 as a book chapter for a project that was later set aside. I couldn't take Cohen's piece all that seriously since only about 10% of the almost 30,000 word report actually addressed my study, and even then ignored or misrepresented 90% of the evidence I had presented. In Cohen's words, "Mr. Oberg made statements demeaning the reputations of not only ex-astronaut Gordon Cooper, but additionally those of Drs. J. Allen Hynek and James McDonald. My rebuttal(s) give lie to this." – but my assertions were about credibility of stories, and soundness of judgment, not character flaws and issues with intelligence and integrity.

Cohen also complained that I never responded in detail to him (see <http://www.cohenufo.org/Oberg/obrgacknhist.htm>), but then added, "I recently found Mr. Oberg's personal web site and observed that the above essay in question didn't appear therein. It is my hope that he gave some thought to some of the things he wrote and decided not to include them with his other analyses." This is surprising because there is indeed such a link.

The time has finally come to address why I think the Cohen essay is irrelevant to the credibility of my conclusions in my own investigation (the only investigation EVER conducted by ANYONE to corroborate the UFO stories associated with Cooper, as far as I can tell), since several correspondents of mine have asked for my responses, and I value the quality of our exchanges enough to make the effort to prepare the following essay. This does not mean I'm interested in debating Mr. Cohen, since I see no evidence in his own 'rebuttal', or elsewhere on his site, that there is any prospect of productive clarification and modification of views.

Comments on Select cases and moments from UFO History (The "real" x-files)

formerly titled The Oberg/Cooper Rebuttal(s) and The Research of Jerry Cohen

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<http://www.cohenufo.org/index.html#Obergindepg>

Cohen: ""my research concerning several 1957 cases lends strong support to what Cooper has stated regarding the alleged landing at Edwards AFB."" I will present three well documented cases from 1957. I selected these cases because Mr. Oberg specifically discussed a claim that Gordon Cooper made concerning an alleged landing at Edwards Air Force base in 1957. I believe these cases, when examined in relationship to each other, demonstrate a strong probability that the case against Cooper is not as "cut and dried" as Mr. Oberg has indicated.... The three cases I have mentioned contain factual, concrete evidence that proves beyond a shadow of doubt that some UFOs can definitely be referred to as "craft", as they contain crucial evidence identifying some UFOs as craft of an unknown type."

JEO: Cohen's approach to attack my research is to not attack my research, but to present other cases that have NOT been researched, and use them to argue that Cooper's stories are similar to them, and hence are mutually corroborated. This is a snake swallowing its own tail, a closed-loop 'proof' that goes round and round but neither starts nor finishes anywhere reliable.

Cohen: "Many of the things Mr. Oberg said in his essay appeared to be accurate however, I found it filled with unsupported innuendo. I disagree with several of the conclusions reached and I'm not so certain of the veracity of others as some are anecdotal in nature with not enough supporting documentation to confirm some of the things he says."

JEO: Mr. Cohen has never asked me to share my interview notes or the letters I received from the witnesses I quote. Others have asked me, and I have complied. In any case, this complaint of his appears fairly insipid, and easy enough to satisfy, if he'd only have asked.

Cohen quotes JEO re UN visit: "Part of Cooper's problem might have been that he was visiting under the auspices of the then dictator of Grenada, the madcap 'Sir' Eric Gairy. Gairy's excesses and crackpottery, added to his alleged corruption and brutality at home, later led to the New Jewel coup d'etat led by Maurice Bishop, and indirectly to the US intervention five years later."

J.C. "Although much of what was said in the preceding paragraph may well have been true (and which parts we cannot be sure, as specific documentation was not offered to support same), it has not been adequately demonstrated that Cooper had a "problem" at the time. Also, I am not certain why this material was included in the preceding dialogue except perhaps to impugn Cooper's character by implying that he was somehow in "cahoots" with a "crackpot," corrupt dictator; or that people reporting UFOs must, by association, be crackpots too. The fact of the matter is that the United Nations had previously agreed to have a conference concerning the subject of UFOs. They certainly weren't forced to have this discussion. It is

a rather large body of nations. If the topic was totally absurd, they wouldn't have agreed to wasting their time on it in the first place. It most likely was petitioned and had support." .. "In reality, the main reason the UN did not follow-up further on the proceedings had mostly to do with economics and ongoing world politics. "

JEO comments: Cooper's visit to the UN is often presented as part of a UN-sponsored study of UFOs. My comment was intended to clarify that Cooper went to meet Waldheim as part of the delegation of Grenada, and Waldheim was obligated to receive Grenada's head-of-state and his entourage, purely as a diplomatic courtesy. As to the motives of the later UN study, note how Cohen – who complains in the same paragraph about my 'lack of documentation' – simply presumes the rationale and motives of the UN with no pretense of any actual supportive evidence even existing.

Cohen: "1b- GORDON COOPER, SECOND HAND ACCOUNTS, SLANDEROUS STATEMENTS, JAMES McDONALD AND CLOSED MINDED SKEPTICS -- Without

getting lost in discussing the pages of proof submitted regarding the supposed enhancements to Coopers statements which Mr. Oberg attempted to demonstrate were created by other individuals, I will concede that it is human nature for people to build upon stories, misquote information, fabricate, etc., especially if there is money to be made from same or possibly, careers to be made in newspaper journalism. UFO researchers are well aware of this. However, contrary to what Mr. Oberg would have us believe, some professional UFO researchers actually do follow a general rule that one must "take with a grain of salt" second-hand accounts, sources, etc. relating to UFO claimed incidents and, instead concentrate on examining initial reports and how they correlate with other reports from the same general time period..... One mistake should not invalidate that person's entire work otherwise Mr. Oberg's own lifetime body of criticism regarding UFOs might also thereby be dismissed in total because he spent inordinate time discussing these second-hand versions (a "no-no" in itself!) without providing adequate solid proof to substantiate the entirety of his accusations, some of which verged on slander."

JEO: I attempted to provide checkable citations of all passages I quoted and would have been willing to provide more details as requested. These were not "supposed" enhancements, but documented descriptions that were at variance with Cooper's own accounts. As to "what Mr. Oberg would have us believe" (Cohen seems to think I claimed that professional UFO researchers are never skeptical of second-hand accounts – he made this up out of imagination), it should not be hard to believe the following:

Many respected UFO writers passed on the story of a UFO encounter on Cooper's Mercury-9 orbital flight in 1963. Hynek's book Edge of

Reality (coauthored with Jacques Vallee) carried a long list of astronaut sighting reports, including this one: "May 16, 1963 -- Mercury 9: Gordon Cooper reported a greenish UFO with a red tail during his fifteenth orbit. He also reported other mysterious sightings over South America and Australia. The object he sighted over Perth, Australia, was caught on screens by ground tracking stations."

My 1983 paper made the following contrary claim, based on Cooper's personal communication to me. In a 1978 letter, Cooper stressed "the non-occurrence of a sighting on Mercury 9. I have the original on-board tapes in my possession which also refute this."" I had written, "In an OMNI interview published in March 1980, Cooper was asked about the reports of astronauts seeing UFOs in space. He replied, "It got so bad that there were deliberately falsified tapes of communications with the astronauts, where UFO material was simply edited in."

Years later, Cooper continued to criticize those who had exploited that myth. As reported on www.space.com on 10 September 1999, by staffer Robert Scott Martin, (<http://www.space.com/sciencefiction/phenomena/cooper.html>), "Cooper flatly denied the long-standing claim, repeated over the years by various authors including UFOlogical saints Allen Hynek and Jacques Valle, that he saw a greenish object with a red tail move past his Mercury 9 spacecraft in 1963. "No, somebody made a lot of money selling ... lies on that one," Cooper, the sixth American in space, told Art Bell on the syndicated "Coast to Coast" talk radio show Thursday night. "It was totally untrue, sorry to say.""

In the many tens of thousands of words that Cohen presented to refute my study (less than 10% of the text actually referred to my study itself), Cohen found no space, as far as I can tell, to ever mention the Mercury-9 myth and how his favorite UFO investigators fell for it, and caused people who trusted them to fall for it too.

In discussing my research on the 1951 Cooper reported sighting in Germany, Cohen wrote, "He has used supposed "witness" accounts from a dozen or so people who responded to him saying they never had the experience which Cooper claims to have had, to prove to us that Cooper was mistaken in what he says he saw and that [JEO's words quoted by Cohen] "The popular version of the legend, placing the action in Germany in 1951, simply cannot have occurred as Cooper has described it -- if the vast majority of the witnesses are to be believed." However, what rightly should have been said was "....if the vast majority of people who RESPONDED are to be believed." Readers must, in all fairness, realize that since they didn't "see it," those individuals cannot be properly referred to as "witnesses." it is certainly not "written in stone" that the people who

actually witnessed what Cooper says he did would readily come forth to talk about it. In reality, one must totally understand the Air Force's position on UFOs, the penalties it imposes on those that break the silence."

First, Cohen omits a full description of my research, which was more than merely sending letters and awaiting responses. At two reunions of the veteran pilots, a former wing commander deliberately sought out men who had been in positions of command and knowledge on the base, and they reported no knowledge of such an incident. Also, I wrote, "In 1979 I wrote to contacts in Munich and received a negative reply: 'Neither the Munich newspapers nor the police records of that period give any mention of the case', wrote Wolfgang Kuchler of 'P.M.' magazine," and I later expanded this inquiry to German UFO clubs that had records in that region dating back to that period – again, no independent corroboration. Lastly, I reported an account of a man who knew Cooper circa 1960 and he recalled Cooper's story of the 'fleets of UFOs' as occurring not in Germany but in the American middle west.

Second, what are the implications of Cohen's statement that the reports that came in from men who had been flying with Cooper at the time but did not recall anything should be ignored because the men saw nothing and hence were NOT witnesses? Imagine a situation where a dozen people sit in a room, and one person jumps up and reports a gorilla shuffling across the room. All the other men see nothing. Is their testimony valueless in assessing the credibility of the gorilla sighting? Of course not.

Lastly, Cohen invokes the trump card reserved for inconvenient testimony, that such people are lying on account of threats of punishment (punishment for which there never seems to be any documented cases of it ever happening, as OMNI magazine found out a decade ago when it spent months trying to find ANYBODY who had suffered retribution for talking about UFO secrets in public). It's another self-fulfilling circular pseudo-proof: "The other guys say nothing happened there? That's further proof that there's a massive coverup forcing everybody else to falsify their statements."

Cohen complains: "Another bone of contention occurs when Hynek is slandered at the essays end with the following statement: [Cohen quotes Oberg] 'But solving the cases was the last thing the UFO promoters were interested in.' -- 'People who have used Cooper's stories to 'prove' the reality of UFOs (respected ufologists such as Frank Edwards, Leonard Stringfield, J. Allen Hynek, and less respected ones such as Timothy Beckley) seem to have neither known nor really cared about the real truth behind the stories....."

Cohen: "This, too, is a blanket statement concerning all the individuals mentioned and has certainly not been adequately proven concerning any one of them. Also, it has not been proven that Cooper

was not telling the truth."

JEO: Cohen could back this assertion up with a single example of ANY of these people conducting their own investigation of any of Cooper's story, but Cohen can't do this, because such investigations never happened. Even Hynek's own published definition of a "UFO Report" was of an apparition "that does not specify any known physical event, object, or process or any psychological event or process", with the critical requirement that it be "even after examination by qualified persons." Hynek and his associated never performed such 'examinations' in Cooper's cases.

[Cohen quotes Oberg] "Their goal evidently was to piggyback on Cooper's reputation to further their own ufological careers, not to take the opportunity to see what Cooper's actual experiences could teach them about the real UFO phenomenon. The truth behind Cooper's stories was the last thing that seemed to interest them." Cohen writes, "Again, an assumption on the author's part. Unless one was there with Gordon Cooper, no one can know what his actual experiences were. I can speak with confidence from my own research that Dr. Hynek's work was sincere."

JEO: Cohen equates sincerity with veracity here – I refer again to the Mercury-9 Cooper UFO myth which Hynek, in fact, DID promote, and which Cooper himself (the only expert Cohen says he'll believe) testifies was a fake story. Cohen does not like this opinion, but the documented facts appear supportive.

Yet he returns to this theme several chapters later: "3a. Mr. Oberg has stated that Dr. Hynek wasn't careful in the data he selected to be used in several of his books. To the best of my awareness and research, no one that worked with Hynek on an ongoing basis ever accused him of anything of this sort." First, the second sentence is not actually a refutation of the first. Secondly, the example of the Mercury-9 Cooper UFO Myth provides exactly the sort of documentation to demonstrate that my assertion is justified. Cohen perhaps realizes this – I wonder if that's the reason, in his tens of thousands of words, that he never (as far as I can tell) mentions the Mercury-9 Cooper UFO non-case explicitly.

Cohen appears not to have understood irony, or perhaps my words were obscure enough to give rise to an honest misunderstanding. Concerning the cameraman who took the photographs in May 1957 at Edwards AFB, I wrote: "When I told Gettys in 1982 that McDonald had used his case in congressional testimony, the UFO witness was pleased but surprised McDonald had never gotten back to him about the use he'd put his testimony to. So the pro-UFO people kept some secrets, too!." My intent was comic

relief in a narrative in which accusations of withholding information had been widely thrown at government and military personnel. Meanwhile, I quoted the McDonald passage as an example of an accurate reportage.

But Cohen saw the comment as an attack on McDonald: "Dr. McDonald brings a recorded, documented case to a congressional committee," he writes, "and, Mr. Oberg, because of Air Force statements claiming the preceding was a 'weather balloon...', assumes that Dr. McDonald's case is invalid and goes even further, intimating that McDonald did something devious in bringing the case to the committee. Additionally, Oberg clearly states that the witness was pleased that McDonald had done so. Is it possible that McDonald knew he would be pleased? No, Mr. Oberg feels that darned McDonald is just trying to be sneaky."

Cohen is totally off the deep end in these ravings. He completely misunderstands and misrepresents my argument. I intended no implication of devious behavior by McDonald, just a mild taunt that he had neglected to provide feedback to Gettys after all of the cameraman's cooperation. Cohen writes, "Mr. Oberg feels that darned McDonald is just trying to be sneaky," but he is in fantasyland on this bizarre and baseless misrepresentation.

Later, Cohen returns to this theme: "Oberg/Cooper.7ab&c will reasonably demonstrate that Mr. Oberg unjustly accused McDonald of generally not researching his cases and caring about the facts. I believe you will also find there certainly was nothing that anyone might remotely call 'secretive' in regards to his analysis of the Kirtland AFB case or his address to the American Association For The Advancement Of Science (AAAS) UFO Symposium, Boston, Dec. 27, 1969."

I am totally baffled by this allegation that I made any such accusation, and I'd appreciate help from anyone in trying to explain to me how Cohen could have so grievously misunderstood what I had thought was a relatively clear argument. In fact, I trust Dr. McDonald's account of the eyewitness description of this encounter, and merely point out two glaring stunners: McDonald makes it clear that the primary witnesses did NOT report the object landed (as Cooper now claims), and that "Gordon Cooper" was not the name of anyone involved in witnessing the incident (he claims he was in charge of the team). So if Cohen TRUSTS McDonald's account, how can he ALSO trust Cooper's version which fundamentally contradicts it?

A thought about the origin of the 'triangle landing gear' detail from Cooper's narrative later in the 1990's. There is one passage in McDonald's description that, if read quickly or only partially remembered (and Cooper did read it, as part of my own draft report I sent him in 1984), as follows: "They immediately got into communication with the range director and asked if anyone else was

manning an Askania that could be used to get TRIANGULATION SHOTS." Perhaps in some later dramatization of the story for an appreciative audience, this phrase metamorphed into a triangular landing gear.

Regarding that Edwards case, in chapter 5b, Cohen writes: "A weather balloon. Where have we heard that before? Perhaps the reasons were a lot less obvious than Mr. Oberg has previously thought. The real question is "How valid is the Air Force's explanation?" JEO: This is a fair question, and the first step towards answering it is to obtain the 30-page report from the Blue Book archives and see what the documentation is supposed to have done. But has Cohen done this? In fact, as far as we can tell, has ANY UFO researcher or writer who has mentioned this case ever done this? To the best of my knowledge, the answer is "No", even "Hell, NO."

Cohen provides an excellent example of his own style of determining reality: self-supportive imagination. Here: "Furthermore, to think that another department in our defense system hasn't been quietly receiving all this UFO information without studying it would be to imply that our defense system is highly incompetent. Since we all know this is not the truth, I would hope it is safe to assume that some defense group(s), somewhere is (are) well appraised of the situation."

I leave it to the amusement of the reader to put this in syllogistic form and see just how atrocious the reasoning is.

Cohen reaches the end with a question: "One final question to all skeptics who have read these essays to this point thus far: `Are you honestly all as positive as you were before reading them, that Gordon Cooper was not telling the truth about what he saw?' Remember, the date of Cooper's claimed landing at Edwards AFB was May 3rd, 1957 (as per Mr. Oberg), six months prior to the Kirtland case which occurred November 4th of the same year."

Cohen gets the legal presumption precisely on its head. The question is not to be positive that Cooper was NOT providing an accurate account ("telling the truth" is another lawyer trick to semantically stack the deck of a supposedly innocent question). The question is, is the veracity of his account certain `beyond reasonable doubt'? Here, Cohen's argumentation ends....

But it's worth recalling some of Cooper's own comments from a quarter century ago. His own words on the Edwards case, told in 1977 to interviewer Lee Spiegel for the "The Credibility Factor" (the UFO record), are as follows: he recalled "...the case of one that landed out on the dry lake bed right out from a number of camera crews we had who filmed it. And the film was there and was sent forward to the safekeeping somewhere in Washington, never to be seen again." It's not HIS camera crew, it's our crews (more than one), and what did HE

actually see? In 1978, in his second interview with Spiegel (this time for OMNI magazine), he evaded any discussion of the Edwards case by saying, "I'd just as soon not get into the Edwards incident. I didn't get to see anything personally, it was all second hand evidence really." But in the recent SciFi channel 'Out of the Blue' show, the story has become that Cooper is out on the lakebed watching the UFO land and then take off again.

As to the accuracy of the rest of Cooper's recollection of the "Edwards UFO", eyewitness Gettys had this to say in 1982: "I am amazed that Gordon Cooper said the object landed -- as far as I know, he never even saw it.... His story sounds kind of funny to me."

And to me, too. But that's not slander.

What still puzzles me, though, is that after all of Cohen's defiant defense of all of Cooper's statements, on ANOTHER part of his website he waffles: "I believe the probability that ex-astronaut Gordon Cooper is telling the truth regarding, at the minimum his early sightings, is extremely high." What does he mean by "at the minimum" -- that Cooper may NOT be telling the truth about his LATER sightings? The inquiry continues....

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Subject: [UFORL] Project FOTOCAT News, June 2002

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(For previous reports and citations of various forms of co-operation with this project, see: <<http://www.anomalia.org/fotocat1.htm>>)

FOTOCAT is a world-wide catalogue of UFO photography reaching 3,400+ entries by end June 2003, and growing at a fast pace. As a project of the not-for-profit Spanish association Anomaly Foundation <<http://www.anomalia.org>>, it receives donations of files and materials from investigators all over the world, and many UFO researchers are contributing to the success of the program. The whole catalogue will be posted free by the internet at a later stage.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS TO RECENT ASSISTANCE

Dr Donald Johnson, who is managing UFOCAT, the largest UFO database in the world, is co-operating with us by submitting regional listings which are checked with our own records. It feeds FOTOCAT with fresh new cases. UFOCAT was originally devised and started by Dr Dave Saunders, who was a scientific member of the Condon Committee, and I was one of the grand catalog's correspondents.

Brasilian ufologist Claudier Covo has provided us with a set of scans of the famous Barra da Tijuca photographs taken May 7, 1952.

Ray Stanford has taken the trouble to compile in an spreadsheet format specially prepared for us, a chronological summary of the 40+ imagery cases he has been involved from 1954 to the present.

From: TPrinty@aol.com
Date: Thu, 3 Jul 2003 19:51:09 EDT
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary
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<FONT SIZE=2 FAMILY="SANSERIF"
FACE="Arial" LANG="0">James wrote:

>My questions:

>1. Nowhere in the recording is a level of "0.1

>milliroentgens" mentioned. Is this possibly another error

>in Halt's memo?

I think Halt had no clue as to what the AN/PDR-27 read. He obviously had no idea how to operate it and I don't think his operator was that familiar with it either. He apparently wrote his memo from memory with a little help from the tape.

>2. What would we expect a "normal" background reading to

>be on the AN/DPR-27 X1 scale?

My experience in the Navy was very low. It depended if the Beta window was open or not. It also depended on where you were using it. For instance, a reading in upstate NY background would be much higher than a reading in South Carolina. The natural background shifts with the type of minerals/rocks available.

>3. If the highest level recorded at the 'landing site'

>was in truth, "up towards seven" clicks, how can this

>possibly be ten times higher than normal background

>radiation, as claimed by Giles Cowling, see:

It can't be. Obviously, Cowling was uninformed about the details and probably never saw how an AN/PDR-27 was used. He probably was told that the readings were much higher than they really were.

>4. How could he make that determination without access to

>the full data, especially knowing what sensitivity scale

>was being used.

Exactly.

>5. If his conclusion is based solely on the "0.1

>milliroentgens" noted in Halt's memo, does that mean

>normal background radiation should be ten times less?

The only way to tell is to take an AN/PDR-27 or equivalent and measure the levels in the woods (or somewhere nearby). Also they would need to perform this test with the beta window open (if using the AN/PDR-27, if not, the reading needs to be Beta and not Gamma on the substitute).

>Any comments duly welcome.

The comments in the email you sent is very close to what I recall from my use of the AN/PDR-27. The "clicks" were directly related to the reading and was done so by listening to a headset (there was no speaker). If I recall, a rate of a few hundred clicks per minute equated to about 0.1 mr/hr (this is only from memory). This is 4-5 clicks per second for 0.1 mr/hr. Listening to the tape where we get a few clicks here and a few clicks there, it is obvious they never got close to the 0.1mr/hr rate. Additionally, one must also realize that the meter movement was highly susceptible to bumping. This is why there was a strap attached to the radiac so it could be held still. If you move the radiac in any direction too quickly, the meter will deflect! One wonders if the radiac readings were taken with some tech with shaky hands or if the radiac was placed firmly on the ground. Considering the very low readings being present, I would consid

er these values negligible.

Another thought on this issue. Why was Halt taking radiation readings in the middle of the night two days after the event when he could easily have done so the morning after the lighthouse chase? Additionally, why did his radiation "expert" choose an AN/PDR-27 which is designed to measure radiation and not really designed to measure contamination. An experienced tech would have also brought an AN/PDR-56 to measure alpha contamination and an E-140N to measure Beta-Gamma contamination. Halt should also have ordered a survey of the area the next morning to define the areas of contamination/high radiation levels. If he did not then it is likely his tech did not feel the levels involved were very high at all.

Tim Printy

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From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>
Date: Thu, 3 Jul 2003 23:03:30 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

James wrote:

> Neil,
>
.....
> [BEGIN]
> HALT: We've passed the farmer's house and are crossing
> the next field and now we have multiple sightings of up
> to five lights with a similar shape and all but they seem
> to be steady now rather than a pulsating or glow with a
> red flash.
> [END]
>
> These were five lights on top of five, tall, radio masts.

These are the five equally spaced radio masts at the Cobra Mist site. Ian Ridpath took a night time photo in Nov. 1983 in which 2 of these red light lights can be seen through the trees to the left of the lighthouse. See the "Night light" photo on <http://users.macunlimited.net/ianrid/ufos/rendlesham>

They are also mentioned in "Skycrash".

Note the inconsistency at the landing site identified by Brenda Butler and Dot Street, from where these five lights are visible at the same time as Orfordness lighthouse. In the field south of Oak Wood, the lighthouse is seen first, and the five lights only come into view as you pass Oak Wood on your left and approach the farmer's house.

> [BEGIN]
> HALT: 2:44. We're at the far side of the second farmer's
> field and made sighting again about 110 degrees. This
> looks like it's clear off to the coast. It's right on the
> horizon. Moves about a bit and flashes from time to time.
> Still steady or red in color.
> [END]
>
> Orford Ness lighthouse again.
>

It was the Shipwash lightship at about 113 degrees on their compass. The main reason Col Halt is so convinced he saw a UFO and not the lighthouse, is that the "lighthouse" was visible "the whole time". The Shipwash lightship was the first light they saw (hence "Made sighting again") and followed for a few hundred yards, before being surprised by the light from Orfordness coming through the trees about 15 degrees to the left ("at 11 o'clock") - that's Halt's UFO. Col Halt never saw the Orfordness lighthouse again after it "exploded" into 5 "white" lights. After all, if the second sighting made

in the second farmer's field is identified as the Orfordness lighthouse, then the implication is that Col Halt believes that the UFO not only "exploded" into 5 lights, but then somehow reassembled itself. And if this were true, wouldn't the reassembly have been an even more remarkable thing for Col Halt to have related in his story?

Note Col Halt has never admitted that the first light they followed, Shipwash, was probably identified by him that very night in the second farmer's field as a lighthouse "clear off to the coast".

- > [BEGIN]
- > HALT: 3:05. We see strange strobe-like flashes to the...
- > rather sporadic, but there's definitely something there.
- > Some kind of phenomenon.
- > [END]
- >
- > Thanks to Robert McLean's research, we know that's the
- > Sunk lightship. You can still stand in the same spot and
- > see this strobe-like "phenomenon".

Unfortunately, the Sunk lightship was recently decommissioned - a victim of GPS navigation.

Robert McLean

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Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2003 17:44:46 +0100 (BST)
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

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Date: Fri, 4 Jul 2003 01:21:17 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

For information, I remembered that Robert McLean confirmed this clarification from Halt's recording:

NEVILLES: Make a notation that this is on a beta reading too.

HALT: On a beta reading?

James.
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Robert,

Interesting that in his recording Halt notes:

"We've passed the farmer's house and are crossing the next field and now we have multiple sightings of up to five lights with a similar shape and all but they seem to be steady now rather than a pulsating or glow with a red flash".

Although there's no mention of their colour, Halt says they have "a similar shape and all", implying they are red.

Yet by the time of his memo, Halt recalls, "Later in the night a red sun-like light was seen through the trees. It moved about and pulsed. At one point it appeared to throw off glowing particles and then broke into five separate white objects".

That's been his story ever since, except possibly in one interview, published in the long since defunct UK 'Sightings' magazine [volume 2, issue 3].

This 1994 interview was given by Halt when in the U.K. for filming of 'Strange But True?'. A mixture of direct and indirect quotes, it's claimed:

"The team passed a farmer's field, only to witness five

separate ruby lights, all with matching build, that had stopped pulsing...".

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>("at 11 o'clock") - that's Halt's UFO.

In the same 'Sightings' interview Halt states, "At this time we could see the lighthouse, it was off to the side of this object by about 30 degrees".

As I also highlighted in 'Resolving Rendlesham':

Halt was asked [by Salley Rayl] about the assertion he had been deceived by the Orford Ness lighthouse and replied:

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[END]

There's a map on my web site which confirms this as fact:

<http://www.rendlesham.com/map2.jpg>

We agree on why the lighthouse was mistaken for a 'UFO'

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>second sighting made in the second farmer's field is
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>only "exploded" into 5 lights, but then somehow
>reassembled itself. And if this were true, wouldn't the
>reassembly have been an even more remarkable thing for
>Col Halt to have related in his story?

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Halt does, however, seem to think it's the same object sighted from within Rendlesham forest, noting how it's, "Still steady or red in color".

I'm not convinced this would have troubled Halt at the time. There's no indication on tape that during events he believes the five lights originate from the light seen in Rendlesham forest.

It's only when writing his memo that Halt seems to establish a direct connection and claim the 'flashing red light' dissipated and "broke into five separate white objects".

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Perhaps Halt was just a bit concerned about telling the Ministry his 'UFO' was last seen on the coastal horizon.

James.

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In Halt's lecture at the 'UFO Magazine' (UK) conference on 31 July, 1994, he stated:

"Lt. Englund came by. He had MSgt. Bobby Ball. Who was the senior police NCO on duty, and then went by and picked up [unclear]. I had Sgt. [unclear] take a known radiation source, calibrate both the ANP-27's - I didn't want him to go out with an uncalibrated instrument - and I told him to pick the best of the two, you know. They both worked very well".

In his memo to the Ministry, Halt had claimed:

"Beta/gamma readings of 0.1 milliroentgens were recorded with peak readings in the three depressions and near the center of the triangle formed by the depressions. A nearby tree had moderate (.05-.07) readings on the side of the tree toward the depressions".

I once extracted all of the related comments from Halt's tape recording and wrote:

Again despite the new understandings published in 'Resolving Rendlesham', Nick brings up the evidence which most convinced him that there was some substance to the 'Rendlesham forest' affair, stating, "Then we have radiation readings which, irrespective of how high they were, just happened to peak where the trees were damaged and in the very centre of the indentations".

Trusting Nick means, 'irrespective of how small they were', Ian Ridpath tells me that having obtained a relevant opinion from the National Radiological Protection Board (NRPB), as detailed in 'Resolving Rendlesham', he has since advised Giles Cowling at DERA Radiation Protection Services (DRPS). Ian confirms:

"When informed by me of these additional facts, Giles Cowling of DRPS, Nick Pope's original source for the '10 times background' claim, changed his opinion. He wrote to me again on August 21, 'I share the NRPB view that the use of a high-range survey instruments to measure (accurately) environmental levels of radiation is somewhat questionable and this must throw some doubt on the validity of the data reported'."

I believe this issue can be finally laid to rest by analysing what was recorded on Col. Halt's microcassette. Using the hand-held recorder, he documented his team's investigation of the area where some believed 'ground indentations' had been found in the forest. Extracting all of the readings, the location [L] is first given, followed by the Geiger counter measurement [M]:

[L] "approaching the area within about 25, 30 feet"

[M] "just minor clicks"

[L] at the 'impressions'

[M] "about third, fourth mark"

[L] "second pod indentation"

[M] "this one's dead"

[L] "the third one"

[M] "some residual - a little pulse"

[L] "center of the area"

[M] "best deflection of the needle I've seen yet"
"we're getting rad at half a millirem"
"up towards seven...just jumped up towards seven tenths"
"seven units, let's call it, on the point five scale"

[L] "getting in close to one pod"

[M] "up to two, three units deflection"
"still not going above three or four units"
"picking up more, though - more frequent"

[L] "on the tree...from on the side facing the suspected landing site"

[M] "four clicks max"

[L] the other side of the tree, facing away from the 'landing site'

[M] "there's no clicks whatsoever"
"...maybe one or two..."

[L] "some type of abrasion or something in the ground"
[in the 'center' area]

[M] "we get a high radioactive reading... about, er... deflection of, er, two to three, maybe four, depending on the point of it"

[L] "heading about 110, 120 degrees from site out through to the clearing now"

[M] "still getting a reading on the meter, about two clicks"
"needle's jumped, three to four clicks, getting stronger"

[L] "just crossed a creek"

[M] "getting three good clicks on the meter"

[L] "in the center of the [farmer's] field"

[M] "negative readings"

[L] "at the far side of the second farmer's field"

[M] "picking up slight readings, four or five clicks now, on the meter"
[End]

Was the far side of the farmer's field therefore much more 'radioactive' than the centre?

According to the levels being 'detected', it must have been.

At 'five clicks', the field was also more 'radioactive' there than the 'indentations' and more so even than the trees where Nick Pope believes the 'trace evidence' peaked, the highest reading for both being confirmed on

tape as 'four clicks'.

His 'hot spot' in the centre of the 'indentations' produced "up towards seven" clicks, however, the farmer's field registered "four or five", a difference of, say, 'up to two' clicks, a minute variance between readings which were already so small as to be inconsequential.

I hope this finally dissuades Nick's persistence that the clicks on Sgt. Monroe Neville's Geiger counter were remotely significant, or as Nick once wrote, "the most tangible proof that something extraordinary happened there".

Otherwise, he is challenged to offer the requisite explanation why a farmer's field in rural England was only marginally less 'radioactive' than the purported nearby landing site of our extraterrestrial visitors
[END]

Some further insight into the levels recorded was kindly offered by Senior Airman Kenneth Green, who served with the 81st Security Police Squad, working in the Weapons Storage Area at RAF Bentwaters in 1980.

He stated:

I have reviewed the information you sent regarding the radioactivity recorded at the alleged UFO landing spot in Rendlesham Forest. Before I give you my opinion of this information, I think it necessary to explain a few things.

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TERMINOLOGY & BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The instrument used to detect and measure radiation is commonly referred to as a Geiger counter. The American military prefers to call radiation measuring instruments "radiac sets," while most civilian institutes such as hospitals or laboratories refer to them as "radiation survey meters." Basically, all three units do exactly the same thing.

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Were there other UFO hoaxes? I don't know of any, but it is entirely possible. It was a good stunt. Someone else could have repeated it. In fact, most good cop practical jokes did get repeated. We had some classics - sending someone out for 100 feet of flight line to rope off an area. Sending someone out for a gallon of prop wash to clean patrol car windows with, sending someone to the emergency room for a box of fallopian tubes for the breathalyzer, etc.

We used at least three flashlights pointing upwards rolled up in the windows of the patrol car. These lights were red, blue, green, and possibly amber. The patrol car itself had the American style square red and blue emergency rack on top with revolving high intensity red and blue lights. It also had bright white alley lights - these are lights that point to the side in order to light up buildings as you drive past them at night. It also had a bright white spotlight that I pointed as close to straight up as I could. I had everything except my headlights on.

The flashlights, which were green, and maybe amber, where nowhere as bright as the red, blue and white emergency lights, which really lit up the night.

I don't know if I'm helping clear this up or just adding to the stew, but I'll do all I can to help.

The only UFO incidents that occurred during my tour were ones I participated in. The only alien that landed was Mrs. Conde's little boy, Kevin.

This is the truth, the details are the best I can remember after more than 20 years, and I'll take a polygraph on that.

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In 'UFO Crash Landing?', Jenny Randles documents a witness, Sarah Richardson (only 12 at the time), who reportedly watched enigmatic 'light beams', when Halt was making a similar observation.

If it correlates with Kevin's east gate hoax, directly adjacent to the runway, then we should find the witness observed at least three multicoloured 'beams of light' in that location.

Jenny writes:

At the time, she was at her mother's home in Woodbridge. It was between 1 and 3 am into Sunday, 28 December.

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>Date: Tue, 1 Jul 2003 17:44:46 +0100 (BST)
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

The BBC's supporting web site presentation is now online,
at:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham_ufos.shtml

There should also have been a sizable, related, article
in today's edition of the East Anglian Daily Times.

I gave them some important overall background which the
documentary probably won't have time to cover in detail.

I hope to get a copy of the article tomorrow.

There's an accompanying Eastern counties BBC radio phone-
in after the program, which evidently I will be
participating in. That was news to myself until about
twenty minutes ago and the documentary starts in an hour.

Keep in mind, this is an 'Inside Out' production and
conclusions expressed are the results of their own,
independent research.

The first I knew Kevin Conde would be interviewed was
when the producer, Clive Dunn, informed that they had
booked him on a flight!

I'll say more about Kevin's 'beams of light' hoax in due
course. There are two local witnesses documented in Jenny
Randles' book, 'UFO Crash Landing', who seem to be
describing exactly what Kevin recalls taking place -
bands of light going around in circles - in the same east
gate location, on the same date and at the time Halt was
documenting beams descending over the Woodbridge base.

It's an aspect of the story worth airing and as I was
present during Kevin's interview, I know it will make
interesting viewing, to say the least.

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From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 3 Jul 2003 20:09:45 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

James wrote:

>
> Ian Ridpath has a copy of the base weather report for the
> night of Halt's excursion and it does record low-lying
> fog
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I believe the potential for low-lying fog to refract light beams and the flashing beacon has not been given sufficient consideration. The geography of the Bentwaters-Woodbridge area has to play a part, and history demonstrates that there is a long tradition of weird lights seen in the forest, in the form of mirages produced by fog and light refraction.

Does this not directly connect with the story told by Charles Metz, formerly 1st Lieutenant, USAF, 512th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, who was stationed at RAF Bentwaters, Suffolk, 1955-57
I've posted this story before, but here goes again. Metz writes on

18 March 2002:

>Interesting that you should contact me about this subject. The UFO
>became a very familiar event for us at Bentwaters during our three year
>assignment there. I have a pretty good memory of a number of UFO
>sightings and of trying to chase one night. We really were a bit
>disturbed about some of the things we sighted until the sightings were
>explained. I will relate a couple of the more significant events to you
>and you can judge for yourself what we concluded.

>Bentwaters AFB had UFO sightings that really kept us excited for
>weeks in 1956. The event that really started the whole thing consisted
>of a phone call from the tower operator asking us to take a look at the
>strange lights that were "floating" on front of the tower. It was early

>evening and there were only a few of the pilots in the ready room so we
>all ran out to the tower to see what was happening. I have to say that
>there were strange glowing balls of light floating in front of the tower.
>They would float slowly by the tower and then seem to ascend slowly
>to about 500 feet and cease to be visible. As we stood there we next
>saw some more light balls floating down the runway from the North
>end of the runway and do the same thing. We watched this happen for
>perhaps 20 minutes. It was very easy to let yourself get pretty excited
>and so we called our GCA and asked them if they saw anything. My
>memory says that they could not find anything on their screens but that
>they did sight them when they went outside . Their view point was from
>the East side of the runway slightly to the South of the tower. We were
>all dumbfounded by this activity. After about 20 minutes the frequency
>of sightings seemed to decrease to a point of none for 15 minutes and
>then two balls would appear and do the same thing. After standing in
>the chill evening air we finally retired to the O Club for a few drinks and
>talk about what we had seen.

>At this point I should relate the weather conditions. It was cool and
>very damp with a light fog in the air. The night was clear of clouds.
>This strange happening was seen on several nights during the next few
>weeks. Always the same direction and pattern seemed to be the order
>of things. Some times there were a lot of sightings and other times only
>a very few. Spooky to say the least.

>The conclusion reached for this series of UFO events came about a
>few weeks later when I just happened to mention the subject to my
>landlord who had a family estate about four miles from Bentwaters. He
>said, "oh yes, these lights have been seen many times over the years
>and long before you came, even during the war and perhaps before."
>At this point he stated that " these lights only happen during periods of
>damp slightly foggy weather. They are caused by autos following the
>road way that runs almost straight at the runway and then turns to the
>West about a quarter mile from the runway." "The cause was
>determined to be auto lights on approaching machines being somehow
>reflected by a layers of cold damp air that lay over the area of the
>airbase as a low altitude." Sounded like a winner to me so we tested the
>theory and guess what, that was the source of the UFOs.

>Testing was easy but it was not easy to find the proper conditions and
>we waited a long time to get a sighting that would allow us to test.
>When the time arrived we drove down the road toward the runway
>while observers were standing around the tower. As we descended the
>high ground North of the runway we would turn the lights off and on
>for a distance of about a half mile just before the road turned West.
>Yep, you guessed it. The observers say our lights blink off and on but
>only by watching the floating balls of light as they drifted by. That was
>enough for me to say the we had found the source of our "Bentwaters
>UFOs".

>There was a [another] event that occurred early one evening some time
>doing this period of sightings. It consisted of a strange bright light that
>seemed to be directly East of the Base and was acting sort of oddly. I
>scrambled in an F-86 and went out over the North Sea chasing it. I
>used afterburner in the climb and the "thing" just ran off and left me.
>As I broke out of a layer of poor visibility at about 25,000 feet I finally
>got my mind to see what was really out there and make the decision
>that there was no way to ever catch up. It was a nice big star that sure
>had me going for a few minutes. At about 30,000 feet I reported the
>star and came home. Just goes to show you that you can really get
>fooled visually by lights that are effected by water vapor in layers of
>air. I felt a bit foolish after I returned from that one.

Metz adds:

>There you have the information of the only UFO sightings that I know
>of during 1954 through 1957. I suspect that there have been many
>others who thought they were being attacked by strange flying objects
>that moved in impossible ways at impossible velocities.

Indeed, UFOs and mysterious moving lights became such a common
occurrence in the vicinity of Bentwaters during the mid-50s that UFO
graffiti was common on buildings in the base area.

To see a contemporary photograph of such graffiti, in this case attached

to the command console in Bentwaters tower during 1955, see the
opening page of our Lakenheath-Bentwaters UFO site:

www.parcellular.fsnet.co.uk/Lakenheath.htm

best,

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Date: Fri, 04 Jul 2003 21:22:27 +0200
Subject: [UFORL] UFO above the Greeks last night?

Hello List,

has anyone more information about a UFO-incident about Greek from last night?

WW from Germany

Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim
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Hello to all on the site.

Just to say ive just joined the club and live within a few miles of the Rendlesham ufo case in suffolk uk.

I have been out to the site to take photograph's and video. Brenda Butler has said on interviews on tv and radio that she has seen beings in the mist and that this could be some time hole to another world. I will say that when i went to the site on the 3/7/2003 at 9.30pm (twilight vision) there was a feeling of being watched and strange sounds i felt very uneasy and decided to come away (chicken) you may think but no its just because you are standing in the middle of a forrest and its getting dark quick and with out a touch it was time to go.

I am going back tonight or tommorrow, being sunday that is about 8.30-9.00pm and take a few more picture and investigate.

If anyone knows Brenda Butlers email or some form of contact would most be pleasant

THANKS

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>Date: Sun, 06 Jul 2003 01:34:03 -0000
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From: "Joe McGonagle" <joe@ufology.org.uk>
Date: Sun, 06 Jul 2003 01:34:03 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Whoops! I didn't make it clear to James, but I didn't intend for the image to be circulated.....I acquired it from:

<http://www.alpharubicon.com/basicnbc/anpdr27ser.htm>

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I had to dip in to clarify that, I never really intended to take an active role in this list (not because there is anything wrong with it, simply that I am already a member of over 10 lists and moderate a few of those) so please don't be disappointed or offended if I miss any messages directed towards me.

Cheers, Joe

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:
> My thanks to Joe McGonagle for the attached and somewhat
> Fortean photograph of an AN/DPR-27 dial, coincidentally
> set to the 'point five scale'!
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From: "bortaf ----" <fatrob83@hotmail.com>
Date: Sat, 05 Jul 2003 21:05:27 +0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham ufo

Just hang around in the forest by the east gate, you'll soon meet her.

>From: "Dave" <rudtom@yahoo.com>
>>To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham ufo
>Date: Sat, 05 Jul 2003 09:22:20 -0000
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>Hello to all on the site.
>Just to say ive just joined the club and live within a few miles of
>the Rendlesham ufo case in suffolk uk.
>I have been out to the site to take photograph's and video.Brenda
>Butler has said on interviews on tv and radio that she has seen
>beings in the mist and that this could be some time hole to another
>world.I will say that when i went to the site on the 3/7/2003 at
>9.30pm(twilight vision)there was a feeling of being watched and
>strange sounds i felt very uneasy and decided to come away(chicken)
>you may think but no its just because you are standing in the middle
>of a forrest and its getting dark quick and with out a touch it was
>time to go.
>I am going back tonight or tommorrow,being sunday that is about 8.30-
>9.00pm and take a few more picture and investigate.
>If anyone knows Brenda Butlers email or some form of contact would
>most be plesant
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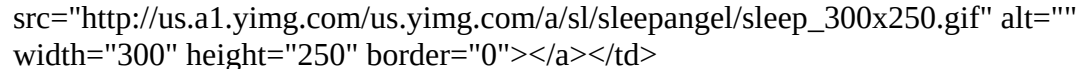
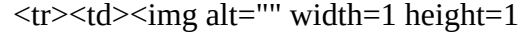
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For information, ongoing TF158 FOIA requests are primarily being redirected by various USAF bases to one central source.

The CIA claim to have no related material.

A request sent to Eglin AFB has come up with something of interest. Although I asked about TF158 operations, the specific known connection with Eglin was operation 'Credible Sport', see:

http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible_Sport.htm

I included same in my request and they have located a document entitled, "Credible Sport II Phase 2 Operational Evaluation".

Yes, we'll have a copy of that, please.

I can find no trace of this online and have no idea if it's previously been released.

I note the title specifically refers to "Credible Sport II".

There's no online mention of 'Credible Sport II' and I've certainly never heard of a second 'Credible Sport' operation.

As always, we'll hopefully see what's revealed.

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>Subject: F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

I wrote:

Note that those helicopters were supposedly operating over the landing site for "days":

I can't recall Halt ever mentioning this in any other interview.

However, it seems comparable with a story I became aware of before reading the above.

A member of the 81st Security Police Squadron (I won't name him for now) detailed events which occurred between 29-31 December, 1980.

For three days, he was posted to the now infamous east gate and witnessed both personnel and helicopters [unfortunately, he wasn't aware where either came from] operating in the 'landing site' area.

Advised by his Shift Commander how 'the base' knew what was going on, he was given no further information, except for being warned not to report over the radio anything observed.

He could only conclude it looked like they were all searching for something.

I would be cautious about directly relating this to the overall case evidence - it still requires verification.
[END]

Although that remains the situation, some further information from said source does perhaps justify now being revealed.

As previously mentioned, he is someone publicly known to have participated in overall events. I do not have permission to identify him and that's presently

unnecessary.

In various interviews, Halt and Penniston have both spoken about the swift arrival of an 'unscheduled' cargo plane and its 'special' personnel.

That article initially referred to in my 19 February posting was the 1994 'Sightings' [UK] magazine interview - no longer online. The relevant extract was:

It seemed peculiar, but an unscheduled American CS Galaxy transport aeroplane landed at RAF Woodbridge a few days after the first incident, bringing with it its own security personnel and Halt wasn't even allowed to know what their mission was. With that, why did a Lt. Colonel and Deputy Base Commander, with a security clearance too high to mention, not have the authority to know what a visiting plane is doing on his base?

He also said that following the planes arrival un-marked helicopters, that were not from Woodbridge, were seen above the landing site during the following days.
[END]

If this part of the Rendlesham story has any substance, I wondered if there might be a connection between the transport aircraft and alleged helicopters. Simply asked if he could recall the exact sequence of events, my source confirms, "it was a C-5 and it came on Sunday. The Helos were Mon-Wed".

That would date the transporter's arrival as 28 December and the helicopter operations between 29-31 December, as initially claimed.

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Ruled out by my source is that these were HH-53 'Super Jolly Green Giant' helicopters from the 67th ARRS, based at RAF Bentwaters. Related and contemporary air-crew I have been in contact with, during recent years, assure that no HH-53s were flying during that holiday period.

Discarding the 'lighthouse UFO' sightings and 'beams of light', leaves a scenario where there might, incredibly, have been something else going on at the same time.

If the U.S. government/military was transporting helicopters to RAF Woodbridge, whatever the purpose, it presumably wasn't a three day training exercise using Rendlesham forest as a convenient location.

Dependent on the nature of any such theoretical mission, if it was 'top secret', who you gonna call?

Maybe give the boys from 'Task Force 158' a ring?

We'll see if anything related shows up in material released from ongoing TF158 FOIA requests.

James.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
>Date: Wed Feb 19, 2003 11:18 pm
>Subject: F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

I wrote:

Note that those helicopters were supposedly operating over the landing site for "days":

I can't recall Halt ever mentioning this in any other interview.

However, it seems comparable with a story I became aware of before reading the above.

A member of the 81st Security Police Squadron (I won't name him for now) detailed events which occurred between 29-31 December, 1980.

For three days, he was posted to the now infamous east gate and witnessed both personnel and helicopters [unfortunately, he wasn't aware where either came from] operating in the 'landing site' area.

Advised by his Shift Commander how 'the base' knew what was going on, he was given no further information, except for being warned not to report over the radio anything observed.

He could only conclude it looked like they were all searching for something.

I would be cautious about directly relating this to the overall case evidence - it still requires verification.
[END]

Although that remains the situation, some further information from said source does perhaps justify now being revealed.

As previously mentioned, he is someone publicly known to have participated in overall events. I do not have permission to identify him and that's presently

unnecessary.

In various interviews, Halt and Penniston have both spoken about the swift arrival of an 'unscheduled' cargo plane and its 'special' personnel.

That article initially referred to in my 19 February posting was the 1994 'Sightings' [UK] magazine interview - no longer online. The relevant extract was:

It seemed peculiar, but an unscheduled American CS Galaxy transport aeroplane landed at RAF Woodbridge a few days after the first incident, bringing with it its own security personnel and Halt wasn't even allowed to know what their mission was. With that, why did a Lt. Colonel and Deputy Base Commander, with a security clearance too high to mention, not have the authority to know what a visiting plane is doing on his base?

He also said that following the planes arrival un-marked helicopters, that were not from Woodbridge, were seen above the landing site during the following days.
[END]

If this part of the Rendlesham story has any substance, I wondered if there might be a connection between the transport aircraft and alleged helicopters. Simply asked if he could recall the exact sequence of events, my source confirms, "it was a C-5 and it came on Sunday. The Helos were Mon-Wed".

That would date the transporter's arrival as 28 December and the helicopter operations between 29-31 December, as initially claimed.

Also asked for details of the helicopters, so far I only know they were apparently "single blades". I'm trying to obtain further details of size and any other clues.

Ruled out by my source is that these were HH-53 'Super Jolly Green Giant' helicopters from the 67th ARRS, based at RAF Bentwaters. Related and contemporary air-crew I have been in contact with, during recent years, assure that no HH-53s were flying during that holiday period.

Discarding the 'lighthouse UFO' sightings and 'beams of light', leaves a scenario where there might, incredibly, have been something else going on at the same time.

If the U.S. government/military was transporting helicopters to RAF Woodbridge, whatever the purpose, it presumably wasn't a three day training exercise using Rendlesham forest as a convenient location.

Dependent on the nature of any such theoretical mission, if it was 'top secret', who you gonna call?

Maybe give the boys from 'Task Force 158' a ring?

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Date: Thu, 10 Jul 2003 03:32:47 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Radar UFOs caused by birds?

Regarding:

>From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>
>Date: Tue, 8 Jul 2003 11:03:13 +0100
>Subject: [UFORL] Radar UFOs caused by birds?

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[END]

Dave,

Noted as possibly relevant:

"On the occurrence of clear air echoes, and especially echoes from birds"....:

<http://www.helsinki.fi/~mleskine/engl/bird.html>

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<DIV><TT>In case anyone has visions of supersonic
eagle-UFOs I should point out that the N-hemisphere jet
only rises to
anywhere near UK latitudes in the summer, and that mean summer wind speeds even
in the narrow jet core are only about 30 mph. These are always roughly westerly
winds. Also bear in mind that although the course of the jet does snake and dip,
the typical altitude of the core is around 35,000 feet, not 25,000. At 25k
average wind speeds drop to around 20 mph, a stiff breeze. (Mean winter jet
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<DIV>Birds are not non-reflective and they were identified early on as sources of centimetric radar echoes. The relation between range and reflected power received is highly nonlinear, so a seagull at 10 miles can give an echo like an aircraft five times as far away. The David Lack mentioned above did work showing that a single gull reflects radar energy like a quart of water. A golden eagle in plan aspect at a few miles could easily be the brightest target on a scope full of aircraft.</DIV>

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Radar UFOs caused by birds?

The explanation for angels that I read about a while back (possibly in RV Jones' "Most Secret War" or on the BBC's "Secret War" but I'm not sure) was that some radars showed expanding circular returns. These turned out to be starlings that were roosting en masse in a small wood. On departing in the morning, they spread out radially from the wood.

The Radar Research Establishment archive (if there is one) might have something on it.

Chris

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Date: Tue, 8 Jul 2003 15:40:47 -0500
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Radar UFOs caused by birds?

The birds might have been tagged by ornithologists for research with aluminum tags. They drove missile RADAR men at White Sands NM crazy for a while, until they shot down a buzzard instead of the target drone. THEN they learned about aluminum leg tags.

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@ Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2003 5:03 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Radar UFOs caused by birds?

(snippage)

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Covert Agenda on pages 72-3. Might be worth a PRO check to see if anything official
has surfaced on this now. The location was the Marconi Research Station at Great
Baddow, Essex and I got the account from the newspaper, The News Chronicle of
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Subject: Re: [UFORL] RENDLESHAM FOREST

I'm sure you would feel spooked in any forest at night.

>From: "Dave" <rudtom@yahoo.com>
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Not to hot on the subject but,
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Can you answer the UFO questions...

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>Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Kevin Conde wrote:

>Not at RAF Woodbridge.

Kevin,

Welcome to the list.

I'm sure most subscribers will recognise Kevin to be 'the beams of light hoax guy'.

Congratulations on your cunning stunt; there are some other subscribers who know a thing or two about creating 'UFO' hoaxes by going around in [crop] circles!

I have had confirmation from several contemporary sources that there was a small stockpile of tactical nukes at RAF Bentwaters.

Although you will know, to clarify for other subscribers, the distance between RAF Bentwaters and RAF Woodbridge (a twin base complex) was some two miles (longer by road).

This coincidentally raises an interest point and some new evidence which might further affirm your hoax as responsible for those infamous 'beams of light'.

As recently mentioned on the list, via a helpful source I have received a transcript of the lecture given by Col. Halt at the 'UFO Magazine' [UK] conference on 31 July, 1994.

I've only mentioned brief extracts from the lengthy transcript, in which Halt goes into great detail about his various 'UFO' sightings.

He makes a claim therein which I can't recall him revealing anywhere else - Halt actually describes where the beams were observed at RAF Woodbridge, stating:

"Suddenly it started beaming down some type of beams, it was coming down, coming down in the weapons storage area.

There was enough chatter on the radio. The Tower operator, we got a tower on the flightline where we ...[unclear]... monitor what was going on, on the flightline. He could see them, the people in the storage area could see them".

Halt is of course assuming these beams are related to the coastal lights and other "star-like" objects previously seen that night and all perceived to be 'UFOs', alias ET craft.

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"Weren't there nuke bombs at the base itself???"

It has been hinted at and would explain the presence of the AN/PDR-27. My
guess is that they probably had a few tactical "special" weapons (in the few KT range)
but that is only a guess. The A-10 really was not designed for that kind of
operation and they were probably holdovers when they had F-4s.

Tim Printy

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Date: Mon, 07 Jul 2003 20:55:17 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Not at RAF Woodbridge.

Kevin

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> @ Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

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From: "Dave" <rudtom@yahoo.com>
Date: Mon, 07 Jul 2003 17:27:09 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] RENDLESHAM FOREST

I went into Rendlesham Forest to have a look at track 10 where lots
of this happpen.saw nothing but felt spooked

dave

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Date: Sun, 6 Jul 2003 21:04:08 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

I now have a copy of the program and given the time constraints involved, it's an exceptional production.

As the producer, Clive Dunn, had indicated to myself, it's, overall, a damning indictment.

It is however, a fair production and I was pleased to see the interview with John Burroughs included. It's his first public interview for many years.

John stated that Halt and Penniston have 'sensationalised' the story and local forestry worker, Vince Thurkettle [who examined the 'landing site' directly afterwards], was also scathing about motives for propagating it - people trying so "save face" and "cheque book ufology".

I'm aware from my ongoing dialogue with John that's he's not pleased about some of Halt and Penniston's claims.

I also knew Vince considered this was one related documentary where he felt able to say exactly what he wanted.

Kevin Conde (pronounced 'Condy') comes across as the jovial character he is and makes a strong case for his hoax being responsible for Halt's beams of light. A 'recreation' was filmed and looks convincing.

Excellent use is made of the Halt tape to illustrate a tie-in with both the beams and nearby coastal lights, shown filmed at night. Orfordness lighthouse is still notably striking.

Vince also helpfully explains that the 'starscope' was being used when Halt was looking directly at the lighthouse. This, he comments, would inevitably result in the lighthouse appearing 'unworldly'.

My own contributions on camera hopefully also set other aspects in context.

A claim from one former member of the 81st SPS that "drugs were rampant" was also aired, together with the fact Halt had left a Christmas party before becoming involved.

Halt was contacted by the BBC and questioning whether he had been drinking more than just orange juice beforehand, they report that Halt told them it was a "family gathering".

It was in actually a 'covered dish' dinner for officers, held in the Woody Inn. Elsewhere, Halt has confirmed he left the party just as speeches were about to be made and awards presented; that was why the Base Commander, Col. Ted Conrad, remained behind and ordered Halt to investigate.

Asked whether his perceived observations could be mistaken, Halt merely replied he was "insulted by the question"!

I'll transcribe some of the direct quotes when possible.

The presenter, David Whitely, is particularly affable and cemented the entire program with a narrative which revealed he had worked hard to understand the historical case evidence and developments in recent years.

He concluded that 'Inside Out' had exposed a massive "black hole" in this local legend.

I hear from Clive that there's a "strong possibility" it will be broadcast by BBC East again.

James.
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FINLAND

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"http://www.alpharubicon.com/basicnbc/anpdr27ser.htm"<BR>

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Thanks for a great link. Anybody who might have questions about the 27 should go here to see the basic functionality.&nbsp; Although the author made some slight errors. I think he may have been confused about what he used to "frisk" people coming out of the Reactor compartment on a sub.&nbsp; The 27 was used for radiation surveys and measured the amount of radiation that was emitted by a source (such as a reactor).&nbsp; However, "frisking" for contamination was not the job of a 27 but an RM-3 or E-140N for Beta-Gamma or AN/PDR-56 for Alpha.&nbsp; They measured in Counts per minute and were very sensitive to the low levels that one might find in contamination.&nbsp; The 27's sensitivity just wasn't up to such a task.<BR>

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Also missing in the images are the headphones that one needed to hear the audible counts (there was no speaker on the models I used) and the strap for keeping the instrument stable while carrying it.<BR>

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Date: Sun, 6 Jul 2003 19:11:59 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] RAF Lakenheath incident 1956

Secret papers tell how RAF hunted aliens

Paul Harris  
Sunday July 6, 2003  
The Observer

They have been the subject of derision for claiming aliens have visited Earth from outer space, but believers in the existence of UFOs were this weekend excitedly poring over newly released military documents that show how fighter aircraft were scrambled to intercept strange shapes in Britain's skies.

The secret papers obtained from the US military give an insight into an astonishing chain of events sparked by UFO sightings over East Anglia in 1956.

After receiving numerous calls reporting bright lights darting across the sky, fighters from RAF Lakenheath spent more than seven hours trying to shoot down the objects, which were picked up on army radar screens.

The classified documents were secured under the US Freedom of Information Act by Dave Clarke, an author researching the subject.

One US Air Force intelligence report described how '12 to 15' objects were picked up on radar screens on 13 August 1956. They were tracked for more than 50 miles. One object was logged travelling at 4,000mph. 'Operators making these radar sightings are of the opinion that malfunctions of equipment did not cause these radar sightings,' the document said.

The radar logs describe white lights darting across the skies. At times, the objects travelled in formation and performed sharp turns.

One document describes how an object was tracked by radar for 26 miles, before it hovered for five minutes then flew away again.

A cable was sent from US Air Force Headquarters in Washington warning of the 'considerable interest and concern' at the sightings and demanding an immediate inquiry. The cable asked if they were linked to a similar scare reported by a British radar station on the Danish island of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea a week later.

Most UFO sightings are explained by phenomena such as clouds, weather balloons or unusual atmospheric events. At the time of the 'Lakenheath incident', observers did report an unusual level of meteorite activity. Meteors, and the trails they leave behind, can register on radars and critics have said this explains the Lakenheath incident.

Astronomical phenomena are also considered a possible cause. One pilot sent up to intercept the objects reported 'chasing a star.' Others described objects they were able to 'lock on' to with their radar systems but that then manoeuvred around them.

But for UFO believers the new documents confirm their Lakenheath sightings as the most dramatic of British UFO encounters and provide proof that alien craft have 'buzzed' Britain for the past 50 years. 'I am absolutely convinced they were breaches of our airspace by some extraordinary flying machines,' said Graham Birdsall, editor of UFO magazine.

Clarke admitted this weekend it was difficult to attribute all the visual sightings and radar activity both from the ground and the on-board radar systems to meteorites or weather conditions. He believes the incident was treated so seriously by the military that it sparked a Cold War security scare. By 1956, the RAF Lakenheath air base, where the fighters were scrambled from, was on the front line of the geopolitical divide. Lakenheath played host to the new super-sensitive American U-2 spy planes and also provided storage facilities for atomic bombs.

Clues to solving the mystery may still lie in secret US archives. After being told no more documentation existed, Clarke discovered a reference to a further document on the incident in the US National Archives. He has logged a request to release it. All British reports were destroyed in a fire five years after the event, according to RAF records.

Clarke believes the incident had such serious security implications that documents must still exist. 'I am a UFO sceptic but this is an incident that has me baffled. It is just possible that some form of Soviet spy craft was responsible, but difficult to match any of their planes to what was observed at the time,' he said.

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Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2003 18:01:32 EDT  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro

JAMES -- Very interesting. Have you managed to contact Ed Yost? If so, what did he have to say?

When I spoke with him some years ago, he was quite forthcoming about his project, who he was doing it for, and when and where he was launching, and where his balloons and their pilots landed (not anywhere near Socorro).

Did you have any better luck?

Oh, btw, if you take a look at the several other credible reports from NM during the few days before and after Zamora's, you'll see they have many characteristics in common with what Z reported--but nothing at all with the Raven balloons...

That said, I still think the Raven explanation for Z's encounter is a good one--or would be, but for the problem of the wind..... What's needed is some firm wind data for a time and place near enough to the Z site to be definitive, one way or the other. Sadly, that seems unlikely to be forthcoming. Better yet, a smoking-gun (smoking-balloon?) Oops! document from the Raven/CIA/Navy files... -- Cheers, KARL

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Hiya! I'm a new member and, as such, I've come into this discussion partway through. Is this Rendlesham documentary due to be broadcast on TV? And if so, can anyone let me know when/which channel? Thanks? Also any other info about it would be appreciated. Sorry if it means treading old ground.

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Kevin wrote:

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>would reply. I did what I did, and I have no problem  
>discussing it with someone that wishes to engage in a  
>rational discussion of it.

Kevin,

So far as your chances of a rational discussion there,  
Bruni is currently lampooned in 'Fortean Times' magazine  
for recent claims that a well known and admitted hoax  
might be based on 'reality'.

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artists, scientists, engineers, writers, etc., to Mars as  
a survival colony in the event of catastrophe on Earth".

In a secret joint American and Russian space program,  
astronauts had already landed on Mars in 1962... etc.

Doubtless, you now understand the context.

Bruni's 'MoD covered-up Martians landing in Suffolk'  
claims were easily proven to be such, see for example:

<http://www.rendlesham.com/v17.txt>

As I'm sure you realise and as many/some/a few  
'ufologists' will admit, you have entered what is  
perceived by mainstream media and science as the realm of  
cranks, crackpots and conspiracy extremists.

It's a reputation which is arguably hard fought and jealously guarded!

It doesn't matter how many 'ufologists' themselves will lament classic 'flying saucer' photos, crop circles, supposed secret government documents with 50+ spelling mistakes [sic], or tales of being taken to Venus for tea with ET as blatant hoaxes, in every case there's always someone who will desperately advocate proverbial straws to grasp.

Usually, they have coincidentally written a book which proclaims their case to be paramount evidence of the nefarious 'UFO cover-up'...

Possibly, it's all about trying to somehow save face and often attempts do so are pitiful, never remotely likely to fool anyone outwith base camp.

For those who believe there has been contact with aliens and the evidence merits a scientific appraisal, it must be wretched to see how intrinsic acceptance of so many hoaxes reflects on their dream of mainstream science/media taking 'scientific ufology' seriously.

'Inside Out' was a spectacular coup which caught all but the informed completely unaware.

Your place in 'UFO' history is assured!

As for the "wailing and gnashing of teeth" from perceivable straw-clutchers, some might conclude that "a day late and a dollar short" would be charitable.

The program was a landmark, 'fait accompli', in so many fundamental aspects.

James.

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2003 01:25:05 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Fri, 11 Jul 2003 21:47:46 EDT  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Tim wrote:

>>Back in 1980, what about the Hughes OH-6A, as used by  
>>TF158?"

>Sorry James. Four blades...

Tim,

Thanks for the clarification.

When I first looked at an OH-6A photograph, some weeks ago, it happened to be a side-on view and only the front and rear blades were visible!

Also regarding:

>From: Chris Gibson <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>  
>Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2003 08:45:34 +0000  
>Subject: Re: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Chris wrote:

>Perhaps they meant "single rotor", rather than "single  
>blade", ie not a Chinook.

Chris,

This is a point I am attempting to clarify. The response, "single blade", was actually a reply to my question about whether the helicopters had single or double rotors.

Also regarding:

>From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>  
>Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2003 09:08:09 +0200  
>Subject: RE: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Steve wrote:

>I missed the start of this thread. Was the term used by  
>someone who might know about helos?

Steve,

He was a security policeman and the claim relates to helicopter activity within Rendlesham forest, in the east gate area, for three consecutive days and nights between 29-31 December, 1980.

>There is no helicopter in existence with a single blade  
>- the Huey has two.

Yes, I expect it's a twin-blade being referred to and hope to resolve this shortly.

Also regarding:

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>>He also said that following the planes arrival un-  
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>>seen > above the landing site during the following  
>>days.

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I've also got one major problem with this story, according to other personnel involved with the 'UFO' incidents, my source was not on duty between 29-31 December.

However, he's adamant his recollections are not concerned with an earlier or later event and that he was on duty, at east gate, during this period.

Aside from being objective about the 'UFO' aspect, he also believes that Halt's mention of helicopter activity is not correlating evidence.

Halt, he says, was "completely out of the loop" and only knew about the helicopters because my source told him.

If his story isn't an intentional untruth and is also accurate, it poses related questions. He claims that before being posted on duty, his shift commander actually warned him not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base" knew what was going on.

As yet, I can find no evidence to support any of these claims.

James.

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I have never received any email from Georgia. If I did I would reply. I did what I did, and I have no problem discussing it with someone that wishes to engage in a rational discussion of it.

I'm going to email her and ask her to provide the dates and texts of the emails. I will answer her questions, and post the replies here.

Next, I have never claimed I perpetrated a hoax. I played a practical joke, and common sense indicates to a rational and unbiased observer that my practical joke might have caused some of the sightings.

At the same place in time, at the same physical locations as some of the sightings, I drove in circles in a brand new Plymouth Volare shining white, red, blue, green and yellow lights into the mist while making noises over the PA system. The witnesses, as related in the infamous Halt Memo said they saw white, red, and blue lights.

Now you can interpret these two ways. You can assume that they did not see my practical joke, which was going on at the same time and in the same place, or you can assume that they were actually visited by aliens.

Now, I don't believe my joke is the only thing that happened. Like many things in life, I think a lot of little things combined in the same place and at the same time to cause this issue to develop a life of its own.

You had a gullible and hysterical gate guard. You had me playing a joke, and you had a Lt Col who was willing to go chase shadows through the woods.

One of the key points is the Lt Col. The cops would have never made a 6 mile field trip through the woods on their own. No way! They only went because of the Lt Col's decision to lead the expedition.

I think it is fair to say that the "Rendlesham Forest Incident" only came into existence because that particular Lt Col's judgment, or

lack thereof, let him to lead an off base goose chase.

One thing I can state that cannot be challenged is that I was there, and Georgia was not. Who's the better judge of what happened?

Kevin

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> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@s...>

> Date: Sat, 12 Jul 2003 17:15:55 +0100

> Subject: Re: Rendlesham UFO 'Hoax'

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- > and Deputy Base Commander, with a security clearance too
- > high to mention, not have the authority to know what a
- > visiting plane is doing on his base?

Aircraft came and went all the time. Aircraft transiting the base were known as transient aircraft, and they were never "scheduled." They could have any number of reasons for coming in. Familiarization, refueling, etc. There's little reason to suspect anything odd or to attach too much importance to such an event.

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As for the Deputy Base Commander not knowing why it was there. That is absolute no reason to suspect anything. The USAF ALWAYS operated under the concept of "Need to know." If all that bird was doing was refueling at an out-of-the-way airbase, and was on a classified mission, the DBC would have no reason to know what it was doing. The USAF runs all sorts of classified missions. Must I point out that just because a bird came in on a classified mission does not mean that mission involved visits from outer space? By nature what the USAF does is best done with no fanfare. Unfortunately some people insist on assuming that the military has nefarious reasons for wanting to practice routine operational security.

Another point, you need to understand that the DBC was not an especially important or critical position. Many DBC's were gofers. (Go for this, go for that) Halt definitely, in my opinion, was in the gofer category. The DBC is like a fifth wheel, or a spare tire - most of the time it's kept in the trunk (Boot) and covered with dust.

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The ARRS squadron at Woodbridge was an AIR RESCUE SQUADRON. Commercial fishing boats in the North Atlantic did not normally call up the local rescue center and ask permission to schedule and emergency. Can you imagine a phone call to the rescue center: "Hello, this is a fishing boat in the North Atlantic, if its not too much trouble can we schedule our selves to sink suddenly next Tuesday at 0330 GMT? Lovely! Thanks ever so much. Ta!"

The ARRS was always flying unscheduled missions. It's what they did. Their birds also had the subdued grey USAF camouflage paint scheme that makes them look unmarked from a distance, or at night or on a grey day.

Kevin

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:

>

> >From: "James Easton" <voyager@j...>

> >Date: Wed Feb 19, 2003 11:18 pm

> >Subject: F-111 Crash at RAF Woodbridge

>

> I wrote:

>

> Note that those helicopters were supposedly operating  
> over the landing site for "days":

>

> I can't recall Halt ever mentioning this in any other  
> interview.

>

> However, it seems comparable with a story I became aware  
> of before reading the above.

>

> A member of the 81st Security Police Squadron (I won't  
> name him for now) detailed events which occurred between  
> 29-31 December, 1980.

>

> For three days, he was posted to the now infamous east  
> gate and witnessed both personnel and helicopters  
> [unfortunately, he wasn't aware where either came from]  
> operating in the 'landing site' area.

>

> Advised by his Shift Commander how 'the base' knew what  
> was going on, he was given no further information, except  
> for being warned not to report over the radio anything  
> observed.

>  
> He could only conclude it looked like they were all  
> searching for something.  
>  
> I would be cautious about directly relating this to the  
> overall case evidence - it still requires verification.  
> [END]  
>  
>  
> Although that remains the situation, some further  
> information from said source does perhaps justify now  
> being revealed.  
>  
> As previously mentioned, he is someone publicly known to  
> have participated in overall events. I do not have  
> permission to identify him and that's presently  
> unnecessary.  
>  
> In various interviews, Halt and Penniston have both  
> spoken about the swift arrival of an 'unscheduled' cargo  
> plane and its 'special' personnel.  
>  
> That article initially referred to in my 19 February  
> posting was the 1994 'Sightings' [UK] magazine interview  
> - no longer online. The relevant extract was:  
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> transport aeroplane landed at RAF Woodbridge a few days  
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> above the landing site during the following days.  
> [END]  
>  
>  
> If this part of the Rendlesham story has any substance, I  
> wondered if there might be a connection between the  
> transport aircraft and alleged helicopters. Simply asked  
> if he could recall the exact sequence of events, my  
> source confirms, "it was a C-5 and it came on Sunday. The  
> Helos were Mon-Wed".  
>  
> That would date the transporter's arrival as 28 December  
> and the helicopter operations between 29-31 December, as

> initially claimed.  
>  
> Also asked for details of the helicopters, so far I only  
> know they were apparently "single blades". I'm trying to  
> obtain further details of size and any other clues.  
>  
> Ruled out by my source is that these were HH-53 'Super  
> Jolly Green Giant' helicopters from the 67th ARRS, based  
> at RAF Bentwaters. Related and contemporary air-crew I  
> have been in contact with, during recent years, assure  
> that no HH-53s were flying during that holiday period.  
>  
> Discarding the 'lighthouse UFO' sightings and 'beams of  
> light', leaves a scenario where there might, incredibly,  
> have been something else going on at the same time.  
>  
> If the U.S. government/military was transporting  
> helicopters to RAF Woodbridge, whatever the purpose, it  
> presumably wasn't a three day training exercise using  
> Rendlesham forest as a convenient location.  
>  
> Dependent on the nature of any such theoretical mission,  
> if it was 'top secret', who you gonna call?  
>  
> Maybe give the boys from 'Task Force 158' a ring?  
>  
> We'll see if anything related shows up in material  
> released from ongoing TF158 FOIA requests.  
>  
>  
> James.  
> E-mail: voyager@j...

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Subject: Re: RE: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

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Chris

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a+  
Steve

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From: Chris Gibson <cgibson@skomer.u-net.com>  
Date: Sun, 13 Jul 2003 08:45:34 +0000  
Subject: Re: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Morning all,  
Perhaps they meant "single rotor", rather than "single blade". ie not a Chinook.

Chris

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 12:03:04 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham

Perhaps the reason the books that do not advance ETH do not sell well here is that every bookstore puts all UFO books in with other "occult" books, ranging from fortune telling to haunted houses to witchcraft - all sorted alphabetically by author.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Jenny Randles [mailto:nufon@currantbun.com]

@ Sent: Friday, July 18, 2003 6:26 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham

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From: hsommerville@talk21.com  
Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 16:57:03 BST  
Subject: Re: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham

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BOOK.CHEERS UFOHARRY

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> I did enjoy UFOs That Never Were, and I have no cat!  
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>Then I guess I must have been the cat that read it. It was a terrific  
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>Greg Sandow

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From: "Greg Sandow" <greg@gregsandow.com>

Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 11:23:56 -0400

Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham

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From: Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos <ballesterolmos@yahoo.es>  
Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 16:05:13 +0200 (CEST)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

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Dear Jenny and all the crew,  
I did enjoy UFOs That Never Were, and I have no cat! This is one of the best single books published in Europe. This team of 3 is a luxury, believe me. The future of ufology is precisely there.  
Jenny, you are a professional author and we cannot blame you for it. I may not be 100% in agreement with all you write but your insights and findings provide enlightenment to the readership, so please keep up your good work. Yes, you may feel proud of that book, I also felt happy when I wrote a book review of it for Cuadernos de Ufología.  
Please continue investigating and writing as you do. You have gained the respect of many a researcher all over the world.  
Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos

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From: "Jenny Randles" <nufon@currantbun.com>

Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 12:26:10 +0100

Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham

Hi,

Excuse my absence from the net for many weeks. There are, in fact, family reasons (which some of my colleagues know about) why this is true and may remain true for a little while.

I am following the current debate on Rendlesham, but do not currently have the time (I am simply not at home long enough) to reply to all the issues as I would like.

However, I would comment on Kevin Conde's remarks about writers of books about the case, the money made and the desire to keep the anomaly going since I have direct knowledge.

As author, or co-author, of three books on this case (Sky Crash in 1984,

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Fri, 11 Jul 2003 01:56:28 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

For information, ongoing TF158 FOIA requests are primarily being redirected by various USAF bases to one central source.

The CIA claim to have no related material.

A request sent to Eglin AFB has come up with something of interest. Although I asked about TF158 operations, the specific known connection with Eglin was operation 'Credible Sport', see:

[http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible\\_Sport.htm](http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible_Sport.htm)

I included same in my request and they have located a document entitled, "Credible Sport II Phase 2 Operational Evaluation".

Yes, we'll have a copy of that, please.

I can find no trace of this online and have no idea if it's previously been released.

I note the title specifically refers to "Credible Sport II".

There's no online mention of 'Credible Sport II' and I've certainly never heard of a second 'Credible Sport' operation.

As always, we'll hopefully see what's revealed.

James.  
E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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Date: Sat, 19 Jul 2003 18:47:16 +1000  
Subject: [UFORL] UFO Sighting OZ Files 19.07.03  
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<div><font color="#000000"><br></font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">Source: 1800 UFO Hotline call&nbsp;2999  
12.06.03&nbsp;NSW<br>  
<br>  
Date of Sighting (s):8th June and the 12th June, 03<br>  
Time: 19:45hrs&nbsp;(8th)&nbsp;&nbsp;19:55hrs and 21:15hrs(12th)<br>  
Location: Adamstown, Newcastle NSW<br>  
Duration of Sighting (s): One hour (8th) 10-15 min. x 2 (12th)<br>  
Size of all Objects: One quarter size of 5 cent piece<br>  
Colour of Objects:Orange/amber (orb)<br>  
Noise: Nil<br>  
Shape: Star (orb) Bright: faded in and out<br>  
Objects observed: 8th June (3) 12th June (2)<br>  
Other Witnesses: 8th June (husband) 12th June</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">(Husband and friend)<br>  
Name of Reportee: Sue<br>  
<br>  
Report:<br>  
<br>  
Sue and her husband were in their lounge room on Sunday  
the</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">8th June when they noticed an amber  
coloured light through</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">their window.&nbsp;It was moving from  
North to South and apparently</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">was lower than the usual planes that fly  
from South to North on</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">a regular basis. They noted it was around  
19:45hrs and when</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">they went out to get a better view they  
noticed there was no noise</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">and the amber/orange colour of the object  
seemed to fade in</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">and out and looked as if the size was  
fluctuating as well.<br>  
<br>

They also spotted another two moving down the coast  
within</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">an hour of the last sighting.&nbsp; They  
were all the same colour and</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">size and were also heading in the same  
direction.<br>

<br>

On Thursday the 12th of June, they observed the same  
objects,</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">one at 19:55hrs and another at 21:15hrs.  
Sue contacted</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">Williamstown Air Force base who stated they  
did not have any</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">planes out that night.&nbsp; Sue then  
contacted us.<br>

<br>

END OF REPORT<br>

<br>

Regards Karen Burden UFOR NSW/AUFORN Investigator<br>

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Source: 1800 UFO Hotline call&nbsp; 2998 12.06.03&nbsp; NSW<br>

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Date of Sighting (s): 11th June, 03<br>

Time: 17:30hrs<br>

Location: Sydney NSW<br>

Duration of Sighting: 15 - 20 minutes<br>

Size of all Objects: One 16th the size of a five cent<br>  
piece at arms length Colour of Objects: White<br>

Noise:Nil<br>

Shape: Star like<br>

Objects observed: Two (2)<br>

Other Witnesses: Nil<br>

Name of Reportee: Pam<br>

<br>

Report:<br>

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Pam was on her coffee break at TAFE CBD and was  
standing&nbsp;</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">outside on the balcony when she noticed a  
bright star in the sky.</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">She stated that she was watching it when an  
object came along</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">side it? and remained stationary.&nbsp; She  
then noted another one</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">approaching that also pulled up to the  
right of the object but</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">some distance from it.&nbsp; She thought it  
strange.&nbsp; She watched</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">them for over ten minutes when the one who

had arrived last,</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">moved off.<br>

<br>

Just then she noted that the one she had noticed in the

first</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">place was moving towards her direction.&nbsp;<br>

Pam stated it was</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">heading East, towards the Ocean.<br>

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END OF REPORT<br>

<br>

Regards Karen Burden UFOR NSW/AUFORN Investigator<br>

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Source: 1800 UFO Hotline call&nbsp;   3014&nbsp;   25.06.03&nbsp;   NSW<br>

<br>

Date of Sighting: 25.6.03<br>

Time: 18:00hrs<br>

Location: Great Western Highway in Lithgow NSW<br>

Duration of Sighting:&nbsp;   2 - 3 minutes<br>

Size of all Objects: Basketball held at arms length<br>

Objects: White/green<br>

Noise:??<br>

Shape: Round<br>

Objects observed: Three (3)<br>

Other Witnesses: Nil<br>

Name of Reportee: Graham M<br>

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Report:<br>

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Graham M, was driving home from work on Wednesday 25th</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">June, it was around 6pm. He pulled up at an intersection on</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">the Great Western Highway in Lithgow and noticed 3 bright</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">white lights in the western sky, about 20 degrees above the</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">horizon.&nbsp;<br> As his eyes adjusted to what he was looking at he</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">could make out a round object with a white light in the front,</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">one either side and a green flashing light emanating from the</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">back section. It was just sitting there as if it was looking around.</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">Graham M, thought it must be a helicopter, so he wound down</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">his window to get a better view.<br>

<br>

He was amazed that there was no sound coming from the

object</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">and it was so close, as big as a basketball  
held at arms length.</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">Graham M,&nbsp; had stopped at the  
intersection and thought other</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">cars must also have stopped to look, but  
when he looked around</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">him there were no other cars on the road.  
After 2 or 3 minutes</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">he got a strange feeling that they could  
see him and were watching</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">him so he started to drive on. When next he  
looked the object was</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">gone, just vanished.</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000"><br>  
While I was interviewing Graham M, during his recollection  
he</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">realised&nbsp; that it was strange&nbsp;  
there were no other cars on the road</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">during his sighting. 6pm Great Western  
Highway is usually busy.</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">The next day he told his workmates about  
his sighting and they all</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">said he was crazy, but Graham M, said I  
know what I saw.<br>  
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Investigator Lorraine Cilia<br>  
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<br>  
Source: 1800 UFO Hotline call 3008 20.06.03 NSW<br>  
<br>  
Date of Sighting: 20:6:03<br>  
Time: 19:45hrs to 19:50hrs<br>  
Location: Moss Vale NSW<br>  
Duration of Sighting:&nbsp; 2 - 3 minutes<br>  
Size of all Objects: Star<br>  
Objects: Yellow<br>  
Noise: Nil<br>  
Shape: Star like<br>  
Objects observed: Two (2)<br>  
Other Witnesses: Wife<br>  
Name of Reportee: James<br>  
<br>  
Report:<br>  
<br>  
On Friday evening 20th June at 7.45pm to 7.50pm James</font></div>  
<div><font color="#000000">observed what he perceived to be an  
aeroplane on fire or an</font></div>



<div><font color="#000000">asteroid. He was walking along the pathway to his house in</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">Moss Vale, facing North West, when he noticed 2 bright yellow</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">objects in the sky.<br><br>

They were starlike but very bright and as he looked he saw a</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">bright piece fall off the first object. He called his wife out to see</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">also. James said that they were tracking south, slowly dropping</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">in altitude he and his wife eventually lost sight of them behind</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">trees. He was pretty sure it was an aircraft on fire and expected</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">to see it on the News, but there was no mention. He bought the</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">newspaper next day expecting to read about it, but once again</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">there was no mention.</font></div><div><font color="#000000"><br>

He rang the military at Goulburn because the sighting was over</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">Goulburn way, but got a negative response. He thought then</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">that it must have been an asteroid, meteorite, comet or something</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">and he rang the observatory. Once again he got a negative</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">response. He finally rang the hotline number declaring to me, I'm</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">a non believer, but this was quite odd. Please let me know what it</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">was, it must have been something. I explained to James about the</font></div>

<div><font color="#000000">garbage bag phenomena, but he said no, it was nothing like that.<br>

<br>

Investigator Lorraine Cilia<br>

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<div><font color="#000000">Thank you Karen and Lorraine for these followups.</font></div>

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<div>Regards Diane Harrison<br>

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Australian Skywatch Director<br>



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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Sat, 19 Jul 2003 04:40:24 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro

Regarding:

>From: Ktperehwon@aol.com  
>Date: Tue, 15 Jul 2003 18:01:32 EDT  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro

Karl wrote:

>Very interesting. Have you managed to contact Ed Yost?  
>If so, what did he have to say?

Karl,

I decided against writing to Ed Yost, for a number of reasons.

Primarily because he's over 80-years-old and I didn't want to trouble him unnecessarily.

At the time, I was also aware his wife had recently died  
- there's an apt eulogy online:

[http://www.balloonlife.com/publications/balloon\\_life/9801/0107/suzeyost0107.pdf](http://www.balloonlife.com/publications/balloon_life/9801/0107/suzeyost0107.pdf)

>When I spoke with him some years ago, he was quite  
>forthcoming about his project, who he was doing it for,  
>and when and where he was launching, and where his  
>balloons and their pilots landed (not anywhere near  
>Socorro).

That background information was landmark. As you know, Jim Winker, former Vice-President of Raven Industries, had responded to my 'Socorro hot-air balloon [HAB]' enquiry to the company [in 1964, the foremost manufacture of HABs] and as was prepared to reveal - seemingly for the first time publicly - existence of "classified" HAB flights in New Mexico during 1963/64.

These were reportedly known in-house as the 'Albuquerque flights' and launched from a location on the banks of the Rio Grande.

It was that entire early HAB history I was interested in,

as noted in a newsletter some time back:

I asked some questions of an acquaintance in the US who is an 'Intelligence' historian.

He advised, "The Office of Naval Research did a lot of balloon work and they were involved in inflatable aircraft work with Goodyear Rubber Co. CIA was also interested in both of these areas. The Navy's Strato-Lab program ran, at least, into the early 1960s because, on May 4, 1961, the Strato-Lab V balloon carried two Navy flight surgeons to an altitude of almost 115,000 feet. The General Mills Company in Minneapolis, Minnesota, also did early (late 40s, early 50s) balloon work.

CIA, and others, have been interested in clandestine methods for agent infiltration and exfiltration since the 'Iron Curtain' descended across Europe. While balloons have some potential for agent infiltration (moving from west to east), there are obvious problems in using them for exfiltration (prevailing wind direction).

I know there was some work done by CIA, including some manned 'flight testing' of a one-man balloon. I have done some checking and I find no indication that this information has been released".  
[END]

When he says, "I have done some checking", he's possibly in a position to actually have done so directly. I call him an 'Intelligence historian' because he mentioned having over 1100 related books in his library! Although it wasn't a topic for discussion, I expect he either worked in the Intelligence community and perhaps still does.

My main reason for contacting Ed Yost was in respect of his work for the Office of Naval Research.

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2003 19:36:22 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>  
>Date: Wed, 23 Jul 2003 09:39:28 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Dave wrote:

>I thought you might be interested to read what's planned  
>for the August 2003 issue of 'UFO Magazine'

>COMMENTARY

>By Graham W. Birdsall

>

>Talking of spurious claims, what are we to make of those  
>issued by former USAF security policeman Kevin Conde,  
>who alleged that a prank he played on colleagues was the  
>cause of the Rendlesham Forest incident of December  
>1980?

>

>Well, not much. Especially since learning that because  
>his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now  
>doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham  
>incident at all. But given that those doubts were  
>expressed a long time ago, how come they were never  
>raised in the BBC's Inside Out programme, or the Daily  
>Mail article which followed two days later?

>

>

>A suitable term comes to mind: 'Don't bother me with the  
>evidence, my mind's made up'.

Dave,

It certainly does!

Re: "Especially since learning that because his prank was  
conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it  
had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all".

It is, of course, the reverse which was true.

To his eternal credit, after due consideration, Kevin  
ruled out his spectacular hoax as being a factor because  
he recalled it occurred during an exercise, or actual  
'alert'.

Only in recent months, when I could prove the base was on 'ALERT CONDITION' [see photograph of the entrance to RAF Bentwaters, taken on 29 December 1980, in 'Left at East Gate'] did Kevin's stunt become a candidate again.

I first revealed this discovery back in February, see:

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>his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now  
>doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham  
>incident at all. But given that those doubts were  
>expressed a long time ago, how come they were never  
>raised in the BBC's Inside Out programme, or the Daily  
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>A suitable term comes to mind: 'Don't bother me with the  
>evidence, my mind's made up'.

Dave,

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conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it  
had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all".

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ruled out his spectacular hoax as being a factor because  
he recalled it occurred during an exercise, or actual  
'alert'.

Only in recent months, when I could prove the base was on 'ALERT CONDITION' [see photograph of the entrance to RAF Bentwaters, taken on 29 December 1980, in 'Left at East Gate'] did Kevin's stunt become a candidate again.

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Date: Thu, 24 Jul 2003 01:09:19 +0100  
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If it helps, the following summary [source?] is declared  
at various web sites:

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Hersts Post' magazine (4/30/64) that while he was fighting a  
scattered rear-guard, mostly in the mountains of Donegal, he  
came upon a cave with vegetation at the entrance that had  
been scorched. The only occupants in the cave were the sick  
and the wounded that had been unable to walk. The six able-  
bodied soldiers that were looking after them said they had  
been awakened early pre-dawn by a whirring noise outside of  
the cave and had fired their rifles in the direction of the  
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>I've been looking into this one for a year or so and  
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>Chris

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Have you been able to trace any other sources other than the ones I have  
quoted from INTCAT? I am intrigued as to why this story appeared in a  
South Herts newspaper. I know that Fred O Gardner lived in  
Hertfordshire and ran a group there in the 60s/70s, and also that he  
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Rob McClean wrote:

- > I think it is quite likely that Col. Halt was looking forward to a midnight
- > excursion in the woods. Brenda Butler wrote one article in which she pointed
- > out that it would have taken at least an hour for Halt to arrive at East
- > Gate from the party.

I recently re-located my video-copy of the "Strange But True" special on the Rendlesham incident, transmitted by UK's ITV network in 1996. It features interviews with Halt, Penniston & Burroughs, which at the time was a 'first.' Whilst re-watching this recently with Andy Roberts, he pointed out a few intriguing details I had overlooked, which in retrospect do support the impression that Halt & his party were indeed looking forward to their expedition in the woods, and that - despite his protestations - Halt was not quite the skeptic he has always claimed to have been.

I've transcribed lots of little bits and pieces in shorthand, and present the most interesting here:

\*Firstly, John Burroughs admits that he had played a number of practical jokes on his immediate superiors before the 'first' sighting in the early hours of 26 December 1980 (shades of Kevin Conde) -- and as a result he was not initially believed when he reported strange lights "like a Christmas tree" in the forest beyond the East Gate.

\*On arrival at East Gate, (circa 2-3 AM??) Sgt Penniston says he "contacted control" (? Bentwaters Tower ?) who checked with Air Defence radar (RAF Watton), who reported back that "about 15 minutes before" they had tracked a unidentified target "that was also seen by Heathrow in London". The exact quote is: "...They notified me that they had tracked a bogey about 15 minutes before and they confirmed it with Eastern Radar and Heathrow in London. It's approximate location was about five miles off base when they lost it." This is a clear distortion of memory as the 'sighting' recorded by Heathrow is fixed by documentary evidence - the tracking they made (also reported visually by a 737 crew outbound) was the re-entry of the COSMOS satellite after 2100 hours on 25 December. Here you can see how the myth of the 'radar tracking' arose!

\*John Burroughs states that afterwards "I heard a rumour that it [the UFO] was possibly a British exercise with ships and planes out to sea." Has anyone followed this up -- there certainly was a suggestion years ago there had been a British naval exercise off the Suffolk coast, involving if I recall HMS Norfolk.

\* Crucially important is the revelation that as a result of the first night's sightings - presumably on Halt's orders - the 'Light Alls' were moved into the forest, with the clear expectation that the UFO would return:

\*According to the programme it was "the next night" (ie night of 26 Dec) that Halt's dinner party was interrupted and he led his team into the forrest. In fact it was not the night of the 26 Dec, but the following night (27/28 December).

\*Halt: "I was sure something had happened. I was not convinced it was a UFO but I did not know what it was...there was only one way to find out...I assembled a small team of experts and we set off into the forest really to debunk it."

"It was time to put this thing to bed. \*I know there was something there\* [my emphasis], there had to be something there. But I also knew there had to be a logical explanation for what was going on."

\*However - the impression given that this action was a 'spur of the moment' decision is contradicted by the admission that the decision had been taken on the 26th (the day before) to set-up light alls in the forest in anticipation of the return of the UFO.

\*Much is made of the fact it was Christmas, there were no flights in or out of the base, and the impression is given that the UFOs helped to relieve the boredom.

\*Later in the programme Halt says: "Here I am, a senior official that routinely denies this sort of things and diligently works to debunk 'em [UFOs], and I am involved in the middle of something I can't explain."

\*"I'm certainly glad we made that tape because without the tape even I would have trouble believing what happened that night."

\*During the expedition into the forest Halt says he called up Eastern Radar [via Bentwaters RAPcom] on several occasions asking them to check their scopes for unidentified targets [confirmed by the testimony of the RAF commander there]...this, he said happened at the time that beams of light were reported coming down on the base (ie around 3am on 28 December 1980).

Halt ends by saying: "At this stage my skepticism had disappeared..."

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I've transcribed lots of little bits and pieces in shorthand, and present the most interesting here:

\*Firstly, John Burroughs admits that he had played a number of practical jokes on his immediate superiors before the 'first' sighting in the early hours of 26 December 1980 (shades of Kevin Conde) -- and as a result he was not initially believed when he reported strange lights "like a Christmas tree" in the forest beyond the East Gate.

\*On arrival at East Gate, (circa 2-3 AM??) Sgt Penniston says he "contacted control" (? Bentwaters Tower ?) who checked with Air Defence radar (RAF Watton), who reported back that "about 15 minutes before" they had tracked a unidentified target "that was also seen by Heathrow in London". The exact quote is: "...They notified me that they had tracked a bogey about 15 minutes before and they confirmed it with Eastern Radar and Heathrow in London. It's approximate location was about five miles off base when they lost it." This is a clear distortion of memory as the 'sighting' recorded by Heathrow is fixed by documentary evidence - the tracking they made (also reported visually by a 737 crew outbound) was the re-entry of the COSMOS satellite after 2100 hours on 25 December. Here you can see how the myth of the 'radar tracking' arose!

\*John Burroughs states that afterwards "I heard a rumour that it [the UFO] was possibly a British exercise with ships and planes out to sea." Has anyone followed this up -- there certainly was a suggestion years ago there had been a British naval exercise off the Suffolk coast, involving if I recall HMS Norfolk.

\* Crucially important is the revelation that as a result of the first night's sightings - presumably on Halt's orders - the 'Light Alls' were moved into the forest, with the clear expectation that the UFO would return:

\*According to the programme it was "the next night" (ie night of 26 Dec) that Halt's dinner party was interrupted and he led his team into the forest. In fact it was not the night of the 26 Dec, but the following night (27/28 December).

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\*However - the impression given that this action was a 'spur of the moment' decision is contradicted by the admission that the decision had been taken on the 26th (the day before) to set-up light alls in the forest in anticipation of the return of the UFO.

\*Much is made of the fact it was Christmas, there were no flights in or out of the base, and the impression is given that the UFOs helped to relieve the boredom.

\*Later in the programme Halt says: "Here I am, a senior official that routinely denies this sort of things and diligently works to debunk 'em [UFOs], and I am involved in the middle of something I can't explain."

\*"I'm certainly glad we made that tape because without the tape even I would have trouble believing what happened that night."

\*During the expedition into the forest Halt says he called up Eastern Radar [via Bentwaters RAPcom] on several occasions asking them to check their scopes for unidentified targets [confirmed by the testimony of the RAF commander there]...this, he said happened at the time that beams of light were reported coming down on the base (ie around 3am on 28 December 1980).

Halt ends by saying: "At this stage my skepticism had disappeared..."

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This sounds like standard believer's rhetoric: cf Budd  
Hopkins' declaration somewhere that he's so skeptical he  
doesn't believe anything. (O really?) All believers claim to  
start as skeptics and are slowly converted by the overwhelming  
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remember through the fog of time and flying saucers. You  
know... bodily fluids?

best wishes  
Peter B

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Monday-Night?

Hello Listfolks,

in a short-news of the news-agency dpa is now reported that in the Monday-night  
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informations to this case?

Greetings,

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>  
Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 16:56:22 +0100 (BST)  
Subject: [UFORL] Sitchin

Dear list members,

(Firstly, apologies to anybody who is waiting for a reply from me, this is a very awkward period and I have work piled up to the ceiling, so to speak. Thanks kindly for your patience.)

I would be very interested in investigating the true background of Zecharia Sitchin. I have read everything the internet has to offer but I am sure there must be more.

Does anyone have any information they can share with me?

Thank you,

Chris

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Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 15:15:03 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

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Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 04:24:32 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
>Date: Tue, 22 Jul 03 00:11:44 +0100  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

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>back... the UFO's back", which suggests a high degree of  
>psychological priming, and the inspiration to go on  
>their little spree. Add a bit of festive cheer and an  
>armchair pilot...

Peter:

One of Halt's related quotes comes from the 9 December,  
1994 UK ITV 'Strange But True?' feature:

"The duty Flight Lieutenant [Bruce Englund - James] came  
in and he was quite shaken and insisted upon speaking to  
myself and the base commander about a matter of utmost  
urgency. He said, 'it's back' and I said, 'what's back'  
and he said, 'the UFO is back'.

I assembled a small team of experts and we set off in the  
forest, ready to debunk it".

Did Halt actually set out to "debunk it"?

Is there, from the 'Halt tape' - note the Geiger counter  
and 'starlight scope' intent - any confirmation of this  
whatsoever, or does it evidence otherwise...

James.  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 02:03:22 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro "fused sand"

Regarding:

>From: Kenny Young <ufo@fuse.net>  
>Date: Sun, 20 Jul 2003 22:42:18 -0400  
>Subject: [UFORL] Socorro "fused sand"

Kenny wrote:

>Rumph/Nayes informed that the patch of fused material  
>was 30-inches long, 10-inches wide, tapering to a narrow  
>end of about 1-inch on the downstream side. It was  
>generally rather smooth on top, with some ridges on the  
>southeastern edge of the patch.

Kenny,

The 'fused' sand is mentioned by Stanford in 'Socorro Saucer', however, he didn't observe this himself (possibly it had been disturbed before Stanford visited the site).

You've highlighted details which are not in Stanford's book.

Although it doesn't sound like a large area involved, the tapering line of burnt sand isn't evidently consistent with downward thrust from a rocket - which would surely leave traces radiating outwards in all directions from a central point.

It could, however, equate with flames from a single HAB burner, which had been upturned.

>In this letter, McDonald was impressed with the matter  
>and added that fused sand seems to be "conclusive  
>evidence of a high temperature source," other than the  
>mysterious melted rock (not familiar with that one - KY)  
>or the "charred vegetation."

Stanford notes there was a rock which seemed to have traces of burning on it.

>So in conclusion, I summarize the above to inquire if  
>there is any particular reason this issue is not 'on the



>table' with regards to the Socorro Incident?

Quite the contrary.

Some further evidence which is related:

Stanford writes of State Patrolman Jordan:

"Jordan said that what most impressed him at the landing site was the way the 'flame' had evidently 'sliced' a large greasewood bush, located almost centrally in the landing gear quadrangle, without leaving any signs of strong turbulence, as the exhaust of a powerful rocket thrust unit or even the whirling of helicopter blades would have done".

""The flame from that damn thing just sliced that greasewood bush in half, just burned it off clean like a blade of fire had cut right through it"".

Stanford also recalls that when with Hynek at the site, "I could not help but deduce that the 'fiery finger' from beneath the craft had extended itself from northeast to southwest, reaching out for some yards from where the mysterious object had been elevated above the ravine, probably during its landing approach and manoeuvre, prior to orienting the exhaust directly downward for the final descent".

"Further, after the roaring engine was cut off, the craft accelerated away in complete silence. Thus, we see that still a second mode of propulsion, also different from anything terrestrial technology now produces, was involved for acceleration and sustained movement.

One may wonder why two different propulsive modes were evidently utilized by the Socorro craft".

One may indeed.

Given Zamora's stated bewilderment that, on departure, the object's exhaust wasn't apparently making any impact on the ground, there's still one simple, terrestrial, aerial vehicle which fits the overall profile.

Another which certainly meets key criteria is 'the bean'.

Although I haven't been able, as yet, to obtain a copy of

the book recently mentioned, I can now reveal it's called, 'Flying Saucers - Key to Creation?', by George H. Eastland.

A summary of the author's claims - he seemingly doesn't relate them to Zamora's sighting - can be seen at:

<http://www.weirdload.com/nm-ufo.html>

James.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: hsommerville@talk21.com  
>Date: Fri, 18 Jul 2003 16:57:03 BST  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham

Harry wrote:

>HI,HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHERE I COULD BUY A COPY OF JENNY'S  
>BOOK.

Harry,

Go to:

<http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/1902809351/002-0075785-7378448?v=glance>

I'm sure Jenny, Dave and Andy will be pleased to note Amazon's alert, 'Only 5 left in stock' and there's "more on the way"!

James.  
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Regarding:

>From: John Smith <jrs241059@yahoo.co.uk>  
>Date: Wed, 16 Jul 2003 16:25:28 +0100 (BST)  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

John wrote:

>Hiya! I'm a new member and, as such, I've come into this  
>discussion partway through. Is this Rendlesham  
>documentary due to be broadcast on TV?

John,

It was broadcast on 30 June. For further details, see:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham\\_ufos.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham_ufos.shtml)

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Compliments again.

I wrote:

>Apology: I referred (I now see) to "the Woodbridge/R'sham  
>complex". I meant, of course, the Bentwaters/R'sham complex.

Yeah, well, I will get it right eventually. I meant, of course  
I meant, what else could I possibly have meant, the Bentwaters/  
Woodbridge complex. I really ought to know, given the number of  
times I've driven down the road between the bases. Sorry again.

best wishes  
Peter B

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is the breath of God" ---ancient Arab apothegm  
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Compliments to all. Kevin wrote:

>In the event of real tensions, and the belief that the Russians were  
>coming, we would also have operated freely off base.  
>  
>The exercises that have figured into some of this controversy are an  
>example. The majority of the hard core "combat" occurred off base.  
>  
>When in the air base ground defense mode he knew that if we waited until  
>we had Russians in the wire we were already too late. It was our mission  
>to go off base and engage them as far from the flight line as possible.

I've no reason to doubt this. I'm equally sure that such off-base exercises as occurred would have been cleared with everyone concerned in the proper order, including the British police (it would take no more than a phone call with the Chief Constable to become legal -- it's up to him who else, including no one, he chooses to tell about it).

Likewise, in a shooting war, the preliminary stages from political crisis to outbreak of hostilities generally take a long time. Someone once calculated there were something like 42 discrete steps in this process. There is nothing in law (but may be rather a lot in secret annexes to the leases of US bases from HMG) to prevent the British Army or the police from requesting assistance from the USAF. Indeed given the overstretch of British forces this is the obvious thing to do. However: these diplomatic niceties would have been observed long before any shooting started. Clearly you don't wait until that stage to tell those who will actually defend the base that that is what they are going to do, or to train them how to do it. One would expect, too, during the run-up to hostilities that US perimeter defences would be very heavily reinforced, by whatever country's armed forces.

I suspect that the responsibility of USAF police for finding downed aircraft was also covered in the leases, and involved some kind of standing licence to cover such emergencies. Once again it would clearly be mad to have to go through a diplomatic rigmarole before getting people to twisted metal and roasting flesh. But a USAF fire crew (for example) wouldn't need to know what gave them the right to proceed. Still, if anyone wanted to go nosing around the PRO again, or use such FOI as we have in this furtive little country, there is the starter for a bit of research. Just what were the arrangements/agreements/contracts

by which (even allied) foreign troops could go into action on British soil?

As Tim Printy points out by implication, on the second night, when Hall went poaching in the woods, there seems to have been no triggering misapprehension about downed planes. Ergo he and his gang had not even a specious excuse to go hunting. But buried in the literature somewhere is an account in which someone told Halt "It's back... the UFO's back", which suggests a high degree of psychological priming, and the inspiration to go on their little spree. Add a bit of festive cheer and an armchair pilot... Has anyone ever asked Halt if he's ever been especially concerned about his bodily fluids? Worried about fluoride? No?

Halt, in any case, should have known the law, the constitution and the conventions. If he didn't, he should have; if he did, he was out of order. If Pope, Bruni & Co know about them, they're certainly being remarkably shy about admitting it. I cannot imagine why.

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--Albert Camus  
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&gt;recall at least a dozen individuals telling me they saw the meteor fell just beyond  
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Sorry.&nbsp;I did not want to give the impression that it was this particular meteor I  
was referring to in my discussions of witnesses to bright meteors. I was only making a  
collective reference to various fireball sightings I talked to people about over the  
years.<BR>  
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Date: Mon, 21 Jul 2003 19:27:11 +0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro "fused sand"

Kenny,  
Could this fused sand (a fulgarite) have been caused by a lightning strike? Strange lights, burnt brush, fused sand...

Chris

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Subject: [UFORL] Socorro "fused sand"  
Author: Kenny Young <ufo@fuse.net>  
Date: Mon, 21 Jul 2003 02:42:18 +0000

Since I haven't seen the following issue raised much, could someone please inform if the matter involving the 'fused sand' found at the Socorro, N.M. case of April, '64 has been refuted or otherwise dismissed with a good deal of satisfaction?

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

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This may be what is implied in the responses I obtained from some of the senior RAF

Operations staff who were consulted about the 'incidents' at Woodbridge in 1981. The

most senior I have traced is RAF Group Captain who was Deputy Director of

Operations (Ground Environment), Neil Colvin. He told me: "I remember the alleged

sightings by US airmen at Bentwaters [sic]. I recall that we could not explain them but

were very sceptical of the reports. We were not privy to the actual evidence of the

sightings by the personnel concerned, nor did we have the opportunity to interview

the individuals involved."

Group Captain Colvin would not be drawn upon the reasons why the Air Staff were

"sceptical of the reports" but assured me they were good reasons.

If there is a 'smoking gun' it may well be some suggestion that Halt was a 'wacko',

as Kevin suggests. This is not the sort of thing the US-UK would want to emerge

at the time, given the context of Cold War/Greenham Common, highlighted by Mendoza.

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I was most amused to see the correspondence between Bruni and Kevin Conde. She clearly expects him to take as red assertions that the rest of us know are garbage - specifically:

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I know Kevin has more sense, but he should challenge Bruni on this one -- where's the evidence for the D-Notice? She has none.

b) That there was something wrong with UK's radar system during the sightings, Kevin's prank cannot explain the radar evidence of UFOs etc....more garbage.

There was nothing wrong with the UK radar system either on 26 December or the night of Halt's expedition. Even the USAF men describe calling up Eastern Radar (RAF Watton) to ask the ATC room to check their scopes \*while the sightings were happening.\*

The MoD file makes it clear that no UFOs were either seen by operators or captured by the radar cameras. The RAF's central air defence station, RAF Neatishead, in the Norfolk Broads, was fully operational and its 'live' displays of the radar picture were linked directly with Watton at the relevant time. The MoD file makes it explicit that:

"an examination of the executive logs revealed no entry in respect of unusual radar returns or other unusual occurrences."

If that was not sufficient in itself, I traced the Commanding Officer of Eastern Radar at the relevant time, Squadron Leader Derek Combe. He told me:

"I recall the incident well as I was on duty at the time it occurred....the call came from Bentwaters RAPcom. They requested that we scan the radars for any radar targets in their area: there were NONE. They reported flashing lights in the Rendlesham Forest area, outside the airfield runway and that the base police were investigating the incident."

In retrospect the "flashing lights" and lack of any radar confirmation described by Combe are completely consistent with Kevin's recollection of his practical joke.

I find it utterly amazing that Bruni and Nick Pope continue to use the so-called "radar evidence", along with the discredited 'radiation readings' to bolster their claims about this case. They are fully aware of the information I have cited above, but I guess commercial considerations overtake honesty.

All the best,

Dave Clarke

"Depend upon it that he who loves making mysteries for the sake of mystery making is ultimately and in big things a fool, and therefore dangerous."

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Date: Sat, 19 Jul 2003 16:53:07 +0200  
Subject: [UFORL] UFOs that Never Were (was: Rendlesham

Ciao Jenny and Vicente,

At 16.05 18/07/2003 +0200, Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos wrote:

>I did enjoy UFOs That Never Were, and I have no cat!  
>This is one of the best single books published in Europe.  
>[...]The future of ufology is precisely there. [...]  
>I may not be 100% in agreement with all you write but your insights and  
>findings  
>provide enlightenment to the readership, so please keep up your good work.  
>[...] Please continue investigating and writing as you do. You have gained the  
>respect of many a researcher all over the world.

Since I could not write that better than Vicente did, may I just say that I  
do share all the above comments of his, and have been doing so for a long  
time, as well as the most of the "bad boys" here down in Italy?

Best regards

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From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
Date: Thu, 17 Jul 2003 19:46:05 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

James:

This is what is hopefully my final reply to some questions from Georgina. Any further discussion seems futile. I know, you warned me.

Thanks

Kevin

Kevin's reply to Georgina:

Georgina:

"Malcolm Zickler features heavily in my book, having interviewed him several times. Apparently he was the commander of all four units, the SPs, LEs, Fire Group and the SPIs."

Major Zickler was the Chief of Security Police. LE and Security were separate functions within the Security Police Squadron. By Fire I assume you mean the Fire Dept. They were within the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron. Zickler was not responsible for them. If by SPIs you mean the OSI (Office of Special Investigation), they are a separate operating agency not under the direct command of anyone on base. They are the USAF equivalent of the FBI. If by SPIs you mean Security Police Investigations section, they were part of the LE branch under Zickler.

"Who was working when." Don't know what to tell you. If they were on weird shifts - I would have been as well.

It is my opinion that it was not a UFO, I think it is much more likely that at least one of the so called "sightings" was a 1979 Plymouth Volare. I realize that you can marshal all sorts of arguments to the contrary, and you could be right. Regardless, the 1979 Plymouth makes much more sense to me.

If you read some of what James has published I think you'll find he asked me once if I was the only one that pulled such a prank. I told him words to the effect that "good" jokes tended to be repeated. Anyone could have repeated the prank, and probably did.

We keep coming back to the concept of coincidence and common sense. The witnesses reported bright white, red and blue lights. In the same physical area and at the same general time in history I used bright white, red and blue lights to fool a gate guard into thinking



he saw a UFO.

That is a little too much coincidence to dismiss.

Kevin

-----Original Message-----

From: Georgina Bruni [mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk]

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2003 11:25 AM Subject: RE: Rendlesham

Hi Kevin

Malcolm Zickler features heavily in my book, having interviewed him several times. Apparently he was the commander of all four units, the SPs, LEs, Fire Group and the SPIs.

Some of the chiefs and commanders were working extra hours during that week to allow for the younger ones to have Christmas breaks. In fact Ball was the flight chief during Halt's encounter. It seems that other non commissioned officers on duty were Willie B Williams, Coakley and Wimbrow. And flight chief Edwin Kearney, possibly at Bentwaters. Ray Gulyas was A Flight (Day Shift). The person on Whisky One remembers them, maybe you do too. Ball was on duty with just a handful of men during that week (apart from the first night). He was with D Flight. If you were with Englund you most probably were B Flight, Englund switched over during that time to D Flight. As you know this sometimes happened. B Flight were on their break during Halt's encounter. The first night's incident involved C Flight.

Squadron Leader Moreland (British Liaison Officer) supports Halt's story that he was ordered by the base commander to go out to the forest and investigate.

I know you said that you cannot be sure that your prank was responsible, but apparently you told BBC viewers that , 'What it boils down to is that was no UFO it was a 1979 Plymouth Volare.'

So my last question to you Kevin, is how can you claim that it was your prank when you admit you don't know the date and know nothing about the incident other than what you have heard or read on the web?

Thanks again for answering my questions, I 'll be writing an article for [www.hotgossip.co.uk](http://www.hotgossip.co.uk) so if you want to comment I'll be pleased to write it in. I have a quote from the BBC.

Regards

Georgina Bruni

Editor in Chief

Hot Gossip Magazine

www.hotgossip.co.uk

-----Original Message-----

From: Kevin Conde [mailto:KevinC@sutter.k12.ca.us]

Sent: 17 July 2003 16:22 Subject: RE: Rendlesham

Georgina:

Major Malcolm Zickler was the 81st SPS commander.

Some specifics on dates may be helpful. My APR for the period lists me as SSgt, so your other source was correct. I had a line number for TSgt, but did not put the stripe on until Spring 1981.

The APR shows me assigned on 11 Sep 80, and covers the period from then until March 1981. It is endorsed by Lt. Englund, and I clearly remember both Englund and Ball. The name Buran is familiar, but I did not have much contact with him. Lt. Englund was my Flight Commander.

Why should he remember my prank – I did not tell anyone. If they'd know of the prank they probably would have attributed at least some of the "lights" to it. As to the "battered" issue, I don't know where it came from, and we should stop debating it. Our patrol cars were fairly new.

The APR states specifically that I was the LE Flight Chief from Sep through Dec, when a newly arrived TSgt was assigned. This is significant for a couple of reasons, while on flight I only worked one of three posts; Flight Chief, Desk Sergeant or Woodbridge Patrol. The night of the incident involving Halt had Ball and Englund involved. If they were working, I was working.

I would have been working in one of three places; Woodbridge, LE Flight Chief or LE Desk Sgt. In any case, I should have been aware of Halt's trip off base, but I was not. How do you explain that? I suspect the incident was not as spectacular as some of the participants would like you to believe.

As to the cover-up, etc. Every argument I make you can counter. Every argument you make I can counter. While the base commander may have told Halt to go look into the weirdness within the security police, I don't think he meant that to include an invasion of the English countryside by the 81st SPS.

Knowing the USAF as I do I am still convinced that if the USAF was covering anything up, it was a vice base commander leading a search for UFO's off base accompanied by people responsible for guarding nuclear weapons. The fact that senior leadership did nothing do Halt

can be attributed to their desire to keep the situation low key. Relieving Halt would have made a splash, especially if he threw a public fit, coupled with a lack of firm evidence. They may have believed he was a wacko, but could not prove it.

As I have said before, I believe a series unrelated events, coupled with the right personalities, combined in the right place and right time lead some people to jump to the wrong conclusion. I'm also convinced that no one within the chain of command above Halt ever had the slightest doubt that the "sighting" was a load of crap. If they investigated anything, they investigated the stability of the deputy base commander, and if they covered up anything, it was his actions.

Kevin

-----Original Message-----

From: Georgina Bruni [mailto:georgina@easynet.co.uk]

Sent: Thursday, July 17, 2003 2:59 AM Subject: RE: Rendlesham

Hi Kevin

Thank you for your response. It's most helpful.

WHEN I WAS ON PATROL: Bobby Ball was the Security Flight Chief opposite my LE Flight. Lt. Englund was the Flight Commander for both flights. If Lt. Englund and MSgt Ball were not on duty, I was not on duty. If they were on duty, I was. I have an APR for the period that Lt. Englund endorsed. MSgt Chandler was the Security Flight Chief on a different flight. If he was working, I probably was not.

OK, so that solves the first night. I've also checked with Skip Buran, who was the Flight Commander at the time and he doesn't remember you or your hoax. But he supports you with regard to other matters.

To quote him:

'I don't remember Conde, nor do I remember anyone pulling a prank. As for the patrol car being beat up: Our vehicles were used 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week, and even one a year old could be considered "beat up". The patrol cars may or may not have had manual or electrically operated spotlights. These were sometimes added by the individual units as necessity dictated.' F. A. (Skip) Buran Lt Col, USAF (Ret)

I have lots of documentation for that first event and who was and wasn't on duty. Englund and Ball were on duty during Halt's event, which took place anytime from 28-31 December, of course there were

sightings of lights in the sky on most nights in between, but because Halt wrote the wrong times and dates on his memo it's difficult to define the exact date he was involved. According to a primary witness and certain other factors, it was most likely the night of 28th and morning of 29th.

As I've stated before, I have never believed I was solely responsible for the "Incident." I CAN NOT even prove that I was involved at all. I can only say that what I did bears an amazing resemblance to what some witnesses reported seeing. I don't believe in coincidences.

Then has the BBC embellished your story?

All the personnel that are mentioned seemed to be Security.

It also involved LE's, and of course John Burroughs was LE.

Additionally, I'm a natural skeptic. If I had heard something about a "UFO" , I would have assumed it was a reaction to my prank, and a joke, and would have dismissed it.

Without knowledge of the incidents I can appreciate your reaction.

You say it was common knowledge in the squadron, yet I was totally unaware of this "Incident" until I discovered it 2 years ago? There are certain facts that I can state:

I didn't say it was common knowledge in the squadron, only to those on duty during the events.

I knew most of the principals, yet I was unaware of the scope of the incident. How can that be? My wife is also a retired SMSgt. We were at Bentwaters together. She was not a cop, but was in the same Combat Support Group that I was. She was totally unaware of the "Incident".

The witnesses were sent to other bases (TDYs), put on day shift and as in the case of Penniston and Burroughs, were given a week's break. The cover-up started immediately.

Do you remember Major Zickler?

Some people would say that is because the incident was covered up. Knowing the USAF as I do, a more likely theory is that the incident was not as significant as some of the personalities involved would like you to think.

It's not just a case of personalities Kevin, there is official documentation from several official sources. You can't dismiss this lightly.

I doubt that we will ever be able to say for sure what really happened. While I would have to describe myself as a skeptic, that does not mean I refuse to believe in UFO's. Life evolved on this planet. That is definite proof that it has have evolved on other planets. I don't believe we can prove or disprove the existence of UFO's.

UFOS don't have to be extraterrestrial. UFO means unidentified flying object' Nobody is saying for sure that they were ET, just that they were not American, British or Russian, the only countries capable at that time of getting anywhere close to that design. Even today there is nothing cable of making those manoeuvres or flying in total silence.

I did, however, spend 21 years in the USAF, retiring as a SMSgt. I know how the USAF operates. If the USAF powers-that-be in the UK/Europe at the time really believed the base had been "visited", everyone on base would have been aware of it. You don't keep that kind of thing under wraps.

I have to disagree, it's on a need to know basis. I know this from my research and contacts. No offence, but I've interviewed high ranking officers, such as Generals and also the Dep Chief of AFOSI at Bentwaters and others. The nature of this incident had to be kept under wraps for reasons explained in my book. The MOD official documents clearly state that the USAF did not offer all the evidence (such as tapes) to the MOD or RAF. Also the MOD documents reveal that there were problems with the UK radar stations. My book shows evidence of RAF documents where it states that Bentwaters were dealing with UFOs, which showed up on radar. How could your prank fool the UK's radar experts? Your car would need to have been more than 15 miles in the air.

The more likely cause of any official interest in the case is senior leadership's concern that a Lt Col felt it necessary to lead enlisted and junior officer personnel on a field trip for 6 miles through the farms and forest of a foreign country.

He was ordered to investigate by the Base Commander Ted Conrad, and Halt didn't exactly walk six miles.

#1. I only played my joke because there was fertile ground for it. There was a gate guard with a gullible personality who had "seen" things before. That does not mean my prank was the "incident." My prank may not have had anything to do with the "Incident."

I don't believe it did Kevin. You have to collate all the evidence and when you do that you realise it's impossible for your prank to be the culprit.

However, the description of what the witnesses saw regarding certain "lights", and what I did is simply too similar to ignore. Even the most ardent believer must accept that my prank could have been a factor in what happened. The emphasis is on "could have."

You can't base your prank on just the 'lights'. We've established that your prank wasn't played on the first night because you couldn't have been on duty. The second night (or major incident) that you refer to, took place inside the forest. The lights were later seen in the sky but you can't prove that you fooled dozens of people, including Bobby Ball, into believing that a car on the taxiway was responsible.

#2. I am absolutely convinced there would not have been a "Rendlesham Forest Incident" if Lt. Col Halt had not been involved. The only reason we are discussing this case 23 years on is because Lt Col Halt was willing to take responsibility for the off base field trip. Any interest by senior USAF or UK authorities was probably focused more on Lt Col Halt's behavior than on any other factor. Knowing the USAF the way I do, I can just imagine the reaction of the 3rd Air Force/USAFE leadership at the thought of a deputy base commander organizing a large scale invasion of the English countryside by members of the 81st SPS.

It's true that discovery of Halt's memorandum to the MOD was instrumental in helping the case break open, but Halt was not involved in the first night's incident. The Third Air Force at Mildenhall knew about the incident. General Williams (then a colonel and the Wing Commander in charge of Bentwaters/Woodbridge) personally took the evidence to Mildenhall.

We're talking about a critical base in a foreign country during a time of international tensions. Add to this mix the fact that many of the citizens of the host country did not want any USAF bases on their soil, especially bases that stored nukes! That most of the people involved in the "incident" were responsible for guarding those nukes would have ratcheted up senior leadership's concern by a quantum factor. Senior US/MOD/USAFE personnel would have been horrified at what word of such a bizarre incident would look like if the press, especially the English press, had gotten a hold of it.

That's exactly right, and one of the major reasons why a cover-up was put into place. It wouldn't have made the press at the time, there was a D-Notice on it. However, it made headlines 3 years later when a US research team uncovered Halt's memo.

Lt Col Halt is the key to the incident. Without him there would have been no Rendlesham Forest Incident.

He's certainly a major player because of his rank at the time, but that's by no means the full story.

Here's my comments on some of what you mention in your media interviews. Comments from you are most welcome.

1. You can't recall the date of your prank. If this is so then how can you claim you were responsible for the incident? Surely knowing the exact date is important in the first instance!
2. You say there was fog on the night in question, but there was no fog during any of the events. Of course several witnesses reported that there was a green ground mist around the UFOs, but there was no natural fog on the runway or surrounding the base.
3. You say you played his loudspeaker, but don't define what you played, and of course the UFOs were completely silent.
4. You say you played the prank on the taxiway [runway]. The incident did NOT take place on or near the runway, but inside the forest. The UFO was first seen falling into the forest, which prompted those at the East Gate, John Burroughs and his sergeant, Bud Steffans, to think it was a downed aircraft. The lights, of course, were not going up into the sky, but were falling down from the sky.
5. You say you were unaware of the Rendlesham mystery until you looked up your old base on a US military website. If this is the case then how could you claim that as far as you are aware they found nothing above background [radiation] levels?
6. When asked about the metallic spacecraft and [ground] depressions you pointed out that a large helicopter had landed the previous night, apparently with three landing skids. You could not have seen or heard about the USAF photographs of the landing site showing the three ground indentations being examined by a British police officer and a USAF Captain. Was there a 'large helicopter' capable of forming three depressions in a triangular pattern? And if so, then why would the USAF alert the local constabulary to the landing site? Surely a USAF captain would know if these indentations were formed by one of their own helicopters. And why would a 'large' helicopter land smack in the middle of the forest? But even more incredible, how was 'a large helicopter' able to land amongst the trees?

Thank you  
Best wishes  
Georgina

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:  
>  
> >From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@y...>  
> >Date: Mon, 14 Jul 2003 15:54:00 -0000  
> >Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary  
>  
> Kevin wrote:  
>  
> >I have never received any email from Georgia. If I did I  
> >would reply. I did what I did, and I have no problem  
> >discussing it with someone that wishes to engage in a  
> >rational discussion of it.  
>  
> Kevin,  
>  
> So far as your chances of a rational discussion there,  
> Bruni is currently lampooned in 'Fortean Times' magazine  
> for recent claims that a well known and admitted hoax  
> might be based on 'reality'.  
>  
> In 1977, UK ITV regional station, 'Anglia TV', broadcast  
> a documentary, originally intended to be shown on 1st  
> April - 'April Fool's day'. It claimed that a top-secret  
> project called, 'Alternative Three', planned to, "build a  
> 'transfer station' on the backside of the Moon, build an  
> underground base on Mars and remove a certain limited  
> 'Noah's Ark' cross section of Earth's population,  
> artists, scientists, engineers, writers, etc., to Mars as  
> a survival colony in the event of catastrophe on Earth".  
>  
> In a secret joint American and Russian space program,  
> astronauts had already landed on Mars in 1962... etc.  
>  
> Doubtless, you now understand the context.  
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>  
> Bruni's 'MoD covered-up Martians landing in Suffolk'  
> claims were easily proven to be such, see for example:  
>  
> <http://www.rendlesham.com/v17.txt>  
>  
>  
> As I'm sure you realise and as many/some/a few  
> 'ufologists' will admit, you have entered what is  
> perceived by mainstream media and science as the realm of  
> cranks, crackpots and conspiracy extremists.  
>  
> It's a reputation which is arguably hard fought and  
> jealously guarded!  
>



- > It doesn't matter how many 'ufologists' themselves will
- > lament classic 'flying saucer' photos, crop circles,
- > supposed secret government documents with 50+ spelling
- > mistakes [sic], or tales of being taken to Venus for
- > tea with ET as blatant hoaxes, in every case there's
- > always someone who will desperately advocate proverbial
- > straws to grasp.
- >
- > Usually, they have coincidentally written a book which
- > proclaims their case to be paramount evidence of the
- > nefarious 'UFO cover-up'...
- >
- > Possibly, it's all about trying to somehow save face and
- > often attempts do so are pitiful, never remotely likely
- > to fool anyone outwith base camp.
- >
- > For those who believe there has been contact with aliens
- > and the evidence merits a scientific appraisal, it must
- > be wretched to see how intrinsic acceptance of so many
- > hoaxes reflects on their dream of mainstream
- > science/media taking 'scientific ufology' seriously.
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- >
- > 'Inside Out' was a spectacular coup which caught all but
- > the informed completely unaware.
- >
- > Your place in 'UFO' history is assured!
- >
- > As for the "wailing and gnashing of teeth" from
- > perceivable straw-clutchers, some might conclude that "a
- > day late and a dollar short" would be charitable.
- >
- > The program was a landmark, 'fait accompli', in so many
- > fundamental aspects.
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- >
- > James.
- > E-mail: voyager@j...

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From: "John" <iron.duke@virgin.net>  
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 22:20:42 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

I'm new to this group, I had hoped that I could have contributed something positive the first time I posted, but...

Has anyone picked up the latest copy of UFO Magazine, yet? I think the Inside out documentary has indeed upset a few people....!

James, I remember you saying you had mailed Graham Birdsall about Kevin, pointing out amongst other things the pronunciation of his name? You may have had some affect as the articles are now headlined "RENDLESHAM: Were the BBC duped?" Nick Pope is the only one to suggest in a short, concise piece that it is a suspicious coincidence that Kevin's name "could be pronounced conned".

Georgina Bruni (in a longer, less concise and more abusive piece) concentrates on Kevin and outlines some of the questions she has about his testimony.

Some of the questions were familiar from Kevin's publication of his e-mail correspondence with her earlier this month, although she doesn't seem to have gone overboard including his answers. One that sprung out at me was her assertion that "USAF personnel usually work in pairs...(Kevin) most likely would have had a partner that night. Who was that person and why fail to mention him?"

In my humble opinion, Kevin answered this one rather authoritively, so either this piece was written before their correspondence or she has chosen to omit his reply.

If anyone does not have access to this publication, or choose not to spend their money on it, I could probably post more if helpful. However, I couldn't resist one final quote from Georgina.

"So ask yourself why Easton still promoted Conde's hoax as being the sole cause of the Rendlesham incident. And why Conde decided to change his mind yet again. It is a well known fact that certain people can get addicted to being in the media limelight."

And then, just a few short paragraphs later,

"My greatest pleasure has been doing live TV and radio shows when I am up against one (or several) of them {Skeptics}."

Hmm, is it just me, or does this sound ironic to anyone else?

Regards,

John.

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:

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> >From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@c...>

> >Date: Wed, 23 Jul 2003 09:39:28 +0100

> >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

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> Dave wrote:

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> >I thought you might be interested to read what's planned

> >for the August 2003 issue of 'UFO Magazine'

>

> >COMMENTARY

> >By Graham W. Birdsall

> >

> >Talking of spurious claims, what are we to make of those

> >issued by former USAF security policeman Kevin Conde,

> >who alleged that a prank he played on colleagues was the

> >cause of the Rendlesham Forest incident of December

> >1980?

> >

> >Well, not much. Especially since learning that because

> >his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now

> >doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham

> >incident at all. But given that those doubts were

> >expressed a long time ago, how come they were never

> >raised in the BBC's Inside Out programme, or the Daily

> >Mail article which followed two days later?

> >

> >

> >A suitable term comes to mind: 'Don't bother me with the

> >evidence, my mind's made up'.

>

> Dave,

>

> It certainly does!

>

> Re: "Especially since learning that because his prank was

> conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it

> had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all".

>

> It is, of course, the reverse which was true.

>

> To his eternal credit, after due consideration, Kevin

> ruled out his spectacular hoax as being a factor because

- > he recalled it occurred during an exercise, or actual
- > 'alert'.
- >
- > Only in recent months, when I could prove the base was on
- > 'ALERT CONDITION' [see photograph of the entrance to RAF
- > Bentwaters, taken on 29 December 1980, in 'Left at East
- > Gate'] did Kevin's stunt become a candidate again.
- >
- >

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>  
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 15:54:57 +0100 (BST)  
Subject: [UFORL] Diego Rivera's alleged 1921 sighting

(Please distribute this far and wide)

Diego Rivera (1886-1957), the most important Mexican muralist painter of the twentieth century, is said to have described an interesting UFO sighting that he had in August 1921. During a sea voyage from Hamburg to Mexico with his friend David Alfaro, "an incident occurred that left a deep impression on me. It was a brilliant red sphere that suddenly came out of the sea and, after flying silently above us, settled on a distant bank of greenish white clouds." Rivera added no more information about his observation in his autobiographical notes.

Source:

Miguel Roberto Forero García, "El extraordinario encuentro de Diego Rivera," Enigmas, núm. 33, p.24-29 (c.1999)

Note:

I have not been able to find any other reference to this case, and the author of the article, Miguel Roberto Forero García, is equally untraceable. The editors of the magazine where the story was published have told me they do not remember who Forero Garcia was (and one even hinted that it was probably a pseudonym).

If anyone can help me find a scrap of evidence to support the story I'd be very grateful.

Conveniently, the original article has been posted in Spanish at akasico.com :

<http://www.akasico.com/Paginasasp/Contenidosecciones.asp?ID=69&Nombre=OVNIS>

Sincerely,

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 05:49:06 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] 'Alien Autopsy'!

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 30 Jul 2003 06:19:09 +0100  
>Subject: [UFORL] 'Alien Autopsy'!

I wrote:

>Does anyone recognise the source of this image?:  
>  
><http://www.aliensandchildren.org/images/CapturedAlienontable.jpg>

The original photograph seems to have been sent to Art Bell, as evidenced at:

[http://www.geocities.com/strangesupernatural/alien\\_encounters.htm](http://www.geocities.com/strangesupernatural/alien_encounters.htm)

This links to the old 'artbell.com' web site and accompanying story, from alleged son of 'my recently deceased father', connects our photograph with 'Area 51'.

Neither the story or photograph are located by a search on the new Art Bell 'coasttocoastam.com' site.

I would suggest our encased Roswell alien is probably a model for sale, at:

<http://www.nightmarefactory.com/alienmsk.html>

Not Steve Johnson's version, it's the next one shown.

I inadvertently came across this photograph via a link from:

<http://www.stopabductions.com/>

Initially, this was an arguably amusing read, especially testimonials from some of those wearing the 'Thought Screen Helmet':

"I am happy to report that the Thought Screen Helmet has been performing beautifully! It's been over six months now and NOT ONE INCIDENT! Aside from some of the naive



neighborhood kids and their taunting it's been a blissful period."

Well, yes, you might perhaps expect some ridicule from the local kids!

Child 'abductees' lamentably soon became a more insidious issue, amidst an inherent link to:

"Aliens and Children, Michael Menkin's other website about alien abductions and the success of the thought screen helmet [www.aliensandchildren.org](http://www.aliensandchildren.org)".

Leaving that aside, for now, there's a photograph of Kevin Conde, at:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham\\_ufos.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham_ufos.shtml)

Some might question that Kevin secretly had a closer encounter...:

<http://www.stopabductions.com/>

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobins@indiana.edu>  
Date: Wed, 30 Jul 2003 17:48:44 -0500  
Subject: [UFORL] "UNSOLVED UFO MYSTERIES"

I just got a book, "Unsolved UFO Mysteries", by Birnes and Burt. I found so many errors in science there that I have to speak out:

It starts out to appear to be a scientific inquiry. But there is very little science in this book.

#### THE PHOENIX LIGHTS:

Page 6: The object "passed over landmarks that allowed the witnesses to estimate wingspan and length."

Impossible, unless it threw a shadow that was visible! The witnesses had absolutely NO idea how far away the object was. It may have lined up with the landmarks from the viewpoint of the observer, but whether or not it passed directly over them is unknown. It might have been a lot closer or a lot farther away, and none of the witnesses had the tools needed to find out.

Page 7: "The aircraft passed above the triangle as if it weren't there."

Again, either the witness or the author has incorrectly assumed that the UFO and the aircraft were both the same distance from the observer. If the "triangle" were a lot closer to the witness, or a lot farther away, the pilot of the aircraft might not notice anything at all.

Page 7: A "metallic structure" which became transparent when the UFO passed in front of the moon.

This is a commonly reported characteristic of a fire balloon. When the suit-bag "aerostat" is reflecting light from the ground, it can look "metallic." But when the moon shines through it, its true nature is revealed.

Page 9: (Objects reported to go overhead from north to south)

It is interesting that the video tapes do not show the motion reported by many observers. Which means that the objects in the videos and what the observers saw may be two different things.

Page 16: "Some witnesses reported that they were almost looking down at the objects" (from their high vantage points).

Again, this may indicate that more than one kind of object was present.

Page 19: (An argument is raised that the flares used were white, but most witnesses saw yellow - thus the objects were not flares)

This is a common distance phenomenon of scattering in the atmosphere which is responsible for the color of mountains, the blue sky, and yellow and red sunsets. Scattering WOULD turn a white flare yellow to a distant observer.

Page 23: Citizens Against UFO Secrecy filed suit against the government to force an end to "unlawful violations of civil, legal, and constitutional rights by non-human entities."

Oh really????

In Chapter 2, most of the descriptions match fire balloons.

RENDLESHAM:

Page 41: "Objects without transponders -- simply appear as unidentified blips.

WRONG! They do not appear on most ATC RADAR sets at all. Computerized ATC uses much lower power RADAR which works entirely from transponders. Planes with pressurization capable of flying high enough to be in air lanes are now required to have transponders.

Read the book "Miracle Landing" (or watch the movie) for a look at this. A jetliner had all 4 engines shut down due to lack of fuel. (Somebody muphied an Imperial to Metric conversion and underfilled its tanks.) The plane disappeared from RADAR when the transponder no longer had power.

Page 53: (The author hints that the shutdown of the YB-49 program had to do with alien technology used in the flying wing, and that's why all remaining models were destroyed.)

The remaining models were destroyed because the YB-49 was not safe. It could not recover from a steep bank, and fell sideways to the ground.

GULF BREEZE:

Chapter 4: When did Gulf Breeze turn into an abduction case?

The photos all have the characteristics of double exposure, which should be impossible with the camera used. Could it be that the Ed Walters gimmick is a way to pre-expose Polaroid frames without auto-developing them? Or did he reflect the UFO into the photo scene with glass?

Page 94: The strobe shown in the video of the Gulf Breeze UFO looks just like a firework "signal flare" which I bought in a 6-pack that cost a dollar. The firework is less than an inch across, but runs for about 15

to 30 seconds of intense flashes of magnesium light.

Page 100: The military slapped a "materials warrant" on Walters?? I wonder what the status of that warrant is today.

Page 105: They hypnotized Walters? Oh, goody! Who knows what "memories" they created with that.

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 30 Jul 2003 06:19:09 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] 'Alien Autopsy'!

Does anyone recognise the source of this image?:

<http://www.aliensandchildren.org/images/CapturedAlienontable.jpg>

Although similar, it's seemingly not the 'alien' model on sale resultant to SFX artist Steve Johnson's creation for the 'Roswell' movie. see:

<http://www.nightmarefactory.com/roswell.html>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Mon, 28 Jul 2003 20:54:10 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] SKEPTIX Digest, Vol 5, Issue 32

A couple of stories which might be of interest, the latter in relation to the reliability of eyewitness testimony.

SKEPTIX Digest, Vol 5, Issue 32  
Date: 28 July 2003 20:00

Today's Topics:

1. False Memories (August Pamplona)
2. BBC 'proves Nessie does not exist' (Spunky the Wonder Toad)

Article on a memory researcher in the New York Times Magazine:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2003/07/27/magazine/27CLANCY.html>

August Pamplona  
P.S. Reproduced below.

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July 27, 2003  
A Bad Trip Down Memory Lane  
By BRUCE GRIERSON

It is not considered good judgment to wade into the issue of recovered memories without skin as thick as permafrost and caller ID on the phone. Rare is the academic field in which colleagues on opposite sides of a debate -- people with international reputations -- dismiss the very foundations of one another's work, sometimes not so privately, with common barnyard epithets; in which two of the most prominent reference books are almost Jesuitically contradictory; in which more than a decade of fairly sound research has done little to settle a debate that has raged ever since Freud popularized the term "repression."

Yet this is just where Susan Clancy found herself eight years ago when she joined the psychology department at Harvard University as a graduate student. At one end of the field of "trauma memory" were people like her new professors and future co-authors, the clinical

psychologist Richard McNally and the cognitive psychologist Daniel Schacter, chairman of the Harvard psychology department and one of the world's leading experts on memory function. At the other end were Harvard-affiliated clinicians, including Judith Herman, Bessel van der Kolk and Daniel Brown, whose scholarly writing on the psychological effects of trauma remains highly influential.

What the two sides disagree on is whether painful memories of traumatic events can actually be repressed -- completely forgotten -- and then "recovered" years later in therapy. Many clinicians say yes: it is how we instinctively protect ourselves from childhood recollections that would otherwise be too dire to bear. Most cognitive psychologists say no: real trauma is almost never forgotten; full-blown, traumatic memories dredged up decades later through hypnosis are almost invariably false.

Clancy, now 33, wasn't fully alive to the schismatic politics back then. She simply saw a puzzling, inviting gap in the data. "You had two groups in opposite camps that were battling each other out" over the validity of recovered memories, Clancy says. "But nobody was doing research on the group that was at the center of the controversy -- the people who were reporting recovered memories. Memory function in that group had never been examined in the laboratory."

So she decided to devote herself to that task, which would end up occupying her pretty much full time for the next seven years. Interview subjects, mostly women but some men, all with recovered memories of child sexual abuse, would come to her office in William James Hall -- a 15-floor concrete cracker stack among the brick heritage buildings of Harvard. They would settle in and, shifting their gaze from Clancy's blue eyes to the John Hancock Tower in the distance, tell her their stories as the tape in her recorder unspooled.

The stories were troubling. Often she found herself, somewhat inappropriately, tearing up. Clancy's upbringing -- feminist, lapsed Catholic -- had prepared her to believe what she was hearing. But as her interviews went on, she came to the conclusion that many of the most elaborate, most terrifying tales she was hearing had an air of confabulation about them. "There was a moment where I said, 'Oh, my God, I'm not sure this really happened,'" she recalls.

Though the term "false memory" is slippery and inadequate, there is now little doubt that the phenomenon exists. A rash of satanic ritual abuse claims in the 1980's and 90's -- claims that were never substantiated but destroyed families and ruined reputations -- demonstrated fairly conclusively that both adults and children sometimes report things they think happened that didn't.

Still, genuine memories of real sexual abuse are often prosecutors' only tools to combat what remains a significant social problem. To distinguish, in some definitive way, then, true memories from false memories is a trick with enormous personal and political and public-policy implications.

Clancy guessed that there was a category of people who are prone to create false memories and who might demonstrate this tendency when given a standard memory test. Her strategy was to present a list of semantically related words, like "candy," "sour" and "sugar," to those who purported to have recovered memories. Then she would test their recall of those words. On the test, she would throw in words that weren't on the list but were like the words on the list -- "sweet," for example. Her hypothesis was that these people would be especially inclined to "remember" seeing the word "sweet" -- in effect creating a recollection out of a contextual inference, a fact from a feeling. In the end, the data strongly supported her thesis. She published her findings in 2000 in the scientific journal *Psychological Science*.

But her work was criticized by some, in large part because it contained a hidden snare: even if Clancy's "false memory" recoverers were prone to fictionalizing memories of abuse, that didn't necessarily mean that their specific memories of abuse were made up; there was no way to know whether these people were actually abused. Clancy had anticipated this cavil while still in the design stage of the study, and so she rounded up a second control group -- people who had incontrovertibly been abused and had always remembered that abuse, in contrast to the "recovered memory" group. When people in this group took the word-recall test, they tended to "remember" words that weren't on the list with no greater frequency than the average person, and she was sure she had cracked the nut.

The critics, though, had another objection. What if the



traumas that the recovered-memory group had experienced were horrific enough not only to repress the memory but also to cause cognitive impairment that showed up as memory distortion in the lab?

Meanwhile, hate mail started pouring in, in quantities Clancy would eventually measure "by the ton." The reaction was not altogether surprising. The moral dimension of research on child sexual abuse makes it uniquely explosive in psychology, and almost from Day 1 Clancy had, beyond the safe zone of her own department, taken heavy flak for even suggesting that memories of abuse can be faulty. The simple act of conducting research into the matter struck some as an enterprise "designed to cheer on child molesters," as one anonymous letter writer wrote, "and ridicules the suffering sustained by children who are abused as well as therapists who are knowledgeable about the effects of trauma on children's minds and bodies." Clancy was a "bad person," according to another letter writer, to question such reports. Yet another suggested that she was probably an abuser herself.

In 2000, when Clancy was invited to give a lecture at Cambridge Hospital, the chairman of the hospital at the time told her that several members of its psychiatric department had protested her appearance. Her colleagues told her that she had probably ruled herself out of future academic positions in any psychology department, Harvard pedigree or no.

Clancy says she thought she could fix the problem by fixing her word-recall test. She was close, she reckoned, but she needed to find a different, methodologically cleaner, subject group than victims of child sexual abuse -- people whose memories virtually everyone could agree were false. But whom? She considered options: people who remembered their own deaths? People who recalled past lives? No, there was just enough doubt in those instances to taint the results. She would have to go further afield.

"Have you been contacted or abducted by space aliens?" read the ad that ran in a number of Boston-area newspapers. "You may be eligible to participate in a Harvard memory research study." Clancy's new plan -- and it seemed unimpeachable -- was to round up folks who thought they had been beamed aboard spaceships, or who actually recalled the experience, and give them the same

memory test she had given the others. If they, too, got high scores, it would establish that there are indeed people who are prone to false memories -- which might eventually help scientists better understand how false memories are created. Finally, she figured, she had the makings of a sound study. Out she went into the community to recruit.

For two years, Clancy advertised in bookstores, visited Internet chat rooms and haunted U.F.O. conferences, handing out fliers for her memory study. At one point, in pursuit of appropriate subjects, she spent three days at a meeting of a group of supposed alien abductees at an old seaside Victorian inn in Newport, R.I. She sat in the hot tub with them as they cheerfully told her their stories -- an astonishingly consistent set of narratives involving bright light through bedroom windows, inexplicable time blackouts, encounters with bobble-headed small gray people with large black eyes and, often, invasive sexual medical experimentation. Among themselves, the experiencers talked business. There was a consensus about how stupid and misguided scientists were not to believe their accounts. Someone related a skeptic's theory that the explosion of U.F.O. sightings in New Jersey the previous year was caused by migrating birds, and the crowd exploded into guffaws. Clancy smiled through gritted teeth.

Finally, she scraped together 11 willing subjects, ran them and a control group through a battery of tests and collated the data, which demonstrated, in her view, that "individuals who are more prone to develop false memories in the lab are also more likely to develop false memories of experiences that were only suggested or imagined." She submitted her study to the notoriously stringent *Journal of Abnormal Psychology*. It sped through the review process and, to her great relief, was published. Her problems looked to be solved.

"I thought, Thank God, man," she recalls. "With alien abductees, I'm never going to have to deal with the criticism that it might have actually happened."

In a mustard-colored suit -- the only suit he owns -- John Mack stands on the stage of the theater inside Boston's Museum of Fine Arts with a light shining on his face, like a museum exhibit of the moon. The documentary film "Touched," by Laurel Chiten, a Boston filmmaker, has just received its world premiere, and Chiten and Mack, her main subject, are up there to field questions.

Through interviews, the film conveys what it's like to be coerced into sexual congress with alien beings -- and, in at least one case, to become an unwitting participant, apparently, in a kind of intergalactic hybrid breeding program.

Mack, a quiet and erudite man, is a veteran of the Harvard medical faculty whose blue-chip career took something of a William Jamesian turn toward the mystical in the 70's. In 1994, he published the book "Abduction," which immediately piqued interest because Mack seemed to accept the abduction phenomenon as literal fact. The book was a huge best seller. Mack's Harvard imprimatur jacked the credibility of abduction accounts into another orbit. Chris Carter, creator of "The X-Files," used Mack's work to help sell his show to Fox.

Clancy's study was, of course, a clear rebuke of the abductee experience -- and it was met with derision at Mack's nonprofit organization, the Center for Psychology and Social Change. Clancy had drawn a number of her test subjects from the institute's ranks, and they may have felt poleaxed by the disarmingly genial researcher who seemed to listen so nonjudgmentally to their tales. The campaign to discredit Clancy began in earnest.

"Obviously there's a mammoth leap of faith involved in generalizing from a mistake on a word list to the assumption that whole memories for extended, anomalous events can be created more or less arbitrarily," wrote a doctoral student named Catherine Reason on an Internet discussion group. Just who was Susan Clancy, asked another, to challenge the work of people whose theories of memory and trauma were cited by the United Nations when discussing whether recovered memories of torture were admissible as testimony in an international war-crimes tribunal? Some simply viewed Clancy's 11 "abductees" as too small a sample size.

Mack and Clancy seem to have nothing against each other personally, though the gulf in their worldviews appears unbridgeable. Clancy describes Mack as "good-hearted," an "old-school gentleman" who was insufficiently aware of the memory-distorting effects of the hypnosis he used over the years to expand upon abduction memories in many of his more than 200 patients. Mack is sanguine about the Clancy study, but blunt. "I smell a rat," he says in his light-filled Cambridge home a short walk from Harvard Yard. "Not that Susan's the rat, but in that a small word-association test gets to be used, by whomever, to

say, "This is simply memory distortion."

The abductees, in some ways, posed a more bewildering challenge to Clancy than her previous memory-recoverers. "Very few of them endorsed the repression hypothesis," she says. They don't believe their conscious minds repressed the memories of abduction trauma out of self-protection. Rather, she says, "you'd get extraterrestrial interpretations." The reason they had no memories of those terrifying events until years or decades later, the abductees usually say, is that the aliens, for everybody's protection, erased or otherwise controlled them.

When I met with her in Cambridge, Clancy still seemed genuinely surprised, almost awed, at the breadth of controversy her work has caused. "Every academic talk I give," she told me as we made our way to lunch near Harvard Square, "someone raises their hand and says, 'Who the hell are you to say these stories aren't true?'"

Not long ago, Clancy appeared as a guest on a nationally syndicated radio show that takes a broad-minded view of the paranormal. For nearly 20 minutes, she was called on that very question. The host pressed: "Why do you think that the only life forms are on earth?" Clancy said she could feel her blood pressure rising.

"I don't necessarily believe that we're the only life form out there," she said. "I can entertain the possibility that there are other life forms out there without accepting your story that a spaceship picked you up!"

Many scientists have offered a simple explanation for the phenomenon: abduction experiences, they maintain, are all about the mind pumping for meaning after a bout of sleep paralysis -- a scary but fairly common experience in which the part of the brain that inhibits motor messages during REM sleep fails to disengage as the sleeper wakes up. The sensation is of being pinned to the bed, often accompanied by hallucinations of some spectral entity at the bedside.

Some three million Americans believe they have had some kind of encounter with space aliens. If everyone who experienced sleep paralysis came to that conclusion, the number would be a hundred or so times as high. What you have in an abductee, Clancy suspects, is someone who is

predisposed to believe. "Here's someone who reads science fiction. They watch 'The X-Files.' Then one night they have a sleep-paralysis experience. It's weird and it's scary, and it becomes one of a multitude of events that create that wonder."

As the subject tries to remember what happened, "source" errors creep in. "You think you're recovering your own memory, when in fact it's something you pulled out of a movie," Clancy said. "Memory's tendency to be reconstructive, combined with the desire to believe, combined with a culturally available script, leads to a false memory. The content of that memory is dictated by the society you live in." The warnings that experiencers report receiving from aliens, the Australian sociologist Robert Bartholomew has pointed out, have changed over time -- from nuclear destruction during the cold war to, more recently, ecological doom. These are simply stories, he says, that give shape to our fears.

Ten years from now, Susan Clancy may remember 2003 as a year of agreeable spadework in the trenches of academic inquiry. But if she does, it will be a false memory. The truth is that Clancy's research, which she hoped might mend fences -- at least partly vindicating both sides' positions -- has managed to tick off just about everyone: sexual-abuse survivors, therapists, experiencers, even a creationist or two.

Daniel Brown, the trauma therapist, is convinced that there's a "political agenda" to Clancy's abduction study. As he told one reporter, "It's all about spin." Her own brother -- a corporate lawyer for a top New York firm -- has ripped into her about the abduction study for assuming outright that none of the abductions occurred.

From: "james\_easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
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Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
>Date: Tue, 22 Jul 03 22:39:40 +0100  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Peter wrote:

>...among Halt's many failings would seem to be a lack of  
>fairly basic management skills. A quiet chat with the  
>men would have been rather more effective I'd have  
>thought, especially as, when Englund arrived all hot and  
>breathless, there was dinner to be enjoyed. But  
>actually:  
>  
>It would be useful to know just what kind of character  
>Halt was before he became a R'sham star, if anyone can  
>really remember through the fog of time and flying  
>saucers...

Peter,

Perhaps more than anything, the following illustrates our entire perspective in context.

Although there's a humorous angle, it should perhaps be remembered that the Weapons Storage Area [WSA] at RAF Bentwaters contained nuclear ordnance.

As former U.S. Air Force employee at Bentwaters, Kathy Smith, was prepared to place on record, "In 1980 there were small, 'hot', tactical nuclear weapons at Bentwaters, as used on an F-16, not large as used on B-52s and B-1s.

The Weapons Storage Area was the highest security area on the base. In a 'hot' nuclear area, you employ the two man concept throughout, no single person ever allowed around nukes. Bentwaters 'hot row' bunkers would look like small hills. They were covered with dirt and had grass growing on them sloped front to back.

From: "james\_easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
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Regarding:

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Tue, 22 Jul 2003 21:59:11 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Robert wrote:

>I think it is quite likely that Col. Halt was looking  
>forward to a midnight excursion in the woods. Brenda  
>Butler wrote one article in which she pointed out that  
>it would have taken at least an hour for Halt to arrive  
>at East Gate from the party. I think 1 1/2 hours is more  
>like it...  
>  
>Absolutely no sense of urgency, despite Lt Englund's  
>alarming news.

Robert,

I know the article you're referring to.

We should perhaps also keep in mind that former 81st Security Police Squadron personnel I've communicated with remember Halt as a 'cop buff', who enjoyed spending time with the 'ground troops' and would often ride with them on patrols.

If I recall, Kevin also mentioned this.

Long time ago, I noted elsewhere:

What were Halt's responsibilities as deputy base commander? I can clarify this, as Bernard Donahue, then a Captain on base, told me in 1998:

I was stationed at Bentwaters at the time of this "incident." I was the Area Defense Counsel, the lawyer charged with defending personnel charged with criminal offenses or facing adverse personnel actions. At the time, I was a Captain.

Most of us on base were embarrassed by this "incident." We didn't believe the UFO hype for one minute. The next day, I personally read the "Security Police Blotter" describing the incident in detail. It seemed to document

hysteria rather than hard facts.

[...]

The "Deputy Base Commander" title is misleading. The senior officer on base is the Wing Commander, who had several subordinate commanders, i.e., A-10 squadron commanders, etc.

The "Deputy Base Commander" was one of these subordinate commanders, charged with overseeing the housekeeping operations on the base, e.g., security, housing, personnel, etc.

[...]

[End]

Perhaps Halt's predilection was for a more 'exciting' role.

>Chris Arnold in his email of 11 July 1997 to Crow &  
>Raine states:

>

>Halt essentially said he planned on coming out to the  
>site in the evening...

>So, according to Chris Arnold, the excursion was planned  
>in advance, and he was a member of Halt's party. However,  
>due to various inconsistencies in his recollections with  
>what we know happened, no-one has really paid much  
>attention to this.

>

>Was Arnold really with Halt?

That's an interesting question; Chris wasn't 'officially' one of Halt's designated 'team of specialists', however, like Burroughs and many others, he was seemingly in the forest that night.



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<DIV>John:</DIV>  
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<DIV>Although we seldom worked in pairs, that night I was not alone.&nbsp;<div> That is why I've said it is my belief that the practical joke was played during an exercise or alert.</div></DIV>  
<DIV>&nbsp;</DIV>  
<DIV>As to why I have not identified whom I was with, it was 23 years ago, and Georgina was not around to remind me to take notes.&nbsp;<div> At the time it was my intention to pull the leg of a single gate guard, not contribute to a controversy that still rages 23 years ago.</div></DIV>  
<DIV>&nbsp;</DIV>  
<DIV>One thing that sticks out to me about the believers.&nbsp;<div> They all insist that I am claiming to be the only source of the "Incident".<div> I've never said that.<div> I think the statement by the Forester, his name escapes me, in the Inside Out show sums it all up.</div></div></DIV>  
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<DIV>I think there were a series of unrelated incidents that combined with the right personalities at the right time and in the right place.&nbsp;<div> He also mentioned that as the years have gone by several people have stuck to, or expanded, their stories because of embarrassment and/or "check book ufology."</div></DIV>  
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<DIV>I think that is also an accurate assessment.</DIV>  
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<DIV>Kevin<BR><BR><B><I>John &lt;iron.duke@virgin.net></I></B>  
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<BLOCKQUOTE style="PADDING-LEFT: 5px; MARGIN-LEFT: 5px; BORDER-LEFT: #1010ff 2px solid; WIDTH: 100%"><TT><BR>I'm new to this group, I had hoped that I could have contributed <BR>something positive the first time I posted, but...<BR><BR>Has anyone picked up the latest copy of UFO Magazine, yet? I think <BR>the Inside out documentary has indeed upset a few people....!<BR><BR>James, I remember you saying you had mailed Graham Birdsall about <BR>Kevin, pointing out amongst other things the pronunciation of his <BR>name? You may have had some affect as the articles are now <BR>headlined "RENDLESHAM: Were the BBC duped?" Nick Pope is the only one <BR>to suggest in a short, concise piece that it is a suspicious <BR>coincidence that Kevin's name "could be pronounced conned".<BR><BR>Georgina Bruni (in a longer, less concise and more abusive piece) <BR>concentrates on Kevin and outlines some of the questions she has <BR>about his testimony.<BR><BR>Some of the questions were familiar from

Kevin's publication of his e-mail correspondence with her earlier this month, although she doesn't seem to have gone overboard including his answers. One that sprung out at me was her assertion that "USAF personnel usually work in pairs...(Kevin) most likely would have had a partner that night. Who was that person and why fail to mention him?" In my humble opinion, Kevin answered this one rather authoritively, so either this piece was written before their correspondence or she has chosen to omit his reply. If anyone does not have access to this publication, or choose not to spend their money on it, I could probably post more if helpful. However, I couldn't resist one final quote from Georgina. "So ask yourself why Easton still promoted Conde's hoax as being the sole cause of the Rendlesham incident. And why Conde decided to change his mind yet again. It is a well known fact that certain people can get addicted to being in the media limelight." And then, just a few short paragraphs later, "My greatest pleasure has been doing live TV and radio shows when I am up against one (or several) of them {Skeptics}." Hmm, is it just me, or does this sound ironic to anyone else? Regards, John.

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:  
Regarding: <>  
& From: "david CLARKE"  
& <cd292@c...>  
& Date: Wed, 23 Jul 2003 09:39:28 +0100  
& Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary  
& Dave wrote: <>  
& I thought you might be interested to read what's planned <>  
& for the August 2003 issue of 'UFO Magazine'  
& COMMENTARY  
& By Graham W. Birdsall  
& Talking of spurious claims, what are we to make of those  
& issued by former USAF security policeman Kevin Conde,  
& who alleged that a prank he played on colleagues was the  
& cause of the Rendlesham Forest incident of December  
& 1980?  
& Well, not much. Especially since learning that because  
& his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all. But given that those doubts were expressed a long time ago, how come they were never raised in the BBC's Inside Out programme, or the Daily Mail article which followed two days later?  
& A suitable term comes to mind: 'Don't bother me with the evidence, my mind's made up'.  
& Dave,  
& It certainly does!  
& Re: "Especially since learning that because his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all".  
& It is, of course, the reverse which was true.  
& To his eternal credit, after due consideration, Kevin ruled out his spectacular hoax as being a factor because he recalled it occurred during an exercise, or actual 'alert'.  
& Only in recent months, when I could prove the base was on 'ALERT CONDITION' [see photograph of the entrance to RAF Bentwaters, taken on 29 December 1980, in 'Left at East Gate'] did Kevin's stunt become a candidate again.

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Date: Tue, 5 Aug 2003 11:08:49 -0400 (EDT)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham and Jokes

On Sun, 3 Aug 2003, Kevin Conde wrote:

> During his interview for the Inside Out show Burroughs said  
> words to the effect "I've heard about jokes being played..."  
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> That stuck out like a sore thumb to me, yet I have not heard  
> anyone else comment on it.

UFO pranks have been fairly common over the years. The Colorado project ([www.ncas.org](http://www.ncas.org)), among its 59 case studies, clearly labels three as pranks -- cases 18, 23, and 45. They also identify a number of other cases as probable hoaxes, without quite using the word, and it's clear from the case descriptions that some of these were pranks that got out of hand.

There's also a Rendlesham-like case, #9, where it appears that some USAF base security personnel let themselves get "spooked" in the middle of the night.

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From: "james\_easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Fri, 08 Aug 2003 02:55:29 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Kelly-Hopkinsville

Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Thu, 7 Aug 2003 17:09:37 EDT  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kelly-Hopkinsville

Tim wrote:

>I think the following link is a better possibility:  
>  
>[http://perso.club-](http://perso.club-internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly3eng.htm)  
>[internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly3eng.htm](http://perso.club-internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly3eng.htm)

Tim,

Thanks for citing such an intriguing explanation.

Re:

[http://perso.club-](http://perso.club-internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly31.htm)  
[internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly31.htm](http://perso.club-internet.fr/francine.juncosa/pages/souspagekelly31.htm)

Therein it's claimed, "...an American eagle owl (*Bubo virginianus*)...", etc.

'*Bubo virginianus*' is in fact the 'Great Horned Owl'.

It's native to Kentucky, as evidenced at 'Raptor Rehabilitation of Kentucky, Inc':

<http://www.raptorrehab.org/raptors/gho.htm>

Does our Hopkinsville 'alien', as illustrated within the initial URL, possibly resemble:

<http://www.isd77.k12.mn.us/schools/dakota/mnriver/Great%20Horned%20Owl%201.GIF>

James.

E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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From: "james\_easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Thu, 07 Aug 2003 23:20:54 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Woodbridge

Regarding:

>From: "Dr. Ralph M. Bird, PH.D" <eeti@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Thu, 07 Aug 2003 03:58:57 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Woodbridge

Ralph wrote:

>those Security Police were very shaken when they came to  
>my office.

Ralph,

What was your connection with the 81st SPS - why would  
security police call at an office related to the 67th  
ARRS?

>I was there late to clear up some paperwork.

Both documented incidents ended in the early hours, circa  
0400. Can you recall what you were told had occurred?

>I even have a better UFO story prior to this which is  
>more creditable with thousnds of witnesses, and the US  
>Air Force Scramble fighter aircraft. This is well  
>documented but I've never seen the facts or anything  
>about this on any UFO sites or news media. Just local  
>newspapers in that area.

If you have the time, I'm sure this story would be of  
interest.

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Date: Thu, 7 Aug 2003 12:23:46 -0500  
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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Luis R. Gonzalez [mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es]

@ Sent: Thursday, August 07, 2003 5:59 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Kelly-Hopkinsville

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Regarding:

>From: "John" <iron.duke@virgin.net>  
>Date: Thu, 31 Jul 2003 22:20:42 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

John wrote:

>Has anyone picked up the latest copy of UFO Magazine,  
>yet? I think the Inside out documentary has indeed upset  
>a few people....!

John,

I understand, from those involved, that the outcome continues to exceed expectations of a dramatic impact...

>James, I remember you saying you had mailed Graham  
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>the pronunciation of his name? You may have had some  
>affect as the articles are now headlined "RENDLESHAM:  
>Were the BBC duped?"

Given printing deadlines, my alert to Graham would almost certainly have been too late for any changes to be effected.

>Nick Pope is the only one to suggest in a short, concise  
>piece that it is a suspicious coincidence that Kevin's  
>name "could be pronounced conned".

It can't and that's such an eternal embarrassment for Pope, et al.

More significant is the absence of any response to those central questions - why did Halt never reveal he knew all along about Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston's two mile trek through the Suffolk countryside, before realising they had mistaken Orfordness lighthouse for a 'UFO' - why does Penniston maintain that's part of the 'cover up', when Burroughs now admits the abortive chase was factual and confirms it was Penniston's tale of examining a landed craft which never happened - how does Halt reconcile why his detailed location of the 'UFO', places it where Orfordness lighthouse stood and he similarly locates the lighthouse where in fact Shipwash lightship

could be seen, etc.

As usual, all of these challenges are avoided and 'UFO Magazine' do seem somewhat reluctant to ask any 'awkward' questions of either Halt or Penniston.

Then again, is the 'Church Times', likely to debate whether Adam and Eve seriously arrived on the scene six days after 'big bang', or if the animals really did go in 'two by two'.

In our overall context of 'Rendlesham' being regarded and still defended as founding testimony of not only alien contact, also an inherent Government cover-up, comprehensive facts otherwise have been widely publicised in recent years.

The 'UFO Magazine' rebuttal to same, evades underlying, problematic, issues and their retort merely emphasises intrinsic, shoddy, research concerning BBC East's documentary.

It's an upshot which time has permitted might now be highlighted in my article for 'The Skeptic', a future edition of which will be entirely dedicated to the present-day, factual, credibility of Britain's 'Roswell'.

A critical appraisal of any 'classic UFO case', can sometimes "ruffle a few feathers".

As an aside, subscribers are advised to check the recent list postings, at:

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James.

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Date: Sat, 09 Aug 2003 03:55:36 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kelly-Hopkinsville

Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Fri, 8 Aug 2003 17:48:40 EDT  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Kelly-Hopkinsville

Tim wrote:

>However, we weren't there it is almost impossible to  
>tell where the story telling begins and the facts end in  
>a lot of these cases.

Tim,

There's arguably no finer example than this case!

If, however, we can confirm the inherent origins, it's  
often revealing.

>I am sure there will be a lot of hand waiving about how  
>the owls should have been recognized by these folks and  
>so forth but it is a potential hypothesis.

Absolutely, I would only clarify which owl was  
potentially involved!

Going back to that source, a significant local newspaper  
article is online, at:

<http://www.chez.com/lesovnis/htm/kelly55kne.htm>

See, "The article of the 'Kentucky New Era' newspaper,  
08.22.1955."

James.

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&gt;Does our Hopkinsville 'alien', as illustrated within the <BR>

&gt;initial URL, possibly resemble:<BR>

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&gt;[http://www.isd77.k12.mn.us/schools/dakota/mnriver/Great%20](http://www.isd77.k12.mn.us/schools/dakota/mnriver/Great%20Horned%20Owl%201.GIF)<BR>

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I prefer this one to escaped monkeys.&nbsp; However, we weren't there it is almost impossible to tell where the story telling begins and the facts end in a lot of these cases.

&nbsp;&nbsp;  I am sure there will be a lot of hand waiving about how the owls should have been recognized by these folks and so forth but it is a potential hypothesis.&nbsp; <BR>

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Each of us guards </EM></FONT></DIV>  
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Of interest was &nbsp;</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>a call from a man who had held a position  
in  
the Navy from the </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>late 60's onwards, and&nbsp;during this time he  
was  
stationed at a base</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>where he had received a package asking  
for  
it's contents to </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>be sent to matallurgy for  
identification.</FONT></DIV>  
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object&nbsp;as 6 inches </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>by 8 inches by one inch thick, honeycombed and  
smelling like </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>cardboard. He said it was very smooth and  
greeny-bronze in colour.</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Later in 1992 he came across the book by John  
Pinkney called </FONT></DIV>  
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Greenbank UFO Crash </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>just outside Brisbane and he identified one of the  
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handled some&nbsp;years earlier.</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
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that  
this caller also </FONT></DIV>  
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in  
the Navy.&nbsp;When he was 17/18</FONT></DIV>  
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on his way back </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>to the Naval base with his friend and fellow RAN  
personnel. </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Their last memory was that they&nbsp;were  
walking  
along the Princess </FONT></DIV>  
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they

know&nbsp;it was&nbsp;daylight,</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>6.30am and they were standing on the  
side of  
the road. Someone </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>had stopped to offer them a lift&nbsp;and they  
were  
told they were only </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>5 miles from the Naval  
base.&nbsp;Somehow  
they had managed to walk </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>95 miles in 6 hours yet neither had any  
recollection of the previous </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>6 or so hours. </FONT></DIV>  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>What makes this case more intriguing was that one  
month later </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>his friend was found unfit for duty due to  
psychological reasons</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>and was airlifted off the ship they were  
stationed on never to be </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>seen again. Despite the callers attempts  
he  
has never been </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>able to track down his friend.</FONT></DIV>  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2><U>Other sightings have been from  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Murgon - big silver ball of light half size of moon  
with tail</FONT></DIV>  
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other</FONT></DIV>  
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glow hitting the </FONT></DIV>  
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flame&nbsp;travelling over </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Brisbane from Gold Coast</FONT></DIV>  
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Thangool </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>which occurred a couple of years ago. It was just  
before dawn </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>when a woman woke up and saw a being at the end  
of  
her bed. </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>It had a wide head going down to a  
narrow  
chin,&nbsp;round eyes </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>that were completely white and it was wearing a  
white tight </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>fitting suit.&nbsp;It just disappeared in front of her while she watched.&nbsp;</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2></FONT>&nbsp;</DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>One last interesting report was from a man who was driving </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>to Crystal Creek to a friend's place near Mt Warning in NSW. </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>It was dusk when he saw 2 lights in the sky. The lights sent </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>him&nbsp;a&nbsp;telepathic message saying "we are waiting to meet you </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>at your friends place". When he got closer he received another </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>message saying "the little one is frightened we will leave and </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>meet you at another time." When he asked his female friend </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>who was with him in the car she&nbsp;confirmed she was </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>indeed frightened. &nbsp;</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2></FONT>&nbsp;</DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>This last report suggests&nbsp;ETs exist who&nbsp;do take humanity's </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>response to them into consideration when they initiate contact. </FONT></FONT></DIV>  
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<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial><STRONG>Media</STRONG>&nbsp;</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2><STRONG><EM>Radio 4BC</EM></STRONG></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>During the last month our special guest on the Paranormal Panel </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>radio show was the woman who was the fiance of Frederick Valentich</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>at the time of his disappearance in 1978. Rhonda came forward in an </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>attempt to bring further information about Fredericks disappearance to light. </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>One caller who responded was the son of a woman (now deceased)</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>who was in Canberra at the time in a facility which monitored air traffic </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>control activity around the country. The communication between Valentich and </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Melbourne Air Traffic Control was being monitored when she </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>and other staff were ordered to leave the office at the time. </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>To the woman this was an unprecedented action and she found out later</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>that tapes of the Valentich incident were sent to the&nbsp;United States.</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Tune in to the Paranormal Panel radio show every Friday </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>at 9pm 1116 on your AM dial.</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2><STRONG><EM>i1197 Community Radio - Steven Spencer Psychic&nbsp;Show</EM></STRONG></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>On Sunday 27July and 3 August I was asked to speak on this </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>radio show which&nbsp;between the two shows was a total of 4 hours. </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Needless to say&nbsp;we covered a&nbsp;broad range of&nbsp;aspects on the UFO </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>subject. On the second evening I brought along a guest who had </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>close encounters and who had also spoken&nbsp;about his experiences </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>at the recent National UFO Conference. </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>His first experience occurred when he was a teenager in New Zealand.&nbsp;</FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>He and a friend had been watching a light off in the distance when it </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>split in two. Soon after a large craft appeared over them and shot a </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>blue beam of light down which engulfed them both. The next thing </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>he remembers was running&nbsp;while looking for his friend. </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>They eventually got home and the next day there were </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>reports of UFO sightings in the area, one made by a policeman.</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2><STRONG>3rd Australian National&nbsp;UFO Conference Review</STRONG></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>For a summary of this week-end&nbsp;conference held in June 2003 go to</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2><STRONG>July meeting highlights</STRONG></FONT></DIV></DIV></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>At our July meeting we decided to extend beyond our usual focus of UFOs</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>for a change and have our own Paranormal Panel</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>with&nbsp;panelists Glennys Mackay (psychic and medium), Tino Pezzimenti</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>(Chairperson UFORQ), Katrena Rose (professional clairvoyant),</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Hans (UFO experiencer) and Jack (dowser) who attended </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>from the Sunshine Coast area. This proved to be&nbsp;a most interesting </FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>evening covering various paranormal incidents.</FONT></FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Hans briefly spoke of&nbsp;his ET encounter and subsequent telepathic </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>communication with&nbsp;human looking ETs. Hans claims they are </FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>helping him to do healing work. Tino spoke of his



childhood&nbsp;paranormal </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>experiences which also included spirit  
hauntings&nbsp;of children </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT size=2><FONT face=Arial>who had suffocated&nbsp;in a fridge  
in&nbsp;his family home years before his family lived in  
it.&nbsp;</FONT></FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Glennys spoke of her early UFO sightings and  
later  
encounters which</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>she believes prepared her for the work she has  
been  
doing since.</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Katrena spoke of her sisters abduction experiences  
and </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>how they had affected her health. Jack does a lot  
of work with a pendulum </FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>and believes when he does this he speaks to  
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Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 10:02:07 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Woodbridge

"Favorite quote" from the profile link below

""What goes around comes Around" Author unknown"

This is Perlsweig's Law, found on page 235 of Arthur Bloch's "The Complete Murphy's Law."

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@ Sent: Monday, August 11, 2003 4:51 PM

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@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Woodbridge

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From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:45:20 -0000  
Subject: Re [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

James:

Just read your last post on the list, about the desk sergeant, very intriguing. Ask away all you want off-line.

A few thoughts:

Normal flight manning would have been all stirred up if we were on alert. When we went onto 12 hour shifts the flights became hopelessly mixed. That meant I was liable to be working with people I never normally worked with. The point is that you can't use the fact that my normal flight chief wasn't working during the "incident" as proof that my joke was not a source of any of the lights. If we were on alert anyone could have been working with anyone else.

Where LE were posted became mixed during alerts. Security was always the most important priority. Law Enforcement came in second. When we went on alert all the various security posts were manned first, and the law enforcement posts only after all the security posts were manned. Protecting the warfighting assets was always the first priority.

What generally happened is that as people reported to work at the start of the alert, the lowest ranking LE troops got sent to the main gates at Woodbridge and Bentwaters. This means Airmen (1 stripe) and A1C's (2 stripes).

The middle ranked LE troops, A1C's, Sgts, got sent to security posts. The higher end LE troops (SSgt's, TSgt's) went to the LE patrols. Flight chiefs and desk sergeants went to their normal posts.

The point is that you could have a couple of middle ranked LE troops working a security patrol, such as an ART (Area Response Team) or a SRT (Security Response Team). The SRT's (Pronounced sart) were not assigned to a specific area, and a SRT would have responded to East Gate along with the Woodbridge LE patrol, unless the LE patrol was tied up.

Although technically the security posts had priority, in reality LE had more emphasis, as we were dealing with real-world issues. Accidents, drunk drivers, assaults, family fights, etc. That's why the LE patrols, desk sergeants and Flight Chiefs always were manned with the more experienced LE troops even during alerts.

The point is that just because an A1C was LE does not necessarily mean he was on an LE post if there was an alert on.

As to the East Gate being permanently manned during alerts, that's true. Once we went on alert the back gates stayed open.

One effect of Burrough's admission of being a jokester is that it validates what I've said, and slaps down the believer's argument that I would have been courts martialed. This point of view tries to put forward the obtuse argument that I would not have done what I said I did, for fear of being punished. Phooey! We were all jokers! You don't single out a particular joker in a squadron full of jokers. Jokes were standard operating procedures.

The "believers" keep recycling the concept that what we did was stressful and serious, and that we would never behave in such a facetious manner. Bull! What we did was very, very serious. We knew that better than anyone. However, when you put a bunch of intelligent people into a tense and stressful situation humor is a normal and expected way of dealing with the stress.

Kevin

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, James Easton <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:

>

> >From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@y...>

> >Date: Sun, 3 Aug 2003 09:56:23 -0700 (PDT)

> >Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham and Jokes

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> >What do you think?

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From: James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:09:17 +0100  
Subject: Re [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

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Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 03:48:35 -0000  
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James.  
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From: "rotsky" <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>  
Date: Sun, 10 Aug 2003 10:22:56 +0200  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Woodbridge

I'm intrigued by your posting. Can you give us some background about yourself to put this in context - eg, what your doctorate is in and where you obtained it. Also, your rank and unit when in charge of the helos. And where are you from originally? (Your posting suggests English may not be your first language).

a+  
Steve

-----Original Message-----

From: Dr. Ralph M. Bird, PH.D [mailto:eeti@yahoo.com]  
Sent: 7 August 2003 05:59Subject: [UFORL] Woodbridge

I was physically there on that date in December. I was in Charge of the Helicopters HH-53's. None of my helicopters were flying because of the holidays. We had no silent helicopters (Stealth Technology) I believe what happened that night really happend. those Security Police were very shaken when they came to my office. I was there late to clear up some paperwork. I've saw some very strange things with witnesses on that old war air station (Woodbridge). I come to England twice a year to reflect on my life there. I even have a better UFO story prior to this which is more creditable with thousnds of witnesses, and the US Air Force Scramble fighter aircraft. This is well documented but I've never seen the facts or anything about this on any UFO sites or news media. Just local newspapers in that area.

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From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
Date: Thu, 7 Aug 03 20:18:23 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Woodbridge

Compliments of the Duke of Mendoza, D.Phil Unsubmitted:

Why does it bother me when someone doubles up his  
doctorfulness? Why does it bother me more when he  
starts sentences with lower case letters and then  
sticks capitals in the strangest places? Perhaps  
because he is a Doctor, Ph.D? And how many colours of  
ink does he write in, I find myself wondering.

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A single sentence will suffice for modern man:  
he fornicated and he read the newspapers.  
--Albert Camus  
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Date: Wed, 13 Aug 2003 02:35:08 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro's UFO incident still unexplained

Regarding:

>From: "Brian Miller" <brian@rockheads.com>  
>Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 03:48:35 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Socorro's UFO incident...

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Brian,

I've now acquired three archive, filmed, interviews with Zamora.

All are notable, especially the first feature, which seems to be a British production, apparently entitled 'Flying Saucers' and dating from mid-1968.

It's brilliant as the interviewer and narrator have pronounced 'posh' English accents. At any moment you expect, "I say Mr Zamora, what a ghastly experience, old chap".

Zamora retraces his route to the landing site, on camera. We can see his viewpoint from where the object and two occupants were briefly glimpsed and also where he stopped at closest proximity.

Both seem exactly as documented on related maps published.

Additionally, there's film of the dynamite shack and Box Canyon beyond, as viewed from Zamora's location, when he watched the object depart in that direction.

Also interviewed are Opal Grinder and an almost youthful Dr. Hynek.

The second documentary is American and undated, although clearly years later. Fascinating historical interviews are with Zamora, Hynek and Lt. Col. Hector Quintanilla, former head of the USAF's 'Project Blue Book'.

The third program is an 'Unsolved Mysteries' feature.

Aside from Zamora, there are interviews with Sergeant Samuel Chavez, patrolman Ted Jordan, Capt. Richard T. Holder and Jimmy Grinder, son of Opal.

Herein, Zamora makes some significant comments:

"When going up to half-ways, I could see a white object to my left there. I thought it was a turned-over car. When I got up on top of the mesa there, I looked down and I seen this big white object on the ground".

"As this flame come up from underneath it, and I ran back behind my car, and it went up to twenty-thirty feet up in the air. It just stayed there for a while and then finally just took off slowly, to the west".

Regarding Zamora's 'encounter', I have previously corresponded with Thomas Guengerich, at that time owner of the 'El Defensor Chieftain' and possibly still is.

Guengerich stated:

"We have contacted Lonnie Zamora ... and he wants nothing to do with any follow-up stories about his contact. We think maybe a pint or two may change his mind. Not only did he suffer ridicule in the community, but he also is widely known as an uncredible person (unlike the original USAF account that you quote)".

Dana Bowley, the newspaper's current Editor, did not realise there had been preceding dialogue, although she was certainly aware of this by the end of 23 July.

There's now, necessarily, an imminent, published, challenge to Valerie Kimble's 'Still Unexplained' article.

All subject to ongoing discussions, with several interested newsdesks.

I consider it's imperative that Zamora is vindicated as actually seeing 'something' unprecedented.

As he stated on 'Unsolved Mysteries':

"If I could find out what it actually was, O.K., I'm



satisfied. If you don't want to believe me, do it, if they don't want to believe me, that's alright too".

One possibility is that someone might actually believe you, although that may depend on their own beliefs.

James.

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Date: Thu, 14 Aug 2003 18:03:09 +0100  
Subject: Re: Re [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Regarding:

>From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:45:20 -0000  
>Subject: Re [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Kevin wrote:

>Just read your last post on the list, about the desk  
>sergeant, very intriguing. Ask away all you want off-  
>line.

Kevin,

You now know the person's name and I asked if he  
remebered yourself. He replied:

"I remember Kevin Conde. Good hard working man. As I  
recall my flight chief for a short period of time. How is  
he?".

I responded:

>How is he?

He's a star:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham\\_ufos.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham_ufos.shtml)  
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He writes:

"Of everything I have read I would believe Sgt Kevin  
Conde. I was not aware of this practical joke but I can  
tell you that we did this kind of stuff all the time".

James.  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 01:11:42 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] Suffolk Sightings

This was sent direct to myself and seemingly intended for the list.

James.  
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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## SUFFOLK SIGHTINGS

Hi,

I've just joined the group, and live not far from Woodbridge/Rendlesham bases. I don't know what I believe about the Bentwaters incident, some reports are just plain stupid, others seem genuine. All I would like to say is that after living in this area for 11 years and knowing the locals, strange lights in the sky are such a common occurrence no one pays much attention to them any more.

I've seen many unexplained lights that move at incredible speeds and angles, nearly always heading out to sea. I am currently searching for someone in this area to help explain a strange occurrence last year, Wattisham Airbase wasn't that forthcoming, one minute admitting it was their low flying helicopters that caused untold havoc with our ponies and other livestock in the area, on the other hand they then denied all responsibility. Sooo any one know anyone in my area Leiston??

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Date: Wed, 13 Aug 2003 23:58:08 -0500 (CDT)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro's UFO incident still unexplained

> Brian highlighted Valerie Kimble's, 23 July, article for  
> the 'El Defensor Chieftain...

Just posted that in case anybody else hadn't come across it-- I didn't see mention of it on this list. I was a little surprised there was no mention of recent work on the case...

Brian

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Date: Thu, 14 Aug 2003 09:32:31 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Socorro's UFO incident still unexplained

Hi James,

Please find response within:-

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:

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> >From: "Brian Miller" <brian@r...>

> >Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 03:48:35 -0000

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Best Regards

Gary Anthony

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Subject: [UFORL] question on UK UFO video  
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Hi, colleagues, I am attaching a video clip of a UFO recorded by David Spoor in Lowestoft, Suffolk, UK. Can anybody inform to me the date of the sighting? Any word on the cameraman's reliability will also be appreciated, as well as any indication on the case evaluation.  
Thanks and best regards,  
V-J

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Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 03:48:30 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

James:

The name Crash McCabe is completely unknown to me. Which is funny as it is a catchy, therefore memorable name.

I do have a couple of problems with what is in Halt's transcript.

> As I walked into the Desk area, control center, Sergeant  
> 'Crash' McCabe was on duty ...

The LE desk was called the LE desk. Security Control was called CSC (Central Security Control). The person at the LE Desk was referred to as the Desk Sergeant. The people at CSC were known as "controllers".

Notice the word "control". We only used the word control in conjunction with CSC. I have to wonder whether or not the colonel was referring to CSC or the LE Desk. I knew very few of the CSC controllers. If you remember, I said I thought the name you sent me off line was familiar. McCabe is not familiar. That would be expected if he were a controller versus a Desk Sergeant.

> On that particular night we had two patrol cars, Police 4  
> and Police 5, because of a problem with the other vehicle  
> both Police 4 and Police 5 were riding in the same  
> vehicle.

Two things - it verifies what I said about LE not usually being two man patrols - which strengthens my belief that my stunt was done during an alert, and attacks Georgina's contention that I don't know what I'm talking about because my details don't line up with her view of what the details should be.. But it makes me curious. My recollection, and it could be wrong, was that we usually had only one patrol at Woodbridge, not two.

I think the only time we routinely had two patrols at Woodbridge was during the day shift. I have very clear memories of Security units having to come off the flight-line to back me up at Woodbridge because I was alone. Again, I could be wrong - it was a long time ago.

I also don't remember any devil worshippers. I would not have paid any attention to them anyway, as I view them as cranks, and a cop's world is full of cranks. They're like trees in a forest. They're so many of them you don't pay much attention after awhile.

> Our new ex-Law Enforcement Desk Sergeant contact - I'll

- > call him 'John' for the sake of convenience - indicates
- > there's perhaps a problem here. John believes you might
- > recall McCabe and can verify if the above would be
- > consistent with McCabe's normal duties.

One explanation could be that the events happened on the break between shifts. In other words, the first incident happened on the last night of on flight's three days of mid-shifts, and the next one on the following flight's first day of mids. That would explain unfamiliar names, as you would only tend to remember the folks you worked with directly.

In explanation, we worked "6 and 3's". Six days on and three days off. You would work 3 swing shifts - 1700 to 2300, then you would get a 24 hour break, then you would work 3 mids - 2300 to 0700. Then you got three days off.

It would be easy for one flight to handle the start of the "incident's", and the following to handle the next one. Since you have different people involved you could also have a different philosophy on the part of the supervisors on whether to pursue or dismiss "lights" in the forest.

Ask "John" if he would like to comment on the Police 4 and 5 issue, and if he remembers some of the other names and what they did, specifically if they were LE or Security. He may have a better recollection as he was probably unmarried and lived in the dorms, and knew the other junior ranking folks better than a supervisor like me, who did not party with A1C's or Sgt's, and lived at home with my wife.

On another subject, ask him if he remembers an incident of an English suspect kicking his way out of the back end of a patrol car while the patrol car was driving through the small town just before Bentwaters. We were transporting the prisoner from Woodbridge to Bentwaters. I think "John" might have been driving that patrol car.

Kevin

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"Steffens, I understand, was suffering from having been up a long time, and from

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having a very good Christmas Day..."<BR>

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This is very interesting because we hear something similar in his recounting of the  
night halt went out:<BR>

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"Most of us had been up since five or six the previous day and were quite tired...."

(Randles&nbsp;UFO Crash landing p. 123)<BR>

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In my years in the Navy, I recall spending many day being up for 24 plus  
hours.&nbsp;After about 18-20 hours, you get sort of "punchy" and you don't think  
clearly.&nbsp;As a supervisor, I always was concerned with the last few hours of a  
shift/duty day/watch and did not want to do anything that was too complex.&nbsp;If  
we were doing a complex evolution, I tried to pay close attention (even though I was  
usually just as tired) and do things slowly. <BR>

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This all goes back to how sleep deprivation can change a witness perception of an  
event. It seems on both nights, those involved were suffering from sleep  
deprivation.&nbsp;It probably affected the way they perceived events.&nbsp;A star,  
scintillating in the sky, can suddenly appear to be rapidly moving about and emitting  
beams if one is not thinking clearly.&nbsp;<BR>

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Some interesting stories are listed at the below links and may shed more light on the  
matter:<BR>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 02:20:38 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

A question for Kevin.

On 31 July, 1994, Halt was a guest lecturer at the 'UFO Magazine' [UK] conference in Leeds.

This is a previously unpublished extract, from a rare transcript I was recently given:

As I walked into the Desk area, control center, Sergeant 'Crash' McCabe was on duty - a very intelligent, very sharp witted young man. Very enjoyable to deal with. And he wasn't above playing a joke on some of his contemporaries.

As I walked in he started to laugh, and I thought I had walked into another prank. Keep in mind this is holiday season and a little levity may be in order.

[I'm sure Kevin will note all of this! - James]

And he started laughing, and I thought I'm the brunt of the joke, or something. And I said, 'What's so funny, Crash?'. He said, 'Colonel, you're not going to believe this.' I said, 'Not going to believe what? Try me.' And he said, 'Well, last night Burroughs and Penniston and Cabansag were out in the woods chasing a UFO!'. And I looked at him and said, 'What's the rest of the joke? What's the punch line?' And he said, 'No, I'm serious'. 'I don't believe it', he said, 'But something happened last night. And the Lieutenant. . .' (the police officer on duty on every shift, who is over both the security side and the law enforcement side) '. . . said, 'Don't put it in the police blotter.' In other words, don't make it a matter of record.

And I said to Sgt. McCabe, 'Well, what happened? What do you know?'. He said, 'Well, somewhere around midnight...' (he did tell me the exact time, but I don't remember now) '...around midnight, Burroughs...!...

On that particular night we had two patrol cars, Police 4 and Police 5, because of a problem with the other vehicle both Police 4 and Police 5 were riding in the same vehicle. Sgt. Burroughs was driving and Staff Sgt. Bud Steffens was riding alongside. Steffens, I understand,

was suffering from having been up a long time, and from having a very good Christmas Day...  
[END]

Our new ex-Law Enforcement Desk Sergeant contact - I'll call him 'John' for the sake of convenience - indicates there's perhaps a problem here. John believes you might recall McCabe and can verify if the above would be consistent with McCabe's normal duties.

Comments duly invited.

It remains John's conviction he was the person on desk duty that night [this is the first 'UFO' incident - early hours of 26 December].

As for Devil worshipper's in the forest, he explains:

"I had opportunities because of running late to work to use the back gate. Even though it was locked I knew how to get in. There were times that after hours we would use the back gates between the bases to save time. Several times I ran into the devil worshippers between the bases. Scared me to death".

Did you ever come across anything like this!?

James.  
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Date: Thu, 14 Aug 2003 19:47:29 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

James:

Be Careful! Stuff like this is liable to destroy my image with the believers. My image as an untrustworthy or delusional liar planted by the "conspiracy" to hide what "really" happened.

On a serious note, it's very gratifying to be remembered that way, and wonderful to have some of what I've said be substantiated by a non-involved source who was in a position to know what really went on at the LE desk.

Send him my off-line E-Mail address; I'd love to hear from him.

Kevin

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "James Easton" <voyager@j...> wrote:

> Regarding:

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> >From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@y...>

> >Date: Tue, 12 Aug 2003 14:45:20 -0000

> >Subject: Re [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

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> Kevin wrote:

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> >Just read your last post on the list, about the desk

> >sergeant, very intriguing. Ask away all you want off-

> >line.

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> Kevin,

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> You now know the person's name and I asked if he

> remebered yourself. He replied:

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> "I remember Kevin Conde. Good hard working man. As I

> recall my flight chief for a short period of time. How is

> he?".

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> I responded:

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> >How is he?

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> He's a star:

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> He writes:  
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> "Of everything I have read I would believe Sgt Kevin  
> Conde. I was not aware of this practical joke but I can  
> tell you that we did this kind of stuff all the time".  
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Date: Fri, 15 Aug 2003 09:02:48 -0500  
Subject: [UFORL] DOUBLE DRICK II

It looks like DOUBLE DRICK all over again.

It's an instant replay of 11/9/1965 in almost exact detail, except for the localities affected. Even the suspected location of the start of the outage is the same.

No UFOs this time (yet). We'll see....

Read my page on the REAL CAUSE of the original 1965 blackout at:

<http://mypage.iu.edu/~lrobin/nowiblak.htm>

Wanna bet the same thing happened again?

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What's a DOUBLE DRICK?

In 1966, an episode of the TV show "Green Acres" made fun of the printed sound effects on "Batman". The Douglas farm generator quit working any they "plugged in an 8", and the caption "DRICK!" appeared on the screen.

Mr. Douglas numbered the appliance cords from 1 to 7 according to how much load each appliance drew, and told Lisa to never plug in a total of 8. The generator went DRICK again. Lisa responded that 2 plus 7 is 9, not 8.

Then they tried to get the power company to bring power to the rural farms of Hooterville. The company installed a duplex outlet up on the utility pole, right next to where the telephone company put the telephone. The Douglases ran an extension cord down into the house. Then Lisa plugged in an 8 again, and the following caption appeared on the screen:

"On November 9, 1965, an unexplained power blackout occurred over most of the northeastern United States. Here's what really happened:"

The screen went blank, then read:

"DOUBLE DRICK!"

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From: chris aubeck <caubeck@yahoo.com>  
Date: Fri, 15 Aug 2003 14:53:16 +0100 (BST)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] 1950s (?) book in Finland: "Flying Saucer Took the Boys"

Hi Marko,

Thanks for the information.

I don't imagine the story influenced Finnish abduction tales very much, but I would be very interested in learning more about it.

I guess the ETs took the boys to their home planet, gave them messages for the future and sent them back to Earth.

Or not?

Thanks,

Chris

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<DIV>&gt; Best regards,</DIV>

<DIV>&gt; Chris Aubeck</DIV>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2003 05:03:08 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] Travis Walton

Personal correspondence... a proclaimed 'former astronomer' in Finland asks, what is, "Your opinion about the current status of the Travis Walton case".

To help; what's the current evidence why that story should remotely be taken seriously, or otherwise?

James.  
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Regarding:

>From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Sat, 16 Aug 2003 03:48:30 -0000  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Kevin wrote:

>The name Crash McCabe is completely unknown to me. Which  
>is funny as it is a catchy, therefore memorable name.

Kevin,

John's recollection was that McCabe had no training as a Desk Sergeant [DS], not at the time, anyway.

He also remembers yourself as apparently involved with quality control, until you came "to work on flight".

John Burroughs has been extremely helpful, recalls both McCabe and the other John as DSs and confirms McCabe was on duty.

It's not necessarily incongruous; as you noted, different DSs might have been involved at various stages.

>You would work 3 swing shifts - 1700 to 2300, then you  
>would get a 24 hour break, then you would work 3 mids -  
>2300 to 0700. Then you got three days off.

In which case, as the initial incident involving John Burroughs occurred at circa 0300, by the time Halt was on duty next morning, it's perhaps probable that at 0700 there had been a shift change of DS.

This is not all peripheral, there are some potentially significant and related, unanswered, questions.

In order to explain why, I first require John Burroughs permission to reveal some insight about that time period.

Also regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Fri, 15 Aug 2003 22:12:47 EDT

>Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

Tim wrote:

>James wrote:

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>[Quote from Halt - James] "Steffens, I understand, was  
>suffering from having been up a long time, and from  
>having a very good Christmas Day..."

Tim,

I also highlighted Halt's above claims to John Burroughs  
and I must clarify that in reply he absolutely refutes  
the 'not sober' insinuation, whether directed again  
Steffans, Penniston or himself.

During 1995, the above 1994 'UFO Magazine' conference  
quote from Halt became:

SKYLINK Magazine Issue 10.

SKYLINK is the magazine of LONDON UFO STUDIES (LUFOS).

[...]

\_Rendlesham Forest: The Truth as we Know it\_  
By Brenda M. Butler

[...]

Within about ten minutes of the lecture Col. Halt had  
given the date of the incident as the 25th December 1980,  
but later changed the date to the 27th/28th/29th. He also  
says Sgt. Boroughs [sic - James] and a Staff Sgt. were  
suffering from having been up a long time and having a  
'very good Xmas day' can we assume they were drowsy or  
merry?

[...]

[END]

As expressed to John Burroughs, I'm always wary of such  
as Halt's second-hand tale and the answer to Brenda's  
question is, 'no'.

That aside, looks like I have relocated and contacted  
someone who can hopefully now explain the background to  
those cited, enigmatic, 29-31 December 1980, helicopter

flights over Rendlesham forest.

Although I have not identified the person who recalls being posted to east gate during said apparent activity, I now know who allocated that duty. It's someone I had corresponded with two years ago, oblivious to any connection.

He did say it was his flight who were involved:

"James, yes I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge at the time of the incident. The people that actually observed the UFO worked on my shift. I was in London at the time of the observation, but did hear all about it and visited the site upon my return".

As always, let's see what emerges.

Interesting that DS John specifically names the same colleague - identity undisclosed by myself and who claims to have witnessed inherent helicopter/search commotion - as having frequently been posted to east gate, during contemporary 'alert'.

James.

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Subject: RE: [UFORL] question on UK UFO video

From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
Date: Tue, 19 Aug 2003 14:15:44 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

James:

- > He also remembers yourself as apparently involved with
- > quality control, until you came "to work on flight".

I went back on flight in September, when I got a line number for TSgt.

- > In which case, as the initial incident involving John
- > Burroughs occurred at circa 0300, by the time Halt was on
- > duty next morning, it's perhaps probable that at 0700
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The on coming desk sergeant would have been on usually no later than 0640 to 0645. If he came in at 0700 or later he would have talked to the day shift desk sergeant.

Kevin

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> quote from Halt became:  
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> SKYLINK Magazine Issue 10.  
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> [...]  
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> \_Rendlesham Forest: The Truth as we Know it\_  
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> given the date of the incident as the 25th December 1980,  
> but later changed the date to the 27th/28th/29th. He also  
> says Sgt. Boroughs [sic - James] and a Staff Sgt. were  
> suffering from having been up a long time and having a  
> 'very good Xmas day' can we assume they were drowsy or  
> merry?  
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> [...]  
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> [END]  
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> As expressed to John Burroughs, I'm always wary of such  
> as Halt's second-hand tale and the answer to Brenda's  
> question is, 'no'.  
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>  
> That aside, looks like I have relocated and contacted  
> someone who can hopefully now explain the background to  
> those cited, enigmatic, 29-31 December 1980, helicopter  
> flights over Rendlesham forest.  
>  
> Although I have not identified the person who recalls  
> being posted to east gate during said apparent activity,  
> I now know who allocated that duty. It's someone I had  
> corresponded with two years ago, oblivious to any  
> connection.  
>  
> He did say it was his flight who were involved:  
>  
> "James, yes I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge  
> at the time of the incident. The people that actually  
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> the time of the observation, but did hear all about it  
> and visited the site upon my return".  
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> As always, let's see what emerges.  
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> Interesting that DS John specifically names the same  
> colleague - identity undisclosed by myself and who claims  
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> as having frequently been posted to east gate, during  
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> listeners were told that the latest information from these USAF

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patrols were two man units, but that most of the time LE were one-man units. Even when I was stationed on a base in a ghetto in SE Washington DC we only had one man patrols. Regardless, Georgina pronounced me wrong according to her, again unnamed, expert. Why the hell listen to me, I was only an SP for 11 years and in the USAF for 21, what do I know?

Bottom line in this little tirade; if she can't be accurate about the minor points, why should anyone expect her to be accurate about the important things?

Kevin

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary

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Almighty Google and any online search for:

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...'Britain's Roswell' is already a remarkable second  
hit.

Expand to:

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...and top ranking, \*worldwide\*, is:

'BBC Inside Out - Rendlesham - UFO Hoax' -

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham\\_ufo.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/insideout/east/series3/rendlesham_ufo.shtml)

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James.  
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Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 01:07:22 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] Socorro Solved?

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Fri Jul 11, 2003 5:05 am  
>Subject: Socorro

I wrote:

"Eventually, some nine weeks later [1 July, 2003], the CIA recently replied to my related and ongoing FOIA query:"

'The CIA can neither confirm nor deny the nonexistence of records responsive to your request. Such information - unless it has been officially acknowledged - would be classified for reasons of national security under Executive Order 12958. The fact of the existence or non-existence of such records would also relate directly to information concerning intelligence sources and records'.

[...]

"My request was evidently too expansive, however, if you don't ask...

I've responded and narrowed the request down to something which might be more amenable - simply the 'Albuquerque flights'.

Interesting dilemma; if the CIA acknowledge those occurred, it perhaps compromises their overall non-disclosure stance concerning any such activities. Yet, if they refuse, that might appear to be absurd, especially as Ed Yost has confirmed specific details of flights involved and a former Vice-President of Raven Industries gave myself details of a film he had viewed, showing the test flights".

[END OF EXTRACT]

For full details, see:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/1820>

I duly wrote to the CIA and thoroughly explained the

background to my enquiry, noting:

I simply wish to establish whether one of those 'Albuquerque flights' was responsible for Zamora's close encounter and ideally, if other flights tie-in with the Rio Grande 'UFO' sightings

Can you now please assist further?

Obviously, the existence of these flights is now known about and as the USAF discovered regarding 'Area 51' in Nevada, pretending that something in clear sight isn't really there, is a guaranteed means of attracting more attention. However, I do appreciate the CIA's concerns about possibly compromising sensitive data, even almost forty years later.

Ultimately, the Socorro incident is merely an interesting and fun story. We can imagine how crushed the CIA would have been to see the USAF declare a hot-air balloon as best ever evidence that ET was here.

[...]

Bottom line; is there any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations?

What those operations concerned and who was involved, I do not require to be revealed.

I'm trying to give the CIA an easy 'out' here, rather than a repeat of, "The CIA can neither confirm nor deny the existence or nonexistence of records responsive to your request".

[END]

For reasons mentioned above, I understood why the CIA would probably not even concede those 'Albuquerque flights' existed.

A response has been received and as expected, their stance on this remains unaltered.

I was, however, optimistic that, if true, they would confirm, 'we have found no records concerning an incident near Socorro on 24 April, 1964 and which was in any way

related to CIA operations'... whatever.

Really simple and it compromises nothing.

This was the easy 'out'. Instead of opting for it, the CIA have indicated being unable to.

I wondered how they would react if that was the situation.

What could they formally state, if a connection to the cited Socorro incident was factual?

What they do say is:

"In addition [to the 'Albuquerque flights' - James], you also ask if there is 'any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations.'

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Consequently, no denial of any associated documents, only a resolute denial of my quite specific 'Socorro' FOIA request under stated 1 July, 2003, "FOIA exemptions".

I will appeal their decision about data pertaining to 24 April, 1964.

Meantime, pending any further developments, I would have to take this evidence at face value.

James.

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From: "el220101" <garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk>  
Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 21:13:48 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: UK UFO video hoax revealed

Hi Bill, List,

Here is an amusing piece which appeared in last Saturday's English tabloid the Daily Mirror on page 29 about the recent Avebury UFO:-

'UFakeO

How the world was fooled into an alien alert by this balloon.

[photo of large flying saucer balloon in hanger with five smiling special effects guys underneath]

By Nick Webster.

THIS is the "UFO" that got the world asking if aliens were about to land in Britain.

But those pictured beneath it are hardly the little green men many had feared were on board.

They are the hoaxers who ran the stunt in a bizarre TV experiment. The 25ft flying saucer stunned villagers on Saturday as it spun across the sky 200ft above their heads.

The outlandish sighting made the headlines as far away as Australia. But the down-to-earth truth behind the "spacecraft" emerged yesterday. TV firm Chrysalis had it built for a Channel 4 documentary with working title 'How To Build A Spaceship.'

Danny Cohen of Channel 4, said "We were trying to see whether we could build a convincing looking spaceship and in that regard undoubtedly we succeeded.

"Dozens of people saw it and couldn't quite understand what they had seen. So I think it did work.

"It stayed quite high in the sky and looked harmless, so it frightened nobody. I think people were more bewildered by what they were seeing.

"People were left rubbing their heads, wondering what was going on." It took eight months to research, design and build the £50,000 aircraft.

Model flight specialists Cutting Edge Effects - veterans of four Bond films - built it using a carbon fibre hoop as the skeleton.

This was set in a reflective plastic balloon filled with helium.

After a US military engine was ditched as too heavy, electric fan engines from Germany proved the key to making the saucer fly at just the right speed - 20mph.

It was tested in the aircraft hanger shown above at a secret location.

The out-of-this-world con included using seven pilots to fly the aircraft by remote control for three miles.

Suspicion for the hoax first fell on UFO buffs holding their annual Skywatch in the village - Avebury, Wilts.

But producer Mark Raphael said they weren't fooled - despite the eerie setting of a stone circle.

He said they spent the rest of the night "looking at nothing, and yet when the craft flew over they hardly got out of their seats."

[photograph showing craft in air over field in daylight - caption reads "HOT AIR: The saucer ringed in flight. But it was a hoax using a balloon.].'

END.

Hope this helps Bill. If you like I will send you a copy of the cutting by snail?

Best Regards  
Gary Anthony

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Greetings list,

Kevin asked me to re-post this response he sent to me in reply to Nick Pope's statements on UFO Updates. I've sent an edited version to that list too:

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On one hand I am getting tired of it and have seriously considering limiting my participation in the debate to direct questions from James and others such as your self.

The problem with withdrawing from the debate is that it allows the believers to claim that my refusal to participate in the debate is evidence supporting their contention that my knowledge is flawed.

I don't know what really happened in 1980, and I don't think anyone else does either. Georgina Bruni and Nick Pope certainly don't. I'm sure a UFO did not visit RAF Woodbridge.

To a certain extent I think I know what it feels like to be a politician now. People will parse word by word an entire page or two of correspondence, and pull a sentence here or there out of context and use that sentence to jump to a conclusion that they want supported. They then put words in my mouth and try to say that I said something I did not.

Example from your post from UFO Udates:

"Georgina arranged for former USAF airman Kevin Conde to call the show."

Georgina did not arrange anything with me. The James Whale show called my office while I was at work and asked to speak to me. My assumption is they did an on-line search and figured out where I work. The call came out of the blue. I was not in the office, so my assistant passed the message on to me. Out of courtesy I returned the call.

Yet Georgina and company would represent that they set this up with me before hand. Had I known before hand that Georgina was involved I would have refused to participate. I became aware she was also on air after I was already on the air.

While on the air Georgina said something to the effect that I had agreed with her that I was not even on duty the night of the incident. I've never said any such thing. I believe Georgina has said something similar in print.

My experience with Georgina is that she passionately believes in the incident. I believe that because of that passion Georgina has a tendency to

ignore and discount anything that might not fit in to her version of events. I think it's fair to say her passion has led her to misrepresent some of my comments. The end result is that had I known Georgina was involved in the broadcast, I would not have returned the call.

If Mr. Whales wants me to answer questions for him and his viewers on the air, I will do that. I will not participate in an on air debate with Georgina.

As I surf the Web reading the various positions on the incident I find the following to be generally true. The skeptics tend to quote me completely and in context. They usually cite other sources to support or contradict, and they don't parse my comments.

The believers on the other hand routinely quote out of context, and try to say that my comments often mean something other than what I intended when making the comment.

I keep trying to keep things simple.

#1: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge at the time of the "incident". I was in a senior police position at the time. The flight I was assigned to would have been working during at least one of the events. The on duty flight commander during Halt's field trip, Lt. Bruce England was my flight commander and boss. The fact that I was unaware of the "incident" until April 2001 is a very strong indicator that no one took the "incident" seriously at the time. If they did not take the incident seriously at the time, why should we take it seriously now? As James' research has clearly shown, the story of the two most prominent personalities has morphed over the years.

#2. During the time frame of the incident I pulled a practical joke on the East Gate Guard. That joke involved bright white lights, and flashing red and blue lights. According to Halt's memo the witnesses reported bright white lights and flashing red and blue lights. Georgina is correct, I can't prove exactly when I pulled the stunt, but the similarity between my stunt and the witness statements is too stark to ignore

#3. Both you and James have talked to several other folks that were either at the base or involved in the incident in one way or another. They all say that either that they were unaware of the alleged "incident", or viewed the incident as not serious or a joke. My own wife, a retired SMSgt, does not remember anything happening while she was at Bentwaters. Had there been any kind of serious incident, she would have heard something.

Regardless, Georgina and others elect to dismiss the statements and evidence of all these people in favor of the more "rational" explanation that RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge was visited aliens.

Is this weird or what?

Sincerely

Kevin

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From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>  
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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: New Rendlesham Documentary

Greetings list,

Kevin asked me to re-post this response he sent to me in reply to Nick Pope's statements on UFO Updates. I've sent an edited version to that list too:

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On one hand I am getting tired of it and have seriously considering limiting my participation in the debate to direct questions from James and others such as your self.

The problem with withdrawing from the debate is that it allows the believers to claim that my refusal to participate in the debate is evidence supporting their contention that my knowledge is flawed.

I don't know what really happened in 1980, and I don't think anyone else does either. Georgina Bruni and Nick Pope certainly don't. I'm sure a UFO did not visit RAF Woodbridge.

To a certain extent I think I know what it feels like to be a politician now. People will parse word by word an entire page or two of correspondence, and pull a sentence here or there out of context and use that sentence to jump to a conclusion that they want supported. They then put words in my mouth and try to say that I said something I did not.

Example from your post from UFO Udates:

"Georgina arranged for former USAF airman Kevin Conde to call the show."

Georgina did not arrange anything with me. The James Whale show called my office while I was at work and asked to speak to me. My assumption is they did an on-line search and figured out where I work. The call came out of the blue. I was not in the office, so my assistant passed the message on to me. Out of courtesy I returned the call.

Yet Georgina and company would represent that they set this up with me before hand. Had I known before hand that Georgina was involved I would have refused to participate. I became aware she was also on air after I was already on the air.

While on the air Georgina said something to the effect that I had agreed with her that I was not even on duty the night of the incident. I've never said any such thing. I believe Georgina has said something similar in print.

My experience with Georgina is that she passionately believes in the incident. I believe that because of that passion Georgina has a tendency to

ignore and discount anything that might not fit in to her version of events. I think it's fair to say her passion has led her to misrepresent some of my comments. The end result is that had I known Georgina was involved in the broadcast, I would not have returned the call.

If Mr. Whales wants me to answer questions for him and his viewers on the air, I will do that. I will not participate in an on air debate with Georgina.

As I surf the Web reading the various positions on the incident I find the following to be generally true. The skeptics tend to quote me completely and in context. They usually cite other sources to support or contradict, and they don't parse my comments.

The believers on the other hand routinely quote out of context, and try to say that my comments often mean something other than what I intended when making the comment.

I keep trying to keep things simple.

#1: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge at the time of the "incident". I was in a senior police position at the time. The flight I was assigned to would have been working during at least one of the events. The on duty flight commander during Halt's field trip, Lt. Bruce England was my flight commander and boss. The fact that I was unaware of the "incident" until April 2001 is a very strong indicator that no one took the "incident" seriously at the time. If they did not take the incident seriously at the time, why should we take it seriously now? As James' research has clearly shown, the story of the two most prominent personalities has morphed over the years.

#2. During the time frame of the incident I pulled a practical joke on the East Gate Guard. That joke involved bright white lights, and flashing red and blue lights. According to Halt's memo the witnesses reported bright white lights and flashing red and blue lights. Georgina is correct, I can't prove exactly when I pulled the stunt, but the similarity between my stunt and the witness statements is too stark to ignore

#3. Both you and James have talked to several other folks that were either at the base or involved in the incident in one way or another. They all say that either that they were unaware of the alleged "incident", or viewed the incident as not serious or a joke. My own wife, a retired SMSgt, does not remember anything happening while she was at Bentwaters. Had there been any kind of serious incident, she would have heard something.

Regardless, Georgina and others elect to dismiss the statements and evidence of all these people in favor of the more "rational" explanation that RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge was visited aliens.

Is this weird or what?

Sincerely

Kevin

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From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
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Conde<BR><BR>&gt;Posted to UFO UpDates on behalf of Kevin  
Conde:<BR><BR>Dear Errol & Listmembers<BR>Here is my response to  
Kevin Conde's comments made on this<BR>list referring to my investigation into his  
claims that his alleged<BR>hoax was responsible for the famous Rendlesham Forest  
UFO<BR>incident. I apologise for its length.<BR><BR>&gt;What a lot of rubbish!  
Every claim that Georgina makes can<BR>&gt;be reversed and used to argue that I  
could have been there.<BR><BR>Well, let's see what we can do about that Mr

Conde!<BR><BR>&gt;The "normal" people that were actually at Woodbridge during<BR>&gt;the "incident" all are consistent that nothing happened. It's all a<BR>&gt;misunderstanding complicated by a couple of unstable<BR>&gt;personalities. Other unrelated unstable personalities have since<BR>&gt;made careers out of trying to convince the gullible that we were<BR>&gt;visited.<BR><BR>Conde is obviously referring to those who were not witnesses and<BR>those who were, accusing the latter of being unstable. Mr Conde<BR>also accuses some of the witnesses of making a career out of the<BR>case, claiming they are 'unstable'. The truth is that Conde is<BR>himself trying to make a career out of his alleged hoax. In<BR>the last few months he has appeared on TV and radio shows and<BR>has been only too happy to talk to journalists. BBC TV flew him<BR>to the UK and probably paid him a fee, if they didn't then he must<BR>have done it for his ego. Either way, Conde was obviously hoping<BR>to be a player in this case. But the following information should<BR>prove that Conde hasn't much idea about the case except from<BR>what he's read on sceptical newsgroups where he is enjoying his<BR>fifteen minutes of fame. Here in the real world he is just<BR>another publicity seeker looking for attention in an area where he<BR>needs to prove himself to qualified researchers.<BR><BR>&gt;In my opinion anyone who accepts Halt and Penniston as reliable<BR>&gt;witnesses, while discounting all the other witnesses who where<BR>&gt;there and have said nothing happened, is someone who lacks<BR>&gt;common sense or has another agenda.<BR><BR>It's obvious that Conde knows very little about this case and hasn't<BR>read my book, which I offered to send him. Anybody who knows<BR>this case and has read my book is aware that I, and indeed several<BR>other researchers, have interviewed and reported statements from<BR>from both sides. All this is explained, but what it comes down to is<BR>that the witnesses were ordered not to discuss the incident, and we<BR>must recall that being Christmas week there was only a skeleton<BR>staff on duty. Maybe Conde would like to offer the names of those<BR>whose statements have allegedly been discounted.<BR><BR>&gt;I'm getting a little tired and more than a little frustrated<BR>&gt;with the cranks. Here's a fact: I was stationed at RAF<BR>&gt;Bentwaters/Woodbridge at the time! I was in a key police<BR>&gt;position. I knew what went on at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge,<BR>&gt;and visits by little green men were not on the menu!<BR><BR>Well of course Conde is getting tired and frustrated, and in his<BR>frustration he goes on the attack, calling us cranks. He was probably<BR>hoping nobody would question his outrageous claims. The fact is<BR>that Conde wasn't on duty, and wasn't informed of the incident simply<BR>because he wasn't in the loop. He was not in a key police position<BR>as he claims, but was a sergeant, as were some of the witnesses.<BR>And he did not know everything that went on at the bases. This is<BR>just part of the ego trip, trying to convince us that he was important.<BR>And who ever said that little green men visited the base?<BR>Nobody to my knowledge.<BR><BR>&gt;I don't know what really happened in 1980, and I don't think<BR>&gt;anyone else does either.<BR><BR>What a strange statement. Is this the same person who is trying<BR>to convince everybody that he does know what happened. Let's look<BR>at a statement given to me by BBC East's Inside Out

programme.<BR><BR>"In BBC TV's Inside Out (TX&nbsp; 30th June 2003) Kevin Conde<BR>clearly states on camera "I don't believe in coincidences. If they are<BR>over there seeing lights and I'm over here doing this, then obviously<BR>they had to see my little practical joke. What it boils down to is that<BR>was no UFO it was a 1979 Plymouth Volare."<BR>(Mr) Tracy Williams, Series Director<BR><BR>Regarding the James Whale radio show.<BR><BR>&gt;Georgina did not arrange anything with me. The James Whale<BR>&gt;show called my office while I was at work and asked to speak<BR>&gt;to me.My assumption is they did an on-line search and figured<BR>&gt;out where I work. The call came out of the blue. I was not in the<BR>&gt;office, so my assistant passed the message on to me. Out of<BR>&gt;courtesy I returned the call.<BR><BR>Wrong. I wanted a live debate with Conde and asked the producer<BR>to try to contact him. I gave her his office phone number at Sutton<BR>County Schools where he works as a technical advisor, but wasn't<BR>sure if he could be reached there (time difference) so I e-mailed<BR>his private e-mail address, which he had previously asked me not<BR>divulge, and here's the message. I still have it in my mail box.<BR><BR>'Hi Kevin<BR>I'm doing the James Whale radio show tonight which goes out all<BR>over UK and you can listen to it on-line<BR></FONT><A href="http://www.talksport.net/thestation\_listennow.htm" target=\_blank><FONT

size=2>http://www.talksport.net/thestation\_listennow.htm</FONT></A><BR><FON T size=2>I'll be discussing your alleged hoax and thought you might want to<BR>respond. I believe the programme will try to contact you but in case<BR>they don't get through and you are interested in taking part can you<BR>e-mail me a contact number where you can be reached at<BR>approximately 23.30 UK time.<BR>Best wishes Georgina Bruni<BR><BR>&gt;Yet Georgina and company would represent that they set this up<BR>&gt;with me before hand. Had I known before hand that Georgina was<BR>&gt;involved I would have refused to participate. I became aware she<BR>&gt;was also on air after I was already on the air.<BR><BR>Why would Conde have refused to debate with me if he is genuine?<BR><BR>&gt;While on the air Georgina said something to the effect that I<BR>&gt;had agreed with her that I was not even on duty the night of the<BR>&gt;incident. I've never said any such thing. I believe Georgina has<BR>&gt;said something similar in print.<BR><BR>Here are Conde's own written words to me regarding the first<BR>incident which I was referring to on the show.<BR><BR>'When I was on patrol Bobby Ball was the Security Flight Chief<BR>opposite my LE Flight. Lt.Englund was the Flight Commander<BR>for both flights. If Lt.Englund and MSgt Ball were not on duty, I<BR>was not on duty. If they were on duty, I was. I have an APR for<BR>the period that Lt. Englund endorsed. MSgt Chandler was the<BR>Security Flight Chief on a different flight. If he was working, I<BR>probably was not.'<BR><BR>Well of course Englund and Ball were not on duty during the first<BR>incident and Chandler was. So Conde has positively confirmed that<BR>he wasn't on duty and therefore his alleged hoax could not have<BR>been responsible for this particular incident.'<BR><BR>But there's more! This is also from Conde.<BR><BR>'I would have been working in one of three places; Woodbridge,<BR>LE Flight Chief or LE Desk Sgt. In any case, I should have been<BR>aware of Halt's trip off base, but I was not.&nbsp; How do you explain<BR>that?&nbsp; I suspect the incident was not as spectacular as some of

the participants would like you to believe.'  
Conde is confusing the first night with Colonel Halt's incident. These were two separate nights. So having established that he definitely wasn't involved the first night, what about the second?  
The second major incident involving Colonel Halt took place later that week. The duty sergeant for the Woodbridge base that night was Sgt Adrian Bustinza, who had only six staff on duty. Bustinza was Security but would know if an LE sergeant was also present. When he realised there was a problem he alerted Lt Englund who was responsible for both units. If Conde was a Flight Chief he would have been alerted. Conde couldn't have been stationed at Woodbridge. Sgt Ball and Lt Englund were on duty at Bentwaters when the call came in, and also Sgt Frail.

Conde's name has never been mentioned in any interviews with the witnesses or personnel, including senior staff such as Colonel Halt, Major Zickler, Captain Mike Verrano, Major Ed Drury, Senior Master Sgt Ray Gulyas and others. From what I understand (information given by a witness) Conde may have been a training instructor at the time. The latter hasn't been checked. Surely if he had been on duty as LE desk sergeant he would have known about the incident. And if he had been a Flight Chief he would have also known, and others would have mentioned him. My experience with Georgina is that she passionately believes in the incident. I believe that because of that passion Georgina has a tendency to ignore and discount anything that might not fit in to her version of events. I think it's fair to say her passion has led her to misrepresent some of my comments. The end result is that had I known Georgina was involved

in the<BR>&gt;broadcast, I would not have returned the call.<BR><BR>Of course I believe in it. But as everybody knows I do not believe<BR>all the information given me, and indeed I have reported openly<BR>and exposed issues that are not complimentary to the case. So<BR>Conde is proved wrong yet again. It's my opinion that Conde was<BR>too afraid to face a media debate with me because he knows that<BR>I can prove his alleged hoax is nonsense. Which of course I did<BR>on the show.<BR><BR>&gt;The believers on the other hand routinely quote out of context,<BR>&gt;and try to say that my comments often mean something other than<BR>&gt;what I intended when making the comment.<BR><BR>Well, let's examine those comments shall we?. Here is a list of Conde's<BR>very own words to me which I confronted him with on the radio show<BR>and which got him terribly flustered, but to give him credit he did confirm<BR>a 'yes' to each any every one when I asked him to confirm whether<BR>these were his own

words. One has to decide whether they mean anything other than what they obviously mean. Capitals are his.

1. 'The only thing that I claim is to have played a practical joke on a gate guard at East Gate.

2.' I can not say for sure my prank was the only cause for the incident or even that it was involved at all.

3.'I have never believed I was solely responsible for the "Incident."

I CAN NOT even prove that I was involved at all.

4.I've never claimed to be the one and only "Rendlesham Forest Incident". I've only stated the fact that I played a prank that could explain some of the sightings.

5.'My prank may not have had anything to do with the "Incident."

6.'Even the most ardent believer must accept that my prank could have been a factor in what happened. The

emphasis is on "could have."  
7. 'Additionally, I'm a natural skeptic. If I had heard something about a "UFO", I would have assumed it was a reaction to my prank, and a joke, and would have dismissed it. I think that says it all! BBC East received a copy of Conde's comments 'The programme presented the evidence as Mr Conde gave it and had no reason to doubt he was telling the truth.'  
(Mr) Tracy Williams Series Director Inside Out  
But in conversation with Tracy Williams I got the impression that they did not investigate Conde's claims. In fact I am convinced that Conde is a victim here. The BBC were approached by armchair UFO Buff James Easton, who claims he was the consultant to the programme. According to Williams however, Easton was not the consultant, but may have thought he was. Easton promoted Kevin Conde's claims out of all proportion, and Williams told me they were not aware of a previous statement (see below) made by Conde in April 2001 which featured in Easton's debunking Voyager newsletter. "This incident [hoax]

occurred right after Christmas. For reasons that are hard to explain it is my impression that I pulled my stunt during an exercise. We would not have had an exercise during the Christmas holiday. That is a strong indication that my stunt is not the source of this specific incident". Kevin Conde. So the BBC fell for Easton's desperate need to debunk this case, and did not do a proper investigation or they would have realised Conde's hoax could not have been responsible. When I arrived at the radio station there was a 7 page e-mail which presenter James Whale hadn't read, but he thought it was from BBC East as it was headed so. Because I was his guest he asked me to take a look at it. And guess what, it wasn't from BBC East, it was from James Easton introducing himself as the consultant to the programme. It was the usual rant, lots of cutting and pasting and claims from his new witness Andy Cohen, a desk officer (who wasn't even

on duty during the incident) and lots of unsavoury comments about Nick Pope and myself. This is not the first time Easton has bombarded the media in such a way. I know of at least three other cases where he has done the same. In all instances he has not been taken seriously, and indeed on a couple of occasions TV stations on the receiving end of his calls and e-mails have expressed concern over his state of mind. So why did BBC East not check his record? Well, it's just a regional station and it's clear that they were only looking for a 'silly season' slot. But they should be criticised for not doing their homework, and they may want to question why Easton is using their programme to promote himself in other media

circles. The fact that I was unaware of the "incident" until April 2001 is a very strong indicator that no one took the "incident" seriously at the time. If they did not take the

incident seriously at the time, why should we take it seriously now? As James' research has clearly shown, the story of the two most prominent personalities has morphed over the years. It's obvious that Conde has no idea about the case, and the fact that it's been in the public domain since 1983. Conde was not in the loop, so why should he have been given privileged information? James Easton's so called research involving some of the main



players<BR>is not an issue here. We are only too aware of his debunking tactics<BR>and how he dismisses facts in favour of theories such as lighthouse,<BR>tractors lights etc. Let's see what the three major witnesses<BR>REALLY have to say about Conde's claims.<BR><BR>Edward Cabansag to Georgina:<BR>'There is no way he could have done anything like that on or near<BR>the base. I can't prove it, but considering the state of alert with the<BR>IRA at the time and the cold war still going on, I find it hard to believe<BR>that he could pull a joke like that off. He would've had to bribe a lot of<BR>US personnel and British personnel. I doubt that on a Airmen salary.<BR>He is trying to put his name out there for what ever reason.'<BR><BR>Jim Penniston to Georgina:<BR>'To answer your question is this a hoax?&nbsp; What do you think.&nbsp; I know<BR>what a Plymouth Volare looks like. Maybe it could be more believable<BR>if he said he was driving a De Lorean.<BR><BR>John Burroughs quotes from BBC East regarding Conde's hoax are as<BR>follows:<BR><BR>John Burroughs: "I'll stick to my honest opinion from day one.<BR>I don't know what happened. I do know it wasn't the lighthouse. But<BR>the blue lights coming down out of the skies, I still have never heard of<BR>any technology capable of doing what I saw happen out there."<BR><BR>BBC Presenter to Burroughs:&nbsp; "Would you accept that the<BR>blue and possibly the red lights could have been a vehicle that was in<BR>the vicinity – a police car perhaps?"<BR><BR>John Burroughs: "No, not, I'm not saying there wasn't anything in<BR>the distance, off the road. But the original stuff that we saw cannot<BR>be mistaken for a police car or anything like that. I see jokes played.<BR>There's no possible way they [Conde] could have gotten away with<BR>that. They would have gone to jail for it.<BR><BR>Conde clearly doesn't like confrontation.<BR><BR>BBC Presenter to Conde: "When we spoke to Sgt John Burroughs<BR>he said that if anybody had done this on base you could have faced a<BR>court marshal for what you did."<BR><BR>Conde: "For what?"<BR><BR>BBC Presenter: "For playing a practical joke"<BR><BR>Conde: "For what? For driving in a circle in a police car?"<BR><BR>BBC Presenter: "Yes, that's what he said."<BR><BR>Conde: "Where's the criminal intent?"<BR><BR>BBC Presenter: "He said that if that had happened on the base...<BR>[Conde goes on the defence and cuts in]<BR><BR>Conde: "I might have gotten a letter of reprimand for conduct<BR>unbecoming. Had it come out then, and it was me, I would have<BR>said, Hey, it was a practical joke. It was absolutely stupid. Do<BR>what you have to do and let's get this behind us. The collarheads<BR>would have looked at me and said, "You know Kevin that probably<BR>wasn't the brightest thing you've ever done, spank, spank. Go and<BR>sin no more." And they'd look at these guys and say,&nbsp; "There was<BR>a UFO? Give me a break!"<BR><BR>Another comment from Kenneth Greene USAF Bentwaters.<BR><BR>'First of all, Kevin Conde was a non-commissioned officer with the<BR>rank of Staff Sergeant at the time of the incident. For him to pull a<BR>stunt like that necessitating a security response, especially during an<BR>'alert' would be unprofessional and unauthorized. If he were caught by<BR>a supervisor, he would have most likely faced Article 15 charges<BR>resulting in a demotion in rank and other disciplinary sanctions. I do<BR>not think a person of his status would put himself in such a position.'<BR><BR>This is my favourite quote from Conde to the BBC East presenter.<BR><BR>"We had a very serious job. These guys were responsible for<BR>protecting the flight line, the

aircraft and all the weapons system<BR>and the storage areas that went with that, and you don't want<BR>people who you have less than great faith in their judgment in that<BR>kind of job, but when they keep chasing these lights and it gets<BR>bigger and bigger, then there's an idiot factor in it."<BR><BR>It was a serious job, but so was Conde's. If he persists in telling<BR>his hoax story then he must question himself. By his own admission<BR>the so called hoax is absolutely stupid. These are his words.And as<BR>the witnesses have quite rightly stated, if anybody did such a silly<BR>thing they should have to face the consequences.<BR><BR>For somebody who had a responsible job in the USAF, I am<BR>surprised that Conde made that last comment, referring to an 'idiot<BR>factor' when he's claiming such nonsense with his alleged

hoax.<BR>Conde forgets he's not just up against me as an investigator of this<BR>case, but those who were genuinely involved. We also have numerous<BR>military and civilian witnesses, official documents and statements and<BR>drawings of the craft (looking nothing like a police car) from witnesses<BR>dated at the time of the events, USAF photographs of the landing site,<BR>MOD documents, RAF documents and much more!<BR><BR>But then Conde wasn't aware of this when he wrote in response to<BR>James Easton's website. All he knew at that time was the self<BR>promoting trivia that Easton has posted. Now he has a better idea of<BR>the facts of the case, let's hope he takes the honourable way out, admits<BR>his mistakes and quietly disappears back into the woodwork. But I<BR>xpect that Armchair buff Easton will come up with yet another theory.<BR>We've had to deal with some real nonsense over the years, pelicans,<BR>lighthouse, lightship, tractor, but the police car fad is the wildest yet!<BR>What, I ask, can we expect when Conde's prank goes out of favour?<BR>A Dr Who telephone box, perhaps? Well, it is getting more outrageous<BR>as time goes on.<BR><BR>And they call UFO researchers cranks!<BR><BR>Georgina Bruni<BR>Author 'You Can't Tell The People,<BR>The Definitive Account of The Rendlesham UFO Mystery.<BR>www.amaazon.co.uk</FONT>

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 11:36:15 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

My opinion of this case is that, because at least one "believer" hypnotist plied his trade, we will never know what really happened.

Unfortunately, hypnotism is not limited to just reading a person's experiences. In the wrong hands, it can also edit them. If the hypnotist asks leading questions the subject does not know the answer to, often the subject's brain will either create a scenario or adapt fiction the subject was exposed to, just to provide the answers required.

There is a good possibility that the event was a hoax, designed to win one of the lucrative tabloid prizes offered at the time.

A fire balloon with fireworks attached could easily explain the sightings by the other workers.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:[voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)]

@ Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 11:03 PM

@ To: [UFORL@yahoogroups.com](mailto:UFORL@yahoogroups.com)

@ Subject: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ Personal correspondence... a proclaimed 'former  
@ astronomer' in Finland asks, what is, "Your opinion about  
@ the current status of the Travis Walton case".

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@ To help; what's the current evidence why that story  
@ should remotely be taken seriously, or otherwise?

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 11:20:30 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Re: FW: More Bentwaters Information - Conde

ALL claims, extraordinary or not, must be backed up with independent evidence. That's how science works.

In your case, you have a lot more backing than an ET claim has, because:

1. The technology (police cars and flashlights) can be demonstrated to have existed at the time of the sighting.
2. You can demonstrate that you had access to the technology at the time.
3. You, possessing the technology, could account for not only the sighting, but the "intelligent actions" of the object sighted.
4. Occam's Razor states that, among several competing theories, the simplest theory must be considered to be the theory most likely to be true, until it is refuted by evidence to the contrary. Your claim is at the present, the one most likely to be true.

The "extraordinary" part of your claim, if any, is that people don't normally put colored flashlights on police cars and then drive around in circles. (Of course, farmers don't normally shoot at stranded motorists they think are space aliens either, but it happened in 1954 in France.)

What is missing is independent proof that you were actually there with the equipment at that time, as you claim.

Your claim is still just a theory in the eyes of science. Meanwhile, the ET theory doesn't even meet the test of Occam's Razor. It requires the presence of aliens (yet unproven to exist) in an alien spacecraft (yet unproven to exist) in order to even have any probability greater than zero.

Right now, I would rank the theories in the following order of probability:

1. A prank played on base personnel with a police car
2. A fire-balloon prank
3. Accidental sightings of colored lights on the other side of the forest (remember, it was Christmas)
4. Emergency spy satellite film drop (Iran hostage crisis)

5. Some kind of military drill that was never revealed to the "victims"
6. Other unknown terrestrial cause
7. Extraterrestrial activity

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 Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 5:44 PM Cc: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
 Subject: [UFORL] Re: FW: More Bentwaters Information - Conde

@ Georgina:

@ Nothing personal, but you don't seem to get it. I don't have an  
 @ extraordinary claim.

@ I drove in circles with my emergency lights on. There ain't nothing  
 @ extraordinary about that.

@ Kevin

@ PS:

@ Since I'm a novice, would one of the experts on the list advise me  
 @ on the "This is where serious researchers debate issues." claim?

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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 12:01:57 +0100 (BST)  
Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham theory

--- hiya! I'm new to this board and I have followed some of the Rendlesham debate, but I wanted to put a theory - it may have already been discussed. If so, I apologise but I haven't seen earlier messages and unfortunately I never saw the documentary.

The craft which supposedly crashed in Rendlesham was stated as being triangular with a dome on top. Could it conceivably have been a B2 stealth bomber prototype? The Americans wanted to hush it up so they invented the UFO story? I know the B2 was invented around 1988/9 but could it have been an earlier prototype/experimental model in 1980?

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I may have a copy of that...at least I did a long time ago. Chuck DeCaro gave it to me himself.

I'll look around.

==JJS==

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Warren adds this was, "followed by the officer's statement. He had been told the film was on its way to Germany".

If anyone has an available copy of that documentary, please let me know.

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What I do have, courtesy of Greenwood's files, is a transcript of the CNN program - whether it was the final version, I'm not certain.

However, it does accordingly state:

"CNN has also found an officer who says he drove the base commander to a waiting airplane to deliver what he was told was a motion picture film of one of the UFO's".

The "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" is then quoted:

"...uh, we drove out and I asked him what was in the film, and he said we actually have pictures of the UFO here. And he got off the jeep, went over to the aircraft, handed the film to the pilot. The canopy closed and the plane took off, and I asked him where it was headed, and he said, 'Germany'".

There are various tales of 'unscheduled' aircraft, usually 'cargo flights', arriving on base after the 'UFO incidents. As Sergeant Randy Smith told me:

"The following night, I went on duty. At guardmount, Bob

Ball was very serious, he's almost never serious, a very jovial person. He said, 'I saw something last night, but I'm not at liberty to discuss it'. And that was the 'end'. I later heard that the morning we got off our first midnight shift, an A-10 was scrambled and sent to Ramstein, Germany, by Lt. Col. Halt".

So many rumours...

Who was the, as documented within that transcript, "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" which CNN cited...

In LaEG, Warren talks about the broadcast and how he recognised aforementioned, 'blacked out' testimony as originating from Captain Mike Veranno [Verrano?].

I can say, from the transcript, which seems to be original CNN material \_with notes indicating witness identities\_, that every other 'anonymous' witness is correctly identified by Warren in LaEG.

Annoyingly, I can't say for sure that it was Veranno who made that claim - it's the one affidavit which isn't confirmed in CNN's documentation.

However, there is one other CNN "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" witness statement which - without going into details why - does seem to be from Veranno.

Yet, Halt confirms:

HALT: There was no video. There was no film taken that night to my knowledge. Now, it is possible that one of the young airman, back at a distance because they weren't allowed to approach close we're talking about the group that was back at the light-alls... Somebody may have had a camera back there, but I don't believe so because they were on duty and they would have had to go through guardmount. Somebody could have snuck a small, 35mm or Instamatic or something in their pocket. It's possible somebody may have had something, but there was no obvious overt video filming, etc., done that night. None.

RAYL: There was no official video or film taken.

HALT: None. No, nothing official. No.  
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[...]

As for the assertion that film of our succeeding Rendlesham forest spaceship was directly transported to Germany and presumably Ramstein AFB, headquarters of 'United States Air Forces in Europe' [USAFE]... why would Veranno, or any other "OFFICER" say this?

Note that it was statedly the "base commander" who carried purported film - the CNN transcript correctly identifies Halt as "Deputy Base Commander" and any "OFFICER" should naturally know the difference.

Was therefore Col. Ted Conrad, the 'Base Commander', involved outwith Halt's knowledge?

It's so untenable that all we seem to be evidencing is the sheer unreliability of witness testimony...

\*\* END \*\*

In recent discussions with John Burroughs, he brought up the subject of that CNN documentary, which he participated in.

To my surprise, John mentioned an argument between Halt and Veranno, which occurred during the production.

Just before Veranno was about to be filmed, Halt reportedly took him aside and told him not to make any claims about transporting evidence to a waiting aircraft. So far as John was aware, Veranno had "backed down".

I explained how the claim was actually broadcast and suggested Halt was simply pointing out to Veranno that there was no such film and he must be mistaken.

Although this was a long time ago now, John's recollection doesn't agree with my scenario. Reportedly, Halt had reminded Veranno he [Veranno] was now at the Air Force Academy and someone in his position shouldn't be appearing on TV making such statements.

At present, all we can evidently conclude for certain is that the anonymous officer who appeared in that CNN documentary was indeed Veranno.

I wonder if he's referring to a separate event - perhaps

at some later date and amidst the 'UFO' hysteria, someone had filmed what they perceived to be a 'UFO'.

Interestingly, Burroughs recalls that Veranno said it was the Wing Commander, not the Base Commander, he drove to a waiting aircraft and perhaps CNN's commentary is in error.

The Base Commander, Col. Ted Conrad, had remained behind at the belated officer's Christmas party and delegated Halt to investigate what was going on during the night of 27 December.

However, the Wing Commander, Col. Gordon Williams, had taken a great interest in the 'UFO' stories and it was Williams who took a copy of Halt's microcassette recording to an already scheduled staff meeting of the Third Air Force.

One later east gate 'UFO' sighting involved Steve LaPlume and he described:

OK just to set the time line up a bit: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters between Nov. 4th 1980 and April 10, 1981. I had just turned 18 years old in July.

This incident happened about three weeks after the now infamous Bentwaters sighting/encounter. It was in the 2nd week of January 1981. I was booted out of the service almost three months to the day after this event.

RAF Woodbridge is a sister base to RAF Bentwaters. They are about five miles apart and the 81st Security Police Squadron which I was attached to covered the security for both bases. I had not yet received my Secret Clearance and therefore was temporarily assigned to the Law Enforcement flight. I worked on one of the flights that had rotating shifts. three days on swing, three days on nights and then three days off.

Since I had no clearance I could not go into the Non Alert Parking Areas (NAPAS) where the A-10's were nor could I go into the Weapons Storage Area (WSA) which housed all the ordinance and some small amount of nukes though I do not know for sure about the nukes.

With all these restrictions I was relegated to sitting out on the furthest reaches of our base in a four foot square cubical and watch the grass grow. For some reason

I got the East gate a lot. Mostly because I was new and did not really belong to the Law Enforcement (LE) crew. I did not mind and for the first few months it was OK.

No one bothered me and I could just hang out, check ID's until the gate closed at about eight o'clock and then ride shotgun with the shift sergeant. If I was on nights I would ride with the SGT. first and then be put on the East gate just before shift change for the morning traffic. Most of the night was spent relieving other LE members while they went and ate or took a leak.

On this particular night an airman named Senior Airman Palmer was on patrol and I was riding along with him. We went out to check the gate because some people knew the combination and were using it after hours. I checked to make sure it was locked. The car was parked back about fifty feet to help light up the area. The gate was locked and I went back to the car.

The night was brisk but not cold and SA Palmer and I hung out leaning against the patrol car and shot the shit for a while. I was facing south and talking to Palmer who was facing north. He said "I guess this is where they saw that UFO a few weeks back." I said "Oh" and asked him what exactly happened. He did not know for sure but pointed out a lighthouse way the heck off in the distance, toward the north sea., and said that they were saying that was what they saw. I asked about the rumor that it had been moving through the trees and he just shrugged "I don't know."

I faced back south after looking east toward the lighthouse and something caught my eye. Up at cloud level, which was very high as the night was pretty clear, I noticed a light moving across the sky. It was like if you are outside and see a jet off in the distance and while you can not make out its image you know it's a jet because it is a small light moving at a steady pace.

This light was not moving at any "pace" it was darting across the sky very fast. It was up then it was down, up then down. It probably changed altitude at a difference of a few thousand feet in elevation ten times in as many seconds. I simply turned to Palmer and said "huh, that's different." He looked and spotted it also. We watched it for about a half a minute or more and he told me to stay put, that he was going to go to the control tower and see what was up.

He came back about five minutes later and said they only had a C-130 and a helicopter up that night and or in this area. Well I am not a pilot but we both agreed that this was neither and asked each other if we should call it in. We agreed that we should. Palmer got on the radio and announces "La Plume just saw a UFO outside of the East gate." I cussed him out, what about him he saw it too.

The phone in the security booth rang almost immediately. I answered it and it was Lt. Englund my shift supervisor. He wanted to know what exactly I saw and where. I told him and he ordered me to stay put and keep an eye on it. The elapse time thus far is approximately fifteen minutes from the time I first spotted it.

The night was partly cloudy and the craft went behind some clouds over the Rendlesham forest. It was still at least fifteen miles away and at an elevation of about twenty thousand feet or so. It was not like it was hanging overhead.

Well holy cow the earth opened up and within twenty minutes I had more people and brass at my post than I had ever seen. There was the deputy base commander, his wife and teenage son. They brought along their cameras. I remember his wife saying something to the effect of "Oh boy we get to see one". Lt. Englund showed up and told my not to be nervous that Colonel Williams was on his way and that he had had just made General. Who me nervous.

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved  
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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 10 Sep 2003 02:46:20 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved?

I wrote:

"Interestingly, Dana Bowley, editor of the Socorro based 'El Defensor Chieftain', recently told me, 'The idea that what Zamora saw was a hot-air balloon is not a new one, and, in fact, has been around since the incident'.

This was just prior to the CIA's confirmation why they would not acknowledge, should it perchance exist, 'any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations'.

In which 'Socorro Solved?' respect... not a word of evidential protest from anyone?

Justifiable to now eliminate that question mark [sic] ?".

Evidently so...

Still duly confronted with zero argument otherwise, I'm reminded that in March 2001, Joel Carpenter, challenged and championed:

"The roster of possible pilots of hot-air balloons who could have been behind this incident is very limited, and it would seem to be possible to track them down. I don't know -- maybe you have some amazing evidence that you'd like to spring on us, James. :)

I understand the attraction of this case. You're really going for the brass ring here, because if a 'UFO' witness like Zamora could be this wrong about a hot-air balloon, all bets are off. NO eyewitness testimony could ever be trusted. It would be a sledgehammer tool against any reliance on personal accounts of UFO



behaviour".

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I have found a mention by Jean-Lu Rivera about this case, saying that Vallée himself wrote a letter in FSR 10:3 (p. 22) "The 'entities': the facts and the legend" pointing that it should be considered a hoax.

Can anybody scan that letter?

LuisR

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I may have a copy of that...at least I did a long time ago. Chuck DeCaro gave it to me himself.

I'll look around.

==JJS==

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 3:43 PM  
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What I do have, courtesy of Greenwood's files, is a transcript of the CNN program - whether it was the final version, I'm not certain.

However, it does accordingly state:

"CNN has also found an officer who says he drove the base commander to a waiting airplane to deliver what he was told was a motion picture film of one of the UFO's".

The "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" is then quoted:

"...uh, we drove out and I asked him what was in the film, and he said we actually have pictures of the UFO here. And he got off the jeep, went over to the aircraft, handed the film to the pilot. The canopy closed and the plane took off, and I asked him where it was headed, and he said, 'Germany'".

There are various tales of 'unscheduled' aircraft, usually 'cargo flights', arriving on base after the 'UFO incidents. As Sergeant Randy Smith told me:

"The following night, I went on duty. At guardmount, Bob

Ball was very serious, he's almost never serious, a very jovial person. He said, 'I saw something last night, but I'm not at liberty to discuss it'. And that was the 'end'. I later heard that the morning we got off our first midnight shift, an A-10 was scrambled and sent to Ramstein, Germany, by Lt. Col. Halt".

So many rumours...

Who was the, as documented within that transcript, "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" which CNN cited...

In LaEG, Warren talks about the broadcast and how he recognised aforementioned, 'blacked out' testimony as originating from Captain Mike Veranno [Verrano?].

I can say, from the transcript, which seems to be original CNN material \_with notes indicating witness identities\_, that every other 'anonymous' witness is correctly identified by Warren in LaEG.

Annoyingly, I can't say for sure that it was Veranno who made that claim - it's the one affidavit which isn't confirmed in CNN's documentation.

However, there is one other CNN "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" witness statement which - without going into details why - does seem to be from Veranno.

Yet, Halt confirms:

HALT: There was no video. There was no film taken that night to my knowledge. Now, it is possible that one of the young airman, back at a distance because they weren't allowed to approach close we're talking about the group that was back at the light-alls... Somebody may have had a camera back there, but I don't believe so because they were on duty and they would have had to go through guardmount. Somebody could have snuck a small, 35mm or Instamatic or something in their pocket. It's possible somebody may have had something, but there was no obvious overt video filming, etc., done that night. None.

RAYL: There was no official video or film taken.

HALT: None. No, nothing official. No.  
[END OF EXTRACT]

[...]

As for the assertion that film of our succeeding Rendlesham forest spaceship was directly transported to Germany and presumably Ramstein AFB, headquarters of 'United States Air Forces in Europe' [USAFE]... why would Veranno, or any other "OFFICER" say this?

Note that it was statedly the "base commander" who carried purported film - the CNN transcript correctly identifies Halt as "Deputy Base Commander" and any "OFFICER" should naturally know the difference.

Was therefore Col. Ted Conrad, the 'Base Commander', involved outwith Halt's knowledge?

It's so untenable that all we seem to be evidencing is the sheer unreliability of witness testimony...

\*\* END \*\*

In recent discussions with John Burroughs, he brought up the subject of that CNN documentary, which he participated in.

To my surprise, John mentioned an argument between Halt and Veranno, which occurred during the production.

Just before Veranno was about to be filmed, Halt reportedly took him aside and told him not to make any claims about transporting evidence to a waiting aircraft. So far as John was aware, Veranno had "backed down".

I explained how the claim was actually broadcast and suggested Halt was simply pointing out to Veranno that there was no such film and he must be mistaken.

Although this was a long time ago now, John's recollection doesn't agree with my scenario. Reportedly, Halt had reminded Veranno he [Veranno] was now at the Air Force Academy and someone in his position shouldn't be appearing on TV making such statements.

At present, all we can evidently conclude for certain is that the anonymous officer who appeared in that CNN documentary was indeed Veranno.

I wonder if he's referring to a separate event - perhaps

at some later date and amidst the 'UFO' hysteria, someone had filmed what they perceived to be a 'UFO'.

Interestingly, Burroughs recalls that Veranno said it was the Wing Commander, not the Base Commander, he drove to a waiting aircraft and perhaps CNN's commentary is in error.

The Base Commander, Col. Ted Conrad, had remained behind at the belated officer's Christmas party and delegated Halt to investigate what was going on during the night of 27 December.

However, the Wing Commander, Col. Gordon Williams, had taken a great interest in the 'UFO' stories and it was Williams who took a copy of Halt's microcassette recording to an already scheduled staff meeting of the Third Air Force.

One later east gate 'UFO' sighting involved Steve LaPlume and he described:

OK just to set the time line up a bit: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters between Nov. 4th 1980 and April 10, 1981. I had just turned 18 years old in July.

This incident happened about three weeks after the now infamous Bentwaters sighting/encounter. It was in the 2nd week of January 1981. I was booted out of the service almost three months to the day after this event.

RAF Woodbridge is a sister base to RAF Bentwaters. They are about five miles apart and the 81st Security Police Squadron which I was attached to covered the security for both bases. I had not yet received my Secret Clearance and therefore was temporarily assigned to the Law Enforcement flight. I worked on one of the flights that had rotating shifts. three days on swing, three days on nights and then three days off.

Since I had no clearance I could not go into the Non Alert Parking Areas (NAPAS) where the A-10's were nor could I go into the Weapons Storage Area (WSA) which housed all the ordinance and some small amount of nukes though I do not know for sure about the nukes.

With all these restrictions I was relegated to sitting out on the furthest reaches of our base in a four foot square cubical and watch the grass grow. For some reason



I got the East gate a lot. Mostly because I was new and did not really belong to the Law Enforcement (LE) crew. I did not mind and for the first few months it was OK.

No one bothered me and I could just hang out, check ID's until the gate closed at about eight o'clock and then ride shotgun with the shift sergeant. If I was on nights I would ride with the SGT. first and then be put on the East gate just before shift change for the morning traffic. Most of the night was spent relieving other LE members while they went and ate or took a leak.

On this particular night an airman named Senior Airman Palmer was on patrol and I was riding along with him. We went out to check the gate because some people knew the combination and were using it after hours. I checked to make sure it was locked. The car was parked back about fifty feet to help light up the area. The gate was locked and I went back to the car.

The night was brisk but not cold and SA Palmer and I hung out leaning against the patrol car and shot the shit for a while. I was facing south and talking to Palmer who was facing north. He said "I guess this is where they saw that UFO a few weeks back." I said "Oh" and asked him what exactly happened. He did not know for sure but pointed out a lighthouse way the heck off in the distance, toward the north sea., and said that they were saying that was what they saw. I asked about the rumor that it had been moving through the trees and he just shrugged "I don't know."

I faced back south after looking east toward the lighthouse and something caught my eye. Up at cloud level, which was very high as the night was pretty clear, I noticed a light moving across the sky. It was like if you are outside and see a jet off in the distance and while you can not make out its image you know it's a jet because it is a small light moving at a steady pace.

This light was not moving at any "pace" it was darting across the sky very fast. It was up then it was down, up then down. It probably changed altitude at a difference of a few thousand feet in elevation ten times in as many seconds. I simply turned to Palmer and said "huh, that's different." He looked and spotted it also. We watched it for about a half a minute or more and he told me to stay put, that he was going to go to the control tower and see what was up.

He came back about five minutes later and said they only had a C-130 and a helicopter up that night and or in this area. Well I am not a pilot but we both agreed that this was neither and asked each other if we should call it in. We agreed that we should. Palmer got on the radio and announces "La Plume just saw a UFO outside of the East gate." I cussed him out, what about him he saw it too.

The phone in the security booth rang almost immediately. I answered it and it was Lt. Englund my shift supervisor. He wanted to know what exactly I saw and where. I told him and he ordered me to stay put and keep an eye on it. The elapse time thus far is approximately fifteen minutes from the time I first spotted it.

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Regarding:

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 12:16:09 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Robert wrote:

>Conrad's nick name was "Tex", as he was originally from  
>Texas. He has now also retired to Texas. I'm sure he  
>would have had a Texan accent, so it can't be Ted  
>Conrad.

Robert,

It was John Burroughs who recalled Conrad's origin from north America.

>Your suggestion that it might be Ed Drury is  
>interesting.

According to John, Drury was English, which I don't quite understand.

>So I suggest you ask John Burroughs who his "boss" was.  
>Was it Bobby Ball, or would Ed Drury possibly have been  
>his boss? Was John Burroughs even on the same Flight as  
>Bobby Ball? Since it seems John Burroughs contacted  
>Halt's party by radio several times trying to persuade  
>"his boss" to let him join them, perhaps he even  
>remembers who was on the radio to turn down his  
>request?

Coincidentally, John had recently mentioned this segment of the Halt tape and confirms it was Ball who turned down his request.

Although MSgt Bobby Ball was the Security Flight Chief for the flight on duty, as Burroughs was off-duty that night, Ball was not his usual 'boss', as such.

I hope to clarify all of this further and confirm if Conrad was at any time present that night.

Interestingly, Conrad's son joined the USAF Security Police and John Burroughs met him some years back.

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Kevin

Thanks very much for those insights. The term "boss" was only Col Halt's description. The "Officer's" voice is definitely not that of Lt Bruce Englund. Col. Halt has said on more than one occasion that Englund was the first to spot the flashing light they initially chased after (Shipwash Lightship).

From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com> Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2003 9:22 PM  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

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By default, most likely hoaxers of the now infamous  
'alien autopsy' footage, always involved John Lundberg  
and Rod Dickinson, renowned 'crop circle' artists.

Previously highlighted evidence confirms their related  
'special effects' expertise and a proven connection with  
Ray Santilli - 'music industry' promoter of said film.

John Lundberg and Rod Dickinson are most welcome UFORL  
subscribers.

I'm aware of telling new developments and duly invite  
their comments on the list.

For the record, can you perhaps, please, both refute you  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2003 3:20 AM  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

> Regarding:

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> > From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>

> > Date: Tue, 16 Sep 2003 04:40:33 +0100

> > Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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Like myself, many subscribers will personally know Graham  
and share my expression of how distressing this news is.

Hopefully, Graham will in due time make a full recovery.

James.  
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>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@sympatico.ca> (by way of UFO  
>UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@sympatico.ca>)  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: UK UFO Magazine's Graham Birdsall Suffers Brain  
>[HyperScan 1.7]  
> Hemorrhage

>  
>From: A. J. Gevaerd - Revista UFO <gevaerd@ufo.com.br>  
>To: <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>  
>Date: Tue, 16 Sep 2003 10:54:55 -0300  
>Subject: UK UFO Magazine's Graham Birdsall Suffers Brain Hemorrhage

>  
>  
>Dear Friends & Colleagues:

>  
>I was informed by Russel Callaghan that last Thursday night  
>Graham Birdsall was taken ill at home. It was thought that he  
>had suffered a heart attack. He was rushed to hospital where  
>doctors carried out tests.

>  
>Graham had not had a heart attack but was suffering from a brain  
>hemorrhage. He was transferred to a special neuro-intensive care  
>unit in Leeds where he has undergone two operations, one to  
>insert a drain and one to asses the damage caused by the  
>hemorrhage. He had to be kept on life support over the last few  
>days.

>  
>He had the ventilator removed and was yesterday breathing for  
>himself. Russel told me that Graham opened his eyes and said a  
>few words yesterday and throughout his ordeal as been able to  
>move hands and legs.

>  
>Today, Tuesday, Graham's surgeons are going to carry out a  
>clamping procedure on the damaged artery. There are some risks  
>involved but a team of three neuro-surgeons will carry out the  
>operation which should take between 2-4 hours, after this the  
>recovery period in hospital should be between 1 and 2 months.

>  
>His family is giving him every support he needs to make a full  
>recovery. His wife Christine and his daughters have been  
>sleeping at the hospital since Thursday.

>  
>Because of this terrible situation, the cancellation of the 22nd

>International UFO Conference and Gala Dinner is to be announced  
>by Russel at any time.  
>  
>It is absolutely terrifying to see a great person such as Graham  
>Birdsall in such illness. But let's hope and pray for his  
>recovery soon. He is an icon for the world UFO community and a  
>great developer of this field.  
>  
>Let's join Graham Birdsall's family in prayers for his quick  
>recovery.  
>  
>A. J. Gevaerd

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On the subject of Halt being a 'cop buff', I now understand there was some friction between Halt and Major Malcolm Zickler, commander of the Security Police Squadron.

Halt was apparently a frequent visitor to the Law Enforcement desk, much to the annoyance of Zickler.

A question which can maybe now be resolved is who was in Halt's statedly assembled "team of specialists", when he personally became involved in the 'UFO' investigations.

We know for sure that accompanying Halt were:

Lt. Bruce Englund, Duty Flight Lieutenant  
Sgt. Monroe Nevilles, Disaster Preparedness NCO, who operated the Geiger counter  
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Except the pilots who have already passed on. They can't reply.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Sunday, September 14, 2003 1:27 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved

@

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@ Regarding:

@

@ >From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>

@ >Date: Wed, 10 Sep 2003 02:46:20 +0100

@ >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved?

@

@ I wrote:

@

@ "Interestingly, Dana Bowley, editor of the Socorro based

@ 'El Defensor Chieftain', recently told me, 'The idea that

@ what Zamora saw was a hot-air balloon is not a new one,

@ and, in fact, has been around since the incident'.

@

@ This was just prior to the CIA's confirmation why they

@ would not acknowledge, should it perchance exist, 'any

@ documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves

@ that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon

@ which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-

@ flight/training, etc. operations'.

@

@ In which 'Socorro Solved?' respect... not a word of

@ evidential protest from anyone?

@

@ Justifiable to now eliminate that question mark [sic] ?".

@

@

@ Evidently so...

@

@ Still duly confronted with zero argument otherwise, I'm

@ reminded that in March 2001, Joel Carpenter, challenged

@ and championed:

@

@ "The roster of possible pilots of hot-air balloons who

@ could have been behind this incident is very limited, and

@ it would seem to be possible to track them down. I don't

@ know -- maybe you have some amazing evidence that you'd

@ like to spring on us, James. :)

@

@ I understand the attraction of this case. You're really

@ going for the brass ring here, because if a 'UFO' witness

@ like Zamora could be \_this wrong\_ about a hot-air

@ balloon, all bets are off. \_NO\_ eyewitness testimony

@ could ever be trusted. It would be a sledgehammer tool

@ against any reliance on personal accounts of UFO

@ behaviour".

@

@

@ James.

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Of course, if the "spy satellite film drop" theory is true, then this was a nice covert way to get the spy films off the base without immediate suspicion.

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@ Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 5:43 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahooogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

@

@

@ There is some background case material I've become aware of in recent months and which might be of interest.

@

@ Firstly, during December last year, I wrote:

@

@ \*\* BEGIN \*\*

@ In 'Left at East Gate', Warren discusses the February 1985, CNN documentary and how Chuck DeCaro claimed:

@

@ "CNN has also found an officer who says he drove the base commander to a waiting aircraft to deliver what he was told was a motion-picture film of one of the UFOs".

@

@ Warren adds this was, "followed by the officer's statement. He had been told the film was on its way to Germany".

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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations  
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----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2003 2:39 AM  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

> Regarding:  
>  
> > From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
> > Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 12:16:09 +0100  
> > Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
>  
> Robert wrote:  
>  
> > Conrad's nick name was "Tex", as he was originally from  
> > Texas. He has now also retired to Texas. I'm sure he  
> > would have had a Texan accent, so it can't be Ted  
> > Conrad.  
>  
> Robert,  
>  
> It was John Burroughs who recalled Conrad's origin from  
> north America.  
>  
> > Your suggestion that it might be Ed Drury is  
> > interesting.  
>  
> According to John, Drury was English, which I don't quite  
> understand.

According to "You Can't Tell the People" Ed Drury was married to a local Woodbridge lady. Perhaps this is where John Burroughs got that idea.

On the other hand, there is one location on the Halt tape where a background voice seems to be speaking in an English accent:

HALT: OK, why don't we do this: why don't we make a sweep. Here, I've got my gloves on now. Let's make a sweep out around the whole area about ten foot out, make a perimeter run around it. Starting right back here at the corner, uh, back at the same first corner where we came in. Let's go right back here. I want to depend upon you countin' the clicks.

NEVELS: Right.

4 minutes

HALT: OK, let's...[unclear]

VOICE: [unclear]...out here if it getting' louder.

HALT: The light, put the light on it and let's sweep around it.

VOICE: It was black?

HALT: Put it on the ground every once in a while.

VOICE: [very faint, possibly an English accent] . . . found an abrasion . .  
.

ENGLUND: This looks like an abrasion on the tree...

HALT: OK, we'll catch that on the way back, let's go around.

VOICE: C'mon back.

HALT: Hit it, Ted. [possibly "Hit, it Ed.", i.e. Major Edward Drury]

ENGLUND: We're getting interest right over here. It looks like an abrasion pointing into the center of the [unclear]...

HALT: It is.

ENGLUND: ...area.

-----  
James, perhaps you could ask John Burroughs if he actually recalls Maj. Drury having an English accent?  
-----

> >So I suggest you ask John Burroughs who his "boss" was.  
> >Was it Bobby Ball, or would Ed Drury possibly have been  
> >his boss? Was John Burroughs even on the same Flight as  
> >Bobby Ball? Since it seems John Burroughs contacted  
> >Halt's party by radio several times trying to persuade  
> >"his boss" to let him join them, perhaps he even  
> >remembers who was on the radio to turn down his  
> >request?  
>  
> Coincidentally, John had recently mentioned this segment  
> of the Halt tape and confirms it was Ball who turned down  
> his request.

When I discussed this with Kevin Conde, he explained that it would very unusual for a senior officer to be issuing orders like this over the radio, and that it was much more likely that the Officer was therefore MSgt Bobby Ball.

After considering this some more, I believe that there are other reasons for concluding that the Officer must be Bobby Ball, as suggested by Kevin. This is because Lt Bruce Englund and MSgt Bobby Ball together signed out two Starlight Scopes. Don Laisure III was in charge of the stores that evening, and told me this himself. John Burroughs in a radio interview also mentioned they had two Starlight Scopes.

Halt's investigation of the alleged landing site was in two phases. In the first phase they took radiation readings and took samples of soil and sap. In the second phase, they used the Starlight Scope to look at the tree abrasions and ground indentations in conditions of near darkness.

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I wrote to Barry, who maintains that he remembers the name Ernie Frost, but it was not he who interviewed him, rather, it WAS the aforementioned Marge Christenson. I have tried to get Marge's email address, to no avail.

I also cannot find the 5-part CNN Bentwaters tape that I had. However, in going through my old tapes, I did come across one where I interviewed Burroughs at length for a local TV talk show I hosted. This would be around 10 years ago. Interested?

==JJS==

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Congrats, James, you've hit the big time.

The thing that always struck me funny about this case is, 23 helicopters. Not 20 or so, not "a couple dozen," but 23. You're faced with a diamond-shaped object belching fire, you think you're witnessing "the end of time" as Vicki Landrum put it...and you sit there and count helicopters? I know the case is probably genuine, i.e., not made up out of whole cloth, but jeez, what incredible presence of mind!

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 06:23:08 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] 'Saucer Smeared'...  
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I note from the redoubtable 'Saucer Smear', Volume 50,  
No. 6, July 5th, 2003:

<http://www.martiansgohome.com/smeared/v50/ss030705.htm>

[...]

#### TIDBITS OF TRASH

[...]

We have some new info on the classic Dec. 29th, 1980  
Cash-Landrum UFO sighting, in which three people driving  
on a lonely country road in eastern Texas saw a fiery  
object come down very low and cause all three of them to  
receive radiation (?) burns to a greater or lesser  
extent. As many as 23 helicopters were also seen,  
associated with the mystery object. Most of our "Smear"  
readers are already familiar with this classic case,  
which was investigated by John Schuessler of MUFON, among  
others.

There are three elements to this story: The mystery  
object, the injury to the people in the car, and the  
helicopters. It is only in regard to the latter that we  
have new info: A British researcher named James Easton  
has learned that during that period in 1980, a highly  
secret helicopter rescue force was training in that part  
of Texas. This was related to the failed attempt to  
rescue American hostages in Iran, earlier in 1980. A  
group called Task Force 158, or TF158, sought to perfect  
their skills through training exercises, and this was  
apparently done without the knowledge of any of the  
military bases that have been contacted, and which have  
denied that their helicopters were involved in the Cash-  
Landrum case. Or, TF158 may have just been too secret to  
admit to, even after all this time.

The upshot is that we now know the helicopters existed,  
but the rest of the case remains unsolved...  
[END]

All due copyright absolutely acknowledged and hopefully,

'fair use' of same isn't contentious.

Do we perhaps detect the hand of 'Saucer Smear' contributing editor and UFORL subscriber 'Karl Pflock', as author of our inherent 'trash' [sic!] highlight.

I can say, that from responses to several, related, FOIA requests, all have been re-directed to one central source and there is significantly more to be revealed.

'Saucer Smear' continues:

Amazingly, we also have an update of sorts on the classic April 24th, 1964 incident in Socorro, New Mexico, in which a police officer named Lonnie Zamora interacted with a very loud flying saucer that landed briefly near the town.

Researcher Miller Johnson of Albuquerque has sent us copies of three contemporary newspaper clippings, in which other similar sightings are described in Socorro and relatively nearby towns. In other words, it appears that over a period of about three days, there was a mini-flap in that part of the state, with \_named\_ witnesses.

Yet cynics like Phil Klass insist that there were no other witnesses, and that the whole thing therefore rests on Zamora's unsupported word. What a pity [sic - James] that it is now too late, for all practical purposes, to reinvestigate this case!...  
[END]

Isn't 'Socorro', such a fundamental pillar of inherent 'UFO' beliefs, now evidenced as resolved, otherwise?

If not, as previously invited, where is any evidence which challenges the CIA's response to my FOIA request?

James.  
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As many of you will know, so tragically, Graham died from heart failure in the early hours of 19th September.

For funeral details, please see:

<http://www.ufomag.co.uk/>

A more befitting, personal, eulogy will take due time.

James.  
E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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Verano has been located and helpfully responded to initial enquiries.

Typically, this has only raised further questions and until they are hopefully resolved, there is now a self-expressed doubt he ever delivered "motion picture film" of 'UFOs' to a waiting aircraft.

What remains interesting is that it can now be confirmed Verano did deliver a package of some description, seemingly relating to the 'UFO' incidents, and the aircraft was an A-10.

My understanding is that because of the Solidarity crisis in Poland and amidst fears the Soviet Union might invade, A-10s based at RAF Bentwaters were, in late December, 1980, already deployed to the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing at Alhorn, Germany.

Was an A-10 therefore despatched back to Bentwaters solely to pick up this package?

Even if there were still some A-10s on base, it sounds like this was considered to be an important shipment.

Although I know what Verano now claims he actually delivered, it will simply spread much confusion if I reveal the answer at present. It appears he had never actually seen the contents and is maybe now simply guessing, perhaps influenced by elements of the story as it became publicised in later years.

All hopefully to be clarified.

James.  
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From: Bill Chalker <bill\_c@bigpond.com>  
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The National Institute for Discovery Science has published the results of an exhaustive and unprecedented DNA study on a biological sample implicated in a major UFO abduction milieu - the "alien claw" case from California:

<http://www.nidsci.org/news/dnaanalysis.html>

Scientists working with the Anomaly Physical Evidence Goup (APEG) [http://www.theozfiles.com/anomaly\\_investigation\\_group.html](http://www.theozfiles.com/anomaly_investigation_group.html) contributed Mt DNA PCR, DOP-PCR, MDA and Ribosomal DNA analyses. It was ultimately the novel application of the latter process that finally produced a breakthrough in this complex work carried out in this groundbreaking investigation. This anchored the "alien claw" with a more prosaic origin, namely a mollusc or snail artifact - a case of when is a "claw" not a claw - answer, when its a snail or slug.

The byproduct of this exercise is the novel ribosomal DNA analytical methodology, utilised by the APEG scientists, which has diverse implications in the world of animal research and perhaps in the field of cryptozoology.

APEG is grateful to NIDS and A & S Research for the opportunity to participate and contribute to this fascinating exercise.

While the study confirmed a prosaic origin to the "alien claw" artifact, the UFO abduction milieu from which it emerged is still under study in particular by A & S Research and it will be interesting to see if any other intriguing artifacts emerge to assist in the interpretation of this complex affair. It needs to be remembered that this artifact was only one part of a very complex affair. The lessons in this DNA investigation are of vital importance to future such investigations.

Bill Chalker  
[http://www.theozfiles.com/anomaly\\_investigation\\_group.html](http://www.theozfiles.com/anomaly_investigation_group.html)

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Compliments of the Snook of Malaga:

>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Travis Walton  
>Received: 03-10-2003 10:56  
>From: sburns808, sburns808@yahoo.com  
>To: UFORL, UFORL@yahoogroups.com

The semi-mysterious S. Burns (no relation to Max I hope) wrote:

>All DeAquino did was derive the "general case" for the D/H work  
>showing all parameters so an engineering model could be conceived.  
>Interesting how this engineering solution correlates closely to UFO  
>attributes.

Really. But what exactly \*are\* "UFO attributes", in any sense that might involve consistency and coherence? Compare for instance the passage of an F-15. Or traces that let me know a fox has passed by the hen house. Also observe we have neither the Strike Eagle UFO nor the Fuchs McNab UFO in any concrete sense so that we may be sure some UFOs have four feet and red fur while others have an unusual steering system and an instantly recognizable sound signature. We don't even have furry red UFOs with Pratt & Whitney engines to explain our confusion. "UFO" is a term like telepathy. Nothing is known about a UFO, and there is no one "UFO entity" that you can extract from UFO reports.

I can't help desecrating in the way "UFO" is used here that some assumptions, or conclusions, have been made about what a UFO is. This is like conspiracy thinking. Any number of dots can be joined up. The only questions worth asking about a UFO are "Unknown to whom?" (Hynek) and "What was it"? All other approaches (and even this one sometimes) lead you only to observations about [mis]perception and human culture.

>BTW, to date over 500 scientists have reviewed this and  
>no one yet has found a mathematical flaw regarding the mg equation.  
>Most have personal opinions however. Can you tell us where the math  
>flaw is?

No, and I wouldn't dream of trying. Bear in mind it's perfectly possible to have perfectly adequate maths that relate to nothing practically useful (or even real). A

positron is an electron travelling backwards in time, mathematically speaking. So what? We have no way of knowing whether it *is* actually such a thing. DeAquino can shovel out maths till kingdom come, but unless they result (thankyou Larry) in an actual gravity shield they mean nothing, however elegant the equations. Nothing about DeAquino, most especially his creationist tendency, threatens my self-assurance -- politically incorrect as that may be deemed. [Please note that I don't object to the idea of a creator -- only to its inappropriate intrusion into scientific "discourse".]

Pardon the lapse, however. I should have remembered what beta particles, and ergo a beta beam, were.

When you then suggest that DeAquino's wheezes -- which some people seem to think might be given the benefit of some doubt because some young scientists are weary of peer review: whaaaat? -- represent a "plausible" explanation of Travis's Trick, you are starting at the wrong end of the investigation. No one, with the very possible exceptions of Mike Rogers and Travis himself know what went on that night, and many mundane possibilities haven't even been explored publicly. Skeptics cannot win this argument in any case, since it's humanly impossible to explore every possible alternative scenario to the claim as made. This doesn't excuse UFO believers from setting up their own investigations (and assumptions) properly.

And besides, those who have an unshakeable faith in alien visitation will hang onto that no matter what circumstantial evidence is brought to bear. Including confessions. Look at how Michael Glickman & Co deal with crop circle makers.

best wishes  
Peter B

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I've always kept a unicorn  
And I never sing out of tune  
--Sandy Denny, "Solo"

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Hello Brett  
You said re De Aquino:

"Any crackpot who can write something that looks like a physics paper can get a paper "archived at ... Los Alamos" and they frequently do ... (which is not to say that arxiv.org is not an invaluable resource for real physicists.) It is not and was never meant to be a substitute for peer-review, simply a way to get access to the latest research results without having to wait for a year or more when it appears in a real journal."

This is misleading. It isn't true that 'any crackpot' can get any old rubbish archived. Only crackpots with academic addresses or academic sponsors can get their rubbish archived. And it's true that web archive wasn't expected to be a substitute for paper journals but it's the first resort now for most papers and will become the norm. For many of the younger generation of physicists it already is. Many are disenchanted with so-called peer-review, and anyway a year's publishing lead-time in today's environment is completely ridiculous. Maybe many arxiv papers are going to be overtaken by events before they get a chance to become iconic classics, but that doesn't mean they aren't important in the cross-fertilisation of ideas. De Aquino might not have the answers, but at least he's one of those asking the questions.  
Martin Shough

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I have been getting a lot of the raw BUFORA reports over this period and nothing has appeared yet.

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Malcolm Stroud

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One problem with that "fireball" on 10/1/03. It didn't move in 4 minutes.

Fireballs normally progress across the sky.

Either the fireball exploded (and ended its forward progress) at the instant the first picture was taken, or it was not a fireball. The second picture (allowing for camera location change - demonstrated by the two TV antennas) shows the trail in exactly the same place it was in 4 minutes earlier.

Oddly enough, the first picture reminds me of a gas flare at an oil production field.

One possibility is that a military jet plane was in trouble, had to dump excess fuel, and it ignited.

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@ From: Werner Walter [mailto:CENAP@addcom.de]

@ Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2003 2:47 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Cc: UFO Updates; ufotolist@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Monster-Fireball over England?

@

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@ Hi List-Folk,

@

@ I'm wondering about a news which you can find here:

@

@ <http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/ap031001.html>

@

@ A boy has photographed a monster-fireball-event over England

@ in the last week of

@ September. The mother of all fireballs. Now my concret question to



@ UFO-investigators in England: Do you know the case from your  
@ own work as  
@ UFO-investigator? Remember: mostly such events bring up a huge wall of  
@ UFO-reports. Until today I have nothing heard about this matter...  
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Andy wrote:

- > If anyone has any reports of fireball meteors
- > reported as 'crashing planes' UFOs or anything similar I'd
- > love
- > to see them.

I have an on-line article about space debris and meteors misperceived as UFOs and how some UFOlogists try to spin the story in the same manner at:

<http://members.aol.com/TPrinty/rocket.html>

It seems to be a common problem with some UFOlogists to inflate such events as crashing spaceships and such. I recall Alan Hendry stating that he was suprised that such individuals, who claim to be interested in aerial events, have such a limited knowledge on the subject and often mistake such reports as UFOs. I make that point in my article.

Tim Printy

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James wrote:

>I have to say, excepting the coincidental timing, all  
>other evidence seems to rule out any obvious connection  
>between that 'fireball' and those unfamiliar lights first  
>observed within the forest.

>Consider the witness statements taken by Halt:-

I am not so sure about this. There is every aspect in many of the statements regarding the events that Burroughs et. al. thought something had "crashed" into the woods from the sky. At least that is how it appears to be in Halt's memo. If the lights seen in the woods were normal "earthly" lights that were visible on certain occasions from the gate area, why would anyone take notice unless there was indication that something had gone into the woods? Are we now saying that Burroughs and others NEVER saw anything come from the sky and therefore, whatever produced the lights had an "earthly source"? The whole story about the patrolmen thinking something had crashed seems to imply they saw something in the sky. The coincidence of the bright fireball is important in that this is what might have been how they drew that conclusion and it required immediate investigation. If they had no idea what the lights were and did not think something had crashed from, then they probably never would have made a big deal about lights in the woods simply because it was outside their jurisdiction. If they thought there were terrorists, I would think somebody would have called out a bigger security patrol or might have questioned this since such activities were not usually broadcast by flashing lights as you approached your target!

Tim Printy

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James:

Regarding Penniston's comment:

<"... we carry cameras for possible terrorist encroachment  
of the base.>

Nonsense! You don't greet terrorists with cameras. Law Enforcement did take pictures for evidence purposes, but not ourselves. We called out the on-call photographer from the base photo lab.

That doesn't mean he did not have a camera, but his excuse for carrying it is something that dropped out of a tall cow's backside.

Kevin

James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com> wrote:  
Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Tue, 30 Sep 2003 17:32:44 EDT  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Tim wrote:

>Something that is commonly overlooked (or not  
>mentioned/discussed) in many discussions about  
>Rendlesham: The first night, is the appearance of a  
>fireball over England about the same time Burroughs was  
>reporting that something fell into the woods and thought  
>it might be an airplane crash.

Tim,

This is an aspect I have highlighted in the past, noting that the fireball was apparently recorded as 0250, whilst our initial Rendlesham forest 'UFO' incident began circa 0300.

>While there are many who doubt that Burroughs and  
>company could mistake a fireball for a crashing  
>aircraft, it is a common error by people not familiar  
>with these events (I remember having to calm an excited

>topside watch who saw a fireball arc across the sky one  
>night and thought it was a missile attack on the sub  
>base!).

I have previously cited some related U.K. newspaper  
articles, for example:

'Scotsman' Newspaper  
24 September, 1997

'Mystery of the Spy that Fell to Earth'  
by Annette McCann and Bill Chisholm

A Russian spy satellite was blamed last night for an  
outbreak of hysteria stretching from the Western Isles to  
the north of England.

As red flaming objects rained down from the skies across  
Britain, the extent of the disaster was unclear. In the  
Borders it was said to be a plane crash; in Edinburgh it  
was a meteorite shower; and in Newcastle they feared  
aliens had landed.

[...]

The bright lights travelling at high speed sparked a  
full-scale emergency in the Borders when another woman  
reported a possible plane crash in Berwickshire, near the  
A6105 road.

Louise Aitken Walker, said, 'Everything was silent out on  
the moor, then my attention was drawn to a fiery object  
the size of a football descending about 300 metres from  
me. It completely disappeared ten feet from the ground'.  
[END]

>It is the fireball that is the start of the entire saga  
>and not the lighthouse (as we now know, this came a bit  
>later). Anyone trying to confuse the two and proclaiming  
>that lighthouses can't fly does not understand the  
>entire sequence of events.

I have to say, excepting the coincidental timing, all  
other evidence seems to rule out any obvious connection  
between that 'fireball' and those unfamiliar lights first  
observed within the forest.

Consider the witness statements taken by Halt:-

Airman First Class John Burroughs:

On the night of 25-26 Dec at around 0300 while on patrol down at east gate myself and my partner saw lights coming from the woods due east of the gate. The lights were red and blue the red one above the blue one and they were flashing on and off.

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Subject: [UFORL] Monster Fireball/rendlesham revelations  
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Pilgrims,

Interesting thread:

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There are many instances in the Uk when fireball meteors  
have been seen and reported variously as a UFO or  
crashing aircraft - emergency services sent out etc etc.

There was one last year (or maybe earlier this year)  
in Fermanagh and it was instructive to see how some ufologists  
tried to forge the raw material into a UFO crash.

The (alleged) Berwyn Mountain UFO crash had some of  
its origins in several bright fireball meteors which went over  
the UK that night. There are several other UFO events where  
fireball meteors have played a pivotal role. The interesting bit  
is in how ufologists take the initial report and slowly work it  
up into a UFO event. If anyone has any reports of fireball meteors  
reported as 'crashing planes' UFOs or anything similar I'd love  
to see them.

Happy Trails

Andy

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Tim,

This is an aspect I have highlighted in the past, noting that the fireball was apparently recorded as 0250, whilst our initial Rendlesham forest 'UFO' incident began circa 0300.

>While there are many who doubt that Burroughs and  
>company could mistake a fireball for a crashing  
>aircraft, it is a common error by people not familiar  
>with these events (I remember having to calm an excited  
>topside watch who saw a fireball arc across the sky one  
>night and thought it was a missile attack on the sub  
>base!).

I have previously cited some related U.K. newspaper articles, for example:

'Scotsman' Newspaper  
24 September, 1997

'Mystery of the Spy that Fell to Earth'  
by Annette McCann and Bill Chisholm

A Russian spy satellite was blamed last night for an outbreak of hysteria stretching from the Western Isles to the north of England.

As red flaming objects rained down from the skies across

Britain, the extent of the disaster was unclear. In the Borders it was said to be a plane crash; in Edinburgh it was a meteorite shower; and in Newcastle they feared aliens had landed.

[...]

The bright lights travelling at high speed sparked a full-scale emergency in the Borders when another woman reported a possible plane crash in Berwickshire, near the A6105 road.

Louise Aitken Walker, said, 'Everything was silent out on the moor, then my attention was drawn to a fiery object the size of a football descending about 300 metres from me. It completely disappeared ten feet from the ground'.  
[END]

>It is the fireball that is the start of the entire saga  
>and not the lighthouse (as we now know, this came a bit  
>later). Anyone trying to confuse the two and proclaiming  
>that lighthouses can't fly does not understand the  
>entire sequence of events.

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Actually, there are some question if he has actually photographed a fireball or not. There has been some discussion on another message board regarding meteors

<A  
HREF="http://groups.yahoo.com/group/meteorobs/">http://groups.yahoo.com/group/meteorobs/</A>

The main problem with this story seems to be that nobody else has reported it and the BAA has not received any sort of information pertaining to such an event. There are also no reports of sonic booms, which one might expect from an unusually bright bolide/daylight event. It really does not look like any fireball I have ever seen. The lack of confirming reports makes one wonder if this is just a cloud or contrail illuminated by the setting sun.

I suggest that you monitor the above group or talk to them for any details. It seems they are working hard to verify the story.

Tim Printy

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@ amazing power of, er, suction. I am reminded of the

@ classic exchange:

Actually, the beta beam does exist. It is a high speed beam of electrons produced by a cyclotron. It is very similar to a lightning stroke. But the problem is that, instead of electrostatic attraction to Travis's body, it would produce a lightning stroke

back to the UFO, taking just the electrons back.

Electrostatic attraction works over only relatively short distances. The largest distance I have seen something substantial actually moved by electrostatic attraction (and due to the mounting, we are cheating here) was a record changer pickup arm (tracking at 2 grams equivalent force) being attracted to the next record up on the spindle.

By the way, electrostatic attraction obeys the inverse-square force law, just like electromagnetic attraction. If Travis had somehow been attracted to the UFO, he would have accelerated faster and faster, until he hit it with quite a bit of momentum, just like iron is accelerated when attracted to a magnet.

@ Q: And how do you read minds, Mr Parasquint?

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@ A: By telepathy.

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@ Q: And what is telepathy?

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@ A: The means of, ah, harrumph, reading minds.

@

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@ suppression of genius by the forces of conservatism, etc.

@ Has UFO UpDates become so overcrowded with fruitloops  
@ and wackos that they've started falling off the end of  
@ the bed and into this list?

There are also the charlatans who turn ordinary science into gobbledygook to confound the untutored (and as Marilyn vos Savant said a few weeks ago in her column, they make themselves look brilliant to those who don't understand what they are saying).

A few years ago, one faker said that the UFO had "drained his car battery through the headlights via microwaves." At first, I thought he was just plain lying. Then I realized that there was another explanation - he left his headlights on, and the battery drained down so low that the black body emissions of the

headlights were in the microwave band.

Ruppelt, in his "The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects," told of a man who used scientific doubletalk to try to sell the Air Force three working flying saucers. The saucers were hovercraft powered by vacuum cleaner motors (which had to be plugged into a wall socket to work). Anyone got a very l-o-n-g extension cord?

@ best

@ Peter B

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@ My understanding is the beam was blue/green. Two possible ways to  
@ produce this "beam" effect (other than light scattering) is gas  
@ ionization and Cerenkov radiation. Cerenkov radiation involves  
@ superluminal particles and as stated would damage a human.  
@ Atmospheric ionization would have little effect on humans other than  
@ sunburn like skin irritation. An example of atmosphere ionization is  
@ the aurora borealis. High-speed electrons (solar wind) spiral around  
@ the Earth's magnetic field lines (producing synchrotron radiation)  
@ and when drawn down into the Earth's atmosphere at the poles, results  
@ in atmospheric ionization of nitrogen/oxygen. A blue/green color:  
@ <http://www.ptialaska.net/~hutch/aurora.html>

Those same high-speed electrons are the dangerous Van Allen radiation belts.

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@ weightless)

A WHAT??????

Let's not go positing wild theories until we have disproved every possible prosaic explanation, including fraud.

Before you can use a "gravity shield" as an explanation, you first have to build one and show me that it works.

(If you do succeed, according to one theory, you may find that you also have a time machine - in which case, you would lose it immediately because it went back in time - so you couldn't show it to me anyway.)

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What comic book did you get that one out of? If the electrons could be made to leave the alleged craft in the first place, in the form of a beam, they would more readily jump off of Travis's body and arc back, rather than taking his body with them. Electrostatic charge does not pull the clouds down to the earth. Instead, it makes lightning.

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Knowing nothing more of De Aquino than what I've learnt by looking at the site link posted by sburns and checking a couple of the papers there, and having no axe to grind whatsoever on the issue of 'UFO propulsion' or anything else other than objectivity, I feel one or two of the points made by the learned Stook need correcting.

First I note that many of the papers by De Aquino, whatever his demerits, are posted on arXiv and LANL, which those in the know will recognise are not generally open to 'fruitloops and wackos' but are moderated e-archives exclusive to members of recognised academic or research institutions or sponsored associates thereof.

Second, electrons are perfectly properly described as 'beta particles', as the erudite Stook surely knows.

Thirdly, it appears to me that sburns is not at all invoking 'suction' by mystic beams but the disappointingly pedestrian phenomenon of electrostatic attraction.

Fourthly, the effectiveness of this electrostatic attraction evidently depends on the ability of De Aquino's speculative technology to nullify mass. At this point we encounter very subtle questions at the margins of theoretical physics, with which I doubt the self-assured Stook is much inclined to be bothered so I shall content myself with the comment that De Aquino's programme to quantise gravitation by a generalisation of the Hamiltonian action function is in my opinion very interesting, and not a million miles from notions which I myself hold dear ... but then as a mere fruitloop what would I know? Perhaps the Stook of Meadowsweet could provide us with a discussion paper on de Aquino's 'kinetic quantum gravity' as compared with other loopy attempts to solve this problem, such as supersymmetric string theories or loop quantum gravity? Then we could have a sensible discussion.  
Martin Shough

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Hi Peter,

Thanks for the response. I enjoy debating this. DeAquino has posted his papers on the Los Alamos bulletin board, only requiring minimal peer review. Actually, his mg equation is derived from a more fundamental paper published in 1986 by two physicist/astronomers Donoghue/Holstein at UMass Amherst campus.

"Aristotle Was Right":

<http://americanantigravity.web1000.com/deaquino-archive.html>

Barton published a rebuttal in 1989 but states "unable to determine where D/H theory fails" and "only experiment will determine for sure". IMO, this is not much of a rebuttal.

All DeAquino did was derive the "general case" for the D/H work showing all parameters so an engineering model could be conceived. Interesting how this engineering solution correlates closely to UFO attributes. BTW, to date over 500 scientists have reviewed this and no one yet has found a mathematical flaw regarding the mg equation. Most have personal opinions however. Can you tell us where the math flaw is?

SB

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The university may not have them. In 1976, Paul McCarthy, a political science PhD candidate at the time, wrote his dissertation on McDonald's UFO work. He had access to McDonald's papers through Mrs McDonald, not the university. The dissertation is online at National Capital Area Skeptics ([www.ncas.org](http://www.ncas.org)) under the "on-line library" link, and at Sign Historical Group ([www.project1947.com/shg/contact.htm](http://www.project1947.com/shg/contact.htm)); putting it online was a joint project. The folks at SHG made face-to-face contact with McCarthy at the time, and may have maintained that contact.

Also, in case you haven't run across it yet, McDonald's testimony at the 1968 congressional symposium includes the Port Huron case. The record of that symposium is also online at NCAS, also under the "on-line library" link. The symposium table of contents provides links to each of the cases he cites, both as he grouped them in his testimony and in chronological order.

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Compliments of the Spike of Mandelbrot:

[ref: various posts on "film of the UFO"]

Sometimes it helps to be a literary critic. As we've been reminded recently, talk of a "UFO" was current among certain segments of the B/W base personnel after the kerfuffle of Night One. It doesn't take much of a chinese whisper to turn "pictures taken by someone chasing the UFO" into "film of the UFO", does it? This shouldn't cast doubt on the existence of some film (yes, most likely stills), merely on reports of its content. Which would be fascinating to see.

And while we're about it:

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>One interesting attribute of the Rendlesham sighting is the visual  
>kaleidoscope effect resulting in splitting into multiple objects.  
>IMO, this adds credibility since ...

If memory serves, the "splitting" was observed by Halt while he was using a Starlite scope. Of whose function and use he seemed to understand more or less zilch. It had nothing to do with

>index of refraction distortion  
>results from low frequency electromagnetic radiation high power  
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which is not surprising, since this appears to be meaningless. See separate comment on Travis Walton.

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>team include [sic] some of the best writers in the alternative genre,  
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>Redfern, author of, Strange Secrets. Richard Dolan, author of UFOs  
>and the National Security State. Randall Fitzgerald, author of the  
>forthcoming, Lucky You! Other writers in issue one include, Robin  
>Crookshank-Hilton, Alan Alford, Linda Moulton-Howe, Dr. Paula  
>Baillie-Hamilton, Dr. Sam Parnia and Whitley Streiber.

<snip>

>Issue two of Phenomena Magazine will hit the stands in December 2003.

And they will all collapse with the deafening roar of  
shipwreck and great bells tolling under the weight of  
sheer bloody nonsense. Unfortunately not.

It looks like someone is hoping publishing has emerged  
from its post-Roswell depression in the contemporary  
folklore-'n'-fool-'em market. The cycle has contracted  
from approx. 10 years to seven. Interesting.

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My understanding is the beam was blue/green. Two possible ways to produce this "beam" effect (other than light scattering) is gas ionization and Cerenkov radiation. Cerenkov radiation involves superluminal particles and as stated would damage a human. Atmospheric ionization would have little effect on humans other than sunburn like skin irritation. An example of atmosphere ionization is the aurora borealis. High-speed electrons (solar wind) spiral around the Earth's magnetic field lines (producing synchrotron radiation) and when drawn down into the Earth's atmosphere at the poles, results in atmospheric ionization of nitrogen/oxygen. A blue/green color: <http://www.ptialaska.net/~hutch/aurora.html>

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Something that is commonly overlooked (or not mentioned/discussed) in many discussions about Rendlesham: The first night, is the appearance of a fireball over England about the same time Burroughs was reporting that something fell into the woods and thought it might be an airplane crash. Ian Ridpath deserves the credit on this one as well as figuring out that Halt had the dates wrong on his memo based on this bit of information. While there are many who doubt that Burroughs and company could mistake a fireball for a crashing aircraft, it is a common error by people not familiar with these events (I remember having to calm an excited topside watch who saw a fireball arc across the sky one night and thought it was a missile attack on the sub base!). A recent event in India brings up this problem again:

<A  
HREF="http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/south\_asia/3149404.stm">http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/south\_asia/3149404.stm</A>

Most pertinent is this statement by one witness:

>"I first mistook it for... a crashing aircraft, when I saw the huge fireball with so much >bright light," said Bandita Das, a housewife.

>"For about 10 seconds, the evening on Saturday got lighted up. I panicked and took >my kids inside the house."

It is the fireball that is the start of the entire saga and not the lighthouse (as we now know, this came a bit later). Anyone trying to confuse the two and proclaiming that lighthouses can't fly does not understand the entire sequence of events.

Tim Printy

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James

I've always thought it was highly unlikely that anyone could take motion picture film in the forest in the dark. And video cameras were not common back then.

Photographs are much more plausible. These may even have been photos taken at the alleged landing site in the daytime, eg showing the indentations and tree damage, rather than Penniston's photos.

Monroe Nevels also took photos during Halt's expedition.

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> "The McDonald notes and pilot interview report to Keyhoe of Jan  
> 1970 are in Loren Gross' July 21-31, 1952 Supplement, pp. 71-77"  
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> Does anyone here have these pages that would be willing to share  
> them with me?  
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> I would greatly appreciate it. I apologize for posting this to  
> multiple lists but I would like to cover as much ground as  
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From: "sburns808" <sburns808@yahoo.com>  
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One interesting attribute of the Rendlesham sighting is the visual kaleidoscope effect resulting in splitting into multiple objects. IMO, this adds credibility since index of refraction distortion results from low frequency electromagnetic radiation high power densities needed to null gravitational mass. The resulting atmospheric optical illusion is consistent with theoretical predictions. See:

<http://www.elo.com.br/~deaquino/>

SB

--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, John Smith <jrs241059@y...> wrote:

> --- hiya! I'm new to this board and I have followed  
> some of the Rendlesham debate, but I wanted to put a  
> theory - it may have already been discussed. If so, I  
> apologise but I haven't seen earlier messages and  
> unfortunately I never saw the documentary.  
>  
> The craft which supposedly crashed in Rendlesham was  
> stated as being triangular with a dome on top. Could  
> it conceivably have been a B2 stealth bomber  
> prototype? The Americans wanted to hush it up so they  
> invented the UFO story? I know the B2 was invented  
> around 1988/9 but could it have been an earlier  
> prototype/experimental model in 1980?  
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Regarding:

>From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 00:28:44 -0700  
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] 'Saucer Smeared'...

Jim wrote:

>The thing that always struck me funny about this case  
>is, 23 helicopters. Not 20 or so, not "a couple dozen,"  
>but 23. You're faced with a diamond-shaped object  
>belching fire, you think you're witnessing "the end of  
>time" as Vicki Landrum put it...and you sit there and  
>count helicopters? I know the case is probably genuine,  
>i.e., not made up out of whole cloth, but jeez, what  
>incredible presence of mind!

Jim,

It's unquestionably a bizarre and extraordinary episode.

Justifiably, Cash-Landrum is highlighted as the epitome of 'ufology' in Time-Life's commendable summary, 'The UFO Phenomenon'.

Which should of course, grammatically correct, be entitled, 'The UFO Phenomena'.

Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 06:23:08 +0100  
>Subject: [UFORL] 'Saucer Smeared'...

I wrote:

>I can say, that from responses to several, related, FOIA  
>requests, all have been re-directed to one central  
>source and there is significantly more to be revealed.

This now extends to a previously mentioned response from Eglin AFB, who confirmed locating, from my expansive FOIA request, material concerning, "Credible Sport II Phase 2



Operational Evaluation".

Eglin AFB subsequently redirected that request to the same central source as all other 'Task Force 158' enquiries and said source now acknowledge they are the proverbial 'home base'.

When this all becomes much clearer, should be any day now, I would expect an inherent, reticent, response and equivocal to the CIA's stance on 'Socorro'...

'We can't acknowledge or deny existence of related documentation and should this actually exist, it would be properly classified under Executive Order...', etc.

Big difference though.

'Socorro' is, as such, arguably an understanding of one telling 'UFO' story, with no casualties other than intrinsic beliefs.

Cash-Landrum, may have more serious repercussions in many respects.

James.

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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 01:22:25 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

>What remains interesting is that it can now be confirmed  
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>Fighter Wing at Alhorn, Germany.  
>  
>Was an A-10 therefore despatched back to Bentwaters  
>solely to pick up this package?

Although Verano has not, as yet, responded to further enquiries, from other feedback it seems there were still some A-10s at Bentwaters - not all had been forward deployed.

Note Verano's exact quote in the related February, 1985, CNN broadcast transcript:

NARRATIVE: CNN has also found an officer who says he drove the base commander to a waiting airplane to deliver what he was told was a motion picture film of one of the UFO's.

"...uh, we drove out and I asked him what was in the film, and he said we actually have pictures of the UFO here. And he got off the jeep, went over to the aircraft, handed the film to the pilot. The canopy closed and the plane took off, and I asked him where it was headed, and he said, 'Germany'".

[END]

Halt is adamant there was no 'motion picture film' taken that second night, however, Verano actually says "pictures".

>...there is now a self-expressed doubt he ever delivered  
>"motion picture film" of 'UFOs' to a waiting aircraft.

Why Verano has now cited something else as being in the package, when that wasn't his belief during February, 1985, is one of the further questions asked.

It's speculation at present, however, Verano had some later involvement in the first incident. He was the Day Shift Commander and is known to have visited Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston's perceived 'landing site' on 26 December.

I'm not aware of Verano ever having any direct connection with the second incident and aftermath of Halt's adventures.

On night one, Penniston claims he shot a roll of film in the forest, as he related to Salley Rayl, in 1997 interviews:

"Film footage of the first night? No. The only photographs that were taken that night was film that I took from a camera that we carried in our vehicle. Black and white film. 35mm and I did take photos that night".

"I had dropped my film off at the base lab for developing, but I never got them back. I never saw them. I was just told that they didn't turn out. I didn't understand that but was not in a position to push the issue. The cameras we carried in our vehicles were good ones, used to photograph people on the perimeter. We were under a high terrorist threat at the time with the Irish Republican Army (IRA), another terrorist group known as Black September, and some others, so we used them frequently as part of our patrol."

The following is a list exclusive and previously unpublished material from Halt's lecture at the 'UFO Magazine' conference in Leeds, on 31 July, 1994:

I guess, they take their radios, their flashlights, and Sgt. Penniston takes, the, uh, 35mm camera. We kept cameras in front of some of the vehicles so we can record

if there were an incident. Somebody runs to a vehicle when an airplane or some recruits climb over a fence. We take pictures. It's always handy to have that facility so that we can reconstruct for a thorough investigation.

Well, Penniston puts the camera over his shoulder, and then drives down the East Gate road, then intersects the service road, paved road and the, uh, caravan site or something at the far end of it. Goes out the back 150 or 200 feet, turns down into the forest, watching this object all the time, and go about as far as they can get without the vehicle, without risk of getting stuck.

[...]

The next day, unbeknownst to me, Captain Mike Verano, the number three guy on our squadron, went out there with Penniston and Burroughs. He didn't believe it. He wanted to see the indentations. So they took him out there, and with very little difficulty they found the site. He scratched his head and said...

Oh! I forgot one thing. The civilian police were called and were told 'We had something in the forest we couldn't understand, would they please respond', etc., and they dispatched two patrolmen. However, they got waylaid by something more important. There was a fight in a pub and they never got there.

So there was Captain Verano out there looking with them. They find the three indentations. He calls the British police again. Police patrolmen come back out again. They take a look and their comment is 'Must have been hens nesting', or something, rabbits burrowing, and they just glanced at the ground and walked on back to their car and disappeared.

Well, what are you going to do? Nobody sounds interested anymore. They came back to the base. Penniston by the way took some more pictures. They come back to the base. They told a lot of people. You know how that thing goes. You tell one person, and suddenly the whole base is going like this. It came back up to the senior leadership and you know all the top dogs, the NCO's, all want to go out in the forest. They all want to look for UFO's, and oh my. What you gonna do now?

[END]

Hopefully Verano will clarify if this could explain the

"pictures" which he were handed over by his Base Commander to the waiting A-10 pilot.

I have also simply enquired:

"Can you recall when you handed over the package and specifically, was it after the second incident, or beforehand and therefore presumably related to the first?"

[I briefly explained why were two separate events].

"Are CNN correct in identifying the Base Commander, Col. Ted Conrad, as being with you?"

The answers could be significantly insightful.

James.

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Hello list,

I'm looking for some material regarding the July 29, 1952 Port Huron, Michigan radar case. Brad Sparks has given me the following reference material which I would like to obtain a copy of.

"The McDonald notes and pilot interview report to Keyhoe of Jan 1970 are in Loren Gross' July 21-31, 1952 Supplement, pp. 71-77"

Does anyone here have these pages that would be willing to share them with me?

I would greatly appreciate it. I apologize for posting this to multiple lists but I would like to cover as much ground as possible in hopes of obtaining this material. Thanks for understanding.

Sincerely,  
Todd Lemire  
<http://www.michiganufos.com>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 01:22:25 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Verano has been located and helpfully responded to initial enquiries.

Typically, this has only raised further questions and until they are hopefully resolved, there is now a self-expressed doubt he ever delivered "motion picture film" of 'UFOs' to a waiting aircraft.

What remains interesting is that it can now be confirmed Verano did deliver a package of some description, seemingly relating to the 'UFO' incidents, and the aircraft was an A-10.

My understanding is that because of the Solidarity crisis in Poland and amidst fears the Soviet Union might invade, A-10s based at RAF Bentwaters were, in late December, 1980, already deployed to the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing at Alhorn, Germany.

Was an A-10 therefore despatched back to Bentwaters solely to pick up this package?

Even if there were still some A-10s on base, it sounds like this was considered to be an important shipment.

Although I know what Verano now claims he actually delivered, it will simply spread much confusion if I reveal the answer at present. It appears he had never actually seen the contents and is maybe now simply guessing, perhaps influenced by elements of the story as it became publicised in later years.

All hopefully to be clarified.

James.  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Mon, 22 Sep 2003 03:56:01 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Regarding,

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Sat, 20 Sep 2003 15:15:24 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Robert wrote:

>James, perhaps you could ask John Burroughs if he  
>actually recalls Maj. Drury having an English accent?

Robert,

Yes, it's one of the related questions I'm sure we can  
definitively resolve.

>>Coincidentally, John had recently mentioned this  
>>segment of the Halt tape and confirms it was Ball who  
>>turned down his request.

>When I discussed this with Kevin Conde, he explained  
>that it would very unusual for a senior officer to be  
>issuing orders like this over the radio, and that it was  
>much more likely that the Officer was therefore MSgt  
>Bobby Ball.

>After considering this some more, I believe that there  
>are other reasons for concluding that the Officer must  
>be Bobby Ball, as suggested by Kevin.

I would go along with your reasoning, it all seems to  
make sense.

Also regarding:

>From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Sat, 20 Sep 2003 15:29:15 -0700  
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Jim wrote:

>However, in going through my old tapes, I did come  
>across one where I interviewed Burroughs at length for a  
>local TV talk show I hosted. This would be around 10  
>years ago. Interested?

Jim,

Very much so. These earlier recollections, especially if a lengthy interview, might include material which could now be better understood.

I'll contact you about this separately.

Going over details with John Burroughs during recent times, much of the evidence now falls into place because of research developments in the past few years.

Equally, some doesn't and although questions remain, at least they have become much clearer.

Although John acknowledges that Cabansag, Penniston and himself ended up following the beacon from Orfordness lighthouse, it's what really occurred before then - from the time they first observed unfamiliar lights within the forest, investigated and then eventually lost sight of those lights - which is our principle story that night.

Unfortunately, it's been greatly sensationalised, essentially by Penniston, who disavows he ever wrote his early statement, in which he confirmed never being closer than a perceived 50 meters to the enigmatic lights.

A bit different to increasingly elaborate tales of examining a landed craft, etc. for some 20 minutes.

Noting that Penniston's claims were significantly affected once he had been hypnotised, John has also now placed on record his confirmation that the statement in question was written by Penniston.

It detracts from what actually remains an interesting 'UFO' story, once we begin to appreciate John Burroughs' account in its true context.

However, more on that another time as this is all subject to ongoing questions.

On which note, also regarding:

>From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>

>Date: Sun, 21 Sep 2003 11:48:59 -0700 (PDT)

>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

Kevin wrote:

>Verano is correct. As I remember is real name was  
>Miguel, but was Americanized to Mike, the English  
>version of Miguel.

Kevin,

Thanks, this is an immense help and more so than I can  
reveal at present.

Soon as...

James.

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From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
Date: Sun, 21 Sep 2003 11:53:11 -0700 (PDT)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

Robert:

Correct. Only cops used the cop network. Occasionally you would hear a senior non cop on the net, but that was very unusual.

Since they did not use the same 10 code as we did, and did not have the copy verbal short hand, it was very obvious who they were. They did not issue orders to individuals when they did come on the net.

Drury was not English - I don't know about his wife.

Kevin

Robert Mclean <robert.mclean2@virgin.net> wrote:

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2003 2:39 AM

Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

> Regarding:

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> >From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>

> >Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 12:16:09 +0100

> >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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>

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> north America.

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> >interesting.

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> According to John, Drury was English, which I don't quite

> understand.

According to "You Can't Tell the People" Ed Drury was married to a local Woodbridge lady. Perhaps this is where John Burroughs got that idea.

On the other hand, there is one location on the Halt tape where a background voice seems to be speaking in an English accent:

HALT: OK, why don't we do this: why don't we make a sweep. Here, I've got my gloves on now. Let's make a sweep out around the whole area about ten foot out, make a perimeter run around it. Starting right back here at the corner, uh, back at the same first corner where we came in. Let's go right back here. I want to depend upon you countin' the clicks.

NEVELS: Right.

4 minutes

HALT: OK, let's...[unclear]

VOICE: [unclear]...out here if it getting' louder.

HALT: The light, put the light on it and let's sweep around it.

VOICE: It was black?

HALT: Put it on the ground every once in a while.

VOICE: [very faint, possibly an English accent] . . . found an abrasion . . .

ENGLUND: This looks like an abrasion on the tree...

HALT: OK, we'll catch that on the way back, let's go around.

VOICE: C'mon back.

HALT: Hit it, Ted. [possibly "Hit, it Ed.", i.e. Major Edward Drury]

ENGLUND: We're getting interest right over here. It looks like an abrasion pointing into the center of the [unclear]...

HALT: It is.

ENGLUND: ...area.

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After considering this some more, I believe that there are other reasons for concluding that the Officer must be Bobby Ball, as suggested by Kevin. This is because Lt Bruce Englund and MSgt Bobby Ball together signed out two Starlight Scopes. Don Laisure III was in charge of the stores that evening, and told me this himself. John Burroughs in a radio interview also mentioned they had two Starlight Scopes.

Halt's investigation of the alleged landing site was in two phases. In the first phase they took radiation readings and took samples of soil and sap. In the second phase, they used the Starlight Scope to look at the tree abrasions and ground indentations in conditions of near darkness.

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Although MSgt Bobby Ball was the Security Flight Chief for the flight on duty, as Burroughs was off-duty that night, Ball was not his usual 'boss', as such.

I hope to clarify all of this further and confirm if Conrad was at any time present that night.

Interestingly, Conrad's son joined the USAF Security Police and John Burroughs met him some years back.

From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
Date: Fri, 19 Sep 2003 08:13:25 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

Kevin

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From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com> Sent: Thursday, September 18, 2003 9:22 PM  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

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> > To: <UFORL@yahoogroups.com>

> > Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2003 3:20 AM

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Fri, 19 Sep 2003 06:34:41 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] 'Alien Autopsy'

By default, most likely hoaxers of the now infamous 'alien autopsy' footage, always involved John Lundberg and Rod Dickinson, renowned 'crop circle' artists.

Previously highlighted evidence confirms their related 'special effects' expertise and a proven connection with Ray Santilli - 'music industry' promoter of said film.

John Lundberg and Rod Dickinson are most welcome UFORL subscribers.

I'm aware of telling new developments and duly invite their comments on the list.

For the record, can you perhaps, please, both refute you had any, remotely associated, involvement?

James.  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 01:55:39 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Graham Birdsall Suffers Brain Hemorrhage

Like myself, many subscribers will personally know Graham  
and share my expression of how distressing this news is.

Hopefully, Graham will in due time make a full recovery.

James.  
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On the subject of Halt being a 'cop buff', I now understand there was some friction between Halt and Major Malcolm Zickler, commander of the Security Police Squadron.

Halt was apparently a frequent visitor to the Law Enforcement desk, much to the annoyance of Zickler.

A question which can maybe now be resolved is who was in Halt's statedly assembled "team of specialists", when he personally became involved in the 'UFO' investigations.

We know for sure that accompanying Halt were:

Lt. Bruce Englund, Duty Flight Lieutenant  
Sgt. Monroe Nevilles, Disaster Preparedness NCO, who operated the Geiger counter  
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Date: Mon, 15 Sep 2003 18:24:43 -0700  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Ernie Frost...it sounds right...at least it doesn't sound wrong...The one person who could tell me for sure would be Marge Christenson, at whose house we were that night. Unless....was Barry there with us that night? I know I'd seen Barry at Marge's house one night when she had a UFO get-together....

I know, I'll just write to Barry.

Yeah, that's the ticket.

I'll get back to you.

==JJS==

-----Original Message-----

From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]  
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2003 4:52 PM  
To: UFO Research List  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Regarding:

>From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
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Would that possibly be correct?

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Mon, 15 Sep 2003 12:28:50 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Socorro Solved

Except the pilots who have already passed on. They can't reply.

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@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Sunday, September 14, 2003 1:27 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved

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@ Regarding:

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@ >From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>

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From: "Luis R. Gonzalez" <lrgm@arrakis.es>  
Date: Sat, 13 Sep 2003 20:25:02 +0200  
Subject: [UFORL] Brovst's 1953 abduction

I have found a mention by Jean-Lu Rivera about this case, saying that Vallée himself wrote a letter in FSR 10:3 (p. 22) "The 'entities': the facts and the legend" pointing that it should be considered a hoax.

Can anybody scan that letter?

LuisR

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What I do have, courtesy of Greenwood's files, is a transcript of the CNN program - whether it was the final version, I'm not certain.

However, it does accordingly state:

"CNN has also found an officer who says he drove the base commander to a waiting airplane to deliver what he was told was a motion picture film of one of the UFO's".

The "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" is then quoted:

"...uh, we drove out and I asked him what was in the film, and he said we actually have pictures of the UFO here. And he got off the jeep, went over to the aircraft, handed the film to the pilot. The canopy closed and the plane took off, and I asked him where it was headed, and he said, 'Germany'".

There are various tales of 'unscheduled' aircraft, usually 'cargo flights', arriving on base after the 'UFO incidents. As Sergeant Randy Smith told me:

"The following night, I went on duty. At guardmount, Bob Ball was very serious, he's almost never serious, a very jovial person. He said, 'I saw something last night, but

I'm not at liberty to discuss it'. And that was the 'end'. I later heard that the morning we got off our first midnight shift, an A-10 was scrambled and sent to Ramstein, Germany, by Lt. Col. Halt".

So many rumours...

Who was the, as documented within that transcript, "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" which CNN cited...

In LaEG, Warren talks about the broadcast and how he recognised aforementioned, 'blacked out' testimony as originating from Captain Mike Veranno [Verrano?].

I can say, from the transcript, which seems to be original CNN material \_with notes indicating witness identities\_, that every other 'anonymous' witness is correctly identified by Warren in LaEG.

Annoyingly, I can't say for sure that it was Veranno who made that claim - it's the one affidavit which isn't confirmed in CNN's documentation.

However, there is one other CNN "ANONYMOUS OFFICER" witness statement which - without going into details why - does seem to be from Veranno.

Yet, Halt confirms:

HALT: There was no video. There was no film taken that night to my knowledge. Now, it is possible that one of the young airman, back at a distance because they weren't allowed to approach close we're talking about the group that was back at the light-alls... Somebody may have had a camera back there, but I don't believe so because they were on duty and they would have had to go through guardmount. Somebody could have snuck a small, 35mm or Instamatic or something in their pocket. It's possible somebody may have had something, but there was no obvious overt video filming, etc., done that night. None.

RAYL: There was no official video or film taken.

HALT: None. No, nothing official. No.  
[END OF EXTRACT]

[...]

As for the assertion that film of our succeeding Rendlesham forest spaceship was directly transported to Germany and presumably Ramstein AFB, headquarters of 'United States Air Forces in Europe' [USAFE]... why would Veranno, or any other "OFFICER" say this?

Note that it was statedly the "base commander" who carried purported film - the CNN transcript correctly identifies Halt as "Deputy Base Commander" and any "OFFICER" should naturally know the difference.

Was therefore Col. Ted Conrad, the 'Base Commander', involved outwith Halt's knowledge?

It's so untenable that all we seem to be evidencing is the sheer unreliability of witness testimony...

**\*\* END \*\***

In recent discussions with John Burroughs, he brought up the subject of that CNN documentary, which he participated in.

To my surprise, John mentioned an argument between Halt and Veranno, which occurred during the production.

Just before Veranno was about to be filmed, Halt reportedly took him aside and told him not to make any claims about transporting evidence to a waiting aircraft. So far as John was aware, Veranno had "backed down".

I explained how the claim was actually broadcast and suggested Halt was simply pointing out to Veranno that there was no such film and he must be mistaken.

Although this was a long time ago now, John's recollection doesn't agree with my scenario. Reportedly, Halt had reminded Veranno he [Veranno] was now at the Air Force Academy and someone in his position shouldn't be appearing on TV making such statements.

At present, all we can evidently conclude for certain is that the anonymous officer who appeared in that CNN documentary was indeed Veranno.

I wonder if he's referring to a separate event - perhaps at some later date and amidst the 'UFO' hysteria, someone had filmed what they perceived to be a 'UFO'.

Interestingly, Burroughs recalls that Veranno said it was the Wing Commander, not the Base Commander, he drove to a waiting aircraft and perhaps CNN's commentary is in error.

The Base Commander, Col. Ted Conrad, had remained behind at the belated officer's Christmas party and delegated Halt to investigate what was going on during the night of 27 December.

However, the Wing Commander, Col. Gordon Williams, had taken a great interest in the 'UFO' stories and it was Williams who took a copy of Halt's microcassette recording to an already scheduled staff meeting of the Third Air Force.

One later east gate 'UFO' sighting involved Steve LaPlume and he described:

OK just to set the time line up a bit: I was stationed at RAF Bentwaters between Nov. 4th 1980 and April 10, 1981. I had just turned 18 years old in July.

This incident happened about three weeks after the now infamous Bentwaters sighting/encounter. It was in the 2nd week of January 1981. I was booted out of the service almost three months to the day after this event.

RAF Woodbridge is a sister base to RAF Bentwaters. They are about five miles apart and the 81st Security Police Squadron which I was attached to covered the security for both bases. I had not yet received my Secret Clearance and therefore was temporarily assigned to the Law Enforcement flight. I worked on one of the flights that had rotating shifts. three days on swing, three days on nights and then three days off.

Since I had no clearance I could not go into the Non Alert Parking Areas (NAPAS) where the A-10's were nor could I go into the Weapons Storage Area (WSA) which housed all the ordinance and some small amount of nukes though I do not know for sure about the nukes.

With all these restrictions I was relegated to sitting out on the furthest reaches of our base in a four foot square cubical and watch the grass grow. For some reason I got the East gate a lot. Mostly because I was new and did not really belong to the Law Enforcement (LE) crew. I

did not mind and for the first few months it was OK.

No one bothered me and I could just hang out, check ID's until the gate closed at about eight o'clock and then ride shotgun with the shift sergeant. If I was on nights I would ride with the SGT. first and then be put on the East gate just before shift change for the morning traffic. Most of the night was spent relieving other LE members while they went and ate or took a leak.

On this particular night an airman named Senior Airman Palmer was on patrol and I was riding along with him. We went out to check the gate because some people knew the combination and were using it after hours. I checked to make sure it was locked. The car was parked back about fifty feet to help light up the area. The gate was locked and I went back to the car.

The night was brisk but not cold and SA Palmer and I hung out leaning against the patrol car and shot the shit for a while. I was facing south and talking to Palmer who was facing north. He said " I guess this is where they saw that UFO a few weeks back." I said "Oh" and asked him what exactly happened. He did not know for sure but pointed out a lighthouse way the heck off in the distance, toward the north sea., and said that they were saying that was what they saw. I asked about the rumor that it had been moving through the trees and he just shrugged "I don't know."

I faced back south after looking east toward the lighthouse and something caught my eye. Up at cloud level , which was very high as the night was pretty clear, I noticed a light moving across the sky. It was like if you are outside and see a jet off in the distance and while you can not make out its image you know it's a jet because it is a small light moving at a steady pace.

This light was not moving at any "pace" it was darting across the sky very fast. It was up then it was down, up then down. It probably changed altitude at a difference of a few thousand feet in elevation ten times in as many seconds. I simply turned to Palmer and said "huh, that's different." He looked and spotted it also. We watched it for about a half a minute or more and he told me to stay put, that he was going to go to the control tower and see what was up.

He came back about five minutes later and said they only had a C-130 and a helicopter up that night and or in this

area. Well I am not a pilot but we both agreed that this was neither and asked each other if we should call it in. We agreed that we should. Palmer got on the radio and announces "La Plume just saw a UFO outside of the East gate." I cussed him out, what about him he saw it too.

The phone in the security booth rang almost immediately. I answered it and it was Lt. Englund my shift supervisor. He wanted to know what exactly I saw and where. I told him and he ordered me to stay put and keep an eye on it. The elapse time thus far is approximately fifteen minutes from the time I first spotted it.

The night was partly cloudy and the craft went behind some clouds over the Rendlesham forest. It was still at least fifteen miles away and at an elevation of about twenty thousand feet or so. It was not like it was hanging overhead.

Well holy cow the earth opened up and within twenty minutes I had more people and brass at my post than I had ever seen. There was the deputy base commander, his wife and teenage son. They brought along their cameras. I remember his wife saying something to the effect of "Oh boy we get to see one". Lt. Englund showed up and told my not to be nervous that Colonel Williams was on his way and that he had had just made General. Who me nervous.

I was told to state that my post was "Safe and Secure" I opened the gate and everyone piled into a blue Air Force station wagon and a jeep and took off. Palmer and I were given a night vision scope and told to let them know if we spotted it again.

We did not look for it much because we figured it was long gone. I screwed around looking through the N.V. scope and waited. about an hour later the vehicles came back and I was told to man the post the rest of the night and keep them posted if anything happened. They all then went back to where they came.  
[END]

Perhaps a similar incident explains Veranno's claims, which, understandably, Halt might caution him about revealing.

James.  
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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 10 Sep 2003 02:46:20 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Socorro Solved?

Regarding:

>From: "el220101" <garyant@mithrand.karoo.co.uk>  
>Date: Thu, 14 Aug 2003 09:32:31 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Socorro's UFO incident...

Gary wrote:

>>I've now acquired three archive, filmed, interviews  
>>with Zamora.

>I'm glad you have received the Zamora segments from Rod,  
>it was I who suggested he should mail them.

Gary,

I am most grateful. By reciprocal agreement, Rod's  
extensive archives now include a copy of the recent BBC  
'Inside Out' Rendlesham documentary...

>>All are notable, especially the first feature, which  
>>seems to be a British production, apparently entitled  
>>'Flying Saucers' and dating from mid-1968.

>This is 'Flying Saucers and The People Who See Them' by  
>Dr. Steven Black a fairly noteworthy documentary.

Thanks for the useful background details.

Interestingly, Dana Bowley, editor of the Socorro based  
'El Defensor Chieftain', recently told me, "The idea that  
what Zamora saw was a hot-air balloon is not a new one,  
and, in fact, has been around since the incident".

This was just prior to the CIA's confirmation why they  
would not acknowledge, should it perchance exist, "any  
documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves  
that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon  
which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-  
flight/training, etc. operations".

In which 'Socorro Solved?' respect... not a word of  
evidential protest from anyone?

Justifiable to now eliminate that question mark [sic] ?

James.

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Tue, 9 Sep 2003 17:03:31 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

Again, that depends on the design.

- The tissue paper and tallow Type I can stay lit and aloft over an hour, as I can personally testify to from a continuous sighting of two of them.
- The suit bag and birthday candle Type II has a short time of around 10 to 15 minutes, and comes down about 3 to 5 minutes after the candles extinguish. I have also seen one of these, but it moved out of sight behind nearby trees within two minutes.
- The large envelope (Saran Wrap, multiple suit bags, or leaf bag) and church candle Type III can run lit for three or four hours.
- The large envelope and emergency flare Type IV stays lit for 15, 20, 30, or 60 minutes, depending on the flares purchased. The color is usually red, orange, yellow, or green.
- The gas balloon and emergency flare Type V stays lit the same time as Type IV, but does not come down afterwards until the balloons lose gas.

Often the lifetime is shorter because something happens to the balloon before it burns out.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Jim Speiser [mailto:jimspeiser@yahoo.com]

@ Sent: Monday, September 08, 2003 1:15 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

@

@ Now, a question: What is the "lifetime" of a fire balloon?

@ How long can it

@ stay afloat, or remain illuminated? Give me a maximum figure

@ if possible.

@

@ Thanks,

@ ==JJS==

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From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>  
Date: Tue, 9 Sep 2003 09:09:10 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Incident

----- Original Message -----

From: "Stephen" <trinderbrook@hotmail.com> Sent: Monday, September 08, 2003 1:41 AM  
Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham Incident

> I have read with interest many records of the tapes being taken from  
> Eastern Radar three weeks after the event by MOD persons or Usafe  
> persons.  
>

Hi Stephen,

I believe I can answer this one. I tracked down the CO of Eastern Radar at the time of the incident, Squadron Leader Derek Combe, do you remember him? (his name appears in the MOD file).

Combe confirmed that he was responsible for impounding the radar film of the incident[s], after the call from Bentwaters in the early hours of 28 December 1980. He told me the tapes were held on the base until early January when a joint RAF-USAF team from MATO [Military Air Traffic Organisation, RAF Uxbridge] arrived to collect them. Presumably the tapes were replayed to check if there was any radar confirmation of the visual sightings - but bear in mind the checks were based upon the date and times given in Halt's memo, which were incorrect.

Coumbe says he could only remember one call made to Eastern Radar, in the early hours of 28 December (this is confirmed by the base logbook as 0325 hrs), reporting a UFO. This was the time that Col Halt was leading his expedition into the forest. He said:

"I recall the incident well...the call came from Bentwaters RAPcom. They requested that we scan the radars for any radar targets in the area; there were NONE. They reported flashing lights in the Rendlesham Forest area, outside the airfield runway [and that] the base police were investigating the incident."

The MOD file suggests MATO did check this with the tape, but the film was at fault; the memo ends as follows:

"On the night of the reproted sighting our controller on duty was requested to view the radar; nothing was observed. The facts are recorded in our log book of that night."

MATO was disbanded in 2000, and we can assume all the tapes from the time were wiped clean long ago.

best,

Dave Clarke

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From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
Date: Mon, 8 Sep 2003 17:02:24 -0700  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] RE: Travis Walton

-----Original Message-----

From: Mendoza [mailto:Horseman@onetel.net.uk]  
Sent: Monday, September 08, 2003 3:56 PM  
To: UFORL  
Subject: [UFORL] RE: Travis Walton

Compliments of the Duke of Mendoza:

>There is one facet that many people seem to forget. If this started out  
>as a prank or a hoax, and it got out of control when the press took over,  
>the hoaxers cannot come forward without facing criminal charges for  
>>false reporting or perjury. Most counties, after expending money  
>investigating such cases, would file charges just to recover the money  
>they spent, through the fines they would collect if the perpetrator  
>pleads guilty. This leaves the perpetrator with a criminal record.

I believe I read somewhere that the statute of limitations on  
this one ran out a while back. Still no one's come forward to  
confess all, even tho' they might conceivably make more money  
today than their share of the National Enquirer prize was in '75,  
by blowing the gaff.

[JJS] This is correct, no charges could be filed at this late date.

In light of that the suspicion of hoaxing has to fall on Rogers  
and Walton. Why Rogers? Not because he had problems with his  
forestry contract -- that one doesn't hold up -- but because  
these days, wherever Travis goes, Rogers follows. At some UFO  
conferences, Rogers has been the speaker; Travis has merely  
operated the slide carousel. They're stuck with each other.

[JJS] This is no longer correct. Rogers has pretty much bowed out of the  
dog-and-pony show, for personal reasons. Travis is now a solo act.

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From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
Date: Mon, 8 Sep 03 23:55:42 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] RE: Travis Walton

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Larry Robinson wrote:

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>known and mundane cause, is to put the cart before the horse. Look  
>for the prosaic causes first. They are much more probable than  
>something "totally different to anything you or I have knowledge  
>of" is.

No complaint with that, so assume I am assuming there  
was a hoax of some kind going on in the woods above  
Heber all those years ago.

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>as a prank or a hoax, and it got out of control when the press took over,  
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conferences, Rogers has been the speaker; Travis has merely  
operated the slide carousel. They're stuck with each other.

Frankly I don't know, or perhaps I've forgotten, how they set  
up the UFO visitation. A key point of the set-up would have  
been to have cast-iron witnesses, so they had to fool the rest  
of the logging gang as well. Travis's falling over, "knocked  
down" by the alien lightbeam, needn't even have been in the  
script. He could just have tripped over a tree root from sheer  
surprise when the kit they'd set up blew a fuse he wasn't  
expecting. Great stuff in retrospect, though.

The story that came through under hypnosis as to what happened to Travis thereafter could have been made up by anyone -- tho' you can see its influence on later abduction tales, if you want to look for that. What was really unsatisfactory about the hypnotic recall was that it didn't remotely account for how T.W. spent five whole days in the company of aliens. In terms of available folklore at the time, Travis didn't have much to draw on. So, no pervy sex (which probably wouldn't have gone down well at home), and keep it brief.

The other thing about Travis to note is that he was very much a liminal character in Snowflake society. It was and is a Mormon town. The Waltons weren't Mormons. They did have a reputation for practical jokes, though.

best wishes  
Peter B

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The only acceptable form of gun control is a steady hand.  
--G. Gordon Liddy  
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From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
Date: Mon, 8 Sep 2003 11:14:34 -0700  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

Three points, Larry:

First, I agree generally with your contention that we need to eliminate the plausible before proceeding to the implausible. 'Nuff said.

Second, I think the color of the flash was a light, pale green.

Third, there are no power lines in the area.

Now, a question: What is the "lifetime" of a fire balloon? How long can it stay afloat, or remain illuminated? Give me a maximum figure if possible.

Thanks,  
==JJS==

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Mon, 8 Sep 2003 11:11:57 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: AUFORN [mailto:aufor@hypermax.net.au]

@ Sent: Friday, September 05, 2003 5:28 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ At 11:00 AM -0500 5/9/03, Robinson, Larry wrote:

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@ >@

@ >@ Do I believe in little green men No "there not green"

@ >

@ >Where it this "there"??? (their)

@

@ Upps!! my spelling is slipping

@

@ Do I believe in little green men No "their not green"

@

@ "there better" <smile>

Nope. Try "They're not green".

"There" points the way.

"Their" shows what they have.

"They're" tells what they are.

@ >But WHAT color?

@

@ Good question

No color, no info recovered from it.

@ Travis said he never got any royalties from the book sales or

@ the movie.

Interesting. So where did the money go?

@ He was struck by something described as energy with a flash of light.

Many kinds of energy, including lightning, give off light when released.

@ >I have at least 6 KNOWN fire balloon cases in my files where the

@ >witness described the light as "blinding". It would be blinding to a

@ >dark-adapted eye.

@

@ Yes Larry, a question: did the balloons ever fire an energy out them

@ which was said to create lightning seen by your witnesses. ?

One. But it was really a bottle rocket fired from the balloon (seen at a distance). I have several reports of different kinds of small fireworks

going off inside a fire balloon. A firecracker causes the entire balloon to be disrupted, with the candles flying off in different directions.

Fountains cause showers of sparks (or "streams of fire") to fall from the

balloon. Since the balloon is also lightened as the firework expends its mass, and heated by the firework, the "UFO" is often seen to be "rising on a column of flame". And a special firework (which I bought 6 for \$2) causes a morse-code like flashing which is identical to a video I saw on TV which was taken at Gulf Breeze FL.

One common description of a fire balloon is that it was seen to be "firing rockets at the ground". In fact, I use this as a prime indicator of the fire balloon as a solution to a case (unless, of course, blast craters or the rockets themselves are found). These "rockets" are, of course, candles which melted free from the supports and fell.

@ I'm not disagreeing with you about all of the above.

@ What I am pointing out is the lack of evidence

@ that points to the object the woodcutters saw as being

@ a balloon or fire ball.

@ >Because, unless it collides with something, a photon always

@ travels in

@ >a straight line. A photon would have to strike something in  
 @ order to be  
 @ >turned in a different direction, so it can enter the eye of  
 @ the witness  
 @ >sideways to the beam. If no photons are deflected in the direction of  
 @ >the witness, then no light enters the eye of the witness  
 @ from the beam,  
 @ >and so the witness can't see the beam. All the witness would  
 @ see of the  
 @ >beam would be the spot where the beam strikes something.  
 @  
 @ Again what if they saw something totally different to anything  
 @ you or I have knowledge of. Is it possible they saw something  
 @ that not even you're able to fit into a box , some kind of  
 @ "new technology unknown to us"?? .....at the moment.?

But to postulate that now, rather than to first look for some known and mundane cause, is to put the cart before the horse. Look for the prosaic causes first. They are much more probable than something "totally different to anything you or I have knowledge of" is.

It is much more probable that some form of hoax or prank was played, rather than for a totally new and unknown phenomenon to be present. If you believe that aliens are more likely than a prank, you need to rethink the probabilities of events.

And if something had been there, whatever it was STILL had to give off photons in a direction that entered the eyes of the witnesses, or they would not have been able to see it. So it must be a phenomenon which emits a beam or stream of something that then emits light WHILE it travels.

Possibilities with a probability much higher than space aliens include:

- Fireworks
- A flame thrower of some sort
- A stream of some kind of dust, illuminated by something like a flashlight
- Phosphorescent powder
- Something solid (like a rope or cable) visible only while lit by something like a flashlight
- A helicopter with a searchlight - the downwash provided the force that knocked Travis over, and raised dust, making the searchlight beam visible.

@ I know this Larry, again is it possible they saw something  
 @ that not even  
 @ you are able to fit into a box some kind of "new technology unknown

@ to us"?? .....at the moment.?

But we don't need to even think of that until we exhaust every possibility that IS known to us. Again, you have the cart before the horse.

@ it happened and none of his cloths got burnt to my knowledge.

@ "So what kind of light - energy - frequency did this"

@ These are good questions.

This tells me that it was not light that imparted the force. Electromagnetic waves exert only very minute mechanical force on objects. Usually when a photon strikes something, it is either reflected, absorbed, or transmitted through the object. Which one of the three depends on the frequency of the light and the nature of what it struck.

If the photon is absorbed, it imparts its energy to the absorbing material in the form of heat.

Rather, if whatever this was exerted a force, it is likely that the visible light was a by-product of whatever produced the force, not the producer of the actual force itself.

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@ >If Travis was really knocked

@ >down, I don't think it was light that did it. It had to be something

@ >that emitted light instead.

@

@ Could it have been static discharge from the object ???

@ Travis was directly underneath the object and the closer he

@ got the louder the hum.

That is possible, though at such a range, there would not be much light from the discharge, and it would be blue, violet, or possibly magenta. The discharge would have to be over quite a distance before it had enough stored energy to make the air incandesce white. Another problem is that Travis would have had to be closer to the object than a tree or the ground, or the discharge would have gone to one of those instead.

Of course, IF there were power lines there, and some implement Travis had (such as a thin cable) touched one, it would produce a white display as the implement vaporized. A hum implies AC power is being expended or a motor is running.

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This is off the track, but it reminds me of quite the oddest non-UFO case I ever encountered. At a major university campus (not here), the power was shut down over the weekend in one major campus building, to replace the two main ground-mount transformers feeding it. One transformer fed the regular outlets and lights, the other fed the 277 volt circuits feeding the large motors for the air handlers, refrigerant pumps, and condensate pumps.

When the project engineer went into the building after power was restored, he turned on the hall lights. All of the fluorescent tubes exploded, and then the stench of burned out ballasts filled the hall. The cord to an electric fan burst into flame along its entire length, even though the fan was off. Outlet boxes sparked and smoked. Meanwhile, the condensate pump motors burned out. The entire building hummed and buzzed. The project engineer said "NO! They DIDN'T! They COULDN'T HAVE! Nobody could be that STUPID!"

Yep! They DID! The electricians mixed the two transformers up, hooking the 120 volt transformer to the motor service, and the 277 volt transformer to the outlet and lighting service. OOOOOPS!

The reason I brought this up is that an electrical cord catching fire like the one in this building could look like a beam, and could knock a guy flat.

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There is one facet that many people seem to forget. If this started out as a prank or a hoax, and it got out of control when the press took over, the hoaxers cannot come forward without facing criminal charges for false reporting or perjury. Most counties, after expending money investigating such cases, would file charges just to recover the money they spent, through the fines they would collect if the perpetrator pleads guilty. This leaves the perpetrator with a criminal record.

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@ this kind of emergency.  
@  
@ Mobile phone right.



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Date: Mon, 8 Sep 2003 14:23:31 +0100 (BST)  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Travis Walton

--What is this there (their)? It's they're.

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From: "Stephen" <trinderbrook@hotmail.com>  
Date: Mon, 08 Sep 2003 00:41:54 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Rendlesham Incident

I have read with interest many records of the tapes being taken from Eastern Radar three weeks after the event by MOD persons or Usafe persons.

This would relate to the radio tapes i.e. 16 track voice recorders which were normally held for enquiry purposes by the Airworks technicians.

Having been at ER from 1982 to 1985 it was common knowledge that the Radar Picture was recorded on 16mm film - a medium that was not subject to re-recording (Video not being available at that time).

These films were stored daily. The ones in question were still available to view well into 82/83.

A Japanese TV crew did arrange to see them officially and only then was it discovered that the dates in question had been removed. It was confirmed that at no time had MOD/USAFE investigators had access to these film cans, which meant that someone within Eastern Radar had removed them.

Only one American Senior officer worked at ER during this time and had just recently been promoted and posted to Upper Heyford as SATCO prior to the discovery that the film of the incident was missing.

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From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 6 Sep 2003 09:14:07 -0700

Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

Travis said he never got any royalties from the book sales or the movie.  
[JJS] Whoa, Wait a sec...did he actually say this to you? Are you certain you understood correctly? Because that's definitely not true, and I've never heard of him saying that before...

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@ [JJS] As I recall, you were going to look for a photo of  
@ this Edmund  
@ Scientific contraption, did you ever find one?

I forgot. I think I know where one is now (which I did not have the  
location of last year. I will try to find it soon.

I do know it was in most of the Edmund catalogs in the 1970s.

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@ Do I believe in little green men No "there not green"

Where it this "there"???

@ I'm sorry Larry but I'm finding it hard to believe that what the  
@ timber cutters saw was a fire ball or a balloon.

@

@ Travis and I had some time to talk when he came out to  
@ Australia 3 weeks ago. Heres a little about what he has to  
@ say about the object taken from his lecture.

@

@ The object gave off a strange glow the colour turning the  
@ brush under the object an odd kind of colour to the rest  
@ of the brush very strange colour.

But WHAT color?

@ The object gave off a sound a high pitch an high frequency  
@ metal on metal kind of sound, also a low rumble which you  
@ could feel more than you could hear. As Travis got closer  
@ to the object the sound got louder in frequency so much  
@ so that it scared him. The object started to rise osculating  
@ from side to side Travis jumped for cover by ducking down  
@ behind the brush pill. Travis said when he raised up he felt  
@ like an electric shock had gone through his body some what  
@ like a physical blow or like being hit hard very in a rugby tackle.  
@ Then he blacked out.

@

@ Travis states: the guys told him a blast of energy shoot out  
@ of the object and hit him just as he was turning to run away.

Of course, if he is making any money from the story, then he  
has the incentive to make it as strange as possible.

It is possible that he was either struck by lightning, or by some

kind of electrical beam (or a fallen power line - assuming one was available in that area).

@ The guys said the light coming from the object was so intense  
@ it was blinding.

I have at least 6 KNOWN fire balloon cases in my files where the witness described the light as "blinding". It would be blinding to a dark-adapted eye.

Most people are surprised at the fact that most human senses have "automatic gain control" systems that slowly raise or lower sensitivity to match the environment and get the best use of the sense. Both the human ear and the human eye have a sensitivity range of power levels over a range of 1 to 1000000000000 (that's  $10^{12}$ , or 1 trillion US, or 1 billion UK). But that range includes the complete span of the automatic gain adjustment too. In any one environment (or if the automatic gain system is not working), the range is closer to 1 to 100000 (that's  $10^5$ , or 100 thousand).

So a light that seems miniscule in a daylight environment seems blinding if the witness has been in total darkness for half an hour or more. It takes about a minute for the automatic gain of the eye to turn down, and about half an hour for the automatic gain to turn up.

One way to witness this is to wake up in the middle of the night where there is no traffic outside. You hear a loud thump, thump, thump. Then you realize that it is the ticking of that battery wall clock with hands. Your ears were cranked all the way up. Then the light that dazzles you when you open your eyes is the green "standby" light on your VCR. Your eyes were cranked too. Turn on a radio and the room light, and at first, they seem ultra-powerful. But within a minute, they seem normal. Now shut off the radio and light, and you barely notice the ticking clock or the VCR light. Now your senses are turned down.

@ >In this case, the human eye needed a medium (dust, smoke,  
@ >water vapor) to be seen by the woodcutters, who didn't have  
@ >an equipped physics laboratory to see light waves travelling  
@ >through a vacuum.

This is most likely a typo, and should read:

@ >In this case, the light beam needed a medium (dust, smoke,  
@ >water vapor) to be seen by the woodcutters

@ Why

Because, unless it collides with something, a photon always travels in a straight line. A photon would have to strike something in order to be

turned in a different direction, so it can enter the eye of the witness sideways to the beam. If no photons are deflected in the direction of the witness, then no light enters the eye of the witness from the beam, and so the witness can't see the beam. All the witness would see of the beam would be the spot where the beam strikes something.

@ >

@ >> Larry, list has anyone ever thought of analysing the colour of the light

@ >> beam that was said to have struck Travis that was witnessed by the witnesses.?

@ >> If not why not? the colour of the light might be able to determine the

@ >> frequency used to knock Travis on his backside.?

@

@ The colour white-ish like molten metal

That's the one color that does not tell you anything. White is a mixture of many different frequencies, like a rushing sound ("white noise") is a mixture of many different frequencies of sound. The only light I know of that can move something is coherent (LASER) light, and coherent light must be a pure spectral color. Any mixture of frequencies can not possibly be coherent.

I still don't think that light could exert enough force to move a person without first setting his clothes on fire. If Travis was really knocked down, I don't think it was light that did it. It had to be something that emitted light instead.

Like a skyrocket. The blast behind it emits light, and a large one could knock a person over. But if the payload exploded normally, Travis would have had extensive burn injuries. So it would have to have been a different sort of rocket (such as a model rocket). Either the rocket cartridge or the rocket blast is capable of knocking someone over.

@ >The frequency, of course, was determined by the woodcutters in their equipped physics lab, after they stopped running for their lives.

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From: Robinson, Larry [mailto:lrobins@indiana.edu]  
Sent: Thursday, September 04, 2003 9:41 AM  
To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
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[JJS] Ah. So it is a different phenomenon altogether. So not all that "lights up" is necessarily a beam of light. Thanks.

- The picture on the cover of the book does not fit the witness descriptions very well.

[JJS] Please, in what ways does it differ? And forgive me if we discussed this before, I've lost my archived messages.

@ and a great deal larger than your standard dry cleaning bag.

But there are at least 4 different kinds of fire balloons. My first sighting of fire balloons involved the tissue paper kind.

[JJS] ...which gives you entirely too much leeway to explain virtually every low-altitude UFO sighting as a fire balloon. Which you seem to do. Just strikes me as too facile an explanation...and I don't seem to be alone in that contention.

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themselves before the interviews (or possibly that they agreed to a description in advance).

[JJS] Another easy out: If the witnesses disagree on the description, their report is not to be trusted. If the witnesses agree on the description, their report is not to be trusted. And by the way, I've been told by several cop friends and at least one forensic investigator that the "ten different descriptions" bromide is exaggerated. There will not be that much divergence on the main details. If it were not so, no one would bother asking eyewitnesses anything.

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Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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Unless I arrive onscene immediately, and can verify that my witnesses have not had a chance to discuss what they saw, I tend to be suspicious when multiple witnesses give me identical stories. If the stories are essentially the same, yet told differently, meaning they use their own unique wording, descriptions, and phrases, I tend to accept the story. I love these types of witness statements as they tend to be accurate.

When not only the kernal of the story is the same, but the words, descriptions and phrasings tend to be the same, my assumption is they have discussed the incident prior to my arrival. These types of statements are problematic. It doesn't mean they are wrong, but they can present problems as time goes by. In 5 or 10 years can we be sure they are telling us what they saw, or what the they think they saw based on what everyone else was saying.

Someone more familiar with this case would have to compare the witness statements and ask are the stories different in wording and phrasing, yet essentially the same, or are the stories the same in content as well as delivery?

Kevin

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@ From: Jim Speiser [mailto:jimspeiser@yahoo.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2003 9:17 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
Date: Wed, 3 Sep 2003 19:49:48 -0700  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Story behind the UK UFO Video hoax

Interesting that we now have a rough cost estimate for the construction of a "believable" flying saucer.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bill Chalker [mailto:bill\_c@bigpond.com]  
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2003 7:21 PM  
To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
Cc: ufoupdates@sympatico.ca  
Subject: [UFORL] Story behind the UK UFO Video hoax

Looks like the story behind the hoax is emerging:  
<http://www.rense.com/general40/ufohoax.htm>

Seems like a rather expensive effort!

Regards,

Bill Chalker

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From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
Date: Wed, 3 Sep 2003 19:16:56 -0700  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

Larry:

Why is an entire shaft of lightning visible?

As to the descriptions not refuting a fire balloon, I know we've been down this forest service road before, but the object was by all accounts opaque, with a shiny surface and translucent panels, and a great deal larger than your standard dry cleaning bag. Allowing that perhaps two people present knew the true nature of the object, that leaves five witnesses all describing the same thing, and all vastly wide of the mark. (We have already established that the seven-man hoax theory is thoroughly discredited). Myopia on that scale would itself entail a top-down review of our knowledge of human perception. Methinks this is an awfully long way to travel to hammer a pet theory into place, especially when it is not required in order for the incident to remain prosaic; it is possible to take the object description at face-value without conceding an interplanetary origin.

==JJS==

-----Original Message-----

From: Robinson, Larry [mailto:lrobins@indiana.edu]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 02, 2003 11:31 AM  
To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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- A focused light source, combined with dust, smoke, or fog.
- A stream of flowing matter (such as water).
- A cable, rope, or other long thin object illuminated by an external

light source.

Note that only the part of a searchlight beam that is pointed away from you is visible as a beam, except when the air has a lot of dust or fog in it. The visibility of the beam pointed away from you is caused by the extremely large amount of air illuminated by the beam and overlapping at the same place in your visual field, backscattering enough light to be seen. But at right angles to the beam, the amount of illuminated air at any one point in your visual field is too small to normally be invisible.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Luis R. Gonzalez [mailto:lrgm@arrakis.es]

@ Sent: Saturday, August 30, 2003 6:41 AM

@ To: UFORL

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ Larry, with all respect, I am a little fed up with your fire

@ balloons :-))

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobbins@indiana.edu>  
Date: Wed, 3 Sep 2003 12:53:40 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ From: AUFORN [mailto:aufor@hypermax.net.au]

@ Sent: Wednesday, September 03, 2003 1:12 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] Travis Walton

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@ Hi Larry

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@ Larry no! science has found that light can be manipulated and

@ light can be

@ slowed down. Larry can you look outside of your box for a moment and

@ start looking at the findings of science and not Hollywood. <smile>

And there has to be something there to make light change directions.

Light doesn't just decide to make a turn because it wants to.

You have to have a vacuum chamber and a ton of equipment to do those manipulations.

@ Light how it works

@

@ Light waves do not need a medium to travel through.

@ Light waves can travel through a vacuum.

@ A light wave consists of energy in the form of electric and

@ magnetic fields.

@ The fields vibrate at right angles to the direction of

@ movement of the wave,

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@ electric and

@ magnetic fields, it is also referred to as electromagnetic radiation.

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@ Light waves come in many frequencies.

@ The frequency is the number of waves that pass a point in space

@ during any time interval, usually one second.

@ It is measured in units of cycles (waves) per second, or Hertz (Hz).

@ The frequency

@ of visible light is referred to as color, and ranges from 430

@ trillion Hz, seen as

@ red, to 750 trillion Hz, seen as violet. Again, the full range of

@ frequencies extends

@ beyond the visible spectrum, from less than one billion Hz, as in

@ radio waves, to

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Light always travels in straight lines, unless affected by curvature of space caused by intense gravity.

@ As noted above, light waves are waves of energy. The amount

@ of energy in

@ a light wave is proportionally related to its frequency: High

@ frequency light

@ has high energy; low frequency light has low energy. Thus gamma rays

@ have the most energy, and radio waves have the least. Of

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@ of the light beam

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@ witnesses.?

@ If not why not? the colour of the light might able to

@ determine the frequency

@ used to knock Travis on his backside.?

Tell me the color and I'll tell you the frequency range. However, the light would do other kinds of damage at much lower intensities than that required to exert enough force to move an object as big as a man. No reports of these other damages (such as the clothing bleached white, or burned) are given.

Synchrotron radiation from particles moving faster than the speed of light in air would produce light as an effect, not a cause. But those high speed particles would kill.

On the other hand, a skyrocket packs some punch to it. I know of a case where a rocket launched from a fire balloon knocked someone down and caused burns.

@ Yes your right Larry, but if your looking side on like the witnesses



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@ witnessed a solid beam of light. ?  
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Ha ha ha ha ha! Very funny.

That photo was made by introducing a small amount of smoke, mist, chalk dust, or talc dust into the room, for the sole purpose of making the beams visible for the camera. Otherwise, the picture would show just the equipment, but no LASER activity - not what the news agency wanted. I once made LASER beams visible myself, with a couple of blackboard erasers and an electric fan, for a physics demonstration.

The beams are not normally visible when that equipment is being used, and some equipment (especially that based on interference) does not function correctly when the particles are there. And after the photo was

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From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
Date: Wed, 3 Sep 2003 11:55:01 EDT  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Travis Walton

In a message dated 9/3/2003 11:31:20 AM Eastern Daylight Time, auforn@hypermax.net.au writes:

- >
- > Light waves do not need a medium to travel through.
- > Light waves can travel through a vacuum.

Dear auforn (whoever this is):

In this case, the human eye needed a medium (dust, smoke, water vapor) to be seen by the woodcutters, who didn't have an equipped physics laboratory to see light waves travelling through a vacuum.

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- > beam that was said to have struck Travis that was witnessed by
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The frequency, of course, was determined by the woodcutters in their equipped physics lab, after they stopped running for their lives.

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- > Yes your right Larry, but if your looking side on like the witnesses
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Yes, auforn, any attempt to reasonably suggest an earthly cause, rather than a little light ray from a spaceship filled with little green men, will lend itself to a patronizing effort to deconstruct it by you.

Clear skies,  
Bob Young  
(at least I sign my name)

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More at this page:  
source: How Light Works  
by Craig Freudenrich, Ph.D.  
<http://science.howstuffworks.com/light4.htm>

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Wed, 3 Sep 2003 01:53:35 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] New Rendlesham Documentary [CLOSURE]

Regarding:

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Mon, 1 Sep 2003 22:44:57 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Nick Pope on Rendlesham

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Tue, 2 Sep 2003 20:29:14 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] List 'housekeeping rules'

This is due for an update.

Confirmation of the list 'housekeeping rules':

1. The UFO Research List [UFORL] is open to subscription from those who advocate and adopt a consistent, scientific appraisal of purported 'UFO' related evidence. The remit encompasses associated topics which may be relevant, such as 'black projects', or 'ball lightning', etc.

The list is moderated and currently has over 180 subscribers.

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Tue, 2 Sep 2003 20:29:14 +0100  
Subject: [UFORL] List 'housekeeping rules'

This is due for an update.

Confirmation of the list 'housekeeping rules':

1. The UFO Research List [UFORL] is open to subscription from those who advocate and adopt a consistent, scientific appraisal of purported 'UFO' related evidence. The remit encompasses associated topics which may be relevant, such as 'black projects', or 'ball lightning', etc.

The list is moderated and currently has over 180 subscribers.

Your subscription e-mail address will be visible to all other subscribers.

2. The list archives are \*PUBLIC\* and the forum is \*NOT\* intended to enable secure discussions, although due copyright applies to any subscriber's contributions. Particular care should be taken when posting material which may be copyrighted. A suggested approach would be, 'if in doubt, leave it out'.

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Date: Tue, 2 Sep 2003 19:57:46 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Suffolk Sightings

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I suggest that you point this person in the direction of Brenda Butler, who lives in Leiston. Her phone number is in the local telephone directory.

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that location. That location is also inside an inner security fence that extends  
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The question then becomes whether or not Kevin's prank could have taken place on one of the subsequent nights, and no doubt this debate will rage for some time. I will keep an open mind on this until evidence appears one way or the other. However, I am certain that Lt Col Halt on the night of 28 December 1980 could not have seen lights from Kevin's prank, because he was simply too far away from the scene of this hoax. Lt Col Halt's party started off near the eastern edge of Rendlesham forest, and then headed east after a flashing light was spotted. They ended up in the "second farmer's field". By deducing which terrestrial lights Col Halt was following, I believe this to be Burrow Hill. Brenda Butler had previously come to the same conclusion, because Col Halt described to her the view he had from this hill as he looked south towards the sea along the line of the Butley River, which he recalled seeing in the moonlight.

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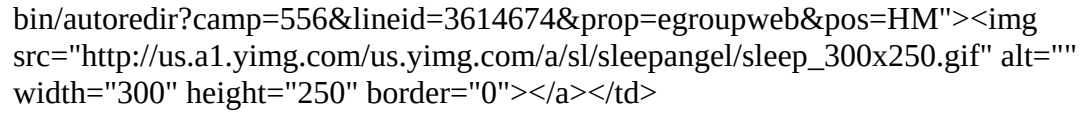
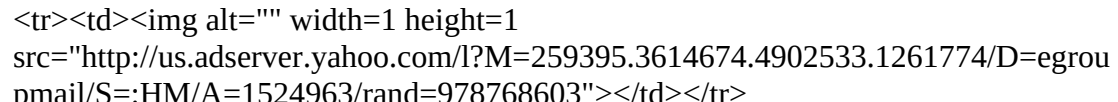
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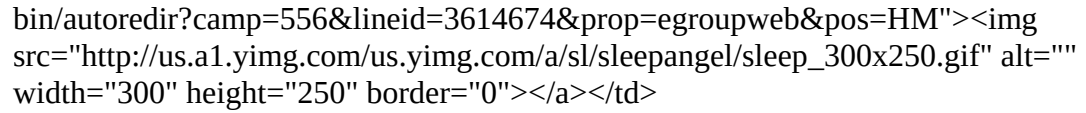
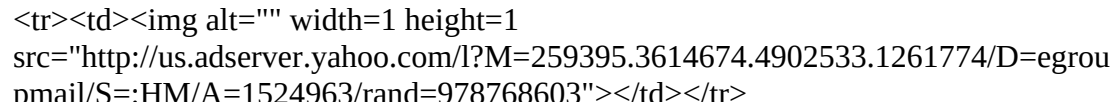
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James,

Thanks for the links!

Todd

James C Giglio wrote:

> On Wed, 1 Oct 2003, Todd Lemire wrote:  
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>  
>>I'll be contacting the University of Arizona soon so that I may  
>>get copies of James McDonald's files regarding the Port Huron  
>>case.  
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>  
> The university may not have them. In 1976, Paul McCarthy, a  
> political science PhD candidate at the time, wrote his  
> dissertation on McDonald's UFO work. He had access to McDonald's  
> papers through Mrs McDonald, not the university. The dissertation  
> is online at National Capital Area Skeptics ([www.ncas.org](http://www.ncas.org)) under  
> the "on-line library" link, and at Sign Historical Group  
> ([www.project1947.com/shg/contact.htm](http://www.project1947.com/shg/contact.htm)); putting it online was a  
> joint project. The folks at SHG made face-to-face contact with  
> McCarthy at the time, and may have maintained that contact.  
>  
> Also, in case you haven't run across it yet, McDonald's testimony  
> at the 1968 congressional symposium includes the Port Huron case.  
> The record of that symposium is also online at NCAS, also under  
> the "on-line library" link. The symposium table of contents  
> provides links to each of the cases he cites, both as he grouped  
> them in his testimony and in chronological order.  
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>rocket on 1980, December 25' published in Journal BAA  
>91, pg 561-66. The relevant section on the rocket track  
>over Kent and East Anglia reads:

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>Southend only one fragment was still luminous. The end  
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>accurately, but it is thought to have been in the region  
>of Clacton. This is supported by the fact that nothing  
>was recorded on an all-sky camera situated at Ipswich  
>and which was operating at the time."

Dave,

This is so helpful, thanks.

I didn't realise the BAA's journal contained such a  
detailed report.

>I suggest this passage explains the reference to an  
>object tracked over the Thames Estuary which dropped or  
>disappeared from radar screens near Rendlesham forest.

It certainly seems to be an explanation for that aspect.

Outwith the radar tracking being associated with  
enigmatic forest lights and consequently, understandable  
concerns of a possible aircraft crash, there's no  
tangible connection to those lights, which were of course  
observed at almost the exact same time as yet another  
'bright fireball'.

A quite extraordinary series of events, with something of  
a 'knock-on' effect from the radar trace.



Even if Cosmos 749 wreckage survived, it was, apparently, from the upper stage rocket; would that have been of significant interest to respective UK/US governments?

Doubtless, if someone reported debris had been found, it would be recovered as a matter of course.

Beyond same...?

Aside from the 29-31 December, 1980 helicopter activity reported by John Burroughs, when it seemed the helicopters were searching for something in Rendlesham forest, close to east gate, there remain unanswered questions.

Amongst them is how to reconcile the account given to myself in 1997 by former member of the 81st Security Police Squadron's 'B' flight, Geraldo Valdes-Sanchez, otherwise known as Jerry Valdes. Working on the same flight as John, Jerry recalled how later on the morning of our initial 'UFO' incident, circa 0300, 26 December, 1980:

"Shift change in the morney for 'B' flight was extremely late. 'A' Flight relieved us at 9:30 am, very late.

When we went out the East gate back to Bentwaters, leaving Woodbridge, there were many people, including numerous people in typical lab coats making an analysis of the area.. You could see out the vehicle to the right side, that there were many people examining the area, searching, looking for something. Some of these people were in white overcoats, that's why I say that they looked like typical techs in lab coats.

They were searching the area in front of the forest".

>The Journal BAA also has a diagram showing the track  
>of the satellite debris over southeast England. I will  
>obtain a scan of the article and send to James for  
>uploading (the original is of poor quality).

That would be appreciated.

Is similar data available, anywhere, for our 0250 'fireball'?

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Some historical revelations, which might be of interest:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/suffolk/dont\\_miss/codename/cuba1.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/suffolk/dont_miss/codename/cuba1.shtml)

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James wrote, re RAF Bawdsey

- >
- > RAF Bawdsey seems to have been closed and re-opened, with
- > differing roles, through to 31 March, 1991, see:
- >
- > <http://www.subbrit.org.uk/rsg/sites/b/bawdsey/>
- >
- > Likewise, I'm not aware of it being an operational air
- > defence radar station in 1980, however, I see that
- > Georgina Bruni claimed, "Major Edward Drury (ret)
- > confirmed he had reported the incident to RAF Bawdsey who
- > confirmed they had tracked the UFO on radar".

This link confirms the information I had informally: that in June 1964 Bawdsey lost its Master Radar station status and became a satellite station feeding Neatishead.

In March 1975 Bawdsey closed and was placed on care and maintenance status: its radars were dismantled and removed in 1977.

The station re-opened in August 1979 as a Bloodhound surface to air missile base.

This suggests to me that if the UFO incident was reported to Bawdsey then it was simply because this was nearest RAF base. Perhaps there was an RAF intelligence officer there who acted as a channel between USAF and RAF. But either way, Bawdsey would not have been tracking UFOs on radar in 1980!

Quoting John Burroughs:

- > As far as Halt goes, he stated that US AF went to the
- > British site and took all of the radar tapes. I'm not
- > sure where Bawdsey came up, all I know was that it was
- > taken from the eastern radar site and Bawdsey was named
- > as that site...

This myth originated with Jenny Randles' informant at RAF Watton and is repeated over and over again. I have published the testimony of Sqn Leader Coumbe of RAF Watton who says it was he who impounded the radar tapes and notified RAF Fighter Command.

The tapes were removed by a joint RAF/USAF team from MATO for analysis in January 1980. Coumbe says there was nothing unusual about this procedure, it was standard. However, civilian ATC controllers at Watton appear to have been told the tapes were being confiscated and there had been a UFO landing in Rendlesham forest etc.

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> Leaving aside whether RAF Bawdsey actually had any  
> involvement, if John's recollections are correct and both  
> eastern radar/Heathrow reported a contact which had been  
> lost near RAF Woodbridge, could that conceivably equate  
> with the earlier Cosmos 749 space debris re-entry?

>

The answer is a resounding yes!

The Eastern Radar/Heathrow contact lost near RAF Woodbridge and the Cosmos 749 re-entry are the same event. The two events were perceived as occurring at the same time not only by Burroughs and Halt, but also by MOD and the local constabulary.

In the letter from Suffolk Police to Ian Ridpath dated 23 November 1983, the following appears:

"The first visit [to the forest, early hours of 26 December] followed immediately the reported incident and the two officers who attended the incident made a search of the area with negative result. A note on the [police] log indicates that Air Traffic Control at West Drayton were contacted and that there was no known knowledge of aircraft in that area to coincide with the time of the sighting. Mention is also made on the log of reports received of aerial phenomena over Southern England during the night."

During the night is the night of December 25: ie the Cosmos re-entry, which occurred at 9.07pm.

In the MOD file is briefing dated 1983 which notes:

"Ops [Ground Environment] has checked the question of radar traces with NATO who have informally stated that nothing was seen on any radar recordings although they did receive a report of a sighting from a civil aircraft."

The sighting from the aircraft is clearly the report of the satellite re-entry made by the crew of a 737 outbound from Stanstead referred to by Jenny Randles. They reported seeing a "bright flash" or explosion in the sky

over Suffolk/Essex.

>

> Is it one coincidence too far, that Cosmos 749 debris

> finally burnt-up on re-entry, reportedly only some 20

> miles from the bases?

>

> Could this now explain the claimed radar tracking which

> 'disappeared' when 'overhead'?

>

The answer has to be 'yes' again:

I have a copy of the article "Re-entry of Cosmos 749 rocket on 1980, December 25' published in Journal BAA 91, pg 561-66. The relevant section on the rocket track over Kent and East Anglia reads:

"It crossed the English coast at Beachy Head and went up the Thames Estuary in the region of the Isle of Sheppey. The point of crossing the English Coast was very well defined. Several observers from the area of Newhaven reported overhead passes but slightly to the east. Observers from Bexhill, Eastbourne area similarly reported overhead passes but slightly to the west. This gave a maximum bandwidth of 17 km from these observers but, when other reports are considered, the most likely track is thought to be within 2 km of Beachy Head itself. Because of the extensive cloud over Kent, the loss of sighting of the fireball did not necessarily coincide with an extinction point. It is thought that there was no general extinction point as the many fragments were burning out or becoming non-luminous over quite a large range of the track. It is known that at least four fragments were still luminous as it crossed over the Thames Estuary, but two of them faded quite quickly. By the time the object was about 12 km east of Southend only one fragment was still luminous. The end point of the final fragmentation could not be defined accurately, but it is thought to have been in the region of Clacton. This is supported by the fact that nothing was recorded on an all-sky camera situated at Ipswich and which was operating at the time."

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In direct response to your further insightful comments, John Burroughs states:

This is what I know. Penniston got permission on the phone for us to go out there. At that time no one thought it was a airplane crash for sure.

LT Buran sent us out there to see what was going on. One of the things he wanted to make sure of is that it was not an airplane crash.

Also MSgt Chandler was not there, he came out after they lost radio contact with us.

While we were out there, the LT came over the radio and stated they had been in contact with eastern radar and Heathrow tower and that they stated they had contact with

something and it had dropped off the radar over our area and that's when they thought a plane had went down for sure.

As far as Halt goes, he stated that US AF went to the British site and took all of the radar tapes. I'm not sure where Bawdsey came up, all I know was that it was taken from the eastern radar site and Bawdsey was named as that site...

It was within minutes of the unfamiliar lights. He was briefed by the LT that morning. Plus, in our debrief the next morning, it was brought up that there was something on radar and that, with what we saw, had us held over to go back out in the woods to the site.

[END]

Leaving aside whether RAF Bawdsey actually had any involvement, if John's recollections are correct and both eastern radar/Heathrow reported a contact which had been lost near RAF Woodbridge, could that conceivably equate with the earlier Cosmos 749 space debris re-entry?

Any connection with same is a possibility I've always kept in mind.

However, at the outset, this would require surviving debris to have come down near the twin base RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge complex.

It's stretching coincidence that Soviet space debris just happened to land next-door to a base which housed the 67th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron [ARRS], who specialised in spacecraft recovery.

Even though it was Christmas...

Yet, although perhaps not generally realised, it is documented where, approximately, any such wreckage would seemingly have impacted.

If not 'right on the money', it was effectively, right on RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge's doorstep.

Cue the chapter from Ian Ridpath's lengthy case article, at:

<http://users.macunlimited.net/ianrid/ufos/rendlesham6>

Ian writes:

"At 21.07 on the evening of 1980 December 25 (i.e. a mere six hours before the supposed UFO landing in Rendlesham Forest) the Russian Cosmos 749 rocket re-entered over north-west Europe and was widely reported as a UFO. A report on this re-entry can be found in the Journal of the British Astronomical Association (1981, vol. 91, page 561). It broke up during re-entry, and the last fragment is thought to have burnt out somewhere east of Clacton".

I attach the permitted saved image from an online map - inherently noted copyright acknowledged - which demonstrates the proximity of Clacton [Clacton-on-Sea] to RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge (see the nearby town of Woodbridge, to the north of Ipswich).

Is it one coincidence too far, that Cosmos 749 debris finally burnt-up on re-entry, reportedly only some 20 miles from the bases?

Could this now explain the claimed radar tracking which 'disappeared' when 'overhead'?

Ian adds:

"As far as I am aware, no fragments from this re-entry were ever detected on radar, but it is possible that the radar tapes were examined to see if anything did get through and this may explain some of the stories about radar checks that were later attributed to the Rendlesham Forest UFO".

This might make some sense of the evidence.

Whilst Ian comments, "It broke up during re-entry, and the last fragment is thought to have burnt out somewhere east of Clacton... Any surviving fragments would have fallen into the North Sea, and hence have been unrecoverable", there's apparently no proof that fragments had not survived.

If they did, then any fallen wreckage could presumably have been within a wide radius of Clacton, not necessarily the North Sea.

Consequently, the chance of this occurring next to RAF

Woodbridge are duly shortened and by default become a reasonable bet, perhaps at tempting odds.

No such thing as a 'sure bet' though, unless you already know, for sure, that it is.

Further intrigue is John's remark, "It was within minutes of the unfamiliar lights".

I would expect he will be able to clarify this.

James.

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James, quoting Jim Penniston:

> "I went to the gate shack, phoned in, and spoke with  
> Master Sergeant J.D. Chandler, who was the on-duty flight  
> chief for both bases. He asked me to stand by while he  
> contacted the Control Tower at Bentwaters and also at  
> Woodbridge. While I was talking with Chandler, the  
> security controller was making contact with Bentwaters  
> Control Tower, and they, in turn, were in contact with  
> Heathrow Airport's Control Tower in London and RAF  
> Bawdsey Eastern Radar in East Anglia. I was told they  
> reported a bogie about three miles out from Bentwaters  
> but had lost contact with it 15 minutes previously. The  
> confirmation that triangulated the radar sighting was RAF  
> Bawdsey. It had been over Woodbridge, they told me, when  
> it dropped from radar imaging".  
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Eastern Radar was RAF Watton, near Norwich. Bawdsey  
(in Suffolk, near Rendlesham Forest) was not, as far as I'm  
aware, an operational air defence radar station in 1980.  
It closed in 1987.

The situation in 1980, as far as I understand it, was that RAF  
Neatishead was the central Air Defence Radar Control and  
Reporting Centre for the whole of Eastern/Southern England.  
Data from all satellite stations was fed to its screens.  
Coincidentally, I was invited on a guided tour of the  
underground operations centre at Neatishead last Sunday.  
I was amazed to find the equipment used by the controllers  
today was still Cold War vintage (their views on UFOs are  
another story...)

RAF Watton was the joint military/civilian ATC centre for the  
same area -- its radar picture was fed in real time to screens  
at Neatishead - so controllers at Neatishead could "see" the  
same picture as Watton, alongside pictures from other ATCs  
and CSCs around the UK.

I have already quoted the testimony of Sqdrn Ldr Combe, the  
CO at Watton, who received Col Halt's call via Bentwaters  
tower in the early hours of 28 December. Halt was in  
Rendlesham Forest and was asking for confirmation

of the lights he was seeing. Combe asked his controller to check and nothing was visible on the radar picture.

Combe could not recall an earlier (ie 26 December) call from Bentwaters, but he may not have been on duty. We know there must have been some checks made on the Cosmos re-entry tracking. If the Cosmos satellite was tracked by the ATC at Heathrow, it must have been visible to Neatishead and Watton too -- perhaps there is another MOD file on this matter.

Far more conclusive, however, are the remarks made by Sqn Ldr Jack Badcock, of RAF (Ops) GE, in the MOD file, (memo to DS8 dated 28 March 1983):

"Neatishead, which is the Sector Ops Centre responsible for that area, had nothing unusual to report, and nothing more substantive has come to light. I have received no evidence that any radar reported unusual tracks."

Badcock was referring to the whole period 26-30 December 1980 and had access to data from all the operational radar centres.

Penniston and Halt seem to have jumbled together a lot of unrelated events and hearsay.

best,

Dave Clarke

"Depend upon it that he who loves making mysteries for the sake of mystery making is ultimately and in big things a fool, and therefore dangerous."

- Arthur Machen, 'The Bowmen and Angels of Mons'

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Dave wrote:

>The tracking occurred at 9.07 PM on 25 December 1980 -  
>not at 3 AM on the 26th. The "something" was the burn up  
>of the Soviet satellite body, Cosmos 749.

Dave,

Thanks for the exceptionally helpful feedback.

Although, from your own research, I was aware of this general background, you have set the evidence in a more informed context.

A central fact is that Buran wrote:

"I monitored their progress (Penniston, Burroughs and Cabansag) as they entered the wooded area. They appeared to get very close to the lights, and at one point SSgt Penniston stated that it was a definite metallic object. Due to the colors they had reported, I alerted them to the fact that they may have been approaching a light aircraft crash scene. I directed SSgt Coffey to check with the tower to see if they could throw some light on the subject. They could not help".

Presuming we can accept SSgt Coffey had been contacted, then the 'tower' were reportedly unable to assist.

However, as revealed, Halt stated:

"Sgt. Coffey called Bentwaters control tower and he also called Heathrow, London, and he asked them if they had any activity in the area, and if they had any problems in the area they knew about ...[unclear]... The word came back from them they were tracking something off the coast, both of them, east of that part of Woodbridge, and disappeared off the scope about 15 miles out. Well, this



caused us great concern. Here's the potential for something, unbeknownst, had maybe crashed back in the woods. They relayed that back to Burroughs".

These are conflicting claims.

Aside from which, how would Halt have known that SSgt Coffey had called both the Bentwaters tower and Heathrow - Halt had no involvement in this initial incident and there's no indication he ever interviewed Coffey.

In going over related evidence, I'm reminded of the following, from Halt's earliest interview with Salley Rayl, as published in OMNI Magazine, April 1994:

"Around New Year's Eve, I took statements and interviewed the men who had taken part in the initial incident. The reports were nearly identical.

Basically, they reported this: In the early morning hours of December 26, one of the airmen drove to the back gate at Woodbridge on a routine security check. He saw lights in the forest, specifically a red light, and thought maybe an airplane had crashed. He radioed a report, which was called into the tower, but the tower reported nobody was flying.

Eventually, a group headed out to the forest. They reported strange noises - animals, movement, like we heard two nights later.

As they approached the clearing, they reported seeing a large yellowish-white light with a blinking red light on the upper center portion and a steady blue light emanating from underneath. The tower again reported nothing on radar".

How does "nothing on radar", subsequently become the tale Halt told at the 'UFO Magazine' [UK] conference, only three months later?

I now realise what the overall explanation might be and if I'm correct, all of these pieces of our puzzle could fit neatly.

In due course... I need some questions answered elsewhere.

If John Burroughs accurately recalls, "...CSC contacted Heathrow tower and they stated something had disappeared off of radar near our location", it's arguably unlikely that back at Central Security Control [CSC], they would be alerting Burroughs et al about a radar trace (from Cosmos [Kosmos] 749), some six hours before.

When Halt cites, "...they were tracking something off the coast, both of them, east of that part of Woodbridge, and disappeared off the scope about 15 miles out...", is "15 miles out" conceivably misreported, from a second-hand account?

Penniston has stated:

"I went to the gate shack, phoned in, and spoke with Master Sergeant J.D. Chandler, who was the on-duty flight chief for both bases. He asked me to stand by while he contacted the Control Tower at Bentwaters and also at Woodbridge. While I was talking with Chandler, the security controller was making contact with Bentwaters Control Tower, and they, in turn, were in contact with Heathrow Airport's Control Tower in London and RAF Bawdsey Eastern Radar in East Anglia. I was told they reported a bogie about three miles out from Bentwaters but had lost contact with it 15 minutes previously. The confirmation that triangulated the radar sighting was RAF Bawdsey. It had been over Woodbridge, they told me, when it dropped from radar imaging".

"15 miles out", or, maybe, "15 minutes previously"...?

Hopefully, this can be further resolved.

James.

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James, quoting John Burroughs, said:

>  
> "I will answer that. What we saw happening didn't make us  
> believe something might have crashed at first. It was  
> when CSC contacted Heathrow tower and they stated  
> something had disappeared off of radar near our  
> location".

>  
and Halt added:

>  
> Sgt. Coffey called Bentwaters control tower and he also  
> called Heathrow, London, and he asked them if they had  
> any activity in the area, and if they had any problems in  
> the area they knew about ...[unclear]... The word came  
> back from them they were tracking something off the  
> coast, both of them, east of that part of Woodbridge, and  
> disappeared off the scope about 15 miles out. Well, this  
> caused us great concern. Here's the potential for  
> something, unbeknownst, had maybe crashed back in the  
> woods.  
>  
> They relayed that back to Burroughs".

>  
The radar tracking by Heathrow is also mentioned in the MOD  
file (there was visual confirmation from the crew of a 737) and  
is also referred to by the Suffolk police in their letter to Ian  
Ridpath.

The tracking occurred at 9.07 PM on 25 December 1980 -  
not at 3 AM on the 26th. The "something" was the burn up  
of the Soviet satellite body, Cosmos 749.

See Jenny Randles 'UFO Crash Landing' p22: "...it was  
established that a passenger jet outbound from Stanstead  
airport in Essex had radioed to air traffic control that  
they had seen a 'brilliant explosion' in the Eastern sky out  
towards Felixstowe....more importantly, air traffic  
advised the Boeing's crew that radar at Heathrow had picked  
up the object as an unidentified target heading east above the  
Thames..."

Jenny realised this was significant as back in the 1990s John  
Burroughs had advised her: "Those meteor events in the  
sky that night are important."

This is a classic example of memory confabulation. The object tracked on radar by Heathrow -- referred to by Burroughs and Halt in a 3AM 26th December context --- is the Cosmos re-entry.

Therefore if it is correct that Burroughs and Steffens were informed about the radar tracking when they checked with the tower, then they were told about the earlier (ie 9PM 25th December) incident.

With the passage of time, it seems they have "lost" 6 hours and combined the two incidents!

Dave Clarke

"Depend upon it that he who loves making mysteries for the sake of mystery making is ultimately and in big things a fool, and therefore dangerous."

- Arthur Machen, 'The Bowmen and Angels of Mons'

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Regarding:

>From: TPrinty@aol.com  
>Date: Fri, 03 Oct 2003 12:55:40 -0400  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Tim wrote:

>I am not so sure about this. There is every aspect in  
>many of the statements regarding the events that  
>Burroughs et. al. thought something had "crashed" into  
>the woods from the sky. At least that is how it appears  
>to be in Halt's memo.

Tim,

Halt wrote:

"...two USAF security police patrolmen saw unusual lights outside the back gate at RAF Woodbridge. Thinking an aircraft might have crashed or been forced down, they called for permission to go outside the gate to investigate. The on-duty flight chief responded and allowed three patrolmen to proceed on foot".

There's no mention of any lights/object being observed to descend.

>If the lights seen in the woods were normal "earthly"  
>lights that were visible on certain occasions from the  
>gate area, why would anyone take notice unless there was  
>indication that something had gone into the woods?

Primarily because these lights had never previously been witnessed by any of the participants.

>Are we now saying that Burroughs and others NEVER saw  
>anything come from the sky and therefore, whatever  
>produced the lights had an "earthly source"?

It would only be John Burroughs or Bud Steffans who could, from east gate, have seen any such descent. Penniston and Cabansag didn't arrive there until later, in response, after Burroughs and Steffans had 'called it

in'.

>The whole story about the patrolmen thinking something  
>had crashed seems to imply they saw something in the  
>sky.

Thanks to John, it's one clarification recently highlighted. The story in question comes from Jim Penniston, who claimed that Steffans told him the "craft" didn't crash, it had "landed".

John confirms no knowledge of this and we're already aware of huge anomalies with Penniston's claims.

Whatever the source of those lights, there remains no \_obvious\_ connection to our 'bright fireball'.

If it was a typical case of meteor/space debris being perceived as an aircraft crash nearby, then when Burroughs and Steffans investigated further at the outset, there should, of course, have been nothing to see within the forest.

However, from Burroughs' official statement:

"Because I've never seen anything like that coming from the woods before we decided to drive down and see what it was. We went down east gate road and took a right at the stop sign and drove down about 10 to 20 yards to where there is a road that goes into the forest. At the road I could see a white light shining onto the trees and could still see the red and blue lights".

The lights are evidently still visible.

He continues:

"We decided we better go call it in so we went back up towards east gate. I was watching the lights and the white light started coming down the road that led into the forest. We got to the gate and called it in".

Still visible...

"The whole time I could see the lights and the white light was almost at the edge of the road and the blue and red lights were still out in the woods. A security unit was sent down to the gate and when they got there they could see it too. We asked permission to go and see what

it was and they told us we could. We took the truck down the road that led into the forest. As we went down the east gate road and the road that led into the forest the lights were moving back and they appeared to stop in amongst a bunch of trees".

And still, those lights have not disappeared.

>The coincidence of the bright fireball is important in  
>that this is what might have been how they drew that  
>conclusion and it required immediate investigation. If  
>they had no idea what the lights were and did not think  
>something had crashed from, then they probably never  
>would have made a big deal about lights in the woods  
>simply because it was outside their jurisdiction.

That, Tim, might be exceedingly astute.

Indeed, why the 'big deal'?

Was there ever any concerns about an aircraft crash and if so, on what basis?

You've touched on a fundamental aspect here and whilst I can't provide a definitive answer to the question, it's now possible to reveal some factors involved.

In direct response to your comments, John Burroughs explains:

"I will answer that. What we saw happening didn't make us believe something might have crashed at first. It was when CSC contacted Heathrow tower and they stated something had disappeared off of radar near our location".



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Regarding:

>From: "sburns808" <sburns808@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Tue, 30 Sep 2003 19:14:25 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham theory

>One interesting attribute of the Rendlesham sighting is  
>the visual kaleidoscope effect resulting in splitting  
>into multiple objects. IMO, this adds credibility since  
>index of refraction distortion results from low  
>frequency electromagnetic radiation high power densities  
>needed to null gravitational mass. The resulting  
>atmospheric optical illusion is consistent with  
>theoretical predictions.

It has consummately been resolved on this discussion  
forum why your statedly pivotal, "splitting into multiple  
objects", evidence has such a mundane genesis.

See, for example:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/1784>

Of, native, coastal lights, you proclaim:

>IMO, this adds credibility since index of refraction  
>distortion results from low frequency electromagnetic  
>radiation high power densities needed to null  
>gravitational mass. The resulting atmospheric optical  
>illusion is consistent with theoretical predictions."

Innate credibility duly documented.

Outwith UFORL's statedly "scientifically founded" remit,  
there is considerate scope.

However, also explaining why your additional list  
postings, on similar topics, have not been distributed,  
this is ultimately not an appropriate "scientifically  
founded" forum.

Regarding:

>From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
>Date: Mon, 6 Oct 03 00:58:34 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Travis Walton

Peter wrote:

"...I sense a sterile debate..."

"I don't think I have anything more to add on this..."

These are suitably closing comments.

All contributions on related topics were appreciated.

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>Received: 05-10-2003 22:24  
>From: Martin Shough, mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk  
>To: UFO Research List, UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
>  
>Dear Snide of Malaprop

Okay, we have been warned pretty clearly I think.

>the whole of quantum physics of the  
>last half century has been transformed by the formalism that contains this  
>insight. I'm sure that if he were still around that nice Mr. Feynman would  
>love to explain to you why it isn't just some trivial analogy but a  
>profound physical identity. I doubt you'd listen, however.

O, I will listen patiently even to Colin Bennett, before  
hundreds of witnesses, but that did not stop him implying  
after the event that he thought I might shoot him; which  
I thought a bit rich, being an armed man, and therefore  
polite. Even though I was not armed at the time Mr Bennett  
took fright, claiming also that Dr David Clarke was about  
to push him under a passing No 9 big red London omnibus.  
Which ought to have worried him more, had he ever believed it.

But anyway. Being transformed by a formalism remains a  
different entity from being able to show beyond a set of  
formulae that a particle *\*is\** moving backwards in time,  
in yer actual fact. It's a tasty idea. We can't demonstrate  
that the maths represents a reality. Why does pointing out  
the obvious create such excitement?

>> "DeAquino can shovel out maths till kingdom come, but unless they result  
>>(thankyou Larry) in an actual gravity shield they mean nothing, however  
>>elegant the equations."

>

>Excuse me but this is pure bull crap. Maybe the huge importance of the  
>Feynman spacetime representation of QED to generations of theorists and  
>experimenters means nothing because the Sneak of Maladroit can't buy  
>himself a time machine? Are you saying that Einstein's general relativity  
>is just meaningless elegant equations because nobody has developed a warp  
>drive yet? I don't think you are,

O good. We can take that as the crimson kipper it is, then.

>we also know that [relativity] is wrong... because it isn't a quantum  
>theory. This is the big issue for a lot of people other than De Aquino!  
>'Well then,' you may reply, 'let DeAquino predict some quantitative effect  
>and let's wait to see some experimental tests then.' !  
>I couldn't have put it better myself.

Er... what are we talking about then?

Except that if I saw bull crap I would have smelled it first,  
and does it fill the nostrils. Relativity is no more "wrong"  
than Newtonian physics is "wrong" (I also smell Colin Bennett  
telling me the table is "hollow") at certain scales of  
consideration. Perhaps "complete" would be the better word.

>"Nothing about DeAquino, most especially his creationist tendency,  
>threatens my self-assurance -- politically incorrect as that may be  
>deemed. [Please note that I don't object to the idea of a creator -- only  
>to its inappropriate intrusion into scientific "discourse".]"  
>  
>It seems to me that it's only insofar as 'the idea of a creator' can be  
>brought into scientific discourse that it has any status as an 'idea' at  
>all. There is no other worthwhile kind of discourse.

This remark would, I surmise, puzzle Moses, the Buddha, Goya,  
Mohamed, Beethoven, Dante, Tolstoy, Einstein, Dr Strabismus  
of Utrecht and many other famous persons, as well as those less  
celebrated such as the headhunters of Equador, and quite possibly  
the majority of the world's population even now, including the  
Pope, the entire Nobel committee, and some Congolese animists.  
This is by nomeans to decry science, of which this field could  
tolerate a good deal more, although I would not set the fatuous  
kinds of limitation on it that Mr Ego Bennett ignorantly would.

>you might ask yourself 'who here is the one doing  
>science?' and conclude - a sadder and a wiser man -  
>that it might not necessarily be you.

No, but I'm not the one that's lost. Nor am I claiming to  
"do" science. A skill not required when calling attention  
to science not being done. I can't do competition dressage  
either, and wouldn't want to, but I sure do know when  
some clown can't tell "collected" from conflicted, or  
"impulsion" from speed. Dr Leavis did not write poems.

>>"When you then suggest that DeAquino's wheezes -- which some people seem  
>>to think might be given the benefit of some doubt because some young  
>>scientists are weary of peer review: whaaaaa? -- represent a "plausible"

>>explanation of Travis's Trick, you are starting at the wrong end of the  
>>investigation."  
>  
>You're confusing me with Steve Burns in this paragraph.

This paragraph was addressed to Steve Burns. So, er, no.

>You also traduce  
>the point I made about arxiv and paper journals to cover the fact that you  
>were wrong to suggest that arxiv is a haven for any unaccredited nutcase.

Okay: despite "unaccredited" not appearing in any previous post -- or even writing, I think -- of mine, I will concede that arxiv may be a haven for accredited nuts, fruitloops, loonies, and persons of dubious plausibility. If you think academia is free of such characters, take a gander at the endless list of Ph.Ds (genuine) who are prepared to be named as "consultants" to MUFON, and the wondrous illogic perpetrated by almost equal numbers of PhDs in the Journal of the SPR. Read Polanyi. Admire his guts. Accept peer review.

>I'm interested in why it  
>matters \*so much\* to you that Steve Burns should turn out to be wrong.

Perhaps because I suffer from insomnia and have some time on my hands after finishing a book against an unkind deadline? Because I don't have the bald gene? I don't give a toss whether Steve Burns is right or wrong. That wasn't quite the issue. The question was whether he was asking the right questions in the right order (manifestly not), and whether he should put so much trust in the likes of a DeAquino (a bet one ought to hedge, I'd say -- I can tolerate ambiguity occasionally).

But let them all be right, despite the intellectual incoherence that got them there. So what? That nice series on the teevee has just shown how the London sewer system was built for the wrong reasons but had the desired effect. It happens. If you proved the objective existence of UFOs-as-alien-craft, would you expect human history to turn some unexpected corner? Would the (scientifically) proven existence of God really answer more questions than it raises? How could you tell if God hears, let alone listens to, prayers?

What I am not interested in, because I sense a sterile debate, is why anyone should be interested in what matters to me. Arguments stand and fall on their own. Bigger proponents (and with Nanny Ogg, destiny too).

I don't think I have anything more to add on this...

best wishes  
Peter B

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The way to do research is to attack the facts  
at the point of greatest astonishment.

--Celia Green  
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>  
>Hi Brett

Scuse me.

>The web *\*is\** the first resort now, backed up in many cases by  
>paper publication; but probably *\*will become\** the norm.

Which is fine, of course, in that the medium is faster.  
What is less fine is the lack of peer review (one of my doubts about DeAquino's stuff). The system is not perfect, for all sorts of reasons, but is probably the best anyone could devise. Better a high level of caution and conservatism here than not. For what's worth, Joao Maguiejo sounds *\*exactly\** like an embittered crank (don't know his age), and he, along with anyone else interested in why radical but correct ideas may not get full justice at first pass should read Michael Polanyi on his own experience of having his scientific credibility put on the line: see "The Republic of Science". Polanyi was correct in his conclusions, but his peers thought otherwise for many years. Nonetheless, he held no grudge against them. Why, makes instructive reading.

>What I  
>reacted to was a knee-jerk dismissal of a whole area of  
>legitimate research - not by yourself in the first instance but  
>by another (who I see has adopted the tiresome tactic of  
>affecting what I assume is supposed to be a lofty disdain by  
>responding to my criticism without direct acknowledgement in the  
>body of a reply to someone else).

So why are you doing the same here?

>There's a fascinating social  
>study to be made of the way people climb over one another to give  
>themselves up to a fascistic mob mentality where the words

>'gravity' and 'antigravity' are concerned. Gravity theory sits at  
>the sacred centre of the inviolable canon of scientific  
>orthodoxy. Peeple [etc]

Indeed. Some people might be mildly incensed with the equation of caution with fascism, about which I have good reason to be well informed, and to detest. Calm your tongue. Fascists have shot people, after a good deal of sadistic foreplay, for this kind of dozy comment and it doesn't reflect well on such commentators' imagination or tact to bandy this kind of extreme about so loosely. It doesn't allow equality of esteem to the bodies so unkindly clambered over, either, wherever they may be. (I am looking.)

The problem \*actually\* with gravity is that it's undetectable outside the realm of orchards, celestial mechanics, people falling into council workmen's trenches ("Gosh," they say, through the fine red mist forming around their heads, "I've had an ongoing gravity situation experience -- Wow! Firkin great, man! Lookadablud. Whooja sue?") and mathematics. No waves, no particles. No damn cat, no damn cradle. Any fruitcake from Baker Maid to rocket scientist Friedman can float into this field with some wazzockry of their own. Who is that Ronald Pearson [?] guy who has "proven" the ether exists, and life after death along with it? I spy him, and I spy De Aquino trying to maintain God exists on account of his equations, and you want me to keep quiet, already?

There is nothing sacred or inviolable about gravity. For all I know gravity is the new ether. Relativity suggests that it's a byproduct of something else entirely, rather as the chemical reactions of hydrogen peroxide will make a sloven look like a slapper. Does anyone suggest that a bottled blonde exudes wave-like particles as a result? [This is a trick question, Martin.] The difficulty with gravity, in other words, is getting a handle on it. If DeAquino thinks he has done just that, why doesn't he submit his web-published papers to "Nature", y'know, just for the hell of it? What's a year or two's wait when you've proven the existence of God? Do I smell self-assurance, or at least the faintest whiff of a hint of a suspicion of crankery?

best wishes  
Peter B

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"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither  
are your ways my ways, saith the LORD."  
-- Isaiah, 55:8  
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Dear Snide of Malaprop

"Bear in mind it's perfectly possible to have perfectly adequate maths that relate to nothing practically useful (or even real). A positron is an electron travelling backwards in time, mathematically speaking. So what? We have no way of knowing whether it *is* actually such a thing."

'So what?' you ask. Well, only that the whole of quantum physics of the last half century has been transformed by the formalism that contains this insight. I'm sure that if he were still around that nice Mr. Feynman would love to explain to you why it isn't just some trivial analogy but a profound physical identity. I doubt you'd listen, however.

"DeAquino can shovel out maths till kingdom come, but unless they result (thankyou Larry) in an actual gravity shield they mean nothing, however elegant the equations."

Excuse me but this is pure bull crap. Maybe the huge importance of the Feynman spacetime representation of QED to generations of theorists and experimenters means nothing because the Sneak of Maladroit can't buy himself a time machine? Are you saying that Einstein's general relativity is just meaningless elegant equations because nobody has developed a warp drive yet? I don't think you are, because your objection to DeAquino's theorising seems to be that it *so obviously* contradicts what we *know* about gravity that he just has to be nutty as a fruitcake - and general relativity is, of course, what we currently *know* in the sense that certain very subtle predictions can be verified to 14 decimal places. But we also know that it is wrong, despite this, because it isn't a quantum theory. This is the big issue for a lot of people other than De Aquino! 'Well then,' you may reply, 'let DeAquino predict some quantitative effect and let's wait to see some experimental tests then.' I couldn't have put it better myself.

"Nothing about DeAquino, most especially his creationist tendency, threatens my self-assurance -- politically incorrect as that may be deemed. [Please note that I don't object to the idea of a creator -- only to its inappropriate intrusion into scientific "discourse".]"

It seems to me that it's only insofar as 'the idea of a creator' can be brought into scientific discourse that it has any status as an 'idea' at all. There is no other worthwhile kind of discourse. I don't understand the status of a proposition that is declared to be beyond all scrutiny and criticism. Why should you want to place barricades around any idea? If it isn't a good idea then it won't survive. As for your objections to people bringing anti-scientific "creationism" into the discourse - nobody here mentioned creationism as far as I know. We were talking about physics. You brought creationism into your own 'discourse' - twice now.

"Pardon the lapse, however. I should have remembered what beta particles, and ergo a beta beam, were."

Pardon granted. But don't you think you should revisit your email and reflect on the gleeful and sneering tone with which you leapt hastily to the offence? Having yourself committed some errors whilst being unable to demonstrate that De Aquino has committed even one in his gravitational thesis (despite his elsewhere espousing creationist opinions that we both probably disagree with), you might ask yourself 'who here is the one doing science?' and conclude - a sadder and a wiser man - that it might not necessarily be you.

"When you then suggest that DeAquino's wheezes -- which some people seem to think might be given the benefit of some doubt because some young scientists are weary of peer review: whaaaat? -- represent a "plausible" explanation of Travis's Trick, you are starting at the wrong end of the investigation."

You're confusing me with Steve Burns in this paragraph. You also traduce the point I made about arxiv and paper journals to cover the fact that you were wrong to suggest that arxiv is a haven for any unaccredited nutcase. I'd suggest that DeAquino's claimed university post is probably genuine if he's submitted to LANL/Arxiv on a regular basis. You questioned his accreditation. If you have evidence then produce it. I don't know; I don't especially care. I never mentioned Travis Walton either. I'm not interested in Travis Walton or De Aquino per se. I'm interested in why it matters \*so much\* to you that Steve Burns should turn out to be wrong.

Martin Shough

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

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Hi Brett

I don't think we're really disagreeing re arxiv, or De Aquino. The web *is* the first resort now, backed up in many cases by paper publication; but probably *will become* the norm. I'm far from claiming that De Aquino's work must be correct, and certainly I'm not saying that web archiving makes it mainstream. Of course it's highly controversial and quite rightly treated with great caution. This is not the point - unless anyone is arguing that new theory must always be non-controversial (there may well be some on this list who would argue that!). What I reacted to was a knee-jerk dismissal of a whole area of legitimate research - not by yourself in the first instance but by another (who I see has adopted the tiresome tactic of affecting what I assume is supposed to be a lofty disdain by responding to my criticism without direct acknowledgement in the body of a reply to someone else). There's a fascinating social study to be made of the way people climb over one another to give themselves up to a fascistic mob mentality where the words 'gravity' and 'antigravity' are concerned. Gravity theory sits at the sacred centre of the inviolable canon of scientific orthodoxy. People seem to revel in the permission they feel this gives them to unload their vitriol and superstitious ignorance against anyone who questions it!

Re the point about peer-review and paper - take a well-publicised recent complainant: "The web has changed everything because . . . journals may be bypassed altogether ... No one reads journals any more ... they are an anachronism, and they have already effectively been phased out. ... The refereeing process associated with current journals provides no real quality control ... Scientific publishing has become fraudulent. Referee reports are often empty of scientific content and reflect nothing but the authors' social standing . . . editors can be totally illiterate . . ." etc. A tad exaggerated? Maybe. But this is Joao Maguiejo of Cambridge, UC Berkeley, Princeton etc., it isn't some aged embittered crank - though some mainstream figures treated him, Albrecht, Moffat and others as cranks for suggesting the speed of light might vary. They had publishing difficulties - understandably you might say. Where is VSL theory on the spectrum from kooky to mainstream today? I'm not quite sure. But Maguiejo probably speaks for quite a lot of his peers in any case. According to recent articles I've seen on this topic referees are often inconsistent, arbitrary and have frequently been caught out not even reading the papers they report on!

Martin Shough

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From: Brett Holman

To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Saturday, October 04, 2003 10:02 AM

Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Travis Walton

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Compliments of the Drake of Mallards:

>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Travis Walton  
>Received: 05-10-2003 13:31  
>From: sburns808, sburns808@yahoo.com  
>To: UFORL, UFORL@yahoogroups.com

The S. Burns whose DNA increasingly fascinates me writes:

>My problem is I have seen a UFO for myself (circa 1995 with  
>my wife) so I have this issue of wanting to know how they work.

You'll have to take it on trust that when I say I've seen three UFOs, two of which remain unexplained ("unidentified to... me!") I am not playing some quasi-macho game. These experiences don't give me, or anyone, the licence to assume that what I saw was some otherworldly craft operating under some form of magic technology. How these unexplained sights work[ed] might (for all I know) be a byproduct of my fertile mind, although in one of these instances I'm reasonably sure there was an actual object involved; it's much less certain in the other case. Both were 'daylight disks' to the seeing eye. One could have been an aircraft. The other may have been produced by lens effects in an airliner window. In other words -- to clarify the point I made in an earlier post -- "how they work" is a line of enquiry that makes sense only *\*after\** the item sighted has been identified as a product of some kind of technology. I challenge you to do that.

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One hundred percent of the attributes of swallows in autumn can be explained by the theory that they bury themselves in mud for the duration of the winter.



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In my view, it is not about "who has what published where", it is about the idea standing up to scientific scrutiny (a ruthless bunch!). My problem is I have seen a UFO for myself (circa 1995 with my wife) so I have this issue of wanting to know how they work. We now have a theory IMO based on mainstream accepted physics that explains >90% of observed UFO attributes (these are well documented).

SB

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Compliments of the Droop of Malignancy:

For various reasons I am becoming more and more intrigued by the character of Lt Col (later Col) Charles Halt. Does anyone have a run-down on his later career, or a detailed reference to same? I am interested in what posts he held after leaving Bentwaters/Woodbridge, and what his responsibilities were in them. Come to that, it would be interesting to know what he has done by way of earning an honest crust since retiring from the USAF, but it's his military career that concerns me more. All and any assistance gratefully received. Thanks... and

best wishes  
Peter B

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When yer gravity fails, and negativity don't pull y' through...  
--The Zimmerman Paradox  
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--- In UFORL@yahoogroups.com, "david CLARKE" <cd292@c...> wrote:

> James wrote, re RAF Bawdsey  
> >  
> > RAF Bawdsey seems to have been closed and re-opened, with  
> > differing roles, through to 31 March, 1991, see:  
> >  
> > <http://www.subbrit.org.uk/rsg/sites/b/bawdsey/>  
> >  
> > Likewise, I'm not aware of it being an operational air  
> > defence radar station in 1980, however, I see that  
> > Georgina Bruni claimed, "Major Edward Drury (ret)  
> > confirmed he had reported the incident to RAF Bawdsey who  
> > confirmed they had tracked the UFO on radar".  
>  
> This link confirms the information I had informally: that in  
> June 1964 Bawdsey lost its Master Radar station status and  
> became a satellite station feeding Neatishead.  
>  
> In March 1975 Bawdsey closed and was placed on care and  
> maintenance status: it's radars were dismantled and removed  
> in 1977.  
>  
> The station re-opened in August 1979 as a Bloodhound  
> surface to air missile base.  
>  
> This suggests to me that if the UFO incident was reported  
> to Bawdsey then it was simply because this was nearest  
> RAF base. Perhaps there was an RAF intelligence officer  
> there who acted as a channel between USAF and RAF.  
> But either way, Bawdsey would not have been tracking  
> UFOs on radar in 1980!  
>  
> Quoting John Burroughs:  
>  
> > As far as Halt goes, he stated that US AF went to the  
> > British site and took all of the radar tapes. I'm not  
> > sure where Bawdsey came up, all I know was that it was  
> > taken from the eastern radar site and Bawdsey was named  
> > as that site...  
>  
> This myth originated with Jenny Randles' informant at  
> RAF Watton and is repeated over and over again.  
> I have published the testimony of Sqn Leader Coumbe  
> of RAF Watton who says it was he who impounded the

- > radar tapes and notified RAF Fighter Command.
- >
- > The tapes were removed by a joint RAF/USAF team
- > from MATO for analysis in January 1980. Coumbe says
- > there was nothing unusual about this procedure, it was
- > standard. However, civilian ATC controllers at Watton
- > appear to have been told the tapes were being confiscated
- > and there had been a UFO landing in Rendlesham forest
- > etc.
- > >
- > > Leaving aside whether RAF Bawdsey actually had any
- > > involvement, if John's recollections are correct and both
- > > eastern radar/Heathrow reported a contact which had been
- > > lost near RAF Woodbridge, could that conceivably equate
- > > with the earlier Cosmos 749 space debris re-entry?
- > >
- > The answer is a resounding yes!
- >
- > The Eastern Radar/Heathrow contact lost near RAF
- > Woodbridge and the Cosmos 749 re-entry are the same event.
- > The two events were perceived as occurring at the same
- > time not only by Burroughs and Halt, but also by MOD
- > and the local constabulary.
- >
- > In the letter from Suffolk Police to Ian Ridpath dated 23
- > November 1983, the following appears:
- >
- > "The first visit [to the forest, early hours of 26 December]
- > followed immediately the reported incident and the two
- > officers who attended the incident made a search of the
- > area with negative result. A note on the [police] log indicates
- > that Air Traffic Control at West Drayton were contacted
- > and that there was no known knowledge of aircraft in
- > that area to coincide with the time of the sighting. Mention
- > is also made on the log of reports received of aerial
- > phenomena over Southern England during the night."
- >
- > During the night is the night of December 25: ie the Cosmos
- > re-entry, which occurred at 9.07pm.
- >
- > In the MOD file is briefing dated 1983 which notes:
- >
- > "Ops [Ground Environment] has checked the question of
- > radar traces with NATO who have informally stated that
- > nothing was seen on any radar recordings although they
- > did receive a report of a sighting from a civil aircraft."
- >
- > The sighting from the aircraft is clearly the report of the
- > satellite re-entry made by the crew of a 737 outbound
- > from Stanstead referred to by Jenny Randles. They

> reported seeing a "bright flash" or explosion in the sky  
> over Suffolk/Essex.  
> >  
> > Is it one coincidence too far, that Cosmos 749 debris  
> > finally burnt-up on re-entry, reportedly only some 20  
> > miles from the bases?  
> >  
> > Could this now explain the claimed radar tracking which  
> > 'disappeared' when 'overhead'?  
> >  
> >  
> The answer has to be 'yes' again:  
>  
> I have a copy of the article "Re-entry of Cosmos 749 rocket  
> on 1980, December 25' published in Journal BAA 91, pg  
> 561-66. The relevant section on the rocket track over  
> Kent and East Anglia reads:  
>  
> "It crossed the English coast at Beachy Head and went  
> up the Thames Estuary in the region of the Isle of  
> Sheppey. The point of crossing the English Coast was  
> very well defined. Several observers from the area of  
> Newhaven reported overhead passes but slightly to the  
> east. Observers from Bexhill, Eastbourne area similarly  
> reported overhead passes but slightly to the west. This  
> gave a maximum bandwidth of 17 km from these observers  
> but, when other reports are considered, the most  
> likely track is thought to be within 2 km of Beachy Head  
> itself. Because of the extensive cloud over Kent, the loss  
> of sighting of the fireball did not necessarily coincide with  
> an extinction point. It is thought that there was no general  
> extinction point as the many fragments were burning out  
> or becoming non-luminous over quite a large range of  
> the track. It is known that at least four fragments were still  
> luminous as it crossed over the Thames Estuary, but two  
> of them faded quite quickly. By the time the object was  
> about 12 km east of Southend only one fragment was  
> still luminous. The end point of the final fragmentation could  
> not be defined accurately, but it is thought to have been  
> in the region of Clacton. This is supported by the fact that  
> nothing was recorded on an all-sky camera situated at  
> Ipswich and which was operating at the time."  
>  
> I suggest this passage explains the reference to an object  
> tracked over the Thames Estuary which dropped or  
> disappeared from radar screens near Rendlesham forest.  
>  
> The Journal BAA also has a diagram showing the track  
> of the satellite debris over southeast England. I will  
> obtain a scan of the article and send to James for

> uploading (the original is of poor quality).  
>  
> Dave Clarke

Hi James, David, List,

I concur with David's assessment. After reading the aforementioned BAA Journal article by Ian Ridpath, I requested the only element set available for this particular satellite component from Dr. Nick Johnson of NASA space debris program and using various orbital tracking software and also working out the orbital equations by hand on paper (as Ian Ridpath did) and plotting against an orthographic map, came up with a similar solution for the Cosmos re-entry over southern England. As previously noted by Ian, Jenny Randles and others, this is an event which cannot be entirely ruled out of the series of allegations made in the Rendlesham Forest UFO/s encounter and particularly the \*The Eastern Radar/Heathrow contact\* lost near RAF Woodbrige.

Best Regards

Gary Anthony

P.S. If anyone wants the Cosmos element data, please just shout? As well as having some MET data for this period somewhere among the shifted debris of recent house refurbishments there's also an extremely technical article detailing how particularly bright bolides/meteorites and re-entries are occasionally detected by various radar rigs, despite special hardware and software filtering to prevent this type of natural phenomena.

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>Okay, So why should we believe this story. For all we know they could  
>of been ufos and this story is a cover up.  
>  
>For example "Thanks to the wind, the UFOs appeared to fly in  
>formation. "They formed into a giant V, then re-formed in a straight  
>line," he added. "

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>This is a story in ananova news today.

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>German city 'attacked by flying saucers'

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>A group of ufologists duped a German city into thinking it was about  
>to be attacked by flying saucers.

>

>The fleet of seven "flying saucers" that crossed the city of  
>Heilbronn in echelon formation, was in fact just hot air balloons.

>

>The balloons, measuring 1.5 by 1.8m hovered over the city for 15  
>minutes.

>

>Made of kite paper, they exuded an "unearthly, orangey-red glow",  
>said Werner Walter, who heads the national research network on  
>extraordinary celestial phenomena.

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>"It was like a Hollywood film. People were running outside, calling  
>one another and discussing it in groups," said Mr Walter.

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In a message dated 10/6/2003 10:00:19 AM Eastern Daylight Time,  
sortitout@hotmail.com writes:

> For all we know they could  
> of been ufos and this story is a cover up.

Joseph:

Not even admitted pranks qualify as IFOs? You must have a  
huge list of saucer reports. What exactly do you intend to do  
with them?

Clear skies,  
Bob Young

"There are always an odd number of socks when they come  
out of the wash, so there's got to be some black hole that  
swallows up all the socks, so we came up with a  
way to study this in the laboratory." -- Jeffery Mitchell

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From: "happy\_smily" <sortitout@hotmail.com>  
Date: Mon, 06 Oct 2003 11:07:16 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] On Ananova News  
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This is a story in ananova news today.

### German city 'attacked by flying saucers'

A group of ufologists duped a German city into thinking it was about to be attacked by flying saucers.

The fleet of seven "flying saucers" that crossed the city of Heilbronn in echelon formation, was in fact just hot air balloons.

The balloons, measuring 1.5 by 1.8m hovered over the city for 15 minutes.

Made of kite paper, they exuded an "unearthly, orangey-red glow", said Werner Walter, who heads the national research network on extraordinary celestial phenomena.

"It was like a Hollywood film. People were running outside, calling one another and discussing it in groups," said Mr Walter.

Thanks to the wind, the UFOs appeared to fly in formation. "They formed into a giant V, then re-formed in a straight line," he added. "

From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
Date: Sat, 4 Oct 2003 00:12:44 EDT  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Monster Fireball/rendlesham revelations  
X-Spam-Checker-Version: SpamAssassin 2.55 (1.174.2.19-2003-05-19-exp)  
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In a message dated 10/3/2003 9:01:18 AM Eastern Daylight Time,  
aj.roberts@blueyonder.co.uk writes:

> If anyone has any reports of fireball meteors  
> reported as 'crashing planes' UFOs or anything similar I'd love  
> to see them.

Andy:

There is, of course, the December 9, 1965 fireball meteor over  
the Great Lakes region of the US, reported as the "Keckburg, PA.  
UFO crash." This is a classic example. Its transmogrificatino into  
a UFO will be featured this Oct 14 and 28 on the SCI FI Channel in  
a special.

Clear skies,  
Bob Young

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Date: Sun, 12 Oct 2003 22:38:20 +0200  
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Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim  
Centrales Erforschungs-Netz außergewöhnlicher Himmelsphänomene

Hello List-folks,

see all about the matter here as the latest news on the german UFO-newsticker:

Deutschlands UFO-Nachrichten-Ticker unter

<http://www.alien.de/cenap/cenapnews>

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That was precisely the experiment conducted by Werner and associates!  
V-J

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> Indiana University (812) 855-5073 Room 42  
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> Bloomington IN 47405-7109

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> @ Sent: Sunday, October 12, 2003 3:38 PM

> @ To: UFO Updates

> @ Cc: Project 1947; UFORL@yahoogroups.com

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From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
Date: Sun, 12 Oct 2003 21:21:34 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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James

Perhaps the best evidence for the relevance of both the Cosmos 749 booster re-entry and the 2:50 fireball to the events of 25/26 Dec 1980 comes from Larry Warren's letter home to his mother, dated 6 January 1981, and published in Left at East Gate pp 64-65 . I believe this letter is about as close to the truth as anyone will ever be able to get as regards the Larry Warren Story:

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"Remember I was telling you about the U.F.O. that landed - well I'll tell you the whole story on it. Over Europe and England a bunch of lights were seen - Over London one of the lights broke into about twenty smaller lights - and flew in all directions. At about three in the morning, a guy I know in D-Flight of Security Police told me he responded to a falling star outside the Weapons Storage Area...

Anyway he reported it and then everyone started feeling strange - then a guy on the Backgate at Woodbridge reported a bright light moving through the pine forest. An officer and two sergeants responded but they could not take weapons because they were off base.

Over the radio they reported seeing a pie-shaped object - about 7 by 8 ft in size. But they said every time they would get near it, it would seem further away all of a sudden. They also said that all the animals in the forest were going nuts.

Then all of a sudden the light went out - and over the radio they said they didn't like the situation and wanted to go back to base - but they were told to keep on investigating.

Then they said the thing appeared behind them - it seemed like it was playing games. After 3 and a half miles of following the thing through the countryside and woods - the thing just disappeared in a field. It was only about 10 ft off the ground. This is what a friend of mine said he heard on the radio".

At that same time, me and five other guys were walking up a dark path about 2 miles from base . . . cause we couldn't get a ride and we felt like we were being watched and it was strange cause there were no street lights - Then we saw a bright light go right over us about 50 feet up and just fly over a field. It was silent. We first thought it was an A-10 jet. But they scream. So we ran away, because witchcraft and black magic is a big thing in this part of Suffolk and we thought that witches were in the woods. That light just seemed to jump over the trees - Then the next day it turned out that we were in the same place as the U.F.O. so I think we saw it too. Now the three people who saw it can't and won't speak about it at all. And supposedly no animals have gone back into the woods yet - They did find two landing sights - and supposedly some equipment left behind.

A big C-130 came in and took something in a crate away a few days later and the guards were flown in from somewhere else - it is strange and now I hear that strange things have been going on in the forest for the past weeks - and remember we did get cut off on the phone. . . Say hi to everyone, and I'll call soon.

Love, Larry

P.S. The picture is of me in London about a month ago. . . tell Sam to write.

(P.S. Ma, When I get home I'll tell you the truth about the U.F.O.: I can't in the mail, they read it!)"

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List subscribers can use their own judgement as to whether or not the final PS was written at the same time as the rest of the letter. Suffice to say that Warren's official account is that his encounter took place on 28 December, and prior to that he was unaware of any UFO activity. Yet the obvious reference in this letter to both the re-entry of Cosmos 749 (which was spectacular, lasting nearly 1 minute and visible over large parts of southern England) and the 2:50 a.m fireball, clearly identifies the events he relates in this letter as having taken place the night of 25/26 December.

It is interesting that someone in the Weapons Storage Area spotted and later correctly identified the fireball. I wonder who that was.

It also seems from this letter that Larry Warren also saw the 2:50 a.m. fireball, but didn't identify it as such.

Regarding the fireball, some time ago I did manage to get hold of a copy of the BAA Meteor Section Newsletter No. 4 dated Feb. 1981. What is not widely known is that including Cosmos 749 there were up to 4 fireballs the night of 25-26/12/1980. In fact, it would have been difficult for a UFO to land at a time NOT nearly coincident with some other more mundane celestial event, and no doubt this explains the coincidence of the 2:50 a.m. fireball and the UFO in Rendlesham Forest. Copied below is the portion of this newsletter relating the celestial events that night.

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### Christmas Crackers

Those astronomers observing on Christmas night, 1980, may be forgiven for thinking they had overdone the Turkey and Christmas Pudding. Roy Panther discovered his Comet (1980u) in the, constellation of Lyra, early that evening, and three (possibly, four) fireballs were reported.

The first object occurred at 17.20 UT (plus/minus 2 minutes) and was of magnitude -5. It was widely seen over Southern England and brightened and faded smoothly, with no fragmentation or anomalous behaviour. The duration of this event was only a few seconds, and from Sussex, the object first appeared near Beta Aurigae and travelled towards the southern horizon, extinguishing in Eridanus.

Two other fireballs, both of only a few seconds duration, were sighted at 19.20 UT (plus/minus 5 minutes), and at 02.50 UT (plus/minus 5 minutes) on Boxing Day. The first of these was only reported by 3 witnesses (all non-astronomers) and the second by 4 witnesses, all of whom estimated its brightness as comparable to the gibbous Moon and of 3 to 4 seconds duration. Further observations of all these objects, are required.

Without doubt, the most spectacular and best observed event was of major interest. It occurred at 21.00 UT, and was a fireball of extremely long duration and showing considerable fragmentation, followed by eventual total disintegration. It has been identified as the re-entry of the third stage of a Cosmos rocket launcher, and observations were made over most of Southern England, the track passing across the English Channel from near the Cherbourg peninsula, south of the Isle of Wight and running close to both Eastbourne and Dover.

Thanks to the energy and efficiency of Assistant Director John Mason, some 300 reports of sightings were collected, following appeals on local radio, and in the Press, many within the crucial first 24 hours after the event. There has been close liaison at all times between the Meteor Section and Howard Miles, Director of the Artificial Satellite Section. At first it was

thought the object had been identified as Cosmos 749 Rocket, but this is now extremely unlikely, as the object observed had an orbital inclination far lower than the value of 74 degrees for Cosmos 749 in fact, nearer to 55 degrees inclination.

The investigations are continuing, and the net has now widened to the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium and Northern France, where an event was also witnessed on Christmas night. Subsequently, pieces of debris were recovered on the ground, in particular at Maldegem, near Bruges in Northern Belgium. However, there is an enigma in that the two sets of data are inconsistent, and do not appear to relate to the same object. One theory is that there were two re-entries on the same night but, clearly, much more investigation needs to be carried out. A full report will be available in due course. Observations of this re-entry are still needed from observers living in Kent and East Anglia, so please send any further information to Howard Miles without delay.

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What this report does not state is where in the sky the 2:50 a.m. fireball was visible. I will try to contact John Mason to see if he has this data.

If John Burroughs and Bud Steffens did not see the 2:50 a.m. fireball, then perhaps they heard chatter on their radio originating from the guard in the WSA who did spot it.

James, I suggest you copy Burroughs with Larry Warren's letter of 6 January 1981, and ask him some questions about what prompted them to look out in the woods in the first place.

Best regards,

Robert McLean

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Saturday, October 11, 2003 3:26 AM

Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

> Regarding:

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> >From: "david CLARKE" <cd292@crazydiamonds.fsnet.co.uk>

> >Date: Wed, 8 Oct 2003 09:00:24 +0100

> >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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> Dave wrote:

>

> >I have a copy of the article "Re-entry of Cosmos 749  
> >rocket on 1980, December 25' published in Journal BAA  
> >91, pg 561-66. The relevant section on the rocket track  
> >over Kent and East Anglia reads:

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> >"... By the time the object was about 12 km east of  
> >Southend only one fragment was still luminous. The end  
> >point of the final fragmentation could not be defined  
> >accurately, but it is thought to have been in the region  
> >of Clacton. This is supported by the fact that nothing  
> >was recorded on an all-sky camera situated at Ipswich  
> >and which was operating at the time."

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> Dave,

>

> This is so helpful, thanks.

>

> I didn't realise the BAA's journal contained such a  
> detailed report.

>

> >I suggest this passage explains the reference to an  
> >object tracked over the Thames Estuary which dropped or  
> >disappeared from radar screens near Rendlesham forest.

>

> It certainly seems to be an explanation for that aspect.

>

> Outwith the radar tracking being associated with  
> enigmatic forest lights and consequently, understandable  
> concerns of a possible aircraft crash, there's no  
> tangible connection to those lights, which were of course  
> observed at almost the exact same time as yet another  
> 'bright fireball'.

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> A quite extraordinary series of events, with something of  
> a 'knock-on' effect from the radar trace.

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> Even if Cosmos 749 wreckage survived, it was, apparently,  
> from the upper stage rocket; would that have been of  
> significant interest to respective UK/US governments?

>

> Doubtless, if someone reported debris had been found, it  
> would be recovered as a matter of course.

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> Beyond same...?

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> Aside from the 29-31 December, 1980 helicopter activity  
> reported by John Burroughs, when it seemed the

> helicopters were searching for something in Rendlesham  
> forest, close to east gate, there remain unanswered  
> questions.  
>  
> Amongst them is how to reconcile the account given to  
> myself in 1997 by former member of the 81st Security  
> Police Squadron's 'B' flight, Geraldo Valdes-Sanchez,  
> otherwise known as Jerry Valdes. Working on the same  
> flight as John, Jerry recalled how later on the morning  
> of our initial 'UFO' incident, circa 0300, 26 December,  
> 1980:  
>  
> "Shift change in the morney for 'B' flight was extremely  
> late. 'A' Flight relieved us at 9:30 am, very late.  
>  
> When we went out the East gate back to Bentwaters,  
> leaving Woodbridge, there were many people, including  
> numerous people in typical lab coats making an analysis  
> of the area.. You could see out the vehicle to the right  
> side, that there were many people examining the area,  
> searching, looking for something. Some of these people  
> were in white overcoats, that's why I say that they  
> looked like typical techs in lab coats.  
>  
> They were searching the area in front of the forest".  
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>  
> >The Journal BAA also has a diagram showing the track  
> >of the satellite debris over southeast England. I will  
> >obtain a scan of the article and send to James for  
> >uploading (the original is of poor quality).  
>  
> That would be appreciated.  
>  
> Is similar data available, anywhere, for our 0250  
> 'fireball'?  
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> James.  
> E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com  
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Disclaimer: The above is intended as good-natured ribbing and not to be construed as a personal attack or ridicule. But do give us a break!

==JJS==

-----Original Message-----

From: Robinson, Larry [mailto:lrobins@indiana.edu]  
Sent: Monday, October 13, 2003 8:43 AM  
To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Report and pictures to the "german saucer-invasion"

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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Fri, 11 Jul 2003 01:56:28 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Cash-Landrum

I wrote:

"For information, ongoing TF158 FOIA requests are primarily being redirected by various USAF bases to one central source.

The CIA claim to have no related material.

A request sent to Eglin AFB has come up with something of interest. Although I asked about TF158 operations, the specific known connection with Eglin was operation 'Credible Sport', see:

[http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible\\_Sport.htm](http://www.spectrumwd.com/c130/articles/Credible_Sport.htm)

I included same in my request and they have located a document entitled, "Credible Sport II Phase 2 Operational Evaluation".

I can find no trace of this online and have no idea if it's previously been released.

I note the title specifically refers to "Credible Sport II".

There's no online mention of 'Credible Sport II' and I've certainly never heard of a second 'Credible Sport' operation.

As always, we'll hopefully see what's revealed".  
[END]

I also later mentioned, "Eglin AFB subsequently redirected that request..."

I have recently been advised by the USAF:

"You requested a copy of: Credible Sport II Phase 2 Operational Utility Evaluation.

The unclassified technical data in the report is still subject to the Arms Export Control Act (22 USC 2751). 10 USC 130 provides that information, which cannot be publicly released under the Arms Export Control Act, may be withheld under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Accordingly, by operation of federal statute, exemption 3 of FOIA applies and the information should not be released. Therefore, your request is denied.

If you feel the need to appeal this decision, write to the Secretary of the Air force within 60 calendar days".

etc.

As 'Credible Sport II' is something of an aside, this is no major obstacle. However, presuming that additional 'Credible Sport II' documents will be located at the same source, I will submit a fresh FOIA request for any related material, outwith the above document.

It would still be desirable to clarify what 'Credible Sport II' actually concerned. Presently, it's not even certain there's any connection with the publicised 1980 'Credible Sport' project - 'II' could be an entirely separate venture years afterwards.

Meantime, regarding the primary TF158 FOIA requests, all redirected to one central source, I was informed:

"Your requests are being processed as expeditiously as possible... It is the policy of this command to make every effort to ensure that all requesters are treated equally. The FOIA is a slow and cumbersome process made even more arduous by the limited resources made available to our command. Based on general fairness to the public, the FOIA establishes a queuing concept, first in, first, out, on an easy-hard basis, and controlled in response queues".

In short, this is going to take some time [what's an 'easy-hard basis'?]

True to their word, it's now over 3 months since I

received that letter.

When the formal response arrives, I fully expect another request denial, especially as it's initially an all-encompassing request.

Should be an interesting reply though and hopefully worth the wait.

James.

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From: Diane Harrison <auforn@hypermax.net.au>  
Date: Tue, 14 Oct 2003 09:40:52 +1000  
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At 7:57 PM +0200 13/10/03, Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos wrote:  
>That was precisely the experiment conducted by Werner and associates!  
>V-J

Hi guys

Go to this page and you will see the explanation.

<http://mysteries-online.alien.de/indexframes.html?/Croffelbach6.html>

>  
>--- "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu> escribió: > I can't read the  
>text, but the pictures in the first link look like  
>> type-1 fire balloons. These are the kind that are made of gores of  
>> tissue paper glued together. I count 6 gores.  
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>> @ -----Original Message-----  
>> @ From: Werner Walter [mailto:CENAP@addcom.de]  
>> @ Sent: Sunday, October 12, 2003 3:38 PM  
>> @ To: UFO Updates  
>> @ Cc: Project 1947; UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
>> @ Subject: [UFORL] Report and pictures to the "german saucer-invasion"  
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Regarding:

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Sun, 12 Oct 2003 21:21:34 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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>published in Left at East Gate pp 64-65

Robert,

I've previously highlighted this letter as evidence which correlates with those original witness statements.

Both interesting and helpful to appreciate how it also incorporates other aspects currently being discussed.

>Regarding the fireball, some time ago I did manage to  
>get hold of a copy of the BAA Meteor Section Newsletter  
>No. 4 dated Feb. 1981. What is not widely known is that  
>including Cosmos 749 there were up to 4 fireballs the  
>night of 25-26/12/1980. In fact, it would have been  
>difficult for a UFO to land at a time NOT nearly  
>coincident with some other more mundane celestial event,  
>and no doubt this explains the coincidence of the 2:50  
>a.m. fireball and the UFO in Rendlesham Forest. Copied  
>below is the portion of this newsletter relating the  
>celestial events that night.

This is exceptionally informative.

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Robert:

Correct. Only cops used the cop network. Occasionally you would hear a senior non cop on the net, but that was very unusual.

Since they did not use the same 10 code as we did, and did not have the copy verbal short hand, it was very obvious who they were. They did not issue orders to individuals when they did come on the net.

Drury was not English - I don't know about his wife.

Kevin

Robert Mclean <robert.mclean2@virgin.net> wrote:

----- Original Message -----

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Saturday, September 20, 2003 2:39 AM

Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

> Regarding:

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> >From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>

> >Date: Thu, 18 Sep 2003 12:16:09 +0100

> >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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> According to John, Drury was English, which I don't quite

> understand.

According to "You Can't Tell the People" Ed Drury was married to a local Woodbridge lady. Perhaps this is where John Burroughs got that idea.

On the other hand, there is one location on the Halt tape where a background voice seems to be speaking in an English accent:

HALT: OK, why don't we do this: why don't we make a sweep. Here, I've got my gloves on now. Let's make a sweep out around the whole area about ten foot out, make a perimeter run around it. Starting right back here at the corner, uh, back at the same first corner where we came in. Let's go right back here. I want to depend upon you countin' the clicks.

NEVELS: Right.

4 minutes

HALT: OK, let's...[unclear]

VOICE: [unclear]...out here if it getting' louder.

HALT: The light, put the light on it and let's sweep around it.

VOICE: It was black?

HALT: Put it on the ground every once in a while.

VOICE: [very faint, possibly an English accent] . . . found an abrasion . . .

ENGLUND: This looks like an abrasion on the tree...

HALT: OK, we'll catch that on the way back, let's go around.

VOICE: C'mon back.

HALT: Hit it, Ted. [possibly "Hit, it Ed.", i.e. Major Edward Drury]

ENGLUND: We're getting interest right over here. It looks like an abrasion pointing into the center of the [unclear]...

HALT: It is.

ENGLUND: ...area.

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> Coincidentally, John had recently mentioned this segment  
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When I discussed this with Kevin Conde, he explained that it would very unusual for a senior officer to be issuing orders like this over the radio, and that it was much more likely that the Officer was therefore MSgt Bobby

Ball.

After considering this some more, I believe that there are other reasons for concluding that the Officer must be Bobby Ball, as suggested by Kevin. This is because Lt Bruce Englund and MSgt Bobby Ball together signed out two Starlight Scopes. Don Laisure III was in charge of the stores that evening, and told me this himself. John Burroughs in a radio interview also mentioned they had two Starlight Scopes.

Halt's investigation of the alleged landing site was in two phases. In the first phase they took radiation readings and took samples of soil and sap. In the second phase, they used the Starlight Scope to look at the tree abrasions and ground indentations in conditions of near darkness.



From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
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James:

Drury was not English.

Verano is correct. As I remember is real name was Miguel, but was Americanized to Mike, the English version of Miguel.

Kevin

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of the Halt tape and confirms it was Ball who turned down his request.

Although MSgt Bobby Ball was the Security Flight Chief for the flight on duty, as Burroughs was off-duty that night, Ball was not his usual 'boss', as such.

I hope to clarify all of this further and confirm if Conrad was at any time present that night.

Interestingly, Conrad's son joined the USAF Security Police and John Burroughs met him some years back.

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Regarding,

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Sat, 20 Sep 2003 15:15:24 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Robert wrote:

>James, perhaps you could ask John Burroughs if he  
>actually recalls Maj. Drury having an English accent?

Robert,

Yes, it's one of the related questions I'm sure we can  
definitively resolve.

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>>segment of the Halt tape and confirms it was Ball who  
>>turned down his request.

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>are other reasons for concluding that the Officer must  
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I would go along with your reasoning, it all seems to  
make sense.

Also regarding:

>From: "Jim Speiser" <jimspeiser@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Sat, 20 Sep 2003 15:29:15 -0700  
>Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Jim wrote:

>However, in going through my old tapes, I did come  
>across one where I interviewed Burroughs at length for a

>local TV talk show I hosted. This would be around 10  
>years ago. Interested?

Jim,

Very much so. These earlier recollections, especially if a lengthy interview, might include material which could now be better understood.

I'll contact you about this separately.

Going over details with John Burroughs during recent times, much of the evidence now falls into place because of research developments in the past few years.

Equally, some doesn't and although questions remain, at least they have become much clearer.

Although John acknowledges that Cabansag, Penniston and himself ended up following the beacon from Orfordness lighthouse, it's what really occurred before then - from the time they first observed unfamiliar lights within the forest, investigated and then eventually lost sight of those lights - which is our principle story that night.

Unfortunately, it's been greatly sensationalised, essentially by Penniston, who disavows he ever wrote his early statement, in which he confirmed never being closer than a perceived 50 meters to the enigmatic lights.

A bit different to increasingly elaborate tales of examining a landed craft, etc. for some 20 minutes.

Noting that Penniston's claims were significantly affected once he had been hypnotised, John has also now placed on record his confirmation that the statement in question was written by Penniston.

It detracts from what actually remains an interesting 'UFO' story, once we begin to appreciate John Burroughs' account in its true context.

However, more on that another time as this is all subject to ongoing questions.

On which note, also regarding:

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Kevin,

Thanks, this is an immense help and more so than I can  
reveal at present.

Soon as...

James.

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>course". Was that ever published?  
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>Off-list, Ian Ridpath has been exceptionally helpful and  
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>questions.

Thanks to Ian for now clarifying:

"The comments in the meteor section newsletter were a preliminary attempt to make sense of some conflicting observations. Forget it; they were superseded by the subsequent paper in the BAA Journal. When you see that paper you'll find there is no doubt the object that re-entered over southern England on Christmas Eve 1980 was Cosmos 749. The situation is as given on my web page".

Ian also notes that the four witnesses - as mentioned in the initial BAA newsletter - to our 0250 'fireball' were, from his recollection of related discussions with John Mason, four people on the south coast returning from a Christmas party.

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>"Remember I was telling you about the U.F.O. that landed  
>- well I'll tell you the whole story on it. Over Europe  
>and England a bunch of lights were seen - Over London  
>one of the lights broke into about twenty smaller lights  
>- and flew in all directions. At about three in the  
>morning, a guy I know in D-Flight of Security Police  
>told me he responded to a falling star outside the  
>Weapons Storage Area."

Robert,

Consequently, if Warren did write this letter as claimed, his mention of a "falling star", circa "three in the morning", is indeed surely a reference to the 0250 'fireball', evidently also witnessed on base.

Warren's letter continues:

"Anyway he reported it and then everyone started feeling strange - then a guy on the Backgate at Woodbridge reported a bright light moving through the pine forest. An officer and two sergeants responded but they could not take weapons because they were off base".

Although Staff-Sergeant Jim Penniston was duly accompanied off base by Airman First Class John Burroughs and Airman Ed Cabansag, there was another 'Sergeant' involved - Staff-Sergeant Bud Steffans, who remained back at east gate.

Checking east gate's security as part of their routine jeep patrol, Burroughs and Steffans had reported from that location an observation of unusual lights within Rendlesham forest, to which Penniston and Cabansag's patrol responded

Warren then writes:

"Over the radio they reported seeing a pie-shaped object - about 7 by 8 ft in size. But they said every time they would get near it, it would seem further away all of a sudden. They also said that all the animals in the forest were going nuts.

Then all of a sudden the light went out - and over the radio they said they didn't like the situation and wanted to go back to base - but they were told to keep on

investigating.

Then they said the thing appeared behind them - it seemed like it was playing games. After 3 and a half miles of following the thing through the countryside and woods - the thing just disappeared in a field. It was only about 10 ft off the ground. This is what a friend of mine said he heard on the radio".

Overall, this second-hand account from Warren is in general agreement with the early January 1981 witness statements provided by Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston, at Halt's belated request.

Remarkably, Warren adds:

"At that same time, me and five other guys were walking up a dark path about 2 miles from base... cause we couldn't get a ride and we felt like we were being watched and it was strange cause there were no street lights - Then we saw a bright light go right over us about 50 feet up and just fly over a field. It was silent. We first thought it was an A-10 jet. But they scream. So we ran away, because witchcraft and black magic is a big thing in this part of Suffolk and we thought that witches were in the woods. That light just seemed to jump over the trees - Then the next day it turned out that we were in the same place as the U.F.O. so I think we saw it too".

However, in 'Left at East Gate' [p32], he blatantly contradicts:

"The day before Christmas, I left for Germany with my friend Mark. We had met two German girls in London the previous week at Le Beat Route, a club on Greek Street.

[...].

I think the girls lost interest in Mark and me on the second night.

[...]

On or about 27 December, we flew back to RAF Mildenhall to begin our shift the next night.

[END]



Consequently, if Warren was statedly in Germany between 24-27 December, then how to reconcile from that alluded letter, his corroboration of our founding 'UFO' sighting at approximately 0300 on 26 December; "Then the next day it turned out that we were in the same place as the U.F.O. so I think we saw it too"?

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[END]

I note that, "pieces of debris were recovered on the ground, in particular at Maldegem, near Bruges" and this apparently concerns a possibility of "two re-entries on the same night" - no association with meteors.

I have also located a reference to the following paper,  
published in 'WGN', journal of the 'International Meteor  
Organization':

VANMUNSTER T. (1981):  
DE MYSTERIEUZE METEORIET UIT MALDEGEM  
WGN, Journal of the IMO 9, 6-6

See:

[http://www.imo.net/bib/auth\\_v.html](http://www.imo.net/bib/auth_v.html)

What re-entry "debris" was recovered at Maldegem and how  
does it then perhaps become related to a 'mysterious  
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The BAA state, "A full report will be available in due  
course". Was that ever published?

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questions.

Meantime, John Burroughs clarifies:

"We did not see any of the fireball activity".

He adds:

"Just wondering, if Bawdsey was contacted and was a SAM  
site, could they have shot something down?"

Informed feedback duly invited.

Incidentally, John also confirms having no knowledge of  
Col. Ted Conrad being directly involved during Halt's  
'second night' investigations.

James.

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## PROJECT FOTOCAT NEWS, October 2003

For previous reports and citations of various forms of co-operation with this project, see: <<http://www.anomalia.org/fotocat1.htm>>

### LATEST COUNT

The latest tally of FOTOCAT shows 4,000 entries. Considering an estimate of 10,000 of the total number of photographic cases world-wide between 1947 and 2003, it shows the big progress accomplished to date.

### OUTSTANDING DONATION

An important donation has just taken place. Dr. Roberto Enrique Banchs, one of the leading, historical figures of UFO research in Argentina, has generously submitted to the FOTOCAT Project his personal collection of photographs amounting to some hundreds of prints and slides, which will certainly enrich our archives. This material will surely complement our documentation files, mainly for Argentina.

### CHANGES IN FOTOCAT's STRUCTURE

The FOTOCAT Excel listing is evolving once more. The last version has included the decision to be in English, because most of potential users are English-speaking. Also, new columns have been added to include: names of photographers, media associated to them, special features of photographs or photography conditions (infrared or other sensibility film used, stereo o 3D, automatic cameras, gun or satellite cameras, object invisible to eye, blank photos, spectra or magnetic recording, etc). Besides, a new column introduced to enter geographical codes for provinces, States or regions for Spain, United States, Brazil, France, Belgium, Canada, Australia, Mexico, etc. This improvement will allow the researchers to tabulate the event listing with larger flexibility, as soon as it is made freely available through the internet.

### RECENT INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Brad Sparks, a noted US researcher has provided us with a copy of his "Comprehensive Catalog of 1,500 Blue Book Unknowns: Work in Progress", June 18, 2003 version. 24 photographic or film cases are included and although only 2 reports were new to FOTOCAT, a number of interesting details and references have been added to the actual documentation.

From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2003 01:07:22 +0100  
>Subject: [UFORL] Socorro Solved?

I wrote:

This was the easy 'out'. Instead of opting for it, the CIA have indicated being unable to.

I wondered how they would react if that was the situation.

What could they formally state, if a connection to the cited Socorro incident was factual?

What they do say is:

"In addition [to the 'Albuquerque flights' - James], you also ask if there is 'any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations.'

Please be advised that our 1 July, 2003 response to you also applies to this subject and timeframe".

Consequently, no denial of any associated documents, only a resolute denial of my quite specific 'Socorro' FOIA request under stated 1 July, 2003, "FOIA exemptions".

I will appeal their decision about data pertaining to 24 April, 1964.

Meantime, pending any further developments, I would have to take this evidence at face value.

[END]

The CIA have recently acknowledged they will consider an appeal.

I had written to them:

Within the prerequisite period, I now appeal against your decision.

I requested information or records pertaining to, "a project which took place during 1963 and 1964, known as 'The Albuquerque Flights'. These involved some of the earliest hot-air balloon flights made and the balloons were launched north of Albuquerque, close to the Rio Grande".

Additionally and specifically, I requested, "any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations".

[...]

As the existence of those flights has been confirmed by both Jim Winker and Ed Yost, it would surely now be in the public interest to definitively resolve this classic 'UFO' case.

To reiterate, it's not a requirement that individuals who participated are identified.

I attach for your information a draft article which, suitably edited, should shortly be published by the [name deleted - James] newspaper.

A more extensive version will be published by a foremost magazine, as their front-page feature article.  
[END]

They were made aware of the article to ensure no misunderstandings about inherent contents and how it related to them.

Although my letter of appeal was dated 10 September, no such newspaper feature has yet been published. Central to the postponement have been my endeavours to guarantee responsible reporting and that Zamora must absolutely not be vilified therein. It wasn't Zamora who championed the incident as a pivotal 'flying saucer' encounter.

All elements of the newspaper article are now in place and it will be published within the next week or so.

Presently, I can't elucidate further.

The CIA's still classified hot-air balloon 'Albuquerque flights' are arguably the main media interest. Should an evident connection to Zamora's sighting be resultantly disproven, then fine, especially if someone comes forward to offer significant new evidence, etc.

Meantime, the following, which seems to have largely gone unnoticed, might be of interest:

<http://www.abqjournal.com/roswell/95314travel10-05-03.htm>

James.

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Several thoughts on the questions asked below:

- Upper stages often break into several pieces when they release their satellites. Often the upper stage either splits in half to reveal the satellite itself, or it jettisons a nose cone or a set of doors. Thus, there often is a cluster of related parts in the same decaying orbit.
- Spy satellite technology at the time used film canisters which were periodically jettisoned. Each one has retro rockets, a heat shield, and parachutes.
- The hostage situation in Iran was at a critical point during the time the Rendlesham sightings occurred. Reagan had just been elected President, and nobody knew whether the terrorists would release the hostages or kill them, once Carter was out of office (one of their demands at the time).

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@ -----Original Message-----

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@ Sent: Saturday, October 18, 2003 8:32 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahooogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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@ Regarding:

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@ >From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>

@ >Date: Tue, 14 Oct 2003 23:59:21 +0100

@ >Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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@ I asked re the BAA Meteor Section Newsletter No. 4, dated

@ Feb. 1981:

@

@ "One fundamental question which it immediately raises:  
@  
@ 'At first it was thought the object had been identified  
@ as Cosmos 749 Rocket, but this is now extremely unlikely,  
@ as the object observed had an orbital inclination far  
@ lower than the value of 74 degrees for Cosmos 749 in  
@ fact, nearer to 55 degrees inclination.  
@  
@ [...]  
@  
@ The investigations are continuing, and the net has now  
@ widened to the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium and Northern  
@ France, where an event was also witnessed on Christmas  
@ night. Subsequently, pieces of debris were recovered on  
@ the ground, in particular at Maldegem, near Bruges in  
@ Northern Belgium. However, there is an enigma in that the  
@ two sets of data are inconsistent, and do not appear to  
@ relate to the same object. One theory is that there were  
@ two re-entries on the same night but, clearly, much more  
@ investigation needs to be carried out. A full report will  
@ be available in due course'.  
@  
@ Are we now contemplating that it might not have been a  
@ mundane upper-stage rocket which disappeared from radar  
@ close to the bases?  
@  
@ Could it perhaps have been something of more significant  
@ value, like a Soviet or U.S. spy satellite?"

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What follows is a previously unpublished extract from the transcript of a recording of Halt's lecture at the Quest International Conference ('UFO Magazine' [UK]) conference at Leeds, on 31 July, 1994.

Describing the night of his involvement and its aftermath, he states:

Now this time frame started around 10:30, 11 o'clock at night and went on until after 4 o'clock in the morning. The object was still in the sky at 4 o'clock in the morning. We were exhausted, we had been up all day - I had been up since 9 o'clock in the morning - through a great deal of emotional stress.

Tired, hungry, we were wet ...[unclear]... we were still upset about the whole thing that happened that evening. So we went back up towards where the lightalls were. They were still playing with the lightalls. I said, 'Pack it in, and gather them up, let's take everything back to the base.'

We went back to the base. That was early Sunday morning. I caught a few hours sleep, then went over to the office, to do something, I don't remember why. I had the tape with me, and I ran into my boss. I ran into Gordon Williams, we shared a building. He was in the one half and I was in the other half of the building, a small building with a foyer in between, a big foyer. And, uh, he knew something happened, he'd heard part of the conversation - on the radio. And he said, 'Tell me what happened.'

So I told him, basically told him the story, and he heard the tape. He said, 'May I borrow the tape?', so he borrowed the tape. I didn't want to give it to him, I didn't want to be ridiculed. He said, 'I want to take the tape down to third Air Force, to play it General Bazley'. General Bazley is the commander of US Air Force activities in England ...[unclear]... Well, here's trouble! When I come up for my next assignment, there goes my potential promotion, and my security clearance is probably gone. This is the end.

I really worried, until after he came back on Tuesday. He came back on Tuesday. And I said, 'What happened?'. He said, 'It was very interesting.' He said, 'I described the events, as you told me and General Bazley raised his eyebrows.'. Nobody said anything. He said, uh, 'I explained about the tape and he said he wanted to hear the tape.' I played the tape, He said, now based on what was on it, looked around the room at his staff and said, 'Well, what do we do now?' You could have heard a pin drop. Nobody said anything, nobody. Then Lieutenant [unclear] said, 'Wow, this thing's bigger than the [unclear] affair..!..'  
[END]

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Revisiting early case correspondence, when I had contacted, via web sites for former base personnel, some 20-30 who had statedly served at RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge during December 1980, the following, previously unpublished, response might be of interest.

As 'nuclear weapons' are mentioned, I will not identify the source. To be taken 'as read', etc.:

Dear James,

I did serve in the US Air Force during the time the sightings occurred at RAF Woodbridge. I was a Staff Sergeant assigned to the 81st Equipment Maintenance Squadron Missile Shop, located in the weapons storage area. So here goes my story, I'm not sure if you'll believe this, but I assure you it's what I heard from security personnel and a Air Force investigator.

A friend of mine, another Staff Sergeant was taking a night class on base and a fellow classmate from the security squadron told him about the incident outside RAF Woodbridge. This was only 2 or 3 days after the sighting took place. The next day, David told me what was said and of course I didn't believe a word he said. We were close friends and always pulling each others legs so I just laughed it off, but he assured me it was true. Since working in the bomb dump and knowing many of the security guards there, I called a friend in the security squadron and asked if he knew anything. I felt like a fool for asking, but by this time I was very curious about all of this. He transferred my call to his supervisor and he asked who I was and what squadron I was assigned to. Since I did work in the munitions storage area and made the call sound official, he then again transferred me to the.. as he put it, "UFO investigator".

I'm surprised he was so open about the investigation but he told me a lot of information and here is what I remember. There was a landing, as he put it, outside the base in Rendlesham Forest. Lights were seen by the back gate security guard one evening and a security alert team "SAT" was dispatched to the back gate. American personnel cannot leave the base with loaded weapons so the team

left their M16's and M60 with the gate guard (Later they were reprimanded for leaving their weapons). After driving into the forest for just a short distance, they returned to the base and reported the sighting. At no time did the control tower personnel see anything by sight or radar. Knowing them they were asleep!!

I'm not sure when the assistant base commander got involved but a landing site was found or what appeared to be a landing sight. An area of a clearing was slightly burnt, or should be said the ferns that are common in the forest looked to be wilted by a heat source. Three triangular marks were found that looked like landing gear. They were 114 inches apart but I can't remember if he told me the size of the imprints. Since we did have nuclear bombs (I didn't say that) located on the base, we did have Geiger counters. There was a slight reading of radiation found but nothing that would be harmful.

Another note is that a few days prior to this a British National was riding her horse somewhere north of the base and was thrown when a red ball flew over her while riding.

Soon after all of this, within days of hearing the British Home Office was notified, the investigators were gone and everyone involved denied any of the rumors. It seemed to us not to be a alien craft but a British experimental of some sort. Why else would the Brits shut us up so quick?

That's all I know and can remember. Hope I was of some help...  
[END]

Follow-up questions and answers:

Q: I'm interested to hear that you spoke to the official 'UFO investigator'. Was this someone normally stationed on base?

A: At the time of my phone conversation, I did not know if the investigator was local or from off base. A few days later when I inquired the talk was that "the team" departed the base. I assumed that there was more than one investigator and they were not assigned to the 81 TFW.

Q: Do you recall which unit/department he worked for?

A: This I have no idea about, all I know is that he was working out of the base security squadron building.

Q: Were you aware what these investigations involved and whether personnel were interviewed about the incidents?

A: Not sure on this one. What the investigator told me I told you. I assume he had to do interviews to gain this information.

Q: You note that, "At no time did the control tower personnel see anything by sight or radar". What was your source?

A: This information was not supplied by the investigator. Second hand from my friend and his buddy in the security squadron. It could be just rumor.

Q: You mention, "...a few days prior to this, a British National was riding her horse somewhere north of the base and was thrown when a red ball flew over her while riding".

Can you recall how you learned about this?

A: I believe this was in a local paper but not 100% sure. I did hear it from a local police constable (he was my neighbor, the Halesworth Station) but he's living in Perth, Australia, last I hear.

Q: Re a \_British\_ experimental craft... A 'top secret' US aircraft was one conceivable explanation and there have been rumours of 'stealth' technology.

A: It doesn't make any sense to me that it was an American craft. Bentwaters or Woodbridge did not have any buildings that an aircraft could come and go without being seen. When the SR-71 used to land at Bentwaters, the plane would do a quick taxi to the Victor alert area and into a hanger. Since I had a top secret clearance, I had access to all areas of the base that could hide an aircraft and I was never turned away from entering any aircraft shelters. The investigator seemed too open about giving me information till the British were involved.

As soon as they got their fingers in the pie, everyone shut up, it just seemed to me the British wanted to keep this a secret.

[END]

Curious in retrospect: "Soon after all of this, within days of hearing the British Home Office was notified, the investigators were gone...".

Was it common knowledge on base that the "British Home Office", alias [presumably] the Ministry of Defence, had been notified?

Does this refer to Halt's memo, which wasn't sent until 13 January, 1981? Sounds like tales of the 'team' departing predated this.

All anecdotal evidence, of course, however, I will ask John Burroughs for his comments, especially about a 'reprimand' for leaving their weapons behind at east gate!

James.  
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>Date: Mon, 20 Oct 2003 04:34:38 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

>Consequently, if Warren was statedly in Germany between  
>24-27 December, then how to reconcile from that alluded  
>letter, his corroboration of our founding 'UFO' sighting  
>at approximately 0300 on 26 December; "Then the next day  
>it turned out that we were in the same place as the  
>U.F.O. so I think we saw it too"?

Robert McLean had previously also quoted from Warren's letter home:

>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Sun, 12 Oct 2003 21:21:34 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

>"A big C-130 came in and took something in a crate away  
>a few days later and the guards were flown in from  
>somewhere else..."

This is a claim repeated by Halt, who stated that the flight brought its own security team to guard the aircraft.

It's arguably unlikely that Warren's published letter is a later fabrication, as he should have come up with something more dramatic than:

"At that same time, me and five other guys were walking up a dark path about 2 miles from base . . . cause we couldn't get a ride and we felt like we were being watched and it was strange cause there were no street lights - Then we saw a bright light go right over us about 50 feet up and just fly over a field. It was silent. We first thought it was an A-10 jet. But they scream. So we ran away, because witchcraft and black magic is a big thing in this part of Suffolk and we thought that witches were in the woods. That light just

seemed to jump over the trees - Then the next day it turned out that we were in the same place as the U.F.O. so I think we saw it too. Now the three people who saw it can't and won't speak about it at all. And supposedly no animals have gone back into the woods yet - They did find two landing sights - and supposedly some equipment left behind".

This is not exactly a substantiation of his subsequent tales!

In 'Left at East Gate' [p40], Warren describes the night of 28 December:

"Alabama and I caught the last bus back to Bentwaters at around 6:00 P.M.

[...]

To our surprise, the bus dropped us and three other airmen off at the town of Woodbridge. This meant we faced a four-mile walk back to Bentwaters and it was getting late

[...]

We noticed a small car parked along the road , a man maybe thirty years old was standing next to it. He said he had just seen something strange fly overhead, so he had pulled the car over to investigate. We saw nothing. I told him it was most likely an A-10; the man shrugged it off and drove away.

[END]

This looks like a recollection in later years, compounded to who knows what extent by intermediate 'hypnotic regression', of the story in his letter.

As the letter was allegedly written on 6 January, 1981, it could be that Warren is telling his mother about an incident which did occur after he returned from Germany and Warren mistakenly attributes it as being associated with the 'UFO' sighting he had heard about - i.e., Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston's incident at circa 0300 on 26 December.

If so, then Warren's letter reveals the true extent of his involvement in overall events.

For what it's worth, 'Left at East Gate' evidently provides proof positive that Warren could not have played any role during the night of Halt's adventures.

To recap, he writes:

"The day before Christmas, I left for Germany with my friend Mark. We had met two German girls in London the previous week at Le Beat Route, a club on Greek Street.

[...].

I think the girls lost interest in Mark and me on the second night.

[...]

On or about 27 December, we flew back to RAF Mildenhall to begin our shift the next night".

[END]

Warren then elaborates how on the night of 28 December, he purportedly became enmeshed in events.

A manifest problem is, of course, that although Halt's publicised memo reported the date of his personal participation as the night/early morning of 28/29 December, we know Halt was in error - it was 27/28 December.

After returning from Germany, Warren statedly was not on duty again until the following night, 28th December, and if so, that takes him completely out of the picture.

James.

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James:

This could be opening a can of worms, but it sounds very much to me like this person was himself the butt of a practical joke.

His narrative sounds very familiar to a similar prank known as the "The Keys to the Wing Commander's Aircraft."

In this prank a troop is sent to pick up the "keys" to the Wing Commander's aircraft (jets don't have keys), which are then lifted from him. He is then convinced he lost them, and finally is put on the telephone with an "investigator", who proceeds to tie the subject of the joke in knots.

This guy's narrative really sounds like he was getting the business. If anyone seriously thought there were something to investigate, no one would talk about it as related in this narrative.

Kevin

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James:

Regarding:

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>a few days later and the guards were flown in from  
>somewhere else...".  
>  
>This is a claim repeated by Halt, who stated that the  
>flight brought its own security team to guard the  
>aircraft.

The US Navy used to run regular electronic warfare flights over the north Atlantic. It was done in a C-130. This aircraft routinely overnigheted at Bentwaters. It had its own security.

The point: Having a C-130 with its own guards at RAF Bentwaters was business as usual.

Kevin

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> 'reprimand' for leaving their weapons behind at east  
> gate!  
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>  
> James.  
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According to Jim Penniston, Burroughs left base with his side arm, but he has never admitted this.

Perhaps you could check this with him.

Robert

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Hello Everyone,

I have never posted before. I have preferred just reading the fascinating posts.

I want to begin by apologizing for what I am about to ask. I have been in and out of town on business for the last several months, so I haven't been able to keep up with the posts as I would like.

Here is my question: I just picked up "Left at the East Gate." It is a fascinating tale so far. I remember seeing Col. Halt on some sort of TV Show on Discovery or TLC a while back, so it has been a very good read. I want to know is what is everyone's opinion basically. Do you all believe Larry Warren or not? Do you believe Col. Halt, or not. What do you all think happened at Bentwaters?

Thank you. I am looking forward to everyone's posts.

Sincerely,  
Cyndi Hall

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 04:22:12 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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Regarding:

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From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
Date: Thu, 23 Oct 2003 18:57:29 -0700 (PDT)  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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With 21 years in the USAF, this is the first time I ever heard of a UFO Officer.

For a lot of time I was a desk sergeant - one of the most likely to get called. Never heard of one.

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"Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu> wrote:  
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Kinesiology Dept http://mypage.iu.edu/~lrobin  
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Bloomington IN 47405-7109

@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: James Easton [mailto:voyager@jeaston.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2003 6:31 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

(snippage)

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Thu, 23 Oct 2003 13:04:53 -0500  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>  
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 16:22:49 -0500  
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You may have been it. I found the term "UFO Officer" in UFO books, so maybe it wasn't an officer, but just whoever they designated to get the calls. (Also, some of the UFO book authors seemed to be quite ignorant on which ranks were officers.) Or maybe they confused UFO with PIO.

Some UFO book authors seem to be real airheads, making the following mistakes:

1. Getting the wind direction reported by the weather bureau wrong. The weather bureau always reports the wind direction as the direction the wind blows FROM. So in one account, An object moving east "could not have been a balloon, because the weather bureau reported a west wind. The UFO was heading directly into the wind." No it wasn't.
2. The witness was interviewed by "high brass from Washington". It was a colonel and a captain from Wright-Patterson, in Dayton OH.
3. Calling the local airport "confirmed that no planes were in the air." No, it just confirmed that no planes the local airport knew about were in the air. Military flights and private flights without flight plans were not included.
4. Process of elimination. "The airport said no planes were in the air. It was going the wrong direction for a balloon. It wasn't a star or a planet because it moved. Therefore, it had to be a flying saucer." But there are hundreds of possibilities the guy didn't check, and many more that nobody even thought of.
5. Reporting witness estimates of size, speed, height, or distance as ironclad truth. In fact, if the object is seen against the sky, is unidentified, and is more than 30 feet away, NOBODY has the visual power to determine any of these values without additional information.  
  
Note: If the object is identified (such as an airplane), the witness knows the true size, and by rough visual trigonometry, he can figure out the other values.
6. Because they were engaged in covert activities, UFO book authors assumed that "men in black" were either government spies or were working for the aliens. We now know that many of them were working for tabloid newspapers.

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From: TPrinty@aol.com  
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 20:19:36 EDT  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations  
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This seems to be old stuff. Prior to the end of project bluebook, there was a(n) UFO officer on Air Force bases. However, after bluebook was disbanded, the UFO officer billet was removed since the Air Force was no longer investigating the subject. Kevin probably never heard of such a position since it did not exist during his career (the position being disbanded in the late 60s).

Tim Printy

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Mon, 27 Oct 2003 01:03:46 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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Regarding:

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>Date: Thu, 23 Oct 2003 01:23:46 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

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From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
Date: Sat, 25 Oct 2003 10:12:04 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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> >Date: Thu, 23 Oct 2003 08:29:19 +0100

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Date: Sun, 26 Oct 2003 03:50:26 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations  
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Robert:

That would not surprise me. Law Enforcement routinely went off base for short periods while still armed. We drove between the bases armed all the time. The only time we took off the gun belt was when we were driving into town to pick up a GI that had been arrested by the English police.

LE was a little different; we carried revolvers, which is a story in itself. That we were armed was not as noticeable as the security troops, who carried M-16's, often with attached grenade launchers (M-203's).

We were much more sensitive to security going off base armed, because M-16's & grenade launchers are much more "militant" weapons.

Kevin

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Date: Mon, 27 Oct 2003 03:25:15 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] 'Crop Circle UFO Science'  
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I inadvertently came across the following, from 'Saucer Smear', Volume 49, No. 9, November 10th, 2002:

In an enclosed article Vallee explains his theory of crop circle formation:

It is tempting to jump to the conclusion that some sort of space-based weapon is being developed. I am reluctant to assume this because of the cost involved. Even if satellites represent the ultimate platform for such a weapon, which does not seem obvious to me, the calibration tests can be carded out far more cheaply from a conventional aircraft. In those cases when witnesses on the ground have seen formations in the process of being created, they have described a reddish glow at ground level, with the vegetation bent over in a matter of minutes. This would be consistent with a beam directed at the field from a hovering dirigible, painting a figure very much in the same way as an electron beam "paints" a digital image on a computer screen.

From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
Date: Sat, 25 Oct 2003 10:23:54 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Question  
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Cyndi

If you want to know what really happened, "Left at East Gate" is a waste of time. There are only nuggets of useful information in that book, and you have to know the full story to discern them.

If you want a good critique of Larry Warren, get hold of "You Can't Tell the People" by Georgina Bruni from [www.amazon.co.uk](http://www.amazon.co.uk) and read the chapter on him in there.

Larry Warren has made great play of the a circle that appears in crops grown in the field where he says events took place. I located an RAF aerial photo taken in 1953 which shows that same circular pattern at the same location. This was on Jame's Easton's website, but I can't find it there now. Can you point us to it, James?

Regards

Robert McLean

----- Original Message -----

From: <TNMoon@aol.com> Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2003 1:05 PM  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Question

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Date: Mon, 27 Oct 2003 08:50:15 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Britain's X-Files: Radio 4  
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Three of Britain's best known UFO incidents are put under critical scrutiny in BBC Radio 4's sequel to last year's programme on Britain's X-Files.

The Cracoe Fell case, the Berwyn Mountains incident of 1974 and the Rendlesham Forest mystery feature on the programme, at 8pm on Monday, 3 November 2003.

Two of the key British participants in the Rendlesham incident give their first media interviews for the programme.

They are: Squadron Leader Donald Moreland (British base commander, Bentwaters-Woodbridge) and Squadron Leader Derek Coumbe (Commanding Officer, Eastern Radar, RAF Watton).

The original programme which featured Dave Clarke and Andy Robert's work on the Flying Saucer Working Party, is repeated on Monday, 27 November.

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From: Malcolm Stroud <malcolm@ttauuv.freemove.co.uk>  
Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2003 00:04:39 +0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Passaic 1952  
X-Spam-Checker-Version: SpamAssassin 2.55 (1.174.2.19-2003-05-19-exp)  
X-Spam-Processed: italianmoda.com, Tue, 28 Oct 2003 01:01:50 +0100

I did some research on the Passaic 1952 photo case earlier this year,  
and concluded that it was a hoax.

A version can be found at <http://www.ttauuv.freemove.co.uk/5000Passaic52.html>

If anyone has any other information on this case, or lives anywhere near  
Passaic NJ, I would be grateful to hear from them.

One significant aspect of this case is that it is the earliest three-  
ball case I know of. If it is a hoax then it weakens all subsequent  
three ball cases.

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Malcolm Stroud

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Ladies & Gents:

The recent SCI-FI Channel special on the December 9, 1965 Kecksburg incident, like others before it, never mentioned that thirty six years ago a scientific paper was published on the triangulation of photographs of the meteor's train in the sky which demonstrated that the object was not the Soviet Cosmos 96, but a meteor over Lake Erie and SW Ontario.

For the record, a copy of this article, by Von Del Chamberlain and David J. Krause, is on the Astrophysical Data Service:

[http://adsbit.harvard.edu/cgi-bin/nph-iarticle\\_query?bibcode=1967JRASC..61..184D](http://adsbit.harvard.edu/cgi-bin/nph-iarticle_query?bibcode=1967JRASC..61..184D)

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Clear skies,  
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Thank you for your fascinating reply, Larry.

I understand that in the newspaper article published in the Passaic Morning Call three balls are mentioned. This is one reason why I would like to get hold of a copy of the article, which is in a local library archive. Details available.

I too have a complete set (except, arguably, for the 'lost' sixth picture) of whole prints from Wendelle Stevens. I agree that no balls are clearly visible, but only what one might call inconclusive hints. It is possible that they have been lost in the darkness under the saucer.

I will have to look again for the broken handle. Can you give me a pointer to where it is?

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Malcolm Stroud

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If by "three ball case" you refer to the chicken brooders photographed by Adamski, Fry, Sheets, O'Bannon, Villa, and others, the Passaic case is NOT a "three ball" case.

I have the entire set of photos, and some show a bottom view. No balls are visible on the bottom.

I believe the Passaic case to be a genuine saucer - upside down china, with a broken cup glued to the top of it. In one photo, you can see where the handle broke off of the cup.

All of the "three ball" cases are photographs of the same thing: chicken brooders. My great-grandfather raised chickens on his farm, and he had one. It's a heat lamp used to keep baby chicks warm when they are not with the mother. They were made in the 1930s through the 1950s.

The "saucer shape" is the reflector portion of the lamp. The dome on top is the housing for the special heatproof wiring (usually asbestos covered). The "portholes" are vents to cool the housing. The three balls are the dull bulbs which produce the heat. The loop on top is for hanging the chicken brooder from a chain, since hanging it by the asbestos covered cord soon frayed the cord and caused a short.

I have a 75 watt dull bulb. It screws into a standard lamp socket, but gets hot instead of producing light. It glows a very dim red in a darkened room, but produces a surprising amount of heat. The bulb itself is an opaque white ceramic. You definitely do NOT want to touch the bulb when it is on (or for 10 minutes after it has been shut off). You can easily burn your hand. You must also make sure the bulb doesn't touch anything flammable.

Modern chicken brooders use R-type infrared bulbs, and are used in housings similar to photographer's clamp-on parabolic reflector lamps. Dull bulbs are still sold for both the original brooders and the reflector housings.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Malcolm Stroud [mailto:malcolm@ttauv.freemove.co.uk]

@ Sent: Monday, October 27, 2003 7:05 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Passaic 1952

@

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@ I did some research on the Passaic 1952 photo case earlier this year,

@ and concluded that it was a hoax.

@

@ A version can be found at

@ <http://www.ttauv.freemove.co.uk/5000Passaic52.html>

@

@ If anyone has any other information on this case, or lives

@ anywhere near

@ Passaic NJ, I would be grateful to hear from them.

@

@ One significant aspect of this case is that it is the earliest three-

@ ball case I know of. If it is a hoax then it weakens all subsequent

@ three ball cases.

@ --

@ Malcolm Stroud

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- > allowed it to turn and maneuver.

What's the source for that claim?

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> In a message dated 10/29/2003 10:27:40 AM Eastern Standard Time,  
> jgiglio2@polaris.umuc.edu writes:  
  
> What's the source for that claim?

Jim, Jackie, List:

As Tim Printy has pointed out, the photographs did, indeed, miss the maneuvers. So did nearly all other observers, including all published 1965 accounts. The guy who claimed the thing did "figure eights" is also one of the handful who claim to have seen the UFO in the woods, armed troops, etc. In 1992 he admitted to several other men that he told the story just to get on TV.

A maneuvering UFO (or at least a turn) was first postulated by UFO writer Ivan Sanderson in an article submitted to the North American Newspaper Alliance two days after the incident, and published in many newspapers.

Sanderson believed, erroneously, that the object maneuvered, and therefore could not be a meteor. He seems to have spoken to no eyewitnesses, relying on wire service stories and phone calls to state police spokesmen. His hand-sketched map was inaccurate and his speeds were grossly in error, referring to miles/hour when his calculations clearly referred to miles/minute, thus slowing the speed by 60 times! Sanderson assumed that the locations of the witnesses of unverified debris from the object, which was visible for hundreds of miles, "pinpointed" its path. Witness directions when observing the fireball were apparently not taken into account, nor has any test or report ever linked any "debris" to the fireball.

Sanderson's claims were apparently never checked but just repeated by Mr. Gordon and others. I drew a line on a real map ("Lake Erie", International Map of the World. Reston Va.: U.S.G.S., 1974) and compared this to the crude hand-sketches Sanderson and Stan Gordon used in saucer magazines and on

"Unsolved Mysteries". It shows that a path from Lapeer, Michigan, to Elyria, Ohio, would be at an azimuth of 52 degrees, and from Elyria to Kecksburg, would be at an azimuth of 120 degrees, a difference of 32 degrees, not 25 as Sanderson had claimed. If an object used Sanderson's path and speed, assuming its reported times in Michigan were correct, it would have passed no closer than 26 miles to the south of Kecksburg more than 27 hours later.

Only after I pointed out this slight discrepancy to Gordon more than 10 years ago did this later maneuvering claim make its appearance, and only by a couple of the people who claimed to have seen it all: the maneuver, the armed troops, the actual recovery and the THING itself.

I prefer the pictures.

Clear skies,  
Bob Young

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Don't be misled by the SCI-FI channel's less than accurate depiction of events sway your opinion. If the fireball had shifted directions as some claimed on the show (Many of these stories of the fireball shifting direction are only recollections from an event over 30 years ago!). Their depiction of the fireball's trajectory can be described as "less than accurate" if one looks at the photographs of the meteors train. It is straight as one could expect from a dust trail after the meteor's passage. There are no significant changes in direction. Note that the writers of the article had eyewitness reports from 66 individuals made shortly after the event (and not recounted some 30 years later to overeager UFO "investigators"). Isn't it odd that these reports did not indicate something unusual as described/depicted on the SCI-FI channel? Is it by chance they knew nothing about it? Not likely. They had the bluebook files on the matter and had access to the study. Yet, they NEVER mentioned it. Why not? Perhaps the SCI-FI channel and the UFO "investigators" seemed more interested in presenting a one-sided story and withheld information pointing towards the true nature of the event. One might even state they are performing the same type of "cover-up" they accuse the US government of doing!

One can only guess at what other nonsense is going to come out in their next episode. I am sure James and others are going to be enthusiastic about the show they plan in December about RendleSHAM. After seeing the first two shows, I am not holding my breath hoping that a fair and honest presentation is going to occur. The usual suspects will be there I am sure.

Tim Printy

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Regarding:

>From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
>Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2003 00:08:45 EST  
>Subject: [UFORL] The Kecksburg Incident

Bob wrote:

>The recent SCI-FI Channel special on the December 9,  
>1965 Kecksburg incident, like others before it, never  
>mentioned that thirty six years ago a scientific paper  
>was published on the triangulation of photographs of the  
>meteor's train in the sky which demonstrated that the  
>object was not the Soviet Cosmos 96, but a meteor over  
>Lake Erie and SW Ontario.

Bob,

For information, during May 1998, I submitted the following FOIA request to NASA:

....Any records pertaining to a series of incidents which occurred on 9 December, 1965, in the area of Lake Erie and other locations to the north and which came to be known as the 'Kecksburg' case.

This was concerned with the alleged retrieval of an object which came to earth near Mount Pleasant, Southwestern Pennsylvania.

For your further information; on 23 November, 1965, a rocket was launched from a remote area deep inside the former Soviet Union. The payload was COSMOS 96, a satellite reportedly based on a modified Soyuz spacecraft.

Colonel Rodney S. Lusey, Deputy Chief of Staff, US Space Command, confirmed, "A booster failure caused this satellite to decay after its launch. ...COSMOS 96 was launched on 23 November 1965 and decayed on December 9, 1965, at 51.8 north latitude and 85.2 west longitude".

Specifically, I request any documents relating to NASA's

knowledge of, or participation in, recovery of the fallen COSMOS 96 satellite.  
[END]

In relation to 'Rendlesham', I separately requested any information concerning the Cosmos 749 upper-stage rocket re-entry.

Patricia M. Riep-Dice, the then FOIA Officer, replied:

All of the information located in the NASA Headquarters Library and NASA History Office archives on Cosmos 96 and Cosmos 749 is enclosed. No information was located linking NASA to the recovery of the remains of either satellite.  
[END]

Said "information located" consisted of two pages from 'NASA News', mentioning Cosmos 749 within its 'Weekly Satellite Situation Report' and zilch about Cosmos 96.

NASA's 'NSSDC Master Catalog' highlights a conceivable link between Cosmos 96 and 'The Great Lakes Fireball and Kecksburg Incident', see:

<http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/database/MasterCatalog?sc=1965-094A>

That background revealed; around the same time, I had written to Dr. David R. Williams, still referenced as NASA's inherent database contact.

Dr. Williams was statedly unaware of any possible connection until I queried it and replied he would accordingly update NASA's entry.

Accepting why our 'UFO' was evidently a meteor, I've never quite reconciled the following extract, which my related files record being published as: -

'The Kecksburg UFO Mystery', by Mark Ian Birdsall  
UFO Magazine (UK), September/October 1994:

In the late afternoon of 9 December, 1965, many people witnessed a large, orange coloured light in the sky above Lake Erie and several other locations to the north.



Small lights were seen breaking away from the larger object and smoke reported as far away as the bordering New York State.

The emergency services had been contacted with reports of an aircraft which was possibly in trouble and a Mrs Jones, from Mount Pleasant, reported that an object had crashed into woods near her home.

At around 7:30 p.m. the area was secured by State Police. Soon the military took command and the local Kecksburg Fire Department HQ became a temporary base. Military vehicles, including a flatbed truck and a crane, were seen heading towards the woods and there was talk that a high-level team of military and scientific personnel had arrived on the scene.

Later that night, a large truck was seen leaving the area at high speed. It carried flashing lights to signal its importance, but that wasn't all it carried... A large tarpaulin concealed an unknown cargo.

The military eventually labelled the object a meteor, as did the Associated Press account published in 'The Bulletin' the following day.

In 1990, Stan Gordon from the Pennsylvania Association for the Study of the Unexplained, traced an apparent first-hand witness. James Romansky recalled seeing the object on the ground some 25 years previously, when he was an 18 year old fire-fighter, called on duty following concerns that an aeroplane had crashed.

He described the object as bronze coloured and shaped like an acorn.

Some 12 feet long and 25 feet in diameter, it had slightly raised "blunt" end and strange markings.

"It had writing on it, not like your average writing, but more like ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. It had sort of a bumper on it, like a ribbon about six to 10 inches wide, and it stood out.

It was elliptical the whole way around and the writing was on this bumper".

"It's nothing like I've ever seen, and I'm an avid reader. I read a lot of books on Egypt, the Incas,

Peruvians, Russians and I've never to this day come across anything that looked like that."  
[END]

The 'UFO Magazine' article featured a purported photograph of our Cosmos 96 satellite, as duly attached.

Yet, despite this being an evident match for Romansky's "bronze coloured and shaped like an acorn" object, which had "had writing on it, not like your average writing, but more like ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. It had sort of a bumper on it, like a ribbon about six to 10 inches wide, and it stood out"... etc., - ultimately an extraordinary coincidence?

James.  
E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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James:

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>not unusual.

>What would apparently be so is for a C-5 to be involved  
>in any ELINT operations, especially circa 1980.

C-5's also came and went often, as did C-141's. If they were picking something up or dropping it off that was sensitive, i.e. something that would have gone to or come from the WSA, the bird would have its own security. The WSA at Woodbridge was not active, so I doubt it would have done anything other than drop off conventional munitions.

C-5's did not do ELINT, as far as I am aware of.

>I've previously speculated; does it conceivably connect  
>to John's account of intense helicopter activity within  
>Rendlesham forest between 29-31 December, 1980.

>A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not from  
>the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene - that  
>helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...

I remember no helicopter operations such as he mentioned. I don't ever remember hearing of any helicopters at Woodbridge/Bentwaters except the 67th. I doubt the activity really occurred.

>As mentioned, John recalled how, when posted to east gate  
>between 29-31 December, his shift commander warned him  
>not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base", knew what  
>was going on.

I think this may have been misinterpreted. First question is do you mean the shift commander or the flight chief? Normal post assignments came from the flight chief. I think what is more likely is that he was warned that "he better not see any UFO's" unless he had them chained to a tree to prove he wasn't out of his mind.

I can hear a flight chief saying that, not that he was not to "see" anything because there was something going on that he was not supposed to talk about, which is how the statement could be interpreted.

Kevin

James Easton <voyager@jeaston.com> wrote:  
Regarding:

>From: "kevin\_conde" <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Thu, 23 Oct 2003 00:59:04 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Revelations

Kevin wrote:

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As does allegedly, in the approximate same timescale, a 'UFO investigation team'.

There's one person who could fundamentally help to untangle these threads.

As mentioned, John recalled how, when posted to east gate between 29-31 December, his shift commander warned him not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base", knew what was going on.

I have located the shift commander involved, as named by John, and hopefully he will reply to related questions.

Also regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 01:22:25 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

>Verano has been located and helpfully responded to  
>initial enquiries.

>

>Typically, this has only raised further questions and  
>until they are hopefully resolved, there is now a self-  
>expressed doubt he ever delivered "motion picture film"  
>of 'UFOs' to a waiting aircraft.

>

>What remains interesting is that it can now be confirmed  
>Verano did deliver a package of some description,  
>seemingly relating to the 'UFO' incidents, and the  
>aircraft was an A-10.

[...]

>Although I know what Verano now claims he actually  
>delivered, it will simply spread much confusion if I  
>reveal the answer at present. It appears he had never  
>actually seen the contents and is maybe now simply  
>guessing, perhaps influenced by elements of the story as  
>it became publicised in later years.

>

>All hopefully to be clarified.

Plus:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Oct 2003 04:36:29 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

>Regarding:

>>From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
>>Date: Wed, 1 Oct 03 12:55:35 +0100  
>>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Theories

>Verano, for one, could assist and we await his response  
>to what were further straightforward, although in my  
>opinion possibly problematic, enquiries.

That opinion might have been a justifiable concern.

Despite a gentle reminder, Verano hasn't responded to follow-up questions.

Consequently, I will divulge what was statedly in the package.

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jws1864@yahoo.com writes:

> I shall remain  
> along side Stan Gordan whom has studied this event in more detail  
> than anyone.

Apparently Gordon has not done as much research as he claims. I still see no mention of the scientific work mentioned on the program or in any of his discussions. It is almost as if he is ignoring the document and hoping nobody will notice.

Having Kecksburg stand next to Roswell seems appropriate. Both cases seem to have good explanations. Kecksburg appears to be populated by the same type of story tellers and band-wagon jumpers (remember Kaufmann, Ragsdale, Dennis, etc) as Roswell.

Tim Printy

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I've previously speculated; does it conceivably connect to John's account of intense helicopter activity within Rendlesham forest between 29-31 December, 1980.

A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not from the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene - that



helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...

As does allegedly, in the approximate same timescale, a 'UFO investigation team'.

There's one person who could fundamentally help to untangle these threads.

As mentioned, John recalled how, when posted to east gate between 29-31 December, his shift commander warned him not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base", knew what was going on.

I have located the shift commander involved, as named by John, and hopefully he will reply to related questions.

Also regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Wed, 24 Sep 2003 01:22:25 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

>Verano has been located and helpfully responded to  
>initial enquiries.

>

>Typically, this has only raised further questions and  
>until they are hopefully resolved, there is now a self-  
>expressed doubt he ever delivered "motion picture film"  
>of 'UFOs' to a waiting aircraft.

>

>What remains interesting is that it can now be confirmed  
>Verano did deliver a package of some description,  
>seemingly relating to the 'UFO' incidents, and the  
>aircraft was an A-10.

[...]

>Although I know what Verano now claims he actually  
>delivered, it will simply spread much confusion if I  
>reveal the answer at present. It appears he had never  
>actually seen the contents and is maybe now simply  
>guessing, perhaps influenced by elements of the story as  
>it became publicised in later years.

>

>All hopefully to be clarified.

Plus:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Fri, 3 Oct 2003 04:36:29 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

>Regarding:

>>From: Mendoza <Horseman@onetel.net.uk>  
>>Date: Wed, 1 Oct 03 12:55:35 +0100  
>>Subject: [UFORL] Re: Rendlesham Theories

>Verano, for one, could assist and we await his response  
>to what were further straightforward, although in my  
>opinion possibly problematic, enquiries.

That opinion might have been a justifiable concern.

Despite a gentle reminder, Verano hasn't responded to follow-up questions.

Consequently, I will divulge what was statedly in the package.

From: "Jackie W.Strickland" <jws1864@yahoo.com>  
Date: Thu, 30 Oct 2003 05:46:17 -0000  
Subject: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident  
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My opinions on the Keskburg incident have nothing to do with the latest broadcast by the scifi network.I have been upset for the last 20 yrs.by all the ado over the Roswell incident.My ideas on Kecksburg were formed long before there was a Scifi channel.I shall remain along side Stan Gordan whom has studied this event in more detail than anyone.If some wish to believe it a meteor,thats fine.Soviet cosmos 96,thats fine also.I just do not believe that the all those involved were hallucinating or lying,or embellishing.I am glad the Scifi network brought Kecksburg into the limelight though.Now it can assume it's rightful place in the annals of Ufology right along side Roswell.Thats all I ever asked.

Jackie Strickland

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On Friday 31 October 2003 01:16, James Easton wrote:

| A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not from  
| the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene - that  
| helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...

|  
| As does allegedly, in the approximate same timescale, a  
| 'UFO investigation team'.

I'm coming into this late, so don't know the context of the remarks, but...  
why the hell would a UFO investigation team need a C-5? Those things are huge  
and expensive, require major airfields and are hardly low-key. As they are so  
few in number and so expensive to operate, their use is kept strictly  
limited. I can't imagine why they would need that much hauling capacity - are  
they lugging around their entire library of Jenny Randles' books?

Of course, if they found something and needed to haul it away, that might be  
different, but they wouldn't call in the C-5 until that point. For  
comparison, civil air crash investigation teams typically use mid-size  
business jets.

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Steve

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"Flying isn't dangerous ...  
... landing is the tricky bit"

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Regarding:

>From: Kevin Conde <kevin\_conde@yahoo.com>  
>Date: Thu, 30 Oct 2003 16:56:14 -0800 (PST)  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Kevin wrote:

>C-5's also came and went often, as did C-141's. If they  
>were picking something up or dropping it off that was  
>sensitive, i.e. something that would have gone to or  
>come from the WSA, the bird would have its own security.  
>The WSA at Woodbridge was not active, so I doubt it  
>would have done anything other than drop off  
>conventional munitions.

Kevin,

Helpful insight and, as always, much appreciated.

>>I've previously speculated; does it conceivably connect  
>>to John's account of intense helicopter activity within  
>>Rendlesham forest between 29-31 December, 1980.  
>>  
>>A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not  
>>from the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene -  
>>that helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...

>I remember no helicopter operations such as he  
>mentioned. I don't ever remember hearing of any  
>helicopters at Woodbridge/Bentwaters except the 67th. I  
>doubt the activity really occurred.

As you might perhaps have expected; John takes issue with this!

>>As mentioned, John recalled how, when posted to east  
>>gate between 29-31 December, his shift commander warned  
>>him not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base", knew  
>>what was going on.

>I think this may have been misinterpreted. First

>question is do you mean the shift commander or the  
>flight chief? Normal post assignments came from the  
>flight chief. I think what is more likely is that he was  
>warned that "he better not see any UFO's" unless he had  
>them chained to a tree to prove he wasn't out of his  
>mind.

In posting John's direct reply, some 'spirited debate' is never a problem on this forum.

I'm sure that will always be kept in mind and in context.

John asks if I could post the following response to Kevin:

I will answer that. Stop putting words in someone else's mouth.

I have been reading a lot of your comments and I feel you think you are a expert and you're not. Number one, you were not on my Flight, so you don't know what went on over that 3 day period. It was both the Flight Chief and the Shift Commander who talked to me.

The Gate was kept open after Hrs and I was posted on it. There was a lot of Helo activity and it was flying over the area where the activity [previous 'UFO' activity - James] took place.

I was told not to call anything in that I saw over the forest, no matter how strange it was, on the radio. If I had to let anyone know what was going on, use the phone.

I was also told I was being posted on the gate because of the activities I had been involved in and that I might see strange things going on and that they were aware that could happen.

I have a real problem with your quote on quote attitude. You were never out there when all of this took place and never saw any of what went on. You also have stated the people involved have gave the 81st a bad name. Well, while you were over there you were a TSgt LE and you were not that far up on the food chain that you would know everything that was going on. A lot of us involved don't know what went on for sure and have not claimed it was aliens, but it was not normal.

I have been over 20 years in the AF. Been a Flight Chief, have deployed 3 times since 2000 for 3 different

operations, was in charge of dayshift with over 60 people to include host nation on one of these deployments

I have worked with the Secret Service on Presidential support all over the country and I don't even come close to claiming to being a expert or knowing it all.

It happened as I said it happened, it is not being made up!! If you have something to say about what I was involved with and you don't know for sure, why do you feel the need to say it didn't happen!  
[END]

As mentioned, I have written to the Shift Commander named by John and can reveal he was TSgt Keith Turner.

I had corresponded with him over a year ago and he statedly couldn't offer any overall insight, especially being in London during the 'UFO' incidents. Turner had, however, visited John's 'landing site' on return to base.

Annoyingly, at that time, John's account of the helicopter activity was unknown and since then, Turner's last known e-mail address is no longer operative.

I do know where he resided and have written a letter to him.

Might I suggest we await Turner's hopeful reply, ideally by e-mail for expediency, and let's see what he recalls.

James.  
E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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Regarding:

>From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
>Date: Mon, 27 Oct 2003 01:03:46 -0000  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

I wrote:

[BEGIN EXTRACT]

There's now a working online biography, at:

[http://www.af.mil/bios/bio\\_4629.shtml](http://www.af.mil/bios/bio_4629.shtml)

Bazley was statedly Commander of the Third Air Force and based at RAF Mildenhall, between circa June 1980 and July 1981.

That would clearly place him as a contender to have been present at the early January, 1981, Third Air Force meeting.

In 'Out of the Shadows' [p235], by Dr David Clarke and Andy Roberts, they confirm:

The MoD file notes that "tape recordings of the evidence" were handed to USAF General Charles Gabriel, who "happened to be visiting the station" in January 1981.  
[END]

To reiterate, in a 1997 interview with Salley Rayl, Halt explained how Wing Commander Gordon Williams took the tape recording along:

RAYL: Warren also claims that there were on this third night, holographic aliens that appeared and in some way shape or form communicated with the Wing Commander. What is your comment on that?

HALT: The Wing Commander at that time was not present. He was at another social event. He and I discussed this incident the day after, which was a day or two after which was a Saturday morning. I remember running into him

in the hallway of the building we shared a common office building and I told him about it. He knew a little bit, but I told him some details and told him I made the tape and he was very interested and asked to hear the tape. I gave him the tape and played it for him and he said, "May I take this to the Third Air Force, to the staff meeting next Tuesday or Wednesday?" I said, "Certainly." Well, I couldn't tell him, no. And he took it down and played it to the staff and the General looked at the staff and said, "First, the Wing Commander said, 'Is he a credible witness?' and the answer was, 'Yes.' So he turned to the staff and said, "What do we do now?" And nobody knew what to do. So there was some chuckling in the room and I understand the comment was, "Well, it's a British affair. Let's give it to them."

RAYL: And that's what you did?

HALT: And that's what everybody did. And I was told when he came back, he gave me the tape back and thanked me and said, "Get with Don Moreland. Let the British handle this."

[END]

It was Moreland, the RAF Liaison Officer, who suggested that Halt write a memo, which Moreland would send to the MoD with a covering letter - consequently, the 'Halt memo'.

Also, from the recently available transcript of Halt's lecture at the Quest International ['UFO Magazine' (UK)] conference in Leeds, on 31 July, 1994:

So I told him, basically told him the story, and he heard the tape. He said, 'May I borrow the tape?' so he borrowed the tape. I didn't want to give it to him, I didn't want to be ridiculed. He said, 'I want to take the tape down to Third Air Force, to play it to General Bazley'. General Bazley is the commander of US Air Force activities in England ...[unclear]... Well, here's trouble! When I come up for my next assignment, there goes my potential promotion, and my security clearance is probably gone. This is the end.

[END]

It seems possible that both Bazley and Gabriel would have attended the meeting and potential for career "trouble" was more alarming than Halt perhaps appreciated.

Bazley wasn't yet a General though, his biography dates the promotion to General as 1 November, 1984.

Irrespective of whether one or both were present, or Halt's confusing Gabriel with Bazley...

etc.

[END OF EXTRACT]

Giving all of this some further thought, some key evidence comes from the MoD's case files, acquired by Dave Clarke and Andy Roberts. Dave kindly provided a copy to myself.

General Gabriel is seemingly only mentioned once therein and the sequence of background events was as follows.

1. On 15 January 1981, Squadron Leader Donald Moreland sends a covering letter to the MoD and attaches Halt's memo, dated 13 January.

- 2.

From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
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In a message dated 10/30/2003 10:13:36 PM Eastern Standard Time,  
voyager@jeaston.com writes:

> Regarding:  
>  
> >From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
> >Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2003 00:08:45 EST  
> >Subject: [UFORL] The Kecksburg Incident  
>  
<snip>

> Bob,  
>  
> For information, during May 1998, I submitted the  
> following FOIA request to NASA:

James:

Thanks for the info on your FOIA request.

<http://www.astronautix.com/craft/vena3mv4.htm>

> NASA's 'NSSDC Master Catalog' highlights a conceivable  
> link between Cosmos 96 and 'The Great Lakes Fireball and  
> Kecksburg Incident', see:  
>  
> <http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/database/MasterCatalog?sc=1965-094A>  
>  
> That background revealed; around the same time, I had  
> written to Dr. David R. Williams, still referenced as  
> NASA's inherent database contact.  
>  
> Dr. Williams was statedly unaware of any possible  
> connection until I queried it and replied he would  
> accordingly update NASA's entry.  
>

The current entry which you cite seems to me to support the  
meteor hypothesis:

"Investigations of photographs and sightings of the fireball  
indicated its path through the atmosphere was probably too  
steep to be consistent with a spacecraft re-entering from Earth  
orbit and was more likely a meteor in a prograde orbit from the

vicinity of the asteroid belt, and probably ended its flight over western Lake Erie. U.S. Air Force tracking data on Cosmos 96 also indicate the spacecraft orbit decayed earlier than 21:43 UT on 9 December. [This tracking data has it reentering about 13 hours earlier]

- > Accepting why our 'UFO' was evidently a meteor, I've
- > never quite reconciled the following extract, which my
- > related files record being published as: -
- >
- > 'The Kecksburg UFO Mystery', by Mark Ian Birdsall
- > UFO Magazine (UK), September/October 1994:

<snip>

- >
- > The 'UFO Magazine' article featured a purported
- > photograph of our Cosmos 96 satellite, as duly attached.
- >
- > Yet, despite this being an evident match for Romansky's
- > "bronze coloured and shaped like an acorn" object, which
- > had "had writing on it, not like your average writing,
- > but more like ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics. It had sort
- > of a bumper on it, like a ribbon about six to 10 inches
- > wide, and it stood out"... etc., - ultimately an
- > extraordinary coincidence?
- >

Thanks for attaching that picture, which I understand was an Soviet artist's conception done for a Moscow exhibit, which account for the writing.

Please compare this to photographs of the Venera 3MV-4 model craft used for Venera 3:  
<http://www.astronautix.com/craft/vena3mv4.htm>

In my opinion, the picture included in the 1994 article you cited was the source for the "eyewitness" accounts of the UFO in the woods. Once it was on "Unsolved Mysteries", it became the model.

I sent a long letter to UFO Magazine in 1994, which I have included below, which I think summarizes my views. I never heard from them, nor did they publish anything about the meteors pictures and decades old research. UFO Magazine thus because part of the real Kecksbur saucer crash coverup.

"Mr. Graham William Birdsall, Editor                      November 1, 1994  
UFO Magazine

Dear Mr. Birdsall:

In Mark Ian Birdsall's article "The Kecksburg UFO Mystery" (Vol. 13, No. 3, Sept.-Oct. 1994) he says that the biggest mystery of all is why it took nearly 30 years to conclude this crashed UFO case.

The short answer is that it didn't! The meteoric nature of the December 9, 1965, afternoon fireball was established in 1967 when astronomers Von Del Chamberlain and David J. Krause published results of their triangulation of two independent sets of photographs and a recording from the University of Michigan's seismic station at Ypsilanti. (The Fireball of December 9, 1965 - Part I, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada Journal, Vol. 61, No. 4.)

The seismometer registered the fireball's widely seen terminal airburst 50 kilometers from Detroit, not a Kecksburg impact as claimed in the article. An impacting body would have had to be truly massive to be detected 435 kilometers away! The photos showed that the fireball was falling steeply northeastward over extreme Southwest Ontario and was not moving toward Pennsylvania.

Although the velocity of the object in the atmosphere is uncertain, a value of 14.5 km/sec was adopted from the photographers' estimates, giving an orbit out to between Mars and Jupiter. This is consistent with an object originating in the asteroid belt, source of many meteoroids. The fireball was falling much too steeply to the Earth's surface to be reentering space debris, something that has been known since 1966, so Cosmos 96 is out.

Curiously, leading Kecksburg crash proponents have known of this work for years but have remained silent about it. On March 7, 1990, the producers of the NBC "Unsolved Mysteries" segment mentioned in your article were sent a copy of the Chamberlain and Krause paper as well as a letter positively identifying the fireball as a classic meteorite fall after a telephone interview with one of the paper's authors. This was unmentioned on the show six months later, which instead had Stan Gordon sketching a path on a map (like that which illustrated your article) while reciting an unproven 1965 notion by the late Ivan Sanderson that the fireball had maneuvered.

A carbon copy of Sanderson's original manuscript and correspondence, dated only three days after the event, is in the files of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), now maintained by the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago. He seems to have spoken to no eyewitnesses, but used only wire service reports and calls to State police spokesmen. One of many mistakes was that he

assumed that if the fireball was seen at a location it must have been there. The directions the witnesses were facing were never considered (the object was visible for 550 kilometers around), and he ignored reports from locations which didn't fit his maneuvering theory.

Anyone who checks Sanderson's claims on a real map, as I have, would see that the object would have had to turn 32 degrees, not 25 degrees, and therefore could have come no closer than 42 kilometers to the south of Kecksburg! Also, Sanderson's calculations were off by a factor of 60, referring to miles per hour when he clearly meant miles per minute. The speed you cited came from Sanderson's selective use of widely varying witness times of the sort common for events of this kind. The most accurate time was from the seismic record and the many reports from pilots, which place the event at about 4:43 P.M., plus or minus ten seconds. Key Kecksburg witness "Mrs. Jones", whom you quoted, gave it as "4:45", but this has been ignored by crash proponents who badly need Sanderson's slow speed.

The long answer is fourfold: 1) Too many writers have not done their own homework, but have simply repeated what they have been told by others. For example, Birdsall seemed to give great credence to the account of a brick-yard lorry driver who says that he was told the whole Top Secret story, including about the dead bodies of the crew.

Are you suggesting that Cosmos 96 was a heretofore unknown 2 X 3.5 metre Soviet two-man mission to Venus? One can't have it both ways.

Other parts of this Wright-Patterson Air Force Base tale, such as the difficulty of entering the craft despite the use of torches and a diamond-tipped drill, seem to have been lifted from the grand-daddy of American crashed saucer hoaxes, the tale in the 1950 best-seller *Behind the Flying Saucers* by Frank Scully. This should be required reading for all "crashed saucer" investigators, but isn't.

The Lockbourne Air Force Base connection, also stimulated by someone who called the 1990 NBC TV show's telephone hotline, bears 15 curious similarities to an oft-reprinted 1954 hoax from the same city which proved to be untrue or unsubstantiated. I have found 19 close parallels between the 1954 crash tale and *Behind the Flying Saucers*, including elements which seem to have been lifted verbatim, confirming 1954 speculation by James W. Moseley who first investigated this story. ("The Wright Field Story, or Who's Lying?", *Nexus*, Sept 1954). Only credulous crash



enthusiasts are still fooled.

2) Much confusion has been caused by the coincidental Cosmos 96 reentry on the same day as the Ontario fireball but more than 12 hours earlier.

3) The most recent witness descriptions resemble the bell-shaped Cosmos 96 capsule because since the mid 1980's UFO investigators have been circulating pictures of the spacecraft. Early Kecksburg accounts, including James Romansky's, described an object which was much longer and rocket-like. Romansky, by the way, is of Polish extraction and claims that he knows the Cyrillic alphabet and that what he saw on the UFO was not Russian writing. Why does Bridesall accept some of Romansky's claims but not others? (I opt for a folklore origin of these "hieroglyphics" - Scully's con artist "Dr. Gee" also described hieroglyphics on his saucer 45 years ago). The witness "evidence" has been hopelessly contaminated by enthusiasts.

4) The last culprits in this story are the new witnesses coming excitedly out of the Kecksburg woods each time the case is publicized. Their increasingly more elaborate, bizarre and divergent accounts fit a classic folklore model for this story.

The Kecksburg folktale is a dusty, old, solved mystery. Let's not dress it up in new clothes for the 1990's."

Clear skies,  
Bob Young

"Woop, Woop, Woop, Woop"  
Curley Howard, the Three Stooges' "Men in Black", 1934.

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I had seen this version too, on TLC network.

The Cyrillic alphabet (used for Russian) has some characters in it that resemble hieroglyphics more than they resemble the Latin alphabet we use. The symbol found on the "UMMO" craft photo is a Cyrillic character.

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@ Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2003 10:10 PM  
@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident

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In a message dated 10/30/2003 10:13:36 PM Eastern Standard Time,  
voyager@jeaston.com writes:

> Regarding:  
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> >From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
> >Date: Tue, 28 Oct 2003 00:08:45 EST  
> >Subject: [UFORL] The Kecksburg Incident  
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<snip>

> Bob,  
>  
> For information, during May 1998, I submitted the  
> following FOIA request to NASA:

James:

Thanks for the info on your FOIA request.

<http://www.astronautix.com/craft/vena3mv4.htm>

> NASA's 'NSSDC Master Catalog' highlights a conceivable  
> link between Cosmos 96 and 'The Great Lakes Fireball and  
> Kecksburg Incident', see:  
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> <http://nssdc.gsfc.nasa.gov/database/MasterCatalog?sc=1965-094A>  
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> That background revealed; around the same time, I had  
> written to Dr. David R. Williams, still referenced as  
> NASA's inherent database contact.  
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> Dr. Williams was statedly unaware of any possible  
> connection until I queried it and replied he would  
> accordingly update NASA's entry.  
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The current entry which you cite seems to me to support the  
meteor hypothesis:

"Investigations of photographs and sightings of the fireball  
indicated its path through the atmosphere was probably too  
steep to be consistent with a spacecraft re-entering from Earth  
orbit and was more likely a meteor in a prograde orbit from the

vicinity of the asteroid belt, and probably ended its flight over western Lake Erie. U.S. Air Force tracking data on Cosmos 96 also indicate the spacecraft orbit decayed earlier than 21:43 UT on 9 December. [This tracking data has it reentering about 13 hours earlier]

- > Accepting why our 'UFO' was evidently a meteor, I've
- > never quite reconciled the following extract, which my
- > related files record being published as: -
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- > 'The Kecksburg UFO Mystery', by Mark Ian Birdsall
- > UFO Magazine (UK), September/October 1994:

<snip>

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- > photograph of our Cosmos 96 satellite, as duly attached.
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Thanks for attaching that picture, which I understand was an Soviet artist's conception done for a Moscow exhibit, which account for the writing.

Please compare this to photographs of the Venera 3MV-4 model craft used for Venera 3:  
<http://www.astronautix.com/craft/vena3mv4.htm>

In my opinion, the picture included in the 1994 article you cited was the source for the "eyewitness" accounts of the UFO in the woods. Once it was on "Unsolved Mysteries", it became the model.

I sent a long letter to UFO Magazine in 1994, which I have included below, which I think summarizes my views. I never heard from them, nor did they publish anything about the meteors pictures and decades old research. UFO Magazine thus because part of the real Kecksbur saucer crash coverup.

"Mr. Graham William Birdsall, Editor                      November 1, 1994  
UFO Magazine

Dear Mr. Birdsall:



In Mark Ian Birdsall's article "The Kecksburg UFO Mystery" (Vol. 13, No. 3, Sept.-Oct. 1994) he says that the biggest mystery of all is why it took nearly 30 years to conclude this crashed UFO case.

The short answer is that it didn't! The meteoric nature of the December 9, 1965, afternoon fireball was established in 1967 when astronomers Von Del Chamberlain and David J. Krause published results of their triangulation of two independent sets of photographs and a recording from the University of Michigan's seismic station at Ypsilanti. (The Fireball of December 9, 1965 - Part I, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada Journal, Vol. 61, No. 4.)

The seismometer registered the fireball's widely seen terminal airburst 50 kilometers from Detroit, not a Kecksburg impact as claimed in the article. An impacting body would have had to be truly massive to be detected 435 kilometers away! The photos showed that the fireball was falling steeply northeastward over extreme Southwest Ontario and was not moving toward Pennsylvania.

Although the velocity of the object in the atmosphere is uncertain, a value of 14.5 km/sec was adopted from the photographers' estimates, giving an orbit out to between Mars and Jupiter. This is consistent with an object originating in the asteroid belt, source of many meteoroids. The fireball was falling much too steeply to the Earth's surface to be reentering space debris, something that has been known since 1966, so Cosmos 96 is out.

Curiously, leading Kecksburg crash proponents have known of this work for years but have remained silent about it. On March 7, 1990, the producers of the NBC "Unsolved Mysteries" segment mentioned in your article were sent a copy of the Chamberlain and Krause paper as well as a letter positively identifying the fireball as a classic meteorite fall after a telephone interview with one of the paper's authors. This was unmentioned on the show six months later, which instead had Stan Gordon sketching a path on a map (like that which illustrated your article) while reciting an unproven 1965 notion by the late Ivan Sanderson that the fireball had maneuvered.

A carbon copy of Sanderson's original manuscript and correspondence, dated only three days after the event, is in the files of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), now maintained by the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago. He seems to have spoken to no eyewitnesses, but used only wire service reports and calls to State police spokesmen. One of many mistakes was that he

assumed that if the fireball was seen at a location it must have been there. The directions the witnesses were facing were never considered (the object was visible for 550 kilometers around), and he ignored reports from locations which didn't fit his maneuvering theory.

Anyone who checks Sanderson's claims on a real map, as I have, would see that the object would have had to turn 32 degrees, not 25 degrees, and therefore could have come no closer than 42 kilometers to the south of Kecksburg! Also, Sanderson's calculations were off by a factor of 60, referring to miles per hour when he clearly meant miles per minute. The speed you cited came from Sanderson's selective use of widely varying witness times of the sort common for events of this kind. The most accurate time was from the seismic record and the many reports from pilots, which place the event at about 4:43 P.M., plus or minus ten seconds. Key Kecksburg witness "Mrs. Jones", whom you quoted, gave it as "4:45", but this has been ignored by crash proponents who badly need Sanderson's slow speed.

The long answer is fourfold: 1) Too many writers have not done their own homework, but have simply repeated what they have been told by others. For example, Birdsall seemed to give great credence to the account of a brick-yard lorry driver who says that he was told the whole Top Secret story, including about the dead bodies of the crew.

Are you suggesting that Cosmos 96 was a heretofore unknown 2 X 3.5 metre Soviet two-man mission to Venus? One can't have it both ways.

Other parts of this Wright-Patterson Air Force Base tale, such as the difficulty of entering the craft despite the use of torches and a diamond-tipped drill, seem to have been lifted from the grand-daddy of American crashed saucer hoaxes, the tale in the 1950 best-seller *Behind the Flying Saucers* by Frank Scully. This should be required reading for all "crashed saucer" investigators, but isn't.

The Lockbourne Air Force Base connection, also stimulated by someone who called the 1990 NBC TV show's telephone hotline, bears 15 curious similarities to an oft-reprinted 1954 hoax from the same city which proved to be untrue or unsubstantiated. I have found 19 close parallels between the 1954 crash tale and *Behind the Flying Saucers*, including elements which seem to have been lifted verbatim, confirming 1954 speculation by James W. Moseley who first investigated this story. ("The Wright Field Story, or Who's Lying?", *Nexus*, Sept 1954). Only credulous crash

enthusiasts are still fooled.

2) Much confusion has been caused by the coincidental Cosmos 96 reentry on the same day as the Ontario fireball but more than 12 hours earlier.

3) The most recent witness descriptions resemble the bell-shaped Cosmos 96 capsule because since the mid 1980's UFO investigators have been circulating pictures of the spacecraft.

Early Kecksburg accounts, including James Romansky's, described an object which was much longer and rocket-like.

Romansky, by the way, is of Polish extraction and claims that he knows the Cyrillic alphabet and that what he saw on the UFO was not Russian writing. Why does Bidsall accept some of Romansky's claims but not others? (I opt for a folklore origin of these "hieroglyphics" - Scully's con artist "Dr. Gee" also described hieroglyphics on his saucer 45 years ago). The witness "evidence" has been hopelessly contaminated by enthusiasts.

4) The last culprits in this story are the new witnesses coming excitedly out of the Kecksburg woods each time the case is publicized. Their increasingly more elaborate, bizarre and divergent accounts fit a classic folklore model for this story.

The Kecksburg folktale is a dusty, old, solved mystery. Let's not dress it up in new clothes for the 1990's."

Clear skies,  
Bob Young

"Woop, Woop, Woop, Woop"

Curley Howard, the Three Stooges' "Men in Black", 1934.

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I had seen this version too, on TLC network.

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There was a very interesting fact about the C-5 on a TLC show last month.

It said that not only would the original Wright Flyer fit in the cargo bay of the C-5, but that it could have made the first airplane flight entirely within that cargo bay.

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@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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John:

My apologies if you feel offended. Not intended. I don't think anyone has given the 81st a bad name. Like every other unit I was assigned to in 21 years, the 81st was a good outfit.

You said: "You also have stated the people involved have gave the 81st a bad name." I would never say that all the people involved gave the 81st a bad name. However, it is a simple fact that some people, by their words, have let the rest of us in for scrutiny we don't deserve.

That's unfortunate, but unavoidable. You can't do anything about someone that would say he actually went out and touched the "spacecraft." Also unfortunate, many of the central characters have stories which have morphed with time. This does not help the rest of us, like you and I, in the least.

If anything a central theme I have held to is that the majority of us were professionals doing an important job well.

Your accomplishments are impressive. No more so however, than many others on both sides of this debate. I spent 21 years in the service, and my opinions of how the USAF operates are no more or less valid than yours.

I think everything that happened has simple explanation, and that it has been misinterpreted any exaggerated over the years.

Rather than throw anger back and forth, why don't you do me a favor and comment on some things I would like a fellow professional to comment on.

I've come to believe the key to the Rendlesham Incident is Col Halt's field trip off base.

I've commented about this before, so I will not restate my feelings. You are someone who spent 20 years in the USAF as an experienced flight chief. You are as aware as anyone where the USAF's jurisdiction starts and ends, especially in a foreign country.

I would seriously like to hear your detailed analysis of Lt. Col Halt's behavior. Would you, with your current experience, have done what he did, and if not, why? What is your opinion of Col Halt's

participation in the debate over time?

What is your opinion on why some of the stories have seemed to grow and change over the years?

Kevin

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>

> Kevin,

>

> Helpful insight and, as always, much appreciated.

>

>

> >>I've previously speculated; does it conceivably connect

> >>to John's account of intense helicopter activity within

> >>Rendlesham forest between 29-31 December, 1980.

> >>

> >>A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not

> >>from the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene -

> >>that helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...

>

> >I remember no helicopter operations such as he

> >mentioned. I don't ever remember hearing of any

> >helicopters at Woodbridge/Bentwaters except the 67th. I

> >doubt the activity really occurred.

>

> As you might perhaps have expected; John takes issue with  
> this!

>

>

> >>As mentioned, John recalled how, when posted to east

> >>gate between 29-31 December, his shift commander warned

> >>him not to report any 'UFOs' as "they, the base", knew  
> >>what was going on.  
>  
> >I think this may have been misinterpreted. First  
> >question is do you mean the shift commander or the  
> >flight chief? Normal post assignments came from the  
> >flight chief. I think what is more likely is that he was  
> >warned that "he better not see any UFO's" unless he had  
> >them chained to a tree to prove he wasn't out of his  
> >mind.  
>  
> In posting John's direct reply, some 'spirited debate' is  
> never a problem on this forum.  
>  
> I'm sure that will always be kept in mind and in context.  
>  
> John asks if I could post the following response to  
> Kevin:  
>  
> I will answer that. Stop putting words in someone else's  
> mouth.  
>  
> I have been reading a lot of your comments and I feel you  
> think you are a expert and you're not. Number one, you  
> were not on my Flight, so you don't know what went on  
> over that 3 day period. It was both the Flight Chief and  
> the Shift Commander who talked to me.  
>  
> The Gate was kept open after Hrs and I was posted on it.  
> There was a lot of Helo activity and it was flying over  
> the area where the activity [previous 'UFO' activity -  
> James] took place.  
>  
> I was told not to call anything in that I saw over the  
> forest, no matter how strange it was, on the radio. If I  
> had to let anyone know what was going on, use the phone.  
>  
> I was also told I was being posted on the gate because of  
> the activities I had been involved in and that I might  
> see strange things going on and that they were aware that  
> could happen.  
>  
> I have a real problem with your quote on quote attitude.  
> You were never out there when all of this took place and  
> never saw any of what went on. You also have stated the  
> people involved have gave the 81st a bad name. Well,  
> while you were over there you were a TSgt LE and you were  
> not that far up on the food chain that you would know  
> everything that was going on. A lot of us involved don't  
> know what went on for sure and have not claimed it was

> aliens, but it was not normal.  
>  
> I have been over 20 years in the AF. Been a Flight Chief,  
> have deployed 3 times since 2000 for 3 different  
> operations, was in charge of dayshift with over 60 people  
> to include host nation on one of these deployments  
>  
> I have worked with the Secret Service on Presidential  
> support all over the country and I don't even come close  
> to claiming to being a expert or knowing it all.  
>  
> It happened as I said it happened, it is not being made  
> up!! If you have something to say about what I was  
> involved with and you don't know for sure, why do you  
> feel the need to say it didn't happen!  
> [END]  
>  
>  
> As mentioned, I have written to the Shift Commander named  
> by John and can reveal he was TSgt Keith Turner.  
>  
> I had corresponded with him over a year ago and he  
> statedly couldn't offer any overall insight, especially  
> being in London during the 'UFO' incidents. Turner had,  
> however, visited John's 'landing site' on return to base.  
>  
> Annoyingly, at that time, John's account of the  
> helicopter activity was unknown and since then, Turner's  
> last known e-mail address is no longer operative.  
>  
> I do know where he resided and have written a letter to  
> him.  
>  
>  
> Might I suggest we await Turner's hopeful reply, ideally  
> by e-mail for expediency, and let's see what he recalls.  
>  
>  
> James.  
> E-mail: voyager@j...

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Hi Malcolm,

We had 50 hits yesterday so I think it must!

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It worked when you resent through the list.

Regards,

Chris

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> Malcolm Stroud

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Memo James Easton,

Your truly excellent website for the Voyager  
Newsletter, [www.ufoworld.co.uk/](http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/) does not seem to be accessible on  
the web at the moment; have you deliberately discontinued it or is  
there just simply a temporary fault in such site?  
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Kindest regards,  
Dennis King.

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evidence that we are not alone in the universe?

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instead.

Regards,

Chris

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Thank you, Larry. Not only was that informative, but it downright  
hilarious in many parts.

-w

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On Thursday 06 November 2003 22:07, Martin Shough wrote:

| Larry Robinson wrote:

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| "Now that transponders are required on most aircraft, the number  
| of RADAR UFO sightings is very low. This is simply because most of  
| the false targets were identified as secondary reflections of other  
| aircraft on the screen. The computer now routinely eliminates these  
| from the display. Right now, targets without transponders are also not  
| displayed on most computerized ATC systems, unless the controller  
| requests them."

|  
| This is true but a fact too often misconstrued in my opinion. Modern SSR  
| radars are certainly designed to eliminate noise, but one has to remember  
| that signal criteria chosen as defining noise for air traffic purposes,  
| say, might define a research area from someone else's point of view. Ad  
| absurdum, one cannot expect 'flying saucers' to carry transponders! But I  
| don't disagree with your general remarks, that the evidence for such  
| 'rejected' signal characteristics being of alien origin is not powerful.  
| Regards  
| Martin Shough

Not sure I follow the 'ad absurdum' part of that. But just to add: the  
filtered radar responses aren't just 'noise' - they are also folks like me,  
pootling about in our little planes squawking VFR (1200 in US, 7000 most  
other places). We clutter up the radar screens so much (especially if we're  
\*not\* squawking Mode C, which means we're not returning any height info) that  
some radar operators filter out VFR returns.

Of course, transponders are \*required\* only in certain classes of airspace. In  
many countries (US & Europe) there is no obligation to switch on the  
transponder - assuming you even have one - in the Open FIR (or classes E-G).  
So that makes for another source of 'noise'.

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+a  
Steve

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There isn't any. After 56 years of reports, there is not one piece of scientifically verifiable evidence that there are intelligent beings elsewhere in the universe.

What we don't have:

- We don't have any chemical, physical, biological, or recorded evidence that stands up to scientific scrutiny. Most of it is either identified as something ordinary, or can't be distinguished from ordinary items.

What we have:

- Eyewitness reports (most of which have been identified as mundane objects or events seen under usual circumstances)

Note: The inability of the human visual system to determine size, distance, speed, or altitude of an unknown object in the air which is farther away than 30 feet has a lot to do with this.

Note: In my files are at least three cases where police chased the planet Venus for miles, and one case where they chased Jupiter. In each of these cases, they tore after the planet with their cars on several successive nights. Astronomers in the investigating teams identified the planet involved in each case. The effect described above contributed to their inability to recognize the planet.

- We especially have a lot of vague reports which are scientifically useless.

- RADAR trackings of UFOs (most of which have mundane explanations, when the numerous ways false targets can appear on RADAR are considered)

Note: Now that transponders are required on most aircraft, the number of RADAR UFO sightings is very low. This is simply because most of the false targets were identified as secondary reflections of other aircraft on the screen. The computer now routinely eliminates these from the display. Right now, targets without transponders are also not displayed on most computerized ATC systems, unless the controller requests them.

- We have advertizing planes with traveling light message boards

hung under the wings. They look like rotating disks with lights on the rim when seen edge-on.

- We have a lot of hoaxes (false UFO stories) and pranks (fake UFOs placed for others to see). The motives for doing these things included childhood pranks, testing public credibility, alibis, excuses for not performing a job, April Fool jokes, winning tabloid prizes for UFO reports, explaining discharge of a company handgun, Halloween pranks, UFO research on what people report, and many others.

NOTE: There are a LOT of cases that turn out to be fire balloons. These are hot air balloons made of dry-cleaner suit bags, drinking straws, and candles. Every so often, one of those "home science" magazines prints a way to make a fire balloon as a cheap weather balloon for experiments, and there is always a rash of fire balloon sightings after the article appears. Since fire balloons are known to have caused at least two structure fires and several fires in farm fields or brush, I wish those magazines would stop publishing those articles.

NOTE: Even the police can be fooled by fire balloons. In 1993, a police helicopter over Louisville KY reported that the UFO it was sent to investigate was bigger than the helicopter, and that it made "ramming attacks" on them. But people on the ground reported that the UFO was much smaller than the helicopter, and that the police helicopter kept going past it, as if the crew couldn't find it. The UFO was a fire balloon, and the visual system error mentioned above caused the crew to misjudge the size of the object, and thus the distance and speed.

- Physical traces (All of which have nothing extraordinary about them - anything could have made them. They include the fires mentioned in the previous item.)

- Found objects:

- A piece of silicon found at Roswell NM which was said to have a strange isotope ratios was traced to a miscalibrated mass spectrometer.
- A strange piece of metal, also found at Roswell, was claimed by a jewelry maker to be some of his scrap.
- The Ubatuba magnesium. This was touted as being ultra-pure, but when analyzed, was found to contain more impurities than most common samples of objects made of magnesium.

Note: Some of the items analyzed "to see if they were from outer space" included an aluminum mop handle, bear urine in sand, gunpowder residue in sand, cow manure, buckwheat pancakes, RADAR chaff, RADAR calibration drop spheres, slime mold, detergent foam, spider webs, and a copper shell full of earthly radio parts.

- We have cattle mutilations. Most of them were caused by a group of satanists with a helicopter performing rituals on stolen animals.  
(Whether these people are from "outer space" or not remains to be seen.)

- We have "implants" recovered from people. Most of them appear to be mundane objects that were introduced to the individual's body through accidents (Among them being B-Bs, pencil lead, and metal fragments).

- We have a lot of wild stories, all of which conveniently can not be verified. But we also have a lot of tabloids paying big money for these wild stories.

- Hypnosis does not always recover memories. It often edits them in a way that the subject feels will please the hypnotist.

- Finally there are a lot of strange objects or events which people simply do not know about, including the following which have been reported as UFO events:

-- A large inflatable car got away from a car dealer and flew upside down over the city.

-- A farmer was burning the chaff off of his fields, and tended the fire on a motor scooter.

-- A motorcycle rider rode around and around while waiting for his date, leaving a worn circle on the ground.

-- A teenager used Round-Up to make a "target for planes" in his girlfriend's back yard (I investigated this one).

-- A fire in a junkyard caused an explosion that hurled a water heater into the air.

-- A 6-foot length of 4-inch sewer pipe made into a rocket by "rocket scientists" buried itself in the back yard of a real-estate agent.

-- A new employee put the wrong detergent in a restaurant dishwasher. The entire kitchen filled with suds. Somebody then got the bright (?) idea of using the stove's exhaust fan to get rid of the foam. Big blobs of it were blown over the city by a brisk wind.

-- Drug smugglers were using model rockets to shoot drugs over the US-Mexican border for years before US Customs caught on.

-- Edmund Scientific made a model hot air balloon in the shape of a flying saucer. It had the letters "U" "F" "O" on the side.

-- A building fell down, creating a huge dust cloud and illuminating it with sparks from the electrical lines it also knocked down (I saw this one myself).

-- A large oil-filled transformer supplying a shopping center shorted internally and blew up, sending a huge orange ball of fire into the sky (I saw this one too).

- LAST, but not least, we have a lot of BAD SCIENCE going on. This is where people do not follow scientific methods, make unwarranted conclusions, or even doctor their data to obtain the conclusions wanted by their personal or political beliefs.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Chad Wilson [mailto:caeman@yahoo.com]

@ Sent: Wednesday, November 05, 2003 5:29 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

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Regarding:

>From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
>Date: Fri, 31 Oct 2003 22:33:27 EST  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident

Bob wrote:

>Thanks for attaching that picture, which I understand  
>was an Soviet artist's conception done for a Moscow  
>exhibit, which account for the writing.

Bob,

Some years ago now, I did query the photograph on space related newsgroups and recall one response which indicated it was a model made for a Soviet museum exhibition.

>In my opinion, the picture included in the 1994 article  
>you cited was the source for the "eyewitness" accounts  
>of the UFO in the woods. Once it was on "Unsolved  
>Mysteries", it became the model.

This could explain the striking similarity between what was published as a photograph of 'Cosmos 96' and descriptions of our landed 'UFO'.

Was that same photograph actually shown on 'Unsolved Mysteries'?

>I sent a long letter to UFO Magazine in 1994, which I  
>have included below, which I think summarizes my views.  
>I never heard from them, nor did they publish anything  
>about the meteors pictures and decades old research.

Both appreciated and informative. I would likewise conclude that Kecksburg is a 'classic UFO case' resolved.

James.  
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@ From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]  
@ Sent: Tuesday, November 04, 2003 10:06 AM  
@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Early UFO reports  
@  
@ >Hi Malcolm,  
@  
@ >We had 50 hits yesterday so I think it must!  
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@ http://embark.to/magonia  
@  
@ Chris  
@ It didn't yesterday and it still doesn't, unless 'bad gateway' is  
@ the gate for embarkation to Magonia? ;-) Martin Shough  
@  
@ --- Malcolm Stroud <malcolm@ttau.v.freemove.co.uk>  
@ wrote: > >This link didn't work.  
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@ > Malcolm Stroud  
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Notable article and hopefully the following URL is accessible [I had to 'register' with the 'LA Times' to see the proverbial 'full story']:

<http://www.latimes.com/news/printedition/front/la-na-ufo2nov02,1,405069.story?coll=la-home-todays-times>

James.  
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Regarding:

>From: "dj237" <dennis.king@thklaw.co.nz>  
>Date: Wed, 05 Nov 2003 22:27:12 -0000  
>Subject: [UFORL] Voyager Newsletter

Dennis wrote:

>Your truly excellent website for the Voyager  
>Newsletter, [www.ufoworld.co.uk/](http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/) does not seem to be  
>accessible on the web at the moment; have you  
>deliberately discontinued it or is there just simply a  
>temporary fault in such site?

Dennis,

I'm pleased to hear you found the research material of interest.

The 'UFO World' web site has essentially been inactive and no new material added for well over a year.

Although my account with the hosting ISP ceased and the site should have been closed down then, they simply left it online. It wasn't a problem, as I had a link from the site to 'rendlesham.com' and also to UFORL.

As 'rendlesham.com' has also served its purpose, I have recently ensured both were no longer accessible, pending a decision about future web site development.

I can still upload files to 'UFO World' (which I shouldn't be able to) and will shortly upload a forwarding page to UFORL.

I will equally do so for 'rendlesham.com', which remains a 'live' domain, even if only in future also becoming a connection to UFORL.

It's possible a 'rendlesham.com' web site with related content will re-appear - I know from feedback that other web sites referenced material which is no longer available.

To those who have separately queried via e-mail what the situation was, I hope this explanation helps.

James.

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Subject: [UFORL] USAF Roswell Reports Online  
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Posters,

The 2 USAF Reports, and their summaries, on the Roswell incident, were recently made available online at The Online Books Site, at this link:

<http://www.gl.iit.edu/wadc/history/Roswell/index.html>

Kindest regards,  
Dennis King.

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>  
Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2003 05:40:58 -0000  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations  
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Regarding:

>From: Phil Rotsky <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>  
>Date: Fri, 31 Oct 2003 10:27:13 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Steve wrote:

>>A C-5 arrives - reportedly helicopters which are not  
>>from the 67th ARRS at Bentwaters come onto the scene -  
>>that helicopter activity ceases and our C-5 departs...  
>>  
>>As does allegedly, in the approximate same timescale, a  
>>'UFO investigation team'.

>I'm coming into this late, so don't know the context of  
>the remarks, but... why the hell would a UFO  
>investigation team need a C-5? Those things are huge and  
>expensive, require major airfields and are hardly low-  
>key.

Steve,

A C-5's arrival shortly after the 'UFO' incidents is  
recounted by John Burroughs.

Others, such as Halt, have mentioned a C-130.

Whether any such event was coincidental, or otherwise,  
remains speculative.

>Of course, if they found something and needed to haul it  
>away, that might be different, but they wouldn't call in  
>the C-5 until that point.

What if a C-5 was transporting in a 'special ops' team,  
with helicopters?

Should John's stated recollections be accurate, some  
helicopters, which were not from the 67th ARRS, suddenly  
arrived on the scene.

As I've previously noted, from correspondences with  
former 67th ARRS personnel who served on base during this

time, they confirm zero 67th ARRS 'holiday period' activity.

It's evidently now clarified that the 'Cosmos 749' upper-stage rocket re-entry, circa 2110 on 25 December, 1980, was last tracked within some 20 miles of RAF Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge.

Acknowledging aforesaid speculative basis; if the USAF/U.S. Space Command, etc., learned of a reported 'UFO' landing 'same night' [we're only now of course aware that Burroughs, Cabansag and Penniston's inaugural 'strange lights' sighting was actually about six hours later] and in the same vicinity, wouldn't they intrinsically 'check it out'?

Given initial uncertainty about what had caused the aerial lightshow across Europe, had there been a perceived 'U.S. monitoring' possibility it concerned a Soviet spy satellite failure?

Surely, under those circumstances, worth searching for our 'space debris' artefact, whatever the outcome, especially if it, incredibly, happened to land on 'your' proverbial 'doorstep'.

In either circumstance, or similar, this would have to be a 'clandestine mission on foreign soil', which doubtless they had trained for.

Still, that 'foreign soil' was only on the outskirts of a USAF base complex situated in the benevolent U.K.

Who's to know, or, 'care'...

As highlighted, according to John, one person who had an inkling was his Shift Commander, John explaining:

"The Gate was kept open after Hrs and I was posted on it. There was a lot of Helo activity and it was flying over the area where the activity [previous 'UFO' activity - James] took place.

I was told not to call anything in that I saw over the forest, no matter how strange it was, on the radio. If I had to let anyone know what was going on, use the phone.

I was also told I was being posted on the gate because of

the activities I had been involved in and that I might see strange things going on and that they were aware that could happen.

It was both the Flight Chief and the Shift Commander who talked to me".

The Shift Commander is identified as TSgt Keith Turner - duly contacted - and hopefully his reply will be insightful.

James.

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"That's not what happens. They don't just reject on a noise
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In fact, modern RADAR systems usually operate at much lower
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I agree with Kenny that the question is a bit confused.

I don't like any of the 'alien sightings' reported, so do not take those as evidence of anything.

The conflation of UFO sightings with evidence of 'not being alone in the universe' is an unwarranted inference in my view, so even a perfect structured UFO sighting would not be evidence of this.

It is always dangerous to propose candidates for the so-called 'hard core' of good UFO cases because they are so frequently shot down, but I do think that there are a number cases of real unknown aerial vehicles, otherwise I wouldn't bother with the UFO subject at all.

If any case was truly 'scientifically verifiable' we would have gone beyond the present stage of study long ago and this discussion group would not even exist. However, I will get back to you with some cases which keep me personally interested when I have checked dates.

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Malcolm Stroud

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On Friday 07 November 2003 18:41, Robinson, Larry wrote:

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| In fact, modern RADAR systems usually operate at much lower power now.  
| The lower power emissions are not powerful enough to produce skin  
| reflections. Instead, they now rely entirely on the power of the plane's  
| transponder to produce the RADAR return itself.

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| and multiple reflections of planes with transponders (because the false  
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| doesn't match the GPS coordinates the transponder sent).

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| all military RADARs and cockpit anticollision RADARs must have it.

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| If an aircraft without a transponder gets into the airways, it is  
| usually  
| first detected on an anticollision radar. Then the pilot tells the ATC  
| controller about it, and the controller switches on the skin reflection  
| function (if he has it).

I think you're getting a little confused there Larry. It may be possible that some radar systems - for example, those used by en-route controllers - do something similar to what you suggest. But the fact is that most radar are perfectly capable of detecting non-transponder-equipped aircraft. The reason for this is that there are still lots of (predominantly) light aircraft without transponders. And that's why, when I'm flying and receiving a radar information or advisory service, I'll so often get the message from ATC to the effect of "unknown traffic at two o'clock".

Oh, and transponders do not return GPS co-ordinates. Standard transponders (Mode A) simply return (via a radio signal) a four-digit code where each digit is in the range 0-7. Mode C transponders also return the aircraft altitude (taken from a suitably approved altimeter and therefore accurate to within +/- 50ft). The new Mode S transponders (which are still quite rare, especially in general aviation) have a datalink capability. The transponder is programmed with information - eg, aircraft type, registration etc - which ATC can receive. ATC can also upload data to the aircraft, and in the future this might include weather & airport info etc. There are moves to make Mode S

obligatory in Class A airspace, but general aviation has shown great resistance to it because of the cost of installation. Nevertheless, there are now more than 120 Mode S radar installations in the US (each with a range of about 50 miles) and this will double soon. But it's mostly the big iron that is adopting it.

Mode S is most useful for Traffic Collision Avoidance Systems (TCAS), and this is another area where I think you've got a little confused. TCAS is *\*not\** an 'anticollision radar' as such. The way it works is that the TCAS unit installed in each aircraft (and again, we're talking about airliners here, not Piper Cubs) keeps a watch for the transponder returns sent out by other aircraft (a transponder sends out its signal each time it is 'painted' by radar). Certain systems (so-called 'active' systems) have the ability to interrogate the transponders of other aircraft. But this is all done by transponder radio signals - the only radar involved is the ground-based radar that causes the transponders to send their signals.

+a  
Steve

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Chad Wilson wrote:

- > What of all of the UFO/Alien sightings reported in the last 50 years
- > would you guys qualify as the the most scientifically verifiable
- > evidence that we are not alone in the universe?

Chad;

I am a little critical of the question. What would constitute "scientifically verifiable evidence" that we are not alone in the universe? There is nothing by way of existing technology or chemistry that we have for testable, comparative analysis..

If a flying saucer lands at the most famous "White House Lawn" and a gray colored, child-sized, big eyed occupant comes out and professes to be from the Zackonian Star Cluster, how do we know he is not lying? How can science demonstrate that this hypothetical creature is from outer space and not from some secretive underground laboratory, a foreign country or, for that matter, a time traveler from the future?

And also, for further discussion, does your question take into consideration that an advanced ET culture might wish to and be capable of subverting or manipulating our present method of observation and testing for concealment purposes?

I wish I could recall the specifics of a 1973 (or early 70s) paper that dealt with S.E.T.I. and similar issues involving the criteria for determining evidence for ET visitation and how the data cannot be truly satisfied due to the unknowable circumstances, and that the quest for some 'uncommon material or chemistry' may be a bogus presumption. If anyone has any idea of this article or paper, I would appreciate the input.

Thanks and take care,  
Kenny Young  
Florence, KY

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-----Original Message-----

From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]  
Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2003 4:08 PM  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

@ Larry Robinson wrote:

@

@ > "Now that transponders are required on most aircraft, the number  
@ > of RADAR UFO sightings is very low. This is simply because most of  
@ > the false targets were identified as secondary reflections of other  
@ > aircraft on the screen. The computer now routinely eliminates these  
@ > from the display. Right now, targets without transponders are also  
not

@ > displayed on most computerized ATC systems, unless the controller  
@ > requests them."

@

@ This is true but a fact too often misconstrued in my opinion. Modern  
@ SSR radars are certainly designed to eliminate noise, but one has to  
@ remember that signal criteria chosen as defining noise for air traffic  
@ purposes, say, might define a research area from someone else's point  
@ of view. Ad absurdum, one cannot expect 'flying saucers' to carry  
@ transponders! But I don't disagree with your general remarks, that the  
@ evidence for such 'rejected' signal characteristics being of alien  
@ origin is not powerful.

@ Regards

@ Martin Shough

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If an aircraft without a transponder gets into the airways, it is usually first detected on an anticollision radar. Then the pilot tells the ATC controller about it, and the controller switches on the skin reflection function (if he has it).

When transponders first came into use, the "UFOs" displayed transponder codes too. It was obvious that they were secondary reflections or second trip echoes, because they displayed the same transponder codes that some of the real planes displayed. It also became a simple test to ask the pilot to switch off the transponder. When he did, the "UFO" shut up too. That showed that the "UFO" was a secondary reflection of the beam that hit the plane.

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com> Sent: Monday, November 10, 2003 5:40 AM  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

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> It's evidently now clarified that the 'Cosmos 749' upper-  
> stage rocket re-entry, circa 2110 on 25 December, 1980,  
> was last tracked within some 20 miles of RAF  
> Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge.

It seems that the last visible pieces of this re-entry would have ended up in the sea over Clacton, assuming there was anything that survived re-entry. The track crossed part of Kent and the outer Thames, and it would have been more likely that any debris came down there, so why search Rendlesham Forest?

> It was both the Flight Chief and the Shift Commander who  
> talked to me".  
>  
>  
> The Shift Commander is identified as TSgt Keith Turner -  
> duly contacted - and hopefully his reply will be  
> insightful.

Who was John Burrough's Flight Chief?

Regards

Robert McLean

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Phil Rotsky [mailto:rotsky@wanadoo.fr]  
@ Sent: Saturday, November 08, 2003 4:57 AM  
@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?  
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@  
@ I think you're getting a little confused there Larry. It may  
@ be possible that  
@ some radar systems - for example, those used by en-route  
@ controllers - do  
@ something similar to what you suggest. But the fact is that  
@ most radar are  
@ perfectly capable of detecting non-transponder-equipped  
@ aircraft.

No they are not. Instead, one controller gets a screen from a regional RADAR that is so equipped.

@ The reason  
@ for this is that there are still lots of (predominantly)  
@ light aircraft  
@ without transponders. And that's why, when I'm flying and  
@ receiving a radar  
@ information or advisory service, I'll so often get the  
@ message from ATC to  
@ the effect of "unknown traffic at two o'clock".

Or it can also mean that a general aviation transponder has shown up in the area. Since many general aviation transponders all send the same 1200 code, it could be an unknown general aviation plane (the controller has no way of knowing who), or it could be a

secondary echo from a general aviation aircraft (the computer can't blank it because there are many planes with the same code).

@ Oh, and transponders do not return GPS co-ordinates. Standard  
@ transponders  
@ (Mode A) simply return (via a radio signal) a four-digit code  
@ where each  
@ digit is in the range 0-7. Mode C transponders also return  
@ the aircraft  
@ altitude (taken from a suitably approved altimeter and  
@ therefore accurate to  
@ within +/- 50ft). The new Mode S transponders (which are  
@ still quite rare,  
@ especially in general aviation) have a datalink capability.  
@ The transponder  
@ is programmed with information - eg, aircraft type,  
@ registration etc - which  
@ ATC can receive. ATC can also upload data to the aircraft,  
@ and in the future  
@ this might include weather & airport info etc. There are  
@ moves to make Mode S  
@ obligatory in Class A airspace, but general aviation has shown great  
@ resistance to it because of the cost of installation.  
@ Nevertheless, there are  
@ now more than 120 Mode S radar installations in the US (each  
@ with a range of  
@ about 50 miles) and this will double soon. But it's mostly  
@ the big iron that  
@ is adopting it.

There are some mode S units that can send GPS.

@ Mode S is most useful for Traffic Collision Avoidance Systems  
@ (TCAS), and this  
@ is another area where I think you've got a little confused.  
@ TCAS is \*not\* an  
@ 'anticollision radar' as such. The way it works is that the TCAS unit  
@ installed in each aircraft (and again, we're talking about  
@ airliners here,  
@ not Piper Cubs) keeps a watch for the transponder returns  
@ sent out by other  
@ aircraft (a transponder sends out its signal each time it is  
@ 'painted' by  
@ radar). Certain systems (so-called 'active' systems) have the  
@ ability to  
@ interrogate the transponders of other aircraft. But this is  
@ all done by  
@ transponder radio signals - the only radar involved is the  
@ ground-based radar  
@ that causes the transponders to send their signals.



The anticollision RADAR I am talking about is also used to prevent collision with the ground (such as mountain peaks). As we know, the ground has no transponder.

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I remember a few of the possible criteria from that SETI paper:

1. An information-laden radio signal from outer space: This one would be hard to fake, because a local signal would not show up at a verification site. It would also be hard to decode.
2. A material shown to have an isotope ratio different from the isotope ratios found on earth: I disproved this one in 1996 when I demonstrated that anyone can order purified isotopes of almost any element from chemical supply houses (Our lab has the catalogs). Anyone could cook up a batch of isotope-enriched aluminum (for example), make an artifact, and offer it as "evidence" of an ET visit.
3. Life organized in a way different than what we know (different cell types, lack of cells, different kinds of genetic material, etc.)

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@ Sent: Saturday, November 08, 2003 12:29 AM

@ To: [UFORL@yahoogroups.com](mailto:UFORL@yahoogroups.com)

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

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@ Chad Wilson wrote:

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@ > What of all of the UFO/Alien sightings reported in the last 50 years

@ > would you guys qualify as the most scientifically verifiable

@ > evidence that we are not alone in the universe?

@

@ Chad;

@

@ I am a little critical of the question. What would constitute  
@ "scientifically verifiable evidence" that we are not alone in  
@ the universe?

@ There is nothing by way of existing technology or chemistry  
@ that we have for  
@ testable, comparative analysis..

@

@ If a flying saucer lands at the most famous "White House  
@ Lawn" and a gray  
@ colored, child-sized, big eyed occupant comes out and  
@ professes to be from  
@ the Zackonian Star Cluster, how do we know he is not lying?  
@ How can science  
@ demonstrate that this hypothetical creature is from outer  
@ space and not from  
@ some secretive underground laboratory, a foreign country or, for that  
@ matter, a time traveler from the future?

@

@ And also, for further discussion, does your question take  
@ into consideration  
@ that an advanced ET culture might wish to and be capable of  
@ subverting or  
@ manipulating our present method of observation and testing  
@ for concealment  
@ purposes?

@

@ I wish I could recall the specifics of a 1973 (or early 70s)  
@ paper that  
@ dealt with S.E.T.I. and similar issues involving the criteria for  
@ determining evidence for ET visitation and how the data  
@ cannot be truly  
@ satisfied due to the unknowable circumstances, and that the  
@ quest for some  
@ 'uncommon material or chemistry' may be a bogus presumption.  
@ If anyone has  
@ any idea of this article or paper, I would appreciate the input.

@

@ Thanks and take care,  
@ Kenny Young  
@ Florence, KY

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I now have more information on this, from a friend who programs ATC computers for the FAA:

The small local ATC control centers have at their sites only the kind of RADAR set that displays just the targets that have transponders. One controller in local ATC center has a screen that contains data from the larger RADAR located at the regional control centers. Those larger RADAR sets can display both skin returns and transponder returns. In addition, airliners carry anticollision RADAR, which displays both kinds of returns. UFO returns could appear on only the last two kinds of displays.

In the event a plane loses its transponder, control of that plane is transferred to the ATC controller with the special display. That controller is also in charge of keeping planes away from other planes which do not have transponders. And he is the only one who could report a UFO.

Most general aviation aircraft have transponders which send the same ID number (1200), so the computer has a harder time eliminating secondary echoes of those, but they are all marked as being general aviation aircraft whether the return is real or not. None of them could be confused with a UFO. Note that most general aviation aircraft are restricted to flying below airway altitudes, and must keep out of the approach and landing zones of major airports. Thus, they are rarely a problem for air traffic controllers unless a pilot gets lost, or a secondary echo appears in an approach or landing zone.

The local centers send out more of an inquiry sync signal than a beam designed to reflect from the skin of a plane. The transponder then returns the requested information. Through a series of inquiries, the RADAR can learn the plane's ID, GPS position, and altitude. The FAA computer also has simple software to weed out false returns. It uses the following logic:

1. If the return arrives after another return of the same ID and inquiry (unless the ID is 1200), don't display it. It's a secondary echo.
2. If the transponder answers the previous inquiry instead of the current one, don't display the return. It is a second trip echo of a plane far beyond the horizon.
3. If the transponder answers any inquiry other than the previous or

current one, don't display the return. The transponder is answering a different RADAR set, and has been picked up through atmospheric skip.

4. If the transponder always answers the same inquiry, no matter which inquiry the RADAR makes, display the return. It's probably a busted transponder.

Why were these changes made? The more powerful RADAR sets caused interference to radio, TV, police radio, emergency services radio, and military radio receivers located within a few miles of the RADAR set. They also interfered with each other, causing UFO reports. In addition, the EPA was concerned about exposure to RADAR signals by airport workers. Under the new system, regional ATC centers are in rural areas, far from those receivers and workers and from each other. Thus they cause very little interference and no EM exposure. The local transmitters are dinky by comparison, needing no more power than aircraft communications radio, and do not cause the indicated troubles.

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@ Sent: Friday, November 07, 2003 12:41 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

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@ That's not what happens. They don't just reject on a noise threshold.

@ In fact, modern RADAR systems usually operate at much lower power now.

@ The lower power emissions are not powerful enough to produce skin

@ reflections. Instead, they now rely entirely on the power of

@ the plane's

@ transponder to produce the RADAR return itself.

@

@ Air Traffic Control RADAR now ignores all returns that do not have

@ transponder signatures. They also know how to reject second

@ trip echoes

@ and multiple reflections of planes with transponders (because

@ the false

@ echo must always be received after the real one, and because

@ the return

@ doesn't match the GPS coordinates the transponder sent).  
@  
@ If the controller wants to see objects without transponders, he must  
@ turn that function on. This increases the power of the transmitter so  
@ skin reflections are produced, and enables the receiver to display  
@ them. Many ATC installations no longer have this capability, though  
@ all military RADARs and cockpit anticollision RADARs must have it.  
@  
@ If an aircraft without a transponder gets into the airways, it is  
@ usually  
@ first detected on an anticollision radar. Then the pilot tells the ATC  
@ controller about it, and the controller switches on the skin  
@ reflection  
@ function (if he has it).  
@  
@ When transponders first came into use, the "UFOs" displayed  
@ transponder  
@ codes too. It was obvious that they were secondary  
@ reflections or second  
@ trip echoes, because they displayed the same transponder  
@ codes that some  
@ of the real planes displayed. It also became a simple test to ask the  
@ pilot to switch off the transponder. When he did, the "UFO"  
@ shut up too.  
@ That showed that the "UFO" was a secondary reflection of the beam that  
@ hit the plane.

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and shaking? I didn't think so ...

> Anyone could cook up a batch of isotope-enriched aluminum (for  
> example), make an artifact, and offer it as "evidence" of an ET  
> visit.

I find it hard to believe that "anyone" can manufacture aluminium  
of arbitrary isotope ratio ... in principle, yes, perhaps. In practice  
I suspect you'd need access to an aluminium smelter and/or other advanced  
technological facilities. It's not something I could "cook up" in my kitchen.

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Still some errors, Larry...

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| (the controller has no way of knowing who), or it could be a  
| secondary echo from a general aviation aircraft (the computer can't  
| blank it because there are many planes with the same code).

You seem to be under the impression that GA transponders only send 1200 and that's that. Wrong. All transponders are capable of sending the full set of codes. Pilots set 1200 (in the US, 7000 elsewhere) when they are flying VFR (ie, it's not to do with them being GA, but the flight regime). When a pilot - any pilot - contacts certain types of ATC, they are assigned a squawk code which they set in the transponder. Therefore ATC are capable of identifying \*any\* aircraft with whom they are in radio contact. Many radar sets can be switched to filtering out all VFR returns, which is often done because these returns often don't return altitude information (ie, they are Mode A) and are likely coming from traffic below the airspace the ATC is monitoring.

| There are some mode S units that can send GPS.

Yes, but not in widespread use - very rare beasts at present.

| The anticollision RADAR I am talking about is also used to  
| prevent collision with the ground (such as mountain peaks). As  
| we know, the ground has no transponder.

Not 'also used' - the phrase you want is 'solely used'. What you're talking about here is the Ground Proximity Warning System which is linked to a radar altimeter (used to get an accurate height reading in low-altitude flight modes such as approach to landing). Of course, the significant thing about radar altimeters is that they are angled \*downwards\* - that being where the ground is usually found.

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Larry, see my other comments in my reply to your reply, plus:

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| are restricted to flying below airway altitudes, and must keep out of  
| the approach and landing zones of major airports. Thus, they are  
| rarely a problem for air traffic controllers unless a pilot gets lost,  
| or a secondary echo appears in an approach or landing zone.

This is inaccurate. You seem to be confused between 'general aviation' and VFR. If flying VFR, it is true that aircraft must generally remain outside Class A airspace. In Europe, VFR is permitted in all other classes (and I assume the new US classifications are similar). To fly in Class A airspace, the aircraft and pilot must both be instrument-rated, must have filed an IFR flight plan (though this can be done in the air, by radio), and must be in contact with (and under positive control of) ATC. So all flying in Class A is IFR with one exception (see below).

\*However\*... many GA aircraft are suitably IFR-equipped, and many private pilots have IFR ratings. Of course, GA also includes a great deal of commercial flying, too. So you will often - indeed, usually - find a significant number of GA aircraft in precisely the types of airspace you mentioned. However, they will all be in contact with ATC and so will have been positively identified and assigned squawk codes.

Plus: there is a thing called 'Special VFR' which, under certain circumstances, allows a non-IFR aircraft & pilot to transition Class A airspace. I've been on a Gazelle helicopter that flew SVFR through Heathrow's airspace, parallel to one of the main runways, so close that I watched aircraft taking off and I swear I could see the pilot's face :-). This SVFR clearance was given via radio shortly before we entered Heathrow's airspace, and this is typical for SVFR. Under SVFR, you are also under positive control and will be assigned a squawk. So your assertion becomes true if you replace 'general aviation' with 'VFR' - but I think it's important to get our terminology straight.

Note also that the number of airports within Class A is actually quite small. Here in France I think there are two, maybe three (counting all the Paris airports as one, as they're all inside one big Class A zone). There are many significant airports with scheduled commercial jet traffic which are also open to VFR traffic. During my flight training I did a lot of flights into Melbourne Regional in Florida where I'd share the circuit with DC-9s and 737s. Same goes here in France at places like Rennes (Class D) & Dinard (Class E - which means I could go in there non-radio as clearance is not required to enter Class E!). Even airports like Strasbourg and Toulouse are

only Class D. Now, when entering Class D one has to obtain clearance and, normally, you'll be assigned a squawk. But I've gone into Class D airports still squawking VFR (7000) while being told to hurry up because there's an Air France jet behind me. It's amazing how much speed you can get out of an old Piper Archer under those circumstances :-)

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Not just anyone, but anyone with the equipment to melt metal could make any isotope mix he wants of that metal, and then cast it into artifacts. It's a case of producing a homogenous mixture of the purchased isotope and metal stock. My brother has a small foundry in his basement, and I have done some alloying with it. Alloying is basically the same thing, except that I used two different metals, rather than two isotope mixes of the same metal.

It would be somewhat harder to produce compounds with altered isotope ratios, but you can buy isotope labeled compounds too. In the labs where I work, we have some rat food labeled with isotopes, and as a result we also have some lab rats with altered isotope ratios. This is used to study which parts of foods go to which molecules in the muscles during protein synthesis.

Of course, if you find some silicon dioxide with altered silicon isotope ratios, but UNaltered oxygen isotope ratios, you had better start looking for the "isotope" who faked it.

My point was that altered isotope ratios are not proof of ET, because they can be made right here on earth.

Altered isotope ratios have been found in rocks near the atomic bomb test sites in New Mexico and Nevada.

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Here is another reason the US government wants to keep people out of  
Area 51:

I was comparing a new road map (2003) of Nevada with an old road map  
(1964). On the old road map, it has a red warning box:

Warning: Radioactive  
Atomic Bomb Test Site.

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John Rimmer and others on updates makes me question if this was a true "multiple  
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"I had encountered so many discrepancies and incongruities that, however the man got burned, I felt the case could not be used as evidence that flying craft like he sketched in such beautiful detail existed outside human minds."&nbsp;(Craig -UFOs: An insiders view of the official quest for evidence p.27)<BR>  
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"What happened at Trans-en-Provence was that, from a single, uncertain and inconsistent testimony, GEPAN, with the help of some scientific actors, all of them linked to ufological circles, succeeded in creating a case which achieved classic status.&nbsp;Regrettably, it now appears that the Trans case is far from being as solid as its champions would like it to be."&nbsp;(Trans-en-Provence: When science and belief go hand in hand/UFOs: 1947-1997 p. 159)<BR>  
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I have a section on the matter on my webpage:<BR>  
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famous March 1997 case (8PM event, not the flares).&nbsp; Strange nobody ever  
discusses the observations of Mitch Stanley and others that point directly away from a  
solid object to the triangular formation of lights.&nbsp; <BR>  
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I have a summary of events and discussion of a probable solution at:<BR>  
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The idea of creating a list of "best cases" goes back to Hynek/McDonald.&nbsp; Roy  
Craig states that Condon wanted to take this on but Craig convinced him it would be  
fruitless because:<BR>  
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"...such sparring would be endless.&nbsp; If one proved six of ten arguments wrong,  
the opposition would merely drop those arguments and substitute six new ones,  
leaving us with where we started.&nbsp; The situation was similar to pursuing Dr.  
James McDonald's "Twenty best UFO case," which he told various groups of people  
were worthy of detailed scientific investigation.&nbsp; As soon as te investigator  
showed several of the twenty to have no merit, those were simply dropped from the  
list and replaced with different cases. Since Condon seemed to love a good fight,  
many of which he had experienced in his past activities, he must have found it  
difficult to yield to such arguments, and merely let erroneous testimony fall of its own  
weight..." (Craig p. 212).<BR>  
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From: "Malcolm Stroud" <malcolm@ttau.v.freemove.co.uk> Sent: Wednesday,  
November 12, 2003 11:01 PM  
Subject: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

> 1976: Multiple Witness Case - Canary Islands

At least, this case has been completely explained as Polaris  
launched from an US submarine. I do not have the references at hand,  
but you will find information at Anomaly Foundation page  
[www.anomalia.org](http://www.anomalia.org)

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In 1996 a document was published to world leaders attempting to bring the UFO subject into the open once and for all. It was written by Don Berliner and funded by Laurence Rockefeller, listing 19 cases. I have not been able to trace a full copy on the Internet quickly, but reproduce a summary below by Dave Vetterick (<http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/rockrept.html>), adapted with my own comments, plus some of my favourites. I admit that I know little or nothing about some of them. It is interesting to see how many have been 'discredited'. Possibly, 95 percent of every residue can be eliminated ad infinitum.

#### 1944-45: Foo Fighters Over Europe and Asia

- "Foo fighters" sighted by WWII fliers during 1944-45, notably on August 10, 1944 over the Indian Ocean, and December 22, 1944 over Hagenau, Germany

#### 1946: Ghost Rockets Over Scandinavia

#### 1947: First American Sighting Wave

- Kenneth Arnold's sighting on June 24, 1947 (possible birds)

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- Presumably the Washington wave (interesting, but has been attributed to radar effects)

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#### 1967: Landing Case At Socorro, New Mexico

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this case)

1975: Strategic Air command Bases UFO Alert

- bold incursions of unidentified craft over several Strategic Air Command bases during late October and November, 1975, including Loring AFB in Maine, Wurtsmith AFB in Michigan, Malmstrom AFB in Montana; Minot AFB in North Dakota and Falconbridge in Ontario, Canada

1976: Multiple Witness Case - Canary Islands

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- a "dogfight" between a UFO and two F-4 jets over Tehran, Iran in 1976 (seems solid)

1980: UFO Incidents At Rendlesham Forest, Eng

- the strange sightings in the Rendlesham Forest between Bentwaters and Woodbridge RAF bases in England in late December, 1980 (in doubt)

1981: Physical Trace Case Trans-en-Provence, Fr (as I recall, a single witness sighting where traces might not have been caused by the 'object', but still interesting)

1986: Japan Airlines 747 Case Over Alaska

- visual and radar sighting of an aerial object "two times bigger than an aircraft carrier" by the flight crew of a Japan Airlines 747 freighter over Alaska on November 17, 1986

1986: Jet Chase Over Brazil

1989: Multiple Witness Case USSR Missile Base

- July 28, 1989, a UFO was clearly observed for a period of two hours over a Russian army missile base at Kapustin Yar, Astrakhan region.

1989-90: UFO Sighting Wave In Belgium

- Belgium in 1989 and 1990. Numerous drawings and photos by witnesses show a huge triangular shaped craft with bright lights at each corner (presumably military FTs, plus hoaxes)

1991-94: Recent Cases

To this list I will add some of my own favourites:

1926: Mongolia

- A crystal clear contemporary account of a big, shiny object flying in the sky above Mongolia by American artist/traveller (and spiritualist?) Nicholas Roerich.

1949: Rogue River, USA



- An interesting recurring object. This was a distinctive hamburger-shaped aircraft with a single tail fin but no wings or obvious propulsion. A Blue Book case, it was classified until 1976. A very similar aircraft with some identical details was reportedly seen in Bedfordshire, UK in 1957 and sketched by a witness some time before 1978. Jenny Randles made the link between these two cases. A similar object was reportedly at Ft Riley, USA in 1964 and may have been published soon after (presumably a military aircraft, but an amazing kind).

1950: McMinnville, Oregon

- The famous photographic disc case, supplemented by the Rouen (France) 1954 photograph. More information is needed on the Rouen photograph (but with its tail fin, presumably military - but amazing).

1952: Puerto Maldonado, Peru

- A photographic case showing an odd finless rocket flying low and emitting what seems to be thick, white vapour. Interesting, but not much information (presumably a secret rocket test).

1955: Namur, France

- The Postman's photographic case. A repeated saucer type, one of the three photos would be difficult to fake, with its vapour trail.

1973: Mansfield, USA

- Helicopter crew and independent witness sight strange flying object - long with cupola and spotlight (another helicopter?).

1990: Montreal, Canada

- Photographic case, multiple witness; an enormous disc with circumference lights hovers for long period in the fog (presumably a military blimp).

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Many of these were probably attempts by the Resistance to make the Germans waste ammunition. It is known that they made fire balloons out of tissue paper, and disguised them as party lanterns if they were found in a house. The Japanese were also using fire balloons as both long-distance bombs (some reached the west coast of the US) and as barrage balloons.

@ 1947: First American Sighting Wave

@ - Kenneth Arnold's sighting on June 24, 1947 (possible birds)

Whatever it was, Arnold demonstrated the inability of the human eye to resolve distance, speed, and size. His distance, speed, and size estimates could not all be true simultaneously.

@ 1952: Second American Sighting Wave

@ - Presumably the Washington wave (interesting, but has been attributed @ to radar effects)

This has now been attributed to RADAR operators using old techniques (which no longer worked) with the new Moving Target Indicator (MTI) RADAR sets. In both this case and the next one, the new sets had just been installed when the case happened (and again at the Kinchloe AFB case in 1967). An operator using old operation methods was bound to get lots of UFOs on the screen, because he unwittingly decalibrated the new equipment.

There were also atmospheric bending effects from a temperature inversion

affecting the RADAR in the Washington case. One pilot said he tried to intercept the same UFO 3 times, and each time he found himself flying at a steamboat on the Potomac.

@ 1956: Radar/Visual Jet chase Over England

@ - Presumably the Bentwaters/Lakenheath radar/visual case (interesting)

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@ 1958: Third American Sighting Wave

Should that be 1957?

@ 1958: Brazilian Navy Photographic Case

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@ Atlantic, February 21, 1958 (convincingly argued to be a mirage of

@ Jupiter by Steuert Campbell)

This has now been shown to have been a hoax perpetrated by the photographer. Investigation of the photos shows a rectangle of halftone around each UFO image. The images were probably taken from a comic book I used to have.

@ 1967: Burn Injury in Canada

@ - May 20, 1967, near Falcon Lake, Manitoba, Canada. Amateur prospector

@ Steven Michalak: with personal injury (I have always assumed

@ this to be

@ a hoax because of the neat burn mark in the photos)

The burns remind me of the grille on a certain type of picnic fireplace which used to be provided in the picnic areas in state parks.

@ 1967: Landing Case At Socorro, New Mexico

@ -Lonnie Zamora near Socorro, New Mexico, on April 24, 1964.

@ Zamora said

@ he witnessed an egg-shaped craft on four thin legs, along

@ with two small

@ beings in white coverall-type outfits (I just have a bad feeling about

@ this case)

I am convinced that the object was a hot air balloon, and that Zamora got the visual size and distance wrong. And the case was in 1964, not 1967 (as you have right on the next line).

@ 1975: Strategic Air command Bases UFO Alert

@ - bold incursions of unidentified craft over several Strategic Air

@ Command bases during late October and November, 1975, including Loring

@ AFB in Maine, Wurtsmith AFB in Michigan, Malmstrom AFB in

@ Montana; Minot

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This has been conclusively shown to have been a test of both stealth technology and military readiness. The UFO reports were indications that the flights had been detected. But the bases were not told what was going

on at the time. The info was released at the time the Stealth Fighter was revealed.

@ 1976: Multiple Witness Case - Canary Islands

This is a known Polaris missile test launch.

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@ - a "dogfight" between a UFO and two F-4 jets over Tehran,

@ Iran in 1976

@ (seems solid)

The problem is that it behaved TOO much like a fighter plane - even launching anti-heat-seeking-missile "stars". Russian spy mission?

@ 1980: UFO Incidents At Rendlesham Forest, Eng

@ - the strange sightings in the Rendlesham Forest between

@ Bentwaters and

@ Woodbridge RAF bases in England in late December, 1980 (in doubt)

There are so many conflicting stories that I don't know if they will ever figure this one out. My vote is a spy satellite drop for info on

the hostages in Tehran, and a UFO story used to cover-up that secret.

@ 1981: Physical Trace Case Trans-en-Provence, Fr (as I recall, a single  
@ witness sighting where traces might not have been caused by the  
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If this is the one I am thinking of, it was later confessed as a hoax  
after the police became involved.

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@ - visual and radar sighting of an aerial object "two times bigger than  
@ an aircraft carrier" by the flight crew of a Japan Airlines 747  
@ freighter over Alaska on November 17, 1986

What I want to know is how they found out the size. RADAR can't do that,  
and the human eye is limited to an accuracy range of 30 feet, unless the  
object is a known object.

I am constantly flabbergasted that UFOlogists take the sizes and  
distances reported by witnesses as ironclad truth, when the human visual  
system is totally incapable of making those kinds of measurements.

We don't even know if the visual object and the RADAR object were in  
fact  
the same thing.

@ 1989: Multiple Witness Case USSR Missile Base  
@ - July 28, 1989, a UFO was clearly observed for a period of two hours  
@ over a Russian army missile base at Kapustin Yar, Astrakhan region.

Could it possibly have been something secret launched from the base?

@ To this list I will add some of my own favourites:  
@

@ 1926: Mongolia  
@ - A crystal clear contemporary account of a big, shiny object  
@ flying in  
@ the sky above Mongolia by American artist/traveller (and  
@ spiritualist?)  
@ Nicholas Roerich.

Could it have possibly been a kite?

@ 1949: Rogue River, USA  
@ - An interesting recurring object. This was a distinctive hamburger-  
@ shaped aircraft with a single tail fin but no wings or obvious  
@ propulsion. A Blue Book case, it was classified until 1976. A very  
@ similar aircraft with some identical details was reportedly seen in  
@ Bedfordshire, UK in 1957 and sketched by a witness some time before  
@ 1978. Jenny Randles made the link between these two cases. A similar

@ object was reportedly at Ft Riley, USA in 1964 and may have been  
@ published soon after (presumably a military aircraft, but an amazing  
@ kind).

Oh, come on! I have had copies of the Rogue River case since 1967. It was in the original Project Sign report, and in a book full of Air Force case files published in 1964 (of which I have a copy). Most likely the UFO was an airplane seen nearly edge-on.

@ 1950: McMinnville, Oregon  
@ - The famous photographic disc case, supplemented by the  
@ Rouen (France)  
@ 1954 photograph. More information is needed on the Rouen  
@ photograph (but  
@ with its tail fin, presumably military - but amazing).

Recent investigation shows that it was probably the side mirror off of the truck in the background. I also found that the Dual 1000 record changer had a record balancing disc that looks remarkably like the object.

@ 1952: Puerto Maldonado, Peru  
@ - A photographic case showing an odd finless rocket flying low and  
@ emitting what seems to be thick, white vapour. Interesting,  
@ but not much  
@ information (presumably a secret rocket test).

This has been shown to be a hoax. The object was a child's sausage balloon (the knot is visible at the leading end in blowups). The balloon and some cotton "exhaust" were superimposed on a large print of the scene, and then rephotographed.

@ 1955: Namur, France  
@ - The Postman's photographic case. A repeated saucer type, one of the  
@ three photos would be difficult to fake, with its vapour trail.

The photos were of an overturned toy sailboat in surf.

@ 1973: Mansfield, USA  
@ - Helicopter crew and independent witness sight strange  
@ flying object -  
@ long with cupola and spotlight (another helicopter?).

There are several theories on this, ranging from a fire balloon misperceived by the pilot (reference the similar case in 1993 by police in Louisville KY) to a re-entry.

@ 1990: Montreal, Canada  
@ - Photographic case, multiple witness; an enormous disc with  
@ circumference lights hovers for long period in the fog (presumably a

@ military blimp).

This sounds like a cluster of fire balloons from the description in the link. Too bad the photo is gone from the page. Anybody got a link to a photo?

@ 1997: Boomerang, Carefree Highway, Arizona

@ - One of a series of similar boomerang shaped flying wings seen in the @ US since 1991, probably going back much earlier. Can travel slowly or @ hover (presumably military - but amazing).

I worked on this case. This series of sightings has been conclusively identified as two separate series of objects in the sky:

1. A drop of rescue flares from a plane by the Air National Guard of Maryland, on a training mission over the Gila Bend test range. Triangulation from the 4 videos of the 3/13/97 flight prove this. This was the second case that night (around 10 pm).

2. A series of fire balloons launched by pranksters.



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Messages are appearing online, at:

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However, I haven't received copies of them all and the ones which are being delivered can be a day or more late.

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Until resolved, I would suggest checking the above URL for new postings.

James Easton,  
List Moderator.  
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longer worked) with the new Moving Target Indicator (MTI)<BR>RADAR sets. In  
both  
this case and the next one, the new sets had just<BR>been installed when the  
case happened (and again at the Kinchloe AFB<BR>case in 1967). An operator using  
old operation methods was bound to<BR>get lots of UFOs on the screen, because he



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Dear Larry,

I suspect neither Brad Sparks nor other sceptics (Luis Nuñez, etc.) would agree with you on that.  
Just now there is a fierce debate in the UFOUpdates list about the case.

LuisR

----- Original Message -----

From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu> Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 5:42 PM  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

> @ 1958: Brazilian Navy Photographic Case  
> @ - photos of a Saturn-shaped UFO over Trindade Island in the South  
> @ Atlantic, February 21, 1958 (convincingly argued to be a mirage of  
> @ Jupiter by Steuert Campbell)  
>  
> This has now been shown to have been a hoax perpetrated by the  
> photographer. Investigation of the photos shows a rectangle of halftone  
> around each UFO image. The images were probably taken from a comic book  
> I used to have.

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On Fri Nov 7, 2003 3:14 am, James Easton wrote regarding:

>>From: YoungBob2@a...  
>>Date: Fri, 31 Oct 2003 22:33:27 EST  
>>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident

<snip>

>>In my opinion, the picture included in the 1994 article  
>>you cited was the source for the "eyewitness" accounts  
>>of the UFO in the woods. Once it was on "Unsolved  
>.Mysteries", it became the model.

>This could explain the striking similarity between what  
>was published as a photograph of 'Cosmos 96' and  
>descriptions of our landed 'UFO'.

>Was that same photograph actually shown on 'Unsolved  
>Mysteries'?

I don't think it was, but I will have to check.

However,

It was being circulated around by local UFO investigators, who were interviewing witnesses, as far back as the mid 80s. It may have been part of a "UFO Information Week" display in 1987 at which the second "witness" of the UFO in the woods, who described at cosmos-like "acron", surfaced from the crowd.

The only previous witness to have claimed to have seen the object, described it in 1980 as a 17 foot long thing on a truck. He changed his description twice since then and reportedly told the Unsolved Mysteries producers he told the story just to get on TV, after which his part of the tale was deleted from the already-filmed show. This was strange since for nearly ten years he was the one and only source of the recovery and actual UFO tale. He now says that he saw a covered truck and couldn't see inside.

>I sent a long letter to UFO Magazine in 1994, which I  
>have included below, which I think summarizes my views.  
>I never heard from them, nor did they publish anything  
>about the meteors pictures and decades old research.

Both appreciated and informative. I would likewise conclude that Kecksburg is a 'classic UFO case' resolved.

James.

E-mail: [voyager@j...](mailto:voyager@j...)

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I have been reading the subject matter on the web page for some time now.&nbsp;  There is just so much one can read over time before becoming saturated with the information.&nbsp;  As best I can tell, it seems the case is more confusing now than it was when it was first reported to Condon.&nbsp;  What I make of all that has been gathered is that some memories have not been entirely accurate on the matter and it is difficult to tell exactly what happened.<BR>  
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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]

@ Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 4:42 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

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@ to MTI or 'techniques which no longer worked'. Nobody was

@ familiar with the theory behind wind-driven partially

@ reflecting domains in 1952, and they were honest-to-goodness

@ radar UFOs in terms of the state of the art.

Here is how the MTI of the 1950s worked:

- Every target the antenna is aimed at produces an echo of the emitted RADAR pulse.

- Every echo received is fed to both a gating circuit and a delay line.

- The delay line delays the echo by exactly the time between emitted RADAR pulses.

- The delayed echo operates the gate. This closes the gate exactly one pulse interval after the echo was received.

- Meanwhile, the signal going to the gate directly from the

receiver is passed through to the display, unless the gate is closed.

- If the target has not moved, the gate closes at exactly the same time the new echo from the same target is received. This will completely obliterate the display of the echo. Note that this does NOT keep the second echo from entering the delay line, it just keeps it from being displayed.

- If the target has moved between RADAR pulses, then the gate is closed either too early or too late. Now, part of the echo gets through the gate and is displayed on the screen. Notice that in most cases, the gate still chops off part of the signal, but it lets enough through to be displayed.

It was the partially reflecting domain in conjunction with the MTI errors that made the 1952 sighting so believable to the RADAR men. There were two quirks about the new MTI RADAR that caused the confusion:

1. When the existing RADAR set was converted to MTI, one control on the old part of the set still existed, but its function changed. That control adjusted the gain of the receiver. On the old setup, this control adjusted the strength of the display, and was constantly adjusted by the operator. On the new setup, that function was moved to a new control, and the old control became a calibration control, which also affected what was sent to the delay line. But the operators, by force of habit, kept grabbing the old knob and decalibrating the MTI. When the MTI was decalibrated, it either could no longer reject stationary targets, or it rejected real targets.

2. Partially reflecting domains had the nasty habit of tricking the MTI display into not only displaying them, but making them appear stronger than real aircraft echoes. The tricky part is that the partially reflecting domain is not always strong enough to close the gate. The gate closes on some pulses, but not on others. When the gate does not close, the displayed echo is brighter than the echo of a moving target normally is, since there is no closed gate removing part of the signal.

One way I have learned to recognize this effect is that the operator often says something like "Never have I before seen such a strong clear target."

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I am not dismissing the analyses, but amplifying them. The items listed in them were there. The MTI errors made them stand out in a way that the old standard RADAR would not have done. Again, the equipment had just been installed shortly before the sighting. To wit:

- Stationary targets were observed in MTI mode in the case. This was specifically commented on by the operators at the time. Both errors 1 and 2 (above) can make stationary targets show up on the MTI.
- MTI would also magnify any weather targets, due to the intermittent gating.
- Meteors would be strengthened because the gate would close nowhere near the time of the next echo of the target. This is because the meteor is going very fast.

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An 'open reply' to a letter in the latest edition of 'Fortean Times' [FT], received today - manifestly still the most thought-provoking magazine around.

Acknowledging FT have published lead articles with fairly less content than my 'letter'... 'sorted' in due course.

Meanwhile... to FT:

Steve Mansfield [FT178:72], observes that the 28 December, 1980, photograph published in 'Left at East Gate' [LaEG], co-authored by Larry Warren and Peter Robbins and which depicts a notice at the entrance to RAF Bentwaters declaring an 'ALERT CONDITION', does not display the current condition.

Although Warren did additionally explain in LaEG that the base was indeed on an 'alert status', hence his nocturnal assignment to "Bentwaters Perimeter Post 18", which was "manned only during alerts", said photograph ceased to have any significance since my published research developments some 18 months ago.

On 17 April, 2002, I began compiling and assimilating evidence why RAF Bentwaters and RAF Woodbridge, a joint base complex, were on a higher alert status during the precise period when Kevin Conde's dramatic 'UFO' hoax reportedly took place.

I was also, during this period, now in regular contact with John Burroughs, one of the three central participants in our inaugural 'UFO' incident, circa 0300 on 26 December.

Amongst John's many ensuing revelations, is a claim he first made to myself on 28 May, 2002: "Yes, there were people brought in and they were out in the forest for days. I was even posted on the east gate for 3 days from 1500-2300 while helicopters and personnel were out in the area".

"Also, the gate always closed at 1800 hrs on week days and was closed on weekends".

John confirmed that his abnormal late-night posting was due to an existing 'alert status'.

A more detailed summary of the related background was also published on 31 August, 2003 in direct response to a question raised on the 'UFO Research List' [UFORL], by Dr. David Clarke, who enquired:

"Re-posted below are Nick Pope's latest comments on UFO Updates. I was particularly interested to read his convoluted argument about why the 'Alert Condition' was not really an alert condition. Have you any comments on this explanation?"

I duly replied [edited for brevity]:

Dave,

Thanks for noting those queries.

This is the raw evidence for Kevin Conde's first realisation of his possible involvement with the late December, 1980 infamous 'Rendlesham forest UFO' incidents and contact with myself:

Dear Mr. Easton,

I'm a retired USAF SMSgt. Last night I had some time on my hands, and was surfing the net looking for Web sites on airbases that I had served on during my USAF career. One of those bases was RAF Bentwaters. I was amazed to find a couple of Web sites describing a UFO incident at Bentwaters during my tour. Shocked actually, when you consider what I know about these so-called incidents! One of the web sites had an article by you.

I was a Security Policeman at RAF Bentwaters/Woodbridge from mid 1978 to mid 1981. I arrived at Bentwaters as a SSgt, and departed as a TSgt. I was a law enforcement specialist. While there I worked as a patrolman, desk sergeant, assistant flight chief, flight chief, training NCO, and QA evaluator.

During the time that of incident I will recount occurred, 1st Lt. Bruce Englund was my Flight Commander. He figures into one of the accounts you investigated. I also remember a Lt Col who was a bit of a cop buff, and used to ride along with the law enforcement patrols on a regular basis. As I remember he was either the Vice Wing



Commander, or worked for the Wing Commander. He must be the Lt Col Halt mentioned.

I can provide copies of my APR's (Airman's Performance Reports) if asked, to validate the dates and positions in which I served at RAF Bentwaters.

[...]

There were two incidents that I was personally involved in.

Both occurred on the back gate of Woodbridge. This gate was open during the day, and for brief periods during the night for shift change. Woodbridge was mostly housing, and we would open the gate during shift change so folks could come and go between home and job during shift change.

The gate sits out at the end of the runway at Woodbridge. It is isolated, dark, surrounded by woods, and a little lonely.

[...]

Cops have a tendency towards practical jokes. Practical jokes are a tradition in the Security Police that at times approaches the status of high art.

It was during an exercise, so I was not alone, as was normal for the Woodbridge Law Enforcement patrol. As I remember there were three of us.

Like I said, the back gate at Woodbridge is out all by itself at the end of the runway. Just before you got to the gate there were a couple of revetments surrounded by high dirt berms. These berms would hide anything in them from the gate guard's view.

It was dark, and a little foggy. I shut off my headlights and drove my patrol car into one of those revetments. We stuck several military issue flashlights out of the windows, pointing upwards. We simply pointed the flashlights upwards and rolled up the windows to hold them in position. These military flashlights come with several different color lenses in a screw on compartment on the end of the light. These lenses come in red, amber, blue, green and a white opaque color. Most of us carried spare flashlights with us, so we could stick several flashlights out the windows with different colored

lenses.

Leaving my headlights off I turned on the overheads lights, which on American cop cars are red and blue. We then proceeded to drive the car in slow circles while making weird noises over the PA system. Remember, there was a light fog, which was the key to the joke's success, as each light appeared in the fog as a moving beam of light.

[...]

This happened more than 20 years ago. I don't remember the specific date, but it would have been right about then.

I went back to Flight duty about 6 months before I left Bentwaters. I left sometime in the summer of 1981. My Shift Commander was Lt Englund, and the Security Flight Chief at the time was MSgt Bobbie Ball (Bobbie was known for how shiny his boots were, even in the mud and rain). If I left QA six months before I left Bentwaters in the summer of 1981, and my Shift Commander was Lt Englund, and the Security Flight Chief was MSgt Ball, then my incident is right in the ballpark.

The Time. I had someone with me on patrol - that was unusual on Woodbridge - not exactly a hotbed of crime. The only time we had multiple folks in an LE patrol was during alerts - exercises.

The joke would have had to have happened late - after all the initial patrol duties like relieving the main gate for chow, and getting the first round of building checks done, and before things began to pick up again, and we got bored and started looking for a way to cause trouble.

I can not say for sure, but I would guess between 1:00 and 4:00 AM.

Were there other UFO hoaxes? I don't know of any, but it is entirely possible. It was a good stunt. Someone else could have repeated it. In fact, most good cop practical jokes did get repeated. We had some classics - sending someone out for 100 feet of flight line to rope off an area. Sending someone out for a gallon of prop wash to clean patrol car windows with, sending someone to the emergency room for a box of fallopian tubes for the breathalyzer, etc.

We used at least three flashlights pointing upwards rolled up in the windows of the patrol car. These lights were red, blue, green, and possibly amber. The patrol car itself had the American style square red and blue emergency rack on top with revolving high intensity red and blue lights. It also had bright white alley lights - these are lights that point to the side in order to light up buildings as you drive past them at night. It also had a bright white spotlight that I pointed as close to straight up as I could. I had everything except my headlights on.

The flashlights, which were green, and maybe amber, where nowhere as bright as the red, blue and white emergency lights, which really lit up the night.

I don't know if I'm helping clear this up or just adding to the stew, but I'll do all I can to help.

The only UFO incidents that occurred during my tour were ones I participated in. The only alien that landed was Mrs. Conde's little boy, Kevin.

This is the truth, the details are the best I can remember after more than 20 years, and I'll take a polygraph on that.  
[END OF KEVIN'S COMMENTS]

Science writer, Ian Ridpath, has a copy of the base weather report for the night of Halt's excursion and it does record low-lying fog.

In 'UFO Crash Landing?', Jenny Randles documents a witness, Sarah Richardson (only 12 at the time), who reportedly watched enigmatic 'light beams', when Halt was making a similar observation.

If it correlates with Kevin's east gate hoax, directly adjacent to the runway, then we should find the witness observed at least three multicoloured 'beams of light' in that location.

Jenny writes:

At the time, she was at her mother's home in Woodbridge. It was between 1 and 3 am into Sunday, 28 December.

"

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Does anyone have a copy of the latest 'El Defensor  
Chieftain' - Saturday's edition?

If so, does it contain any features regarding Lonnie  
Zamora's celebrated, local, 24 April, 1964, 'UFO'  
encounter?

In the U.K., a 'D notice', which is "designed to protect  
national security while at the same time safeguarding the  
freedom and independence of the Press", can be issued to  
prevent publication of material considered as a threat to  
national security.

Is there a 'D notice' equivalent in the U.S.?

James.  
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matter on the [Lakenheath]&nbsp;web page for some time now.&nbsp; There is just  
so much one can read over time before becoming saturated with the  
information.&nbsp; As best I can tell, it seems the case is more confusing now  
than it was when it was first reported to Condon.&nbsp; What I make of all that  
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cross-correlation, and I believe for example&nbsp;that&nbsp;the recent 50-year  
old memories of RAF airmen are as evidentially useful as the 12-year old  
memories of the USAF RATCC Supervisor and that both can be tested to varying  
degrees against some contemporary records. I must say that I think Dave &  
Andy in particular did a fantastic job of tracking down a mass of obscure RAF  
information, disclosing several other previously unknown incidents of that night  
(and other nights) and culminating in the intriguing business of Air Commodore  
Davis' personal involvement over Lakenheath. This for me is the main lesson -  
not that less occurred than was believed, but that \*much more\* did. </DIV>  
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<DIV>The debate about the interrelationships of these different reported events  
and their weightings in the evidential mix&nbsp;has yet&nbsp;to begin. So it is  
much&nbsp;too early to conclude that nothing new can be learned from this  
exercise. For my part I have tried to show that some dependable radar

and&nbsp;radar-meteorological conclusions \*can\* be drawn, and to indicate some of the reasons why I think this work is&nbsp;far from&nbsp;drawing a line under&nbsp;the case. </DIV>

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<DIV>Regards</DIV>

<DIV>Martin Shough</DIV></FONT></FONT>

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Steve Mansfield wrote:

>  
> My letter to FT was in response to the Ufology column by David Clarke &  
Andy  
> Roberts - not directly to anything of yours or wnyone else's (it's just  
that  
> they had quoted you). In fact, I'd responded in similar vein in this group  
> sometime earlier. I confess I haven't had time to read right through your  
> response here, but I just wanted to add that my reason for sending the  
letter  
> to FT was to clear up this point about the sign specifically (not to judge  
> whether there was an elevated alert condition in force at the time). The  
> simple fact is that being able to read the words 'Alert Condition' on a  
sign  
> at the entrance to an MoD facility is in itself meaningless. It's like  
being  
> able to read 'Today's special is...'. There is *\*always\** a sign saying  
'Alert  
> Condition' at such places. What you need to be able to read is the placard  
> underneath saying what the actual condition is - black, yellow, red or  
puce  
> ... or whatever.  
>

List -

This issue has been discussed extensively on the UFO Updates list and I have acknowledged that Steve is, of course, correct about the "Alert Condition" sign. I established this myself within days of writing the FT column during a visit to the RAF Neatishead open day when I examined one of the very same "Alert Condition" signs at the entrance to the Operations Block. They are permanent signs with a little slot for a placard underneath where the alert status is displayed. Unfortunately on the photograph taken by Larry Warren this placard is obscured.

So it is certainly true that the Alert Condition sign in itself is meaningless,  
but that does not mean the bases were not on alert status at the time.  
What we need to know is the "actual" alert status of RAF Woodbridge-Bentwaters for the period 26-30 December 1980. I've discussed this matter with Nick Pope and as a result I have written to USAF 3rd Air Force at Mildenhall with an FOIA request for confirmation of the alert status in force at the relevant time. I will copy this to MOD as an additional inquiry.

Hopefully this information will be available in records somewhere and we will be able to clear this matter up once and for all.

best,

Dave Clarke

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Although I haven't as yet seen a copy, I am advised by Dana Bowler, editor of the Socorro based 'El Defensor Chieftain' newspaper, that they have now published a considerable feature concerning Zamora's 24 April, 1964 'UFO' encounter.

For some weeks, Dana and myself had deliberated on how best to proceed with this.

It was apparently "the cover story in last Saturday's 'B' section", presumably an inside 'magazine', or similar.

As I had expressed to Dana, it was ideal if the 'El Defensor Chieftain' would first publish, in print form, news of latest research developments, especially the CIA's recent FOIA responses.

Not only could general, local, feedback be invaluable [we might find some knew about CIA hot-air balloon test flights and didn't care to previously talk about them, etc.], I asked if they would specifically request comments from Zamora himself.

I also noted that whilst Zamora has been reticent to speak about the case for many years, it's a different scenario when he can be asked for a reaction to evidence which may provide answers he statedly wanted.

I'm presently not aware if they did contact Zamora. Hopefully so, as it's much easier for them to call him than someone from Scotland, with an accent Zamora probably wouldn't understand.

It will be interesting to see what was actually published. As we had agreed, Dana had been provided with a detailed background article of precisely 2000 words and given carte blanche to publish in entirety, or, selectively quote as required.

The newspaper were also given copies of the CIA's letters, again with permission to print as deemed necessary.

There is currently no associated material on their web site, see:

<http://www.dchieftain.com>

The intention was that this endeavour would be the means of a widespread, \_indigenous\_, research enquiry.

Let's see what might result...

James.

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Regarding:

>From: Phil Rotsky <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>  
>Date: Sat, 15 Nov 2003 10:59:21 +0100  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] 'Scooby-Doo and the Alien Invaders'

Steve wrote:

[...]

>The column as printed by FT suggested that the words  
>'Alert Condition' were in some way significant. They  
>weren't. So I wanted to correct this. That's all.

Steve,

Suitably appreciated; moreover, it encompassed the following, from 'UFO Magazine' [UK], 'August 2003':

"Talking of spurious claims, what are we to make of those issued by former USAF security policeman Kevin Conde, who alleged that a prank he played on colleagues was the cause of the Rendlesham Forest incident of December 1980?

Well, not much. Especially since learning that because his prank was conducted during an exercise, he now doubts whether it had anything to do with the Rendlesham incident at all. But given that those doubts were expressed a long time ago, how come they were never raised in the BBC's Inside Out programme, or the Daily Mail article which followed two days later?"

As was highlighted here, it's the reverse which applied.

Kevin's statedly post Christmas 1980 'prank', on his own admission, must have occurred during an alert/exercise, because he recalled being accompanied that night.

According to Kevin, this would only have applied within any such alert/exercise.

Despite the existence of a contemporary alert/exercise having comprehensively since been evidenced, our 'UFO

Magazine' mis-representation was also championed by adherent, 'still most significant U.K. UFO case ever', proponents.

FT's comments are a welcome opportunity to confirm and publicise, in response, the established facts.

James.

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On Sunday 16 November 2003 10:50, david CLARKE wrote:  
| I established this myself within days of writing the FT column

Darn those magazine lead times...

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Steve

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Regarding:

>From: YoungBob2@aol.com  
>Date: Thu, 13 Nov 2003 19:05:21 EST  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident

Bob wrote,

>>This could explain the striking similarity between what  
>>was published as a photograph of 'Cosmos 96' and  
>>descriptions of our landed 'UFO'.  
>>  
>>Was that same photograph actually shown on 'Unsolved  
>>Mysteries'?

>I don't think it was, but I will have to check.

>However, It was being circulated around by local UFO  
>investigators, who were interviewing witnesses, as far  
>back as the mid 80s. It may have been part of a "UFO  
>Information Week" display in 1987 at which the second  
>"witness" of the UFO in the woods, who described at  
>cosmos-like "acron", surfaced from the crowd.

Bob,

I've had another look at the 'UFO Magazine' [UK]  
September/October 1994, four page article which featured  
this photograph.

Written by Mark Ian Birdsall, it concludes that the 'UFO'  
case is solved and COSMOS 96's re-entry was responsible.

Perhaps significantly, Mark wrote:

"The data provided thus far, combined with a vast  
security operation to remove and analyse the object,  
tends to back claims of a 'cover up'.

However, 'UFO Magazine' was recently supplied with a new  
dossier penned by a British researcher which throws new  
light on the case.



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>From: "Robert Mclean" <robert.mclean2@virgin.net>  
>Date: Mon, 10 Nov 2003 07:53:25 -0000  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Rendlesham Revelations

Robert wrote:

>>It's evidently now clarified that the 'Cosmos 749'  
>>upper-stage rocket re-entry, circa 2110 on 25 December,  
>>1980, was last tracked within some 20 miles of RAF  
>>Bentwaters/RAF Woodbridge.

>It seems that the last visible pieces of this re-entry  
>would have ended up in the sea over Clacton, assuming  
>there was anything that survived re-entry. The track  
>crossed part of Kent and the outer Thames, and it would  
>have been more likely that any debris came down there,  
>so why search Rendlesham Forest?

Robert,

Although it remains unsubstantiated that anyone ever did,  
If we can resolve this issue of John's reported 29-31  
December helicopter activity over the forest, near east  
gate, the overall context will hopefully become clearer.

>>"It was both the Flight Chief and the Shift Commander  
>>who talked to me".  
>>  
>>The Shift Commander is identified as TSgt Keith Turner  
>> - duly contacted - and hopefully his reply will be  
>>insightful.

>Who was John Burrough's Flight Chief?

I'll double-check this with John.

Incidentally, still no further response from Dr. Miguel  
'Mike' Verano. I can only now inform him that I have  
highlighted what he has said and the questions will not  
simply go away.

I also note that General Charles A. Gabriel recently died:

<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.net/cagabriel.htm>

James.

E-mail: [voyager@jeaston.com](mailto:voyager@jeaston.com)

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In a message dated 11/19/2003 11:21:25 AM Eastern Standard Time,  
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Satellites usually travel west to east simply because that is how their orbits are (if I recall correctly, send the object in orbit in this direction requires significantly less thrust because of the earth's rotation). Some travel north to south and vice versa but it is rare that a satellite travels in a westerly direction.

I am not sure what to make of your lights but I am inclined to think they were high flying military aircraft. That is my two cents (or is it pence?) anyway.

Tim Printy

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I have seen people get this turned around constantly in UFO cases, because they do not understand the weather bureau definitions of wind direction being the direction of the ORIGIN of the wind (the direction most important to farmers and sailors). APRO used to constantly confuse wind direction in this manner. So clouds moving in an easterly direction would be moving toward the west, according to our definitions of wind direction.

Also, winds at different altitudes often tend to move in different directions. This is especially true near a seashore, where winds very near to the ground are influenced more by the sea breeze and land breeze effects than they are by general weather.

The time of your sighting would be favorable for a land breeze to form at low altitudes, moving the air away from the land and out to sea. Assuming you meant that a westerly wind was moving the clouds toward the east, this land breeze would move objects floating in the air (but close to the ground) out to sea, rather than following the much higher clouds. Thus, they could move in an opposite direction to that of the clouds from your location.

How did you determine the altitude of these lights? The human eye is unable to measure the distance of an unknown light in the sky beyond a range of 30 feet. So you could have been looking at tiny lights as close as 50 feet away, or huge lights in space.

You also did not give any color for these lights. That would be extremely helpful.

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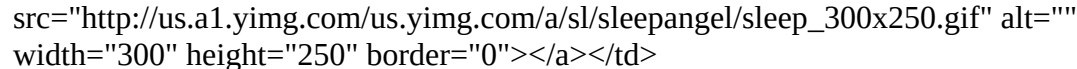
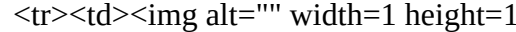
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as far as I know, but not everyone's aware of it I guess.

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| directions. This is especially true near a seashore, where winds very  
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the wind at ground level. But direction can continue to change in various  
directions as you go up through the air. I once had a balloon ride in Reno  
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judge the wind affecting clouds by the wind direction at ground level. This  
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correct, then I think it very unlikely that it could have been a flock of  
birds.</FONT></DIV>  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>I am inclined to concur with Tim and say that they  
were probably military craft "going home".&nbsp;</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Nevertheless, it was an  
impressive sight in that they just kept coming, one after the other.&nbsp;</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>The only marginal doubt I have is the very untidy and messy formation they flew  
in.&nbsp;</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>But maybe it's a fallacy that military flights have to be nicely and  
tidily grouped together.</FONT></DIV>  
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satellite he starts out by saying there was a 'medium density' cloud base.  
Military aircraft taking 15 minutes to go out of sight seems unlikely, 'high  
flying' or not, especially&nbsp;as an&nbsp;intervening cloud layer&nbsp;would  
restrict visibility increasingly towards low elevations. Split the difference  
with the 3-4 minutes mentioned elsewhere and this is still quite a long time.  
Maybe the lights were under the cloud level. He says they were 'a very  
disorganised formation'. They were flying against a 'fair wind'. A 30 knot  
object (making 10 knots headway against, say, a 20 knot wind at low level could  
hang around for quite a while. If the 'lights' were diffuse patches rather than  
bright pinpoints then large birds (swans or geese) could fit.</FONT></DIV>

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What I saw were dim lights travelling at great altitude in a &gt;very  
disorganised formation. In all there were probably about &gt;20 of them and  
they took something like 15 minutes to pass &gt;out of sight from when first  
spotted, so we're not talking &gt;about great speeds. <BR><BR>Well, speed is  
relative.&nbsp;What you are addressing is that they were slow ANGULAR  
speed.&nbsp;An object traveling 50mph at 1000feet has the same angular speed  
as an object traveling 500mph at 10000feet.&nbsp;This is why the  
shuttle/space station travel relatively slow across the sky despite traveling  
at speeds around 17,000mph!&nbsp;So, your sighting was moving at a slow  
angular speed but the actual speed could have been very high especially if  
they were at high altitudes (as you suggested).<BR><BR>&gt; Altrincham is near  
Manchester airport so there was a fair &gt;bit of ordinary commercial activity  
but that was much lower &gt;and very obvious. They weren't satellites as they  
travel &gt;noticeably quicker and in fact one satellite did pass over  
&gt;while I was stood there but was going in the same direction &gt;as the  
wind. <BR>&gt;<BR><BR>Satellites usually travel west to east simply because  
that is how their orbits are (if I recall correctly, send the object in orbit  
in this direction requires significantly less thrust because of the earth's



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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Larry,</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Stuart's description of the wind direction is  
perfectly unambiguous: the clouds were blown from west to east, the lights were  
moving against the wind from east to west</FONT></DIV>  
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direction is defined as the<BR>direction the wind comes FROM. So an easterly  
wind blows FROM the<BR>east, and a westerly wind blows FROM the west. Your  
description<BR>seems to indicate an opposite meaning was used.<BR><BR>I have  
seen people get this turned around constantly in UFO cases,<BR>because they do  
not understand the weather bureau definitions of<BR>wind direction being the  
direction of the ORIGIN of the wind (the<BR>direction most important to  
farmers and sailors). APRO used to<BR>constantly confuse wind direction in  
this manner. So clouds moving<BR>in an easterly direction would be moving  
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<DIV>dimly illuminated from the inside
emerging from </DIV>
<DIV>what appeared to be a cloud except
the sky was clear.</DIV>
<DIV>It was a typical saucer shape, on
it's side and </DIV>
<DIV>flattened at the ends. It had no
distinct outline but</DIV>
<DIV>it's shape was determined
by the disturbance </DIV>
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woman<FONT
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disturbance it creates </DIV>
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smoothly,<FONT
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and eventually lost to sight.</DIV>
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pen at arm's length<FONT face="Times New Roman" color=#000000
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<DIV>at approximately 75 to 80 degrees elevation, and
thought </DIV>

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<DIV>June and had some publicity in the weeks preceeding,
however, </DIV>
<DIV>this does not seem to have generated a peak in
sightings</DIV>
<DIV>reports. Indeed the reverse is indicated by the
figures.</DIV>
<DIV>We have also noticed in previous years that factors
which</DIV>
<DIV>might be expected to produce an increase in reports
usually</DIV>
<DIV>do not have this result and the true reasons for
changes in</DIV>
<DIV>reporting rate (the % of sightings reported) are still
a mystery </DIV>
<DIV>to us. It might well be that the main reason for the
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<DIV>Media </DIV>
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4BC</DIV>
<DIV>The response to the regular radio show on Friday night</DIV>
<DIV>is steadily increasing in popularity. Although it is a joy
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<DIV>and a lot of fun just to participate in the show, what is more
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<DIV>important is making connections with the general public </DIV>
<DIV>and letting them know they are not alone, nor are they crazy. </DIV>
<DIV>Allaying some of their sense of isolation is a role we </DIV>
<DIV>are very happy to fill.</DIV>
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<DIV>One of the recent sightings reports from the show</DIV>
<DIV>was from a man who was looking through his 8 inch telescope</DIV>
<DIV>when he saw orange lights move across his view.</DIV>
<DIV>He also reported a previous sighting where he saw 3 F111's</DIV>
<DIV>then a huge orange glow coming from the horizon. </DIV>
<DIV>As he continued to watch he saw 3 orange objects </DIV>
<DIV>all in a row. The F111's headed towards the objects</DIV>
<DIV>but the objects took off at tremendous speed </DIV>
<DIV>disappearing over the horizon leaving a whooshing </DIV>
<DIV>noise and a vacuum behind them.</DIV>
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<DIV>Another report was from a man who as a youth had been </DIV>
<DIV>out bowling with his family. After bowling he and his </DIV>
<DIV>family were in the car park when a spherical object </DIV>
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<DIV>witnessing too. His father tried to start the car but </DIV>
<DIV>it would not start until the object had moved off.</DIV>
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<DIV>131332 or email <FONT
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<DIV>Min Min
Lights</DIV>
<DIV>Queensland, Australia </DIV>
<DIV>reports</DIV>
<DIV>and although </DIV>
<DIV>these reports have become </DIV>
<DIV>in and around the Shire of Boulia. I recently contacted the</DIV>
<DIV>Boulia Shire Information Centre to see what </DIV>
<DIV>they were offering the general public and was pleasantly </DIV>
<DIV>surprised </DIV>
<DIV>reports, newsclippings, and yes, even poetry about </DIV>
<DIV>Min Min Encounters, along with the history of the </DIV>
<DIV>and the legend of the Min Min light. </DIV>
<DIV>Here's just a bit of what I gleaned.</DIV>
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<DIV>Apparently Min Min is an aboriginal word (for what no </DIV>
<DIV>one is absolutely sure) but the light was not named by </DIV>
<DIV>aborigines. It is not sure whether the light was named after </DIV>
<DIV>the Min Min Hotel which was built last century to serve as </DIV>
<DIV>a way station for Cobb </DIV>
<DIV>after the light. Apparently the Hotel had the reputation for serving </DIV>
<DIV>rot-gut liquor and doubled as a brothel and a haunt for </DIV>
<DIV>thieves, cattle rustlers and other assorted villains.</DIV>
<DIV>Legend insists that many travellers and naive jackaroos </DIV>
<DIV>(these are ranch hands for international readers) </DIV>
<DIV>disappeared there and the small cemetery behind the </DIV>
<DIV>hotel was conveniently provided to bury the evidence.</DIV>
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<DIV>The generally accepted story of the first Min Min sighting</DIV>

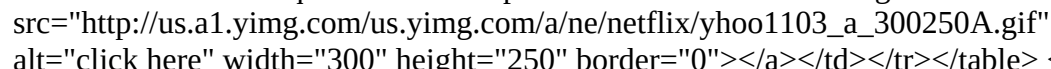
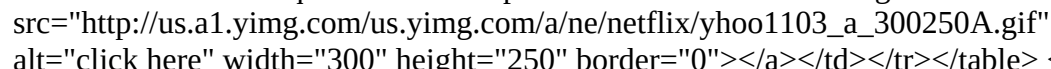
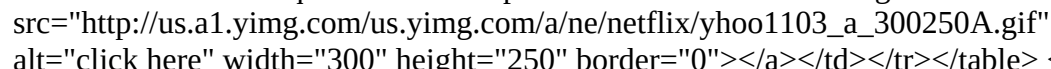
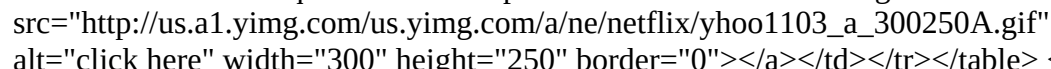
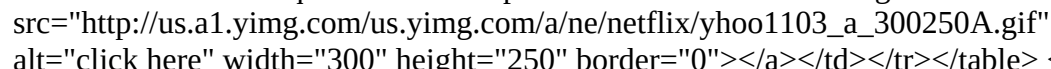
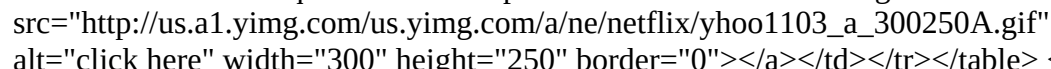
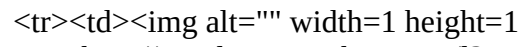
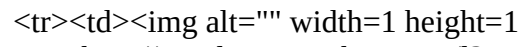
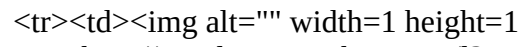
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<DIV>ruins of the Min Min Hotel when a ball of light suddenly </DIV>
<DIV>rose from the middle of the cemetery, hovered as if </DIV>
<DIV>getting it's bearings, then darted towards him.</DIV>
<DIV>The stockman panicked, dug his boots in and galloped </DIV>
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@ From: Stuart Miller [mailto:Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com]

@ Sent: Friday, November 21, 2003 7:52 AM

@ To: UFORL

@ Subject: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

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@ Martin S

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@ If my estimation of height is anywhere near broadly correct,

@ then I think it very unlikely that it could have been a flock

@ of birds.

One of my points (which I have stressed repeatedly in this forum) is that NOBODY has the power to visually determine the height of an unidentified object which seen against the sky from farther than 30 feet away. The human visual system does not have the basic equipment to be able to do that.

You can estimate the distance, altitude, and speed of an airplane, but that is because YOU KNOW IT IS AN AIRPLANE. Thus, you already know what the actual size is. But if you see a plain white cylinder against the sky that you can't identify, you can't tell if it is a mailing tube up close, a water heater farther away, or a city water tower miles away. You must have other information to find the size, distance, altitude, and speed. You can't get that information visually unless special circumstances reveal it.

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I may have new info on this. Something similar happened here last night!

The TV weatherman said that the display was auroral activity due to storms on the sun. There were some over the Indianapolis area last night about 8 pm (same local time!).

Like a dope, I missed them. I was in a meeting then.

They were said to be moving west, and appearing and disappearing in different places.

Actually, I think that the particle stream stayed put while the earth rotated east under it.

Of course, this would have to be above the clouds. If your objects were between you and the clouds, then this is not what you saw.

I wonder if we will get another go at it tonight.

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From: Stuart Miller [mailto:Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2003 11:21 AM
Subject: [UFORL] Pretty lights in the sky

I wonder if anybody else in the UK saw what I saw last night?

I live in Altrincham, a suburb of Manchester in the north west of England, and was outside at approx 8:15 pm GMT last night (18th Nov). There was a low medium density cloud base and a fair wind so the clouds were moving rapidly in an easterly direction.

When I looked up and saw a substantial number of moving lights, there

was some difficulty at first in establishing whether they really were moving or whether it was a trick of the eye owing to the cloud movement.

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In a message dated 11/21/2003 7:51:43 AM Eastern Standard Time,
Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com writes:

> In other words, if I looked from west to east, was I looking at a width of distance of say, 50 miles?

The distance can vary depending on where you are looking. Anything in the sky can be seen from over a hundred miles away if it is bright enough. I have seen aircraft and their contrails reflecting sunlight from great distances away. They move VERY slowly but I know they are moving hundreds of miles per hour. The distance to them makes it appear that way. Of course, anything astronomical (i.e planets, stars and such are much further away). You can't confuse the situation with making a fixed distance across an angular distance.

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> something quicker.

As stated before, you can't confuse airplane speeds around an airport with airplane speeds at a great distance. The two are not the same when discussing angular speed (the apparent speed you saw). Do you watch a satellite and assume it is moving at speeds just above that of an aircraft because this is the apparent speed most aircraft appear to travel? This is a common misconception. It is just not possible to accurately determine a moving light's speed based on what you think it is moving at unless you know the distance to the light or the actual size of the light (therefore being able to approximate a distance).

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In a message dated 11/20/2003 8:03:50 PM Eastern Standard Time, voyager@jeaston.com writes:

> for the record, where and when did COSMOS 96 first
> come to prominence as a 'Kecksburg' candidate?
>

James:

McClelland, Clark, and Leonard H. Stringfield, 1980. Jan. 17, 1980 report and footnote in The UFO Crash/Retrieval Syndrome Status Report II by Stringfield, Seguin, TX: Mutual UFO Network, pp. 19-20.

Stan Gordon, "Kecksburg Crash Update", MUFON UFO JOURNAL Number 258, October 1989, pp. 3-5, 9. Mentions Cosmos 96, "For many years [possibly as early as 1984] we [Gordon, Robert G. Todd and Gordon association John Micklow] tried to obtain a status report from our Government on COSMOS 96. FOIA requests were sent to the Air Force, NASA, the Department of State, and NORAD...finally a January 5, 1989 response from the U.S. Space Command to John Micklow provided [the orbital info] we had been looking for."

David Templeton, "The Uninvited", Pittsburgh Press Sunday Magazine, May 19, 1991, p. 10-15. A diagram of the Venera 4 spacecraft and and Cosmos 96 was discussed. Curiously, a diagram of Luna 3, which looks a lot more like the "acorn" of Unsolved Mysteries was also included. What this 1963 craft had to do with the 1965 Kecksburg incident is unknown, except that it looked like the TV version.

"Sightings", Fox News Channel, October 9, 2002. During an interview with James Oberg a picture of the Venera spacecraft (not the one published in the Birdsall article) was shown.

The pix used in the Birdsall article, included on your website, has been kicking around at least since its publication in The Encyclopedia of Soviet Spacecraft by Douglas Hart, Bison Books, 1987.

That's it, from my files.

Bob Young

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From: "Chad Wilson" <caeman@yahoo.com>
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I had a thought. I don't claim it to be original, but I can think of
no better forum to ponder it.

For this thought, let us assume that life exists elsewhere as a
fact. Then, we posit that said life is smart enough to get here.

So, here is my thought...wouldn't said alien lifeforms be intelligent
enough to pick up on the transponder thingy you guys have described,
broadcasting an ID of 1200, to hide as normal air traffic?

If the above is a logical extension of the capability of an alien
species, how would we detect them when they are hiding as KNOWN
flying objects?

-w
who can tell it is a Friday here at work

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
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Regarding:

>From: "Dr. Ralph M. Bird, PH.D" <eeti@yahoo.com>
>Date: Thu, 07 Aug 2003 03:58:57 -0000
>Subject: [UFORL] Woodbridge

Ralph wrote:

"I was physically there on that date in December. I was in Charge of the Helicopters HH-53's. None of my helicopters were flying because of the holidays. We had no silent helicopters (Stealth Technology) I believe what happened that night really happend. those Security Police were very shaken when they came to my office. I was there late to clear up some paperwork. I've saw some very strange things with witnesses on that old war air station (Woodbridge). I come to England twice a year to reflect on my life there. I even have a better UFO story prior to this which is more creditable with thousnds of witnesses, and the US Air Force Scramble fighter aircraft. This is well documented but I've never seen the facts or anything about this on any UFO sites or news media. Just local newspapers in that area".

In a more recent reply for posting, he adds:

"Again, I say no helicopter activity, or C-5 was at Woodbridge during that period. Our C-130's at the 67th ARRS had flare capability so why would another C-130 be brought in. If there would have been other helicopters there we would have to support them. None were there".

This is signed, "Mike Bird, NCOIC, 67th ARRS Helicopter Section, Retired".

Perhaps he can confirm being Mike 'Ralph' Bird, stationed at RAF Bentwaters between 1979 and 1984, as [from a brief online bio] "Helicopter Maintenance Supv, Quality Control", with the 67th ARRS.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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<DIV>My point was that if the 15 minutes was for a small section of sky overhead,
then it could not be aircraft. However, if he is talking about seeing it traverse the
entire sky for 15 minutes, then aircraft can be a possibility, assuming that we are
talking about seeing lights move across the sky starting and ending at low elevation
angles. </DIV>
<DIV>If you read his recent posting, it now seems that the clouds were not that dense
a layer and there was only a single cloud and the 15 minutes was for the
lights to traverse the length of the sky. Of course, I can be misinterpreting the
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<DIV>Hi Stuart</DIV>
<DIV>It sounds from the below as though the angular displacement of the objects was not very spectacular if the three of you couldn't agree whether they were moving or not. </DIV>
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<DIV>You did *not* get your wind direction wrong, either meteorologically or terminologically. Your plain English was perfectly precise.</DIV>
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<DIV>Now that you describe the 'dim' lights as bluish starlike points then my bird theory looks less interesting. However, one remembers the classic Lubbock 'birds' which were described as bluish lights . . . Anyone know what the last word was on that case incidentally?</DIV>
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<DIV>I still suggest that a formation of any likely aircraft cannot have been visible in straight line flight across the sky for anything remotely approaching 15 minutes at any altitude in conditions not only of one low broken cloud deck but also (as you now mention) another higher cloud layer as well. Perhaps the angular movement was less than you now recall - some disorientation looking upward is to be expected I think. I hate to suggest that maybe they were stars after all, but could that be just possible?</DIV>
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R</DIV>
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<DIV>You are quite right - I did get my terminology about wind direction wrong. The lower and more obvious cloud base was coming from the west, hence the correct definition was that it was a westerly. To

those getting confused by this though, my original words were "technically" correct in as much as, in plain English, the wind was blowing into the east.

I referred to these lights as being at great altitude. I made that distinction based on using what commercial traffic there was as a reference point and also that, quite frankly, they just looked a very long way up. I would have guessed at about 50,000 feet or thereabouts. But yes, it's a guess.

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Martin S

If my estimation of height is anywhere near broadly correct, then I think it very unlikely that it could have been a flock of birds.

I am inclined to concur with Tim and say that

they were probably military craft "going home". Nevertheless, it was an impressive sight in that they just kept coming, one after the other. The only marginal doubt I have is the very untidy and messy formation they flew in. But maybe it's a fallacy that military flights have to be nicely and tidily grouped together.</DIV>

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<DIV>Stuart</DIV>

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<DIV>Larry</DIV>

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<DIV>That is interesting. But as messy as what
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From: YoungBob2@aol.com
Date: Sun, 23 Nov 2003 00:30:01 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident
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X-Spam-Processed: italianmoda.com, Sun, 23 Nov 2003 21:50:51 +0100

In a message dated 11/22/2003 11:45:24 PM Eastern Standard Time,
voyager@jeaston.com writes:

>
> <http://www.debunker.com/Kecksburg.html>
>
> Kudos acknowledged therein, to research contributions
> from Tim Printy and yourself.

James:

Thank you, sir.

Bob

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From: "James Easton" <voyager@jeaston.com>
Date: Sun, 23 Nov 2003 04:43:59 -0000
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident
X-Spam-Checker-Version: SpamAssassin 2.55 (1.174.2.19-2003-05-19-exp)
X-Spam-Processed: italianmoda.com, Sun, 23 Nov 2003 05:42:32 +0100

Regarding:

>From: YoungBob2@aol.com
>Date: Fri, 21 Nov 2003 18:33:06 EST
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Kecksburg Incident

Bob wrote:

>>for the record, where and when did COSMOS 96 first come
>>to prominence as a 'Kecksburg' candidate?

>McClelland, Clark, and Leonard H. Stringfield, 1980.
>Jan. 17, 1980 report and footnote in The UFO
>Crash/Retrieval Syndrome Status Report II by Stringfield,
>Seguin, TX: Mutual UFO Network, pp. 19-20.

[etc.]

Bob,

Thanks for such an exhaustive list of references - most helpful.

Discussing the recent and unrelated 'El Defensor Chieftain' [Socorro] article with Robert Sheaffer, I note mention of his online 'Kecksburg' update, at:

<http://www.debunker.com/Kecksburg.html>

Kudos acknowledged therein, to research contributions from Tim Printy and yourself.

James.
E-mail: voyager@jeaston.com

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Date: Sat, 22 Nov 2003 16:42:12 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Just a thought
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X-Spam-Processed: italianmoda.com, Sat, 22 Nov 2003 22:50:39 +0100

In a message dated 11/21/2003 6:21:26 PM Eastern Standard Time,
caeman@yahoo.com writes:

- > So, here is my thought...wouldn't said alien lifeforms be intelligent
- > enough to pick up on the transponder thingy you guys have described,
- > broadcasting an ID of 1200, to hide as normal air traffic?
- >
- > If the above is a logical extension of the capability of an alien
- > species, how would be detect them when they are hiding as KNOWN
- > flying objects?

Hi, Chad:

I guess only when they haven't checked the flight schedule or codes and broadcast a signal identical to another plane, or a plane which isn't on the schedule. But, you're right, a UFO which looks like a plane but isn't wouldn't be a UFO.

Know of any?

Clear skies,
Bob Young

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From: "Stuart Miller" <Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com>
Date: Sat, 22 Nov 2003 18:01:18 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] GCHQ/NSA activity or am I being paranoid?
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James
wrote</DIV>
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<DIV>There seems to have
been a
problem with distributing list
mail these past few days.

Messages are
appearing online, at:

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face="Courier
New">http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/messages

<
FONT
face="Courier New">However, I haven't received copies of them all and
the
ones which are being delivered can be a day or more late.

You
might therefore only see this alert by reading it
online!

Until
resolved, I would suggest checking the above URL
for new
postings.

James Easton,
List Moderator.
E-mail:
<FONT
face="Courier
New">voyager@j...

</DIV>
<DIV>I too, as I'm sure many others did, experienced the
same problems with Yahoo as James described. Mysteriously, those problems
seem now to have passed.</DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
<DIV>Now it is true, at least as far as my experience
goes, that Yahoo are, well, not very good. I was going to say "a pile of
shit" but I thought that would be a bit rude. But yes I have experienced

many problems in the past and I believe in part it's them "getting their own back on me" for not letting them at my cookies. </DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
<DIV>However </DIV>I regard this latest interruption to service as too much of a coincidence. To those of you not living in the UK, it may be difficult to believe the level of security that was in place for the very recent visit of George Bush. </DIV></DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
<DIV>Now as we all know, both GCHQ and the NSA monitor </DIV>electronic traffic and I am suggesting that this activity was considerably stepped up before and during Mr. Bush's visit here, and that this may have accounted for the slow down and disruption to regular service. </DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
<DIV>I experienced other problems elsewhere. </DIV></DIV>
The
strangest was that overnight on Wednesday, a number of e-mails arrived on my screen with just numbers to identify them. Probably something to do with a routing path or maybe the sender's ISP number.</DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
<DIV>If anybody has any expertise in this direction then </DIV>I would be grateful if they could either confirm my opinion or alternatively point me towards a suitable Conspiracy web site so that I can take comfort in the company of other </DIV>similar miscreants.</DIV>
<DIV> </DIV>
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<DIV>Stuart Miller</DIV></DIV>

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Review.</title></head><body>

<div>Australian UFO Research 2003 in
Review.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>Hi everyone</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>Australian UFO Research Networkers are to be congratulated</div>
<div>for their contributions to Australian ufology throughout
2003.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>2003 was a year filled with exciting new ufological
ventures</div>
<div>and adventures. In 2002 the AUFORN team alone set</div>
<div>10 reachable goals for 2003 and we have meet them all with</div>
<div>the help of many people."well done team and thank you to
all.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>2003 was also an enormous year for UFO media coverage</div>
<div>and I can safely say 2003 was the most proactive year to
date.</div>
<div>Many UFO groups and independent researchers contributed to</div>
<div>this happening so please give yourself a big pat on the back.
</div>
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</div>
<div>AUFORN Goals were:</div>
<div> </div>
<div>1. UFO data base to pin point UFO hot
spots.</div>
<div>(AUFORN has collated thousands of UFO sightings dating</div>
<div>right back to the 50s to the present
year 2003.)</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>This information is being placed on the AUFORN
webpage</div>
<div>for all to view. It was an enormous task AUFORN
undertook</div>
<div>but the results are now proving to be very exciting.</div>

<div>
</div>
 <div>"Yes UFO hot spots are now being located throughout</div>
 <div>Australia and the net is slowly closing in.)</div>
 <div>Thank you to all that have contributed.</div>
 <div> </div>
 <div>2 & 3 . More Public awareness of UFOs and
 ET contact</div>
 <div>experiences - meetings and presentations for
 2003.</div>
 <div>
</div>
 <div>January: Phenomena UFO Exhibit on the Gold
 Coast.</div>
 <div>AUFORN spent 4 weeks at the exhibit on invitation of the</div>
 <div>organizers the media coverage of this million dollar
 exhibit</div>
 <div>was great and every TV channel & Newspapers wanted a</div>
 <div>piece of the action so Jan - Feb - Mar newspapers were</div>
 <div>buzzing with UFO stories.</div>
 <div>
</div>
 <div>April: UFOESA Sydney conference hosted by Peter
 Khoury </div>
 <div>was another great event. UFOESA presented new and</div>
 <div>interesting ET contact information. AUFORN was present and</div>
 <div>I did a lectured. UFOESA attracted quite a bit of media
 coverage.</div>
 <div><http://users.tpg.com.au/ufoesa/></div>
 <div>
</div>
 <div>April: On the same weekend UFO Society Western
 Sydney</div>
 <div>also held a conference they to presented new and
 interesting</div>
 <div>information. I must say this, UFO SWS has to be one of the</div>
 <div>most pro active groups in NSW. Their trip deep into the
 Blue</div>
 <div>Mountains in search of the alleged hidden valley UFO base</div>
 <div>has left many an armchair ufologist exhausted from just
 reading</div>
 <div>about the trip. "Well done UFOSWS great team
 work".</div>
 <div>
</div>
 <div>May: Glasshouse Mountain Crop Circle?. Who could forget
 the</div>
 <div>controversy surrounding Queensland's first alleged crop
 circle</div>
 <div>for 2003. The media had a great time tantalizing everyone's</div>
 <div>imagination with ET contact and UFO landing stories.
 However</div>
 <div>AUFORN sad as it was had to bring everyone back down to</div>
 <div>earth with their investigation findings.</div>
 <div>http://www.hypermax.net.au/~auforn/Crop_Circle.html</div>

<div>
</div>
<div>July: ACERN: Perth's Hidden Truths Conference hosted
by</div>
<div>Mary Rodwell attracted plenty of media - TV - Newspaper -</div>
<div>Radio interviews and most if not all interviewers treated
the</div>
<div>topic with a great deal interest.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>August: AUFORN - QUFON -</div>
<div>AUFORN & QUFONs Scientific Metaphysical Symposium</div>
<div>with international and national guests hosted by Diane</div>
<div>Harrison and Glennys Mackay it to attracted plenty of
media</div>
<div>attention.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>4. Investigative Training techniques &
Evidence collecting:</div>
<div>Refer to goal 1 and 9 . UFO Disclosure. AUFORN members</div>
<div>agree Ufologists in Australia should treat cases which
involve</div>
<div>UFO abductions - physical trace cases as a crime and the
scene</div>
<div>as a crime scene and we agreed it was up to each of us to
learn</div>
<div>as much as we can about evidence collecting.</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>5. Sponsorship and Fund
raising:</div>
<div>We have to thank David Jones of New Dawn - Duncan Roads</div>
<div>of Nexus - Robert Frola & Diane of - The Australasian
UFOlogist</div>
<div>and Hard Evidence magazines for all the support they have
given</div>
<div>UFO research over the past year. Their contributions to getting
the</div>
<div>word out has been very much appreciated "thank you
guys".</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>6. Relationship building with other UFO
organizations:</div>
<div>This is something which is always being worked on and the
AUFORN</div>
<div>group is always happy to work with people and groups that
share the</div>
<div>shame goals. "Solving the UFO phenomenon and sharing
of</div>
<div>information".</div>
<div>
</div>
<div>7. More Government department relationship

building;

New South Wales Police department. A thank you to Doug Moffett our former NSW AUFORN director who worked hard at getting the National UFO Hotline telephone number into the NSW police Journal the May issues 2003 well done Doug.

<http://www.hypermax.net.au/~auforn/Hotline-page.html>

8. The UFO Hotline has an new updated message bank.

9 -10. June: UFO Disclosure - A UFO Hard Evidence Case Book:

The Australian UFO Research Network Disclosure Project - for short "Australian Disclosure Project" is well into its 5th month of data collection - analyses and dissemination of information.

AURA the (Australian UFO Research Association) the secretariat of the project is now well and truly set up and all are working hard and doing a fabulous job. The project has an official column in the UFOlogist magazine called REVELATIONS this column will keep readers up to date with the "Disclosure Australia" Project. It is written by a member of the Adelaide based project secretariat, from the Australian UFO Research Association (AURA) Keith Basterfield.

This information is freely available on the Australian Disclosure Project webpage. <http://disclosure.freewebpage.org>

Everyone should pat themselves on the back for a job well done.

More News and Views :

JIM ATWELL RIP 2003

2nd January 2003

It is with sadness, that I advise that I received a telephone call this morning to tell me that long standing Adelaide

UFO</div>

<div>researcher Jim Atwell had passed away yesterday.

Those who have been in the field for years will be aware that</div>

<div>Jim had a long standing association with UFO Research</div>

<div>(South Australia). Jim contributed much to the

investigation</div>

<div>and research of the subject in this state and will be

sorely</div>

<div>missed. Keith Basterfield</div>

<div>
</div>

<div>Radio & interviews 2003:</div>

<div>
</div>

<div>The Australian UFO community would like to thank Jeff Rense</div>

<div>for his continual support of the Australian UFO subject. Jeff

has</div>

<div>been monumental in getting the word out about the

Australian</div>

<div>UFO subject through out the world and we hope to do many</div>

<div>more UFO shows with him in 2004. Thanks Jeff.</div>

<div><http://www.Rense.com></div>

<div>
</div>

<div>AUFORN would also like to say thank you to Strange days</div>

<div>indeed's host Victor Viggiani for his contribution to

the Australian</div>

<div>UFO subject while on his stay in Australia. Thank you

Victor</div>

<div>
</div>

<div>2UE Sydney NSW</div>

<div>While some members of the radio industry poke fun at the

UFO</div>

<div>subject it came as a pleasant surprise in July to have 2UE

Radio</div>

<div>station Sydney, which might I add is noted for bagging

anything</div>

<div>which is out of the ordinary they actually gave AUFORN a fair

go.</div>

<div>2UE presented Doug Moffett and myself as credible

researchers</div>

<div>trying to uncover the UFO mystery with no funny comments

going</div>

<div>to air.</div>

<div>
</div>

<div>We must also thank and congratulate ABC Radio stations from</div>

<div>around Australian for presenting the UFO subject in such a

positive</div>

<div>manner for those that don't know the ABC is government

funded.</div>

<div>Thank you - Perth ABC - ABC Newcastle NSW - Southern

Victoria</div>

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Bloomington IN 47405-7109

@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]

@ Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 4:08 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

@

@ Hi Stuart

@ It sounds from the below as though the angular displacement

@ of the objects was not very spectacular if the three of you

@ couldn't agree whether they were moving or not.

@

@ You did *not* get your wind direction wrong, either

@ meteorologically or terminologically. Your plain English was

@ perfectly precise.

In American English, he did. This may be a difference between
British English and American English.

In American English, "westerly" always means "from the west",
never "to the west." Use "westward" for "to the west."

American weather ALWAYS reports the direction the wind blows
from. A west wind or a westerly wind blows FROM the west.

@ Now that you describe the 'dim' lights as bluish starlike
@ points then my bird theory looks less interesting. However,
@ one remembers the classic Lubbock 'birds' which were
@ described as bluish lights . . . Anyone know what the last
@ word was on that case incidentally?

They split into two separate cases:

1. A shotgun solved the original sighting by bringing down
a plover.

2. Underexposure during printing reveals a building structure similar to a balcony behind the lights in the photos.

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I saw an auroral display here Friday night. It was nothing like the ones reported earlier, but consisted of several dim bars (too dim for color vision), one after the other, lined up so each bar ran north-south.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Stuart Miller [mailto:Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com]

@ Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 12:37 PM

@ To: UFORL

@ Subject: [UFORL] Pretty lights in the sky

(snippage)

@ Larry

@

@ That is interesting. But as messy as what I saw was, there
@ was a feel that it was controlled, on a static path. Would
@ natural phenomena do the same or would their trajectory be
@ more erratic?

If beams of particles from the sun are coming in on fixed
paths, the rotation of the earth would cause them all to move
due west at the same speed.

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First "they" would have to figure out:

1. That we use radio for communication (if they developed some form of light communication first, they would not bother with the reduced bandwidth of radio).
2. What frequency to listen on (remember that our channel widths are determined by our senses of sight and hearing, and that they might miss us because their channels are too wide or too narrow).
3. what the transponders are for.

But a "better" idea would be for them to NOT respond like a transponder. Then they could hide as a VFR flight, and expect to not be given ATC instructions.

Of course, it's much more likely that RADAR signal propagation anomalies (like the one that cleared out the White House last week) would be responsible for any extra transponder signals detected.

Too many people think of RADAR as being like a "television picture of what's in the sky." It's not nearly that clear a picture. Think of a fun house mirror that keeps changing and you get the idea.

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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Chad Wilson [mailto:caeman@yahoo.com]

@ Sent: Friday, November 21, 2003 4:02 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: [UFORL] Just a thought

@

@

@ I had a thought. I don't claim it to be original, but I can think of

@ no better forum to ponder it.

@

@ For this thought, let us assume that life exists elsewhere as a

@ fact. Then, we posit that said life is smart enough to get here.

@

@ So, here is my thought...wouldn't said alien lifeforms be intelligent
@ enough to pick up on the transponder thingy you guys have described,
@ broadcasting an ID of 1200, to hide as normal air traffic?

@

@ If the above is a logical extension of the capability of an alien
@ species, how would be detect them when they are hiding as KNOWN
@ flying objects?

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@ -w

@ who can tell it is a Friday here at work

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From: "Robinson, Larry" <lrobin@indiana.edu>
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Subject: RE: [UFORL] GCHQ/NSA activity or am I being paranoid?
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@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Stuart Miller [mailto:Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com]

@ Sent: Saturday, November 22, 2003 1:01 PM

@ To: UFORL

@ Subject: [UFORL] GCHQ/NSA activity or am I being paranoid?

@

@ I too, as I'm sure many others did, experienced the same

@ problems with Yahoo as James described. Mysteriously, those

@ problems seem now to have passed.

@

@ Now it is true, at least as far as my experience goes, that

@ Yahoo are, well, not very good. I was going to say "a pile

@ of shit" but I thought that would be a bit rude. But yes I

@ have experienced many problems in the past and I believe in

@ part it's them "getting their own back on me" for not letting

@ them at my cookies.

Not letting Yahoo have cookies on your computer just makes you
have to identify yourself harder when you log in. It doesn't
spill milk on your computer.

@ However I regard this latest interruption to service as too
@ much of a coincidence. To those of you not living in the UK,
@ it may be difficult to believe the level of security that was
@ in place for the very recent visit of George Bush. It was,
@ quite frankly, unprecedented.

So is the solar activity. The sun is busy jumbling up your data
and other communications right now.

@ Now as we all know, both GCHQ and the NSA monitor electronic
@ traffic and I am suggesting that this activity was
@ considerably stepped up before and during Mr. Bush's visit
@ here, and that this may have accounted for the slow down and

@ disruption to regular service.

@

@ I experienced other problems elsewhere. The strangest was
@ that overnight on Wednesday, a number of e-mails arrived on
@ my screen with just numbers to identify them. Probably
@ something to do with a routing path or maybe the sender's ISP
@ number.

@

@ If anybody has any expertise in this direction then I would
@ be grateful if they could either confirm my opinion or
@ alternatively point me towards a suitable Conspiracy web site
@ so that I can take comfort in the company of other similar
@ miscreants.

@

@ Stuart Miller

This sounds to me more like the solar activity was disrupting
communications. Everything gets all messed up whenever auroral
activity is high. That goes double for any communications using
satellites.

Particle streams from the sun play all kinds of havoc. Computers
crash. Data streams get zxnrbled. Power lines get spikes on them.
Power failures occur. Audio acquires weird noises. TV pictures
get noisy. Strange radio and TV stations from hundreds of miles
away stomp out your local reception. Satellite TV gets pixelated.

It's that mean old sun's grand 11-year conspiracy!!!

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medium density cloud base and a fair wind so the clouds were moving rapidly in
an easterly direction." Granted that use of the word 'easterly' without context
would have suggested the opposite. But nobody could have been confused into
thinking that he was describing clouds moving rapidly *into the
wind*.</DIV>
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<DIV>As for the Lubbock lights - I'm recalling what I
think Ruppelt wrote very coyly in Report on UFOs, to the effect that they were
explained, very conclusively, *not* as birds, but as something he wasn't at
liberty to discuss! Have you ever seen the BB file on this, or can you add
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Date: Mon, 24 Nov 2003 21:13:08 EST
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky
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In a message dated 11/24/2003 8:57:42 PM Eastern Standard Time,
lrobins@indiana.edu writes:

> he classic Lubbock 'birds' which were
> @ described as bluish lights . . . Anyone know what the last
> @ word was on that case incidentally?
>
> They split into two separate cases:
>
> 1. A shotgun solved the original sighting by bringing down
> a plover.
>
> 2. Underexposure during printing reveals a building structure
> similar to a balcony behind the lights in the photos.
>

Hi, Larry:

Do you have a reference for the photo explanation? It always
struck me a too regular an arrangement of the lights to be
the explanation for the original report.

Clear skies,
Bob Young

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From: Phil Rotsky <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
Date: Tue, 25 Nov 2003 10:47:27 +0100
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky
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On Monday 24 November 2003 17:39, Robinson, Larry wrote:
| @ You did *not* get your wind direction wrong, either
| @ meteorologically or terminologically. Your plain English was
| @ perfectly precise.
|
| In American English, he did. This may be a difference between
| British English and American English.
|
| In American English, "westerly" always means "from the west",
| never "to the west." Use "westward" for "to the west."
|
| American weather ALWAYS reports the direction the wind blows
| from. A west wind or a westerly wind blows FROM the west.

No difference, Larry. It is an international standard to describe winds in terms of the direction *from* which they are blowing, and this applies to the UK as much as to the US. The OP's description may have been plain English and perfectly precise, it's just that (in technical terms) it was precisely wrong. I don't mean to criticise the OP here - there are many cases where colloquial usage may differ from the correct technical usage (eg, the way people say 'velocity' when they mean 'speed' and the whole weight/mass thing). It's just that, in a subject like this where we want to deal with accurate data, getting the terminology correct is important. I think the OP has already said as much.

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| @ in place for the very recent visit of George Bush. It was,
| @ quite frankly, unprecedented.

|

| So is the solar activity. The sun is busy jumbling up your data
| and other communications right now.

[snip]

Oh Larry, don't spoil everyone's fun. The worst thing, when you're enjoying a good bout of paranoia, is to have someone throw a bucket of cold commonsense over you.

I had my own moment yesterday. I was trying to browse various US defence sites (DoD, USAF etc) while researching an article (I edit a magazine for Lockheed Martin). These sites were extremely slow and often wouldn't respond at all, while other (non-defence) sites that I was browsing in separate tabs had no problems. I started to think that these DoD sites had detected that I'm a non-MS/IE user (actually Mozilla Firebird on Linux) and so I must be a terrorist suspect! But the moment soon passed... shame really, as I've always wanted to visit Cuba.

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From: Phil Rotsky <rotsky@wanadoo.fr>
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Subject: [UFORL] Chasing phantoms
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Given the recent discussions about radar etc, I thought people might find this interesting. It's from the e-newsletter AVflash, published by AvWeb. To put it in context, it was recently reported that there were more than 600 incursions into the restricted zone over Washington since Feb 10. This zone is what's known as an Air Defence Interception Zone (ADIZ). Normally, ADIZ airspace is used just on the US international borders. You must contact ATC and have a flight plan to enter an ADIZ. Failure to do so means you will be intercepted (usually by F-16s or Blackhawks) and may be shot down. Post-911, restricted airspace has sprung up all over the US, some of it temporary (eg, restricted zones wherever the president happens to be), some of it - like the Washington ADIZ - effectively permanent. 'Incursions' are defined as aircraft that enter the zone without permission, the vast majority of which are also *unidentified*. By all accounts, USAF has been kept very busy chasing unidentified aircraft all over the country.

Anyway, here's the AvWeb piece:

...NORAD CHASING PHANTOMS

In the eye of the security storm around Washington, FAA officials brace for a rash of airspace violations whenever good VFR weather happens on the weekend. And if it's not enough that F-16s and Blackhawks are sent in pursuit of the numerous real targets that blunder into the Washington zones, sometimes they have to chase phantoms, too. Last Thursday, Vice President Dick Cheney and some staff were sent wherever important folks are sent in a security alert after what might have been a flock of geese set off the high-tech alarms watching the White House.

<http://www.avweb.com/eletter/archives/avflash/158-full.html#186129>

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What was that again about precision?

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From: Robinson, Larry
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Again, that must be a localized British usage. It is strongly discouraged here as a misuse of the word, since the Latin root of the word means "leak".

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From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]
Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2003 3:56 PM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

Larry, you need a new dictionary:

"transpire. vb. 1. (intr.) Inf. - to happen or occur. 2. (intr.) - to come to light; be known. 3. Physiol., to give off or exhale ... (etc.). 4. (of plants) to lose (water) espec. through the stomata . . . (etc.)"

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But that makes no sense at all to me. Those are exactly backwards to American usage.

In American usage, "Easterly" means "coming from the east" in almost all contexts. "Easterly" is not used in the context you used of a car "proceeding in an easterly direction." One of the following words is used instead to indicate that context.

In American usage, "Eastward" and "Eastbound" mean "going toward the east" in all contexts. So here, cars proceed in eastward or eastbound directions when they want to go east.

An American east wind is an easterly wind, and is coming from the east and blowing westward, making all the leaves pile up against the east wall of the house.

An easterly American train comes from the east. But the east train is the eastbound train, going toward the east, or in an eastward direction. And the east coast train runs either north or south.

There is only one American case of driving easterly to go eastbound, and that is on a cloverleaf interchange, where you have to turn right to end up going to the left.

But you blokes have that turned around too, by turning left to go right on a cloverleaf motorway junction. Right? :D

And I know that nearside and offside get in there too somehow, but in America, offside is when a football player crosses the line of scrimmage too soon.

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@ Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2003 4:33 AM

@ To: UFO Research List

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

@

@

@ Phil/Steve & Larry

@ Sorry to have to hammer this small point ad nauseam but since you

@ both insist on the virtue of exactness let me repeat that 'the

@ OP' did not - *did not* - use the term easterly to give a wind

@ direction. He was describing the *direction of motion of the

@ clouds*. His statement was that "the clouds were moving rapidly

@ in an easterly direction" whilst the lights were "travelling in a

@ westerly direction". This is quite different, and conformable to

@ the very ordinary English usage "the suspect's vehicle was

@ observed proceeding in a westerly direction". Had he said "the

@ clouds were rapidly moving east" you might as well have objected,

@ with equal irrelevance, that the word "east" should be reserved

@ only for use in the phrase "east wind" to avoid confusion. The

@ confusion I'm afraid is yours!

@ MartinS

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at in his book.</DIV>
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It was accidentally printed light in John Spencer "World Atlas of UFOs".
The structure is quite visible.

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@ From: YoungBob2@aol.com [mailto:YoungBob2@aol.com]

@ Sent: Monday, November 24, 2003 9:13 PM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

@

@

@ Hi, Larry:

@

@ Do you have a reference for the photo explanation? It always

@ struck me a too regular an arrangement of the lights to be

@ the explanation for the original report.

@

@ Clear skies,

@ Bob Young

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From: Martin Shough [mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2003 4:12 PM
Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky

@
@ Larry
@ Re wind direction. Stuart said: "There was a low medium density cloud
@ base and a fair wind so the clouds were moving rapidly in an easterly
@ direction." Granted that use of the word 'easterly' without context
@ would have suggested the opposite. But nobody could have been confused
@ into thinking that he was describing clouds moving rapidly *into the
@ wind*.

I didn't say he did. I was unsure of the direction both were moving.

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The original release of his book says they WERE identified as birds.
And I have seen the same thing myself, right here in Bloomington.
But one bird honked and gave away the secret.

Please note that a later "edited" version of the Ruppelt book was
issued after his death, with changes to what he wrote which suggest
more mystery and less solution. This may have been done to enhance
sales of the book (Jenny Randles wrote me saying that she learned
the hard way that UFO books with no mystery in them don't sell). I
own copies of both versions of "The Report on Unidentified Objects,"
so I can compare them. But I also have an article Ruppelt wrote for
True Magazine, and in that, he also said that the visual part of

the case was solved.

One item Ruppelt states clearly is that there were no stars in any of the photos, which contradicts the actual conditions at the time of the sighting.

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Phil/Steve & Larry

Sorry to have to hammer this small point ad nauseam but since you both insist on the virtue of exactness let me repeat that 'the OP' did not - **did not** - use the term easterly to give a wind direction. He was describing the **direction of motion of the clouds**. His statement was that "the clouds were moving rapidly in an easterly direction" whilst the lights were "travelling in a westerly direction". This is quite different, and conformable to the very ordinary English usage "the suspect's vehicle was observed proceeding in a westerly direction". Had he said "the clouds were rapidly moving east" you might as well have objected, with equal irrelevance, that the word "east" should be reserved only for use in the phrase "east wind" to avoid confusion. The confusion I'm afraid is yours!

MartinS

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Date: Wed, 26 Nov 2003 00:24:12 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] Moons
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Please forgive me if this has been talked about before; I'm in and out of my life and can't always pay attention to what's going on.

Does anyone know any hard core information about this?

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name=News&file=article&sid=124](http://www.para-normal.com/nuke/html/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=124)

The article is interesting, but necessarily sketchy.

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From: "Stuart Miller" <Stuart.Miller4@btinternet.com>
Date: Tue, 25 Nov 2003 12:45:06 -0000
Subject: [UFORL] GCHQ/NSA Conspiracy
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That was the firewall trying to pour cold water on your enthusiasm. :D

It might also be because a lot of stuff is shut down for the holiday week. Today's my last day online this week.

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@ [snip]

@ | @ However I regard this latest interruption to service as too

@ | @ much of a coincidence. To those of you not living in the UK,

@ | @ it may be difficult to believe the level of security that was

@ | @ in place for the very recent visit of George Bush. It was,

@ | @ quite frankly, unprecedented.

@ |

@ | So is the solar activity. The sun is busy jumbling up your data

@ | and other communications right now.

@ [snip]

@

@ Oh Larry, don't spoil everyone's fun. The worst thing, when

@ you're enjoying a

@ good bout of paranoia, is to have someone throw a bucket of

@ cold commonsense

@ over you.

@

@ I had my own moment yesterday. I was trying to browse various

@ US defence sites

@ (DoD, USAF etc) while researching an article (I edit a

@ magazine for Lockheed
@ Martin). These sites were extremely slow and often wouldn't
@ respond at all,
@ while other (non-defence) sites that I was browsing in
@ separate tabs had no
@ problems. I started to think that these DoD sites had
@ detected that I'm a
@ non-MS/IE user (actually Mozilla Firebird on Linux) and so I
@ must be a
@ terrorist suspect! But the moment soon passed... shame
@ really, as I've always
@ wanted to visit Cuba.
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<DIV>I don't know what you may have learnt Jouko, but almost no one showed any interest whatsoever when I tried repeatedly to discuss an issue where we all might have learned something worthwhile about a significant case. If we're reduced to debating English usage whose fault is that? At least Larry had *something* to say about Lakenheath-Bentwaters. What I've learned is that most of the sceptics on this list seem to have made the same trappist vows as the believers on the Updates list where this work is concerned. On the bright side, I suppose to have reduced both sides to silence must count as some sort of success?</DIV>

<DIV>Regards</DIV>

<DIV>MartinS</DIV>

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<DIV>So, what have we learnt with all this playing with words?</DIV>Instead of "shit happens" we can say "shit transpires"... ;)</DIV>

<DIV>Jouko Forsstrom</DIV>

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[mailto:mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk]

@ Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2003 4:33 AM
@ To: UFO
Research

List
@ Subject: Re: [UFORL] Pretty Lights in the Sky
@
@

@

Phil/Steve & Larry
@ Sorry to have to hammer this small point ad
nauseam but since you
@ both insist on the virtue of exactness let me
repeat that 'the
@ OP' did not - *did not* - use the term easterly to give
a wind
@ direction. He was describing the *direction of motion of the
@
clouds*. His statement was that "the clouds were moving rapidly
@ in an
easterly direction" whilst the lights were "travelling in a
@ westerly
direction". This is quite different, and conformable to
@ the very ordinary
English usage "the suspect's vehicle was
@ observed proceeding in a
westerly direction". Had he said "the
@ clouds were rapidly moving east"
you might as well have objected,
@ with equal irrelevance, that the word
"east" should be reserved
@ only for use in the phrase "east wind" to avoid
confusion. The
@ confusion I'm afraid is yours!
@ MartinS
@

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To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com
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Larry, you need a new dictionary:

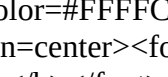
"transpire. vb. 1. (intr.) Inf. - to happen or occur. 2. (intr.) - to
come to light; be known. 3. Physiol., to give off or exhale ... (etc.).
4. (of plants) to lose (water) espec. through the stomata . . . (etc.)."

What was that again about precision?
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<DIV>On p. 148 of the Ace paperback Ruppelt states that an unnamed scientist made instrumented tests to solve the mystery and conclusively identified the lights, *not* as birds or mirage but as some other "very commonplace and easily explainable natural phenomenon". Ruppelt favoured the bird theory himself, but was instead "fully convinced" by this explanation. But to divulge the solution would betray the scientist's identity, he said, which he couldn't do.</DIV>

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<DIV>This isn't adding to the mystique of alien UFOs in any way. I can't see that it was put in to sell copies. Was this the moth theory that Tim mentions? I don't think so because that was down to Ducker, and Ruppelt identifies Ducker and the other professors freely in the book. Ducker wasn't shy of being involved.</DIV>

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<DIV>Obviously this solution is not plovers either. It seems to me that Ruppelt was referring to something different that nobody else seems to have mentioned.</DIV>

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original release of his book says they WERE identified as birds.
And I have seen the same thing myself, right here in Bloomington.
But one bird honked and gave away the secret.

Please note that a later "edited" version of the Ruppelt book was
issued after his death, with changes to what he wrote which suggest
more mystery and less solution. This may have been done to enhance
sales of the book (Jenny Randles wrote me saying that she learned
the hard way that UFO books with no mystery in them don't sell). I
own copies of both versions of "The Report on Unidentified Objects,"
so I can compare them. But I also have an article Ruppelt wrote for
True Magazine, and in that, he also said that the visual part of
the case was

solved.

One item Ruppelt states clearly is that there were no stars in any
of the photos, which contradicts the actual conditions at the time
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On 28 October, 2003, I had written to the CIA's
Information and Privacy Coordinator:

[BEGIN LETTER]

On 29 April, 2003, I initially requested:

"...any information or records pertaining to Central
Intelligence Agency operations involving hot-air balloon
flights during the years 1960-1964 inclusive.
Specifically, those operations which were carried out in
conjunction with 'Raven Industries', of Sioux Falls,
South Dakota".

You replied:

"The CIA can neither confirm nor deny the nonexistence of
records responsive to your request. Such information -
unless it has been officially acknowledged - would be
classified for reasons of national security under
Executive Order 12958. The fact of the existence or non-
existence of such records would also relate directly to
information concerning intelligence sources and records.

[...]

Therefore, your request is denied under FOIA
exemptions..."

On 28 July, my FOIA request was revised:

"I would like to modify my request to something which may
be more amenable. On 29 April, I wrote:

'I am particularly interested in a project which took
place during 1963 and 1964, known as 'The Albuquerque
Flights'. These involved some of the earliest hot-air
balloon flights made and the balloons were launched north
of Albuquerque, close to the Rio Grande.

Ed Yost, still alive and in his eighties, has confirmed
he participated'.

I now request information or records pertaining to this

project.

To further explain the background to my FOIA request, an allied feature is scheduled for publication by the Socorro based 'El Defensor Chieftain' newspaper.

I enclose a draft copy of my proposed article.

You will note I simply wish to establish whether one of those 'Albuquerque flights' was responsible for Zamora's close encounter and ideally, if other flights tie-in with the Rio Grande 'UFO' sightings

Can you now please assist further?

Obviously, the existence of these flights is now known about and as the USAF discovered regarding 'Area 51' in Nevada, pretending that something in clear sight isn't really there, is a guaranteed means of attracting more attention. However, I do appreciate the CIA's concerns about possibly compromising sensitive data, even almost forty years later.

Ultimately, the Socorro incident is merely an interesting and fun story. We can imagine how crushed the CIA would have been to see the USAF declare a hot-air balloon as best ever evidence that ET was here.

[...]

I hope that detailing the overall background is significantly helpful and you now realise that I don't require names of individuals to be revealed.

Bottom line; is there any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations.

What those operations concerned and who was involved, I have no need to know.

I'm trying to give the CIA an easy 'out' here, rather than a repeat of, 'The CIA can neither confirm nor deny the existence or nonexistence of records responsive to your request...'. "

On 20 August, you consequently wrote:

"In addition [to the 'Albuquerque flights' - James], you also ask if there is 'any documentary evidence which either confirms or disproves that on 24 April, 1964, the apparent hot-air balloon which landed near Socorro was related to CIA test-flight/training, etc. operations.'

Please be advised that our 1 July, 2003 response to you also applies to this subject and timeframe".

On 10 September, I appealed your decision.

I look forward to hearing from you in that respect and in the meantime, enclose an entirely separate and new FOIA request, which has no implied association with any classified CIA projects.

[END OF 28 OCTOBER LETTER]

My secondary, 28 October request read, simply:

"On 24 April, 1964, local Socorro, New Mexico, police officer Lonnie Zamora encountered a puzzling white, oval-shaped, aerial vehicle.

The source of this enigmatic craft remained unsolved and the incident became a celebrated 'UFO' case.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. subsection 552, I am requesting any information or records pertaining to those events".

My reasoning was that the CIA could not adopt their previous response concerning still classified hot-air balloon test flights, i.e., "The CIA can neither confirm nor deny the nonexistence of records responsive to your request..." etc.

This was a stately separate, brief and straightforward FOIA request, which should normally elicit a confirmation that relevant documents had been located, or otherwise. If affirmative, it would be telling, irrespective of any decision about their availability.

In short, an unconnected and typical 'UFO' FOIA request - do you have anything on record about this...?

Yet, despite affirming "no implied association with any

classified CIA projects", the CIA evidently take a different view, now declaring:

This acknowledges receipt of your 28 October 2003 letter requesting records under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Specifically, your request is for information or records pertaining to "those events" which you describe in the first and second paragraphs of your letter. You write about Lonnie Zamora, a police officer in Socorro, New Mexico, who on 24 April 1964 allegedly "encountered a puzzling white, oval-shaped, aerial vehicle".

We note that on 10 September 2003 you appealed the response to your 29 April 2003 FOIA request, reference number [deleted]. Please be advised that the subject of your appeal encompasses the subject of this 28 October 2003 request; therefore, we are cancelling this request. [END]

Their letter is dated Monday, 19 November.

Presumably before writing, someone within the CIA was actually aware that previously unrevealed CIA 'cold war' exercises had just been publicly disclosed in the 'El Defensor Chieftain', two days beforehand.

As the article did reference ongoing FOIA dialogue, was its publication duly highlighted internally and noted within the CIA's corresponding FOIA case file.

Once again, the CIA decline an opportunity to make known they hold no related documents, instead officially closing down that afforded avenue.

Surely it has been understood why the additional FOIA request was to be regarded as independent - I couldn't have made the point much more emphatically!

It will be interesting to see how the CIA now contend with seemingly paradoxical responses to an appeal against their 'no comment' disposition, whilst a more wide-ranging FOIA 'UFO' enquiry is upheld as 'encompassed' therein.

James.
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Hello Listfolk,

I have hear that the "medium" Uri Geller many years ago has photographed a UFO.
Is this correct and does anyone known more about this picture??? Or known a
Internet-link to this...?

Best wishes

WW

Werner Walter, c/o CENAP Mannheim
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The main idea was that the "UFO" could be an invading aircraft, either in disguise, or seen under unusual conditions. The entire concentration was on Soviet invasion, not space aliens. You have to remember that civilian spotters were hired in many areas to watch for invading aircraft during the period of the Robertson report. Note that only a few reports were from spotters (the Fargo ND and Rapid City SD cases stand out here) and most of them were moving lights.

There was a difference between debunking the UFO reports of the space alien type, and responding to the UFO reports of the invading aircraft type. Remember that Adamski, Fry, Menger, and others were plying their trades to collect (as Ruppelt put it) "Disc shaped dollars" at that time, and collecting hordes of "believers" in the process. THESE were what military debunkers were up against at the time.

My uncle was in the Air Force and stationed at Wright Patterson at that time. When I asked him about UFOs long after he had been discharged, he also told me that the main reason for collecting UFO reports was to detect Soviet invasion, not to solve what people saw in the sky. Once the report was immediately determined to not be invading aircraft, it was turned over to Blue Book for analysis of not only what the UFO was, but of how conventional objects are misperceived.

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of "unidentified flying objects" in the instructions for electronic flash-reporting of "vital intelligence sightings" that went out to the military in 1954 under CIRVIS (and later to civilian operators too) would have been directly counterproductive from the Panel's point of view. I think it's plausible from historical evidence that the 'official' response to UFO reports at this time was more complicated, more ambiguous than you suggest. (**there was a helpful little drawing of a 'flying saucer' and a buck-rogers-type rocket on one 1950's US Navy MERINT radiotelegraph instructions poster I've seen, but I don't know the exact date)

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The idea that JANAP 146 and CIRVIS were written with extraterrestrial
invaders in mind: (The entire purpose of the regulation was to make
sure that all information on possible attacks (by Soviets and other
earthbound enemies) gets sent to the right place.

- The idea that the Robertson Panel wanted UFO reports suppressed to
hide the presence of extraterrestrials. The purpose of the debunking
was to suppress the cult activity surrounding UFOs, because the
sensationalizing of UFO reports was clogging security channels. The
possibility of an enemy starting a UFO flap to hide an invasion was
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- James Gilliland's "Power portals" and his Mt. Adams "UFO Sanctuary", where people drum drums, shake shakers, play flutes, meditate, and look for UFOs. Very scientific!
- The 1975 test of stealth technology and air base readiness is represented as an alien test of our defenses.
- A UFO video was obviously a streetlight on a pole behind a tree which was swaying in the wind. Another was obviously a car approaching in desert heat with sun reflecting into the camera from its windshield. And a third was a cluster of toy helium balloons released from some public or promotional event.
- The idea that JANAP 146 and CIRVIS were written with extraterrestrial invaders in mind: (The entire purpose of the regulation was to make sure that all information on possible attacks (by Soviets and other earthbound enemies) gets sent to the right place.
- The idea that the Robertson Panel wanted UFO reports suppressed to hide the presence of extraterrestrials. The purpose of the debunking was to suppress the cult activity surrounding UFOs, because the sensationalizing of UFO reports was clogging security channels. The

possibility of an enemy starting a UFO flap to hide an invasion was very real in 1953.

- The Brookings Institute report on what the public would do if aliens landed was based largely on the 1938 "War of the Worlds" broadcast. But part of the panic was caused by the time compression of events in the broadcast (to fit the time allotted), and part by the newsflash format of the fictional account. Their conclusion was largely proven false by the events of 9/11/01, when real threats which were much worse materialized, and 8/14/03, when hardly anyone was talking aliens.

- The idea that the mention of UFOs in the SALT-1 treaty refers to alien spacecraft, instead of anything unidentified that might start a nuclear war by seeming to be a missile (like the time our antimissile RADAR first got an echo back from the moon).

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>Date: Wed, 26 Nov 2003 00:24:12 -0000
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Kausha wrote:

>Does anyone know any hard core information about this?

>[http://www.para-normal.com/nuke/html/modules.php?](http://www.para-normal.com/nuke/html/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=124)
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Kausha,

There's some further online information at:

<http://www.astronomy.com/Content/Dynamic/Articles/000/000/001/024qkkca.asp>

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Jersey Devil
Legend Continues To Fascinate in Pine Barrens

By KRISTA LARSON

Associated Press Writer

November 29, 2003, 8:38 AM EST

PEMBERTON, N.J. -- As Russ Juelg guides groups through the Pine Barrens by the light of the moon, he always instructs them to keep their eyes up in the trees. They're watchful for a strange form crouching from a tree limb or a pair of glowing eyes emerging from the shadows.

The search for the legendary Jersey Devil may include plenty of skeptics, but Juelg says curiosity still draws dozens of thrill-seekers to southern New Jersey each month to go on "hunts."

"Being out in the wilderness at night and hearing and seeing strange things that you can't account for is kind of a thrill, and it kind of puts you in touch with the mysterious side of nature," said Juelg, who leads the outings for the Pinelands Preservation Alliance.

The tale of the cloven-hoofed creature with the wings of a bat remains one of the best known examples of a New Jersey legend, according to Angus Kress Gillespie, a professor of American studies at Rutgers University and director of the New Jersey Folk Festival. It's also become a popular culture figure, even lending its name to the state's professional hockey team.

There are multiple versions of the tale familiar to most New Jersey schoolchildren, but a popular version describes the creature as being born to a woman named Mother Leeds, who already had 12 children and cursed the baby.

"It's a powerful story so it has a grip on our imagination," Gillespie said. "It's been in oral circulation ever since 1735 so that's a pretty hardy story."

It's also a tale that's seen a resurgence in part because of two books about it that were written by James F. McCloy and Ray Miller Jr. That heightened interest in the Jersey Devil has drawn curious visitors and hard-core investigative types alike into the woods.

McCloy attributes some of its current popularity to New Jersey's distinction as the most densely populated state in the country.

"I think the legend's going to keep on going," he said. "It's been around since 1735 and we're getting sightings all the way into the present day. I think people want it to be there."

The tale's roots in southern New Jersey culture also set it apart from fearsome creatures in movies and popular culture, said Abbie Mylod, who opened the Jersey Devil Cafe in Medford last year.

"It's local townspeople who pass it around," she said. "Many people have claimed to have seen the Jersey Devil out in the woods. It's almost a pastime to search for the Jersey Devil. There's a lot of things that people have said the Jersey Devil is responsible for and we haven't been able to prove it otherwise."

Still, Mylod comes across plenty of skeptics at her cafe, which serves up Jersey Jabberwocky salads and Leeds BLT sandwiches, along with Jersey Devil T-shirts and books.

"People come in and say it's like our own little Loch Ness monster. I guess it's hard unless you live here and you're with your peers as far as people who believe."

Some have truly turned the search for proof into a full-time interest.

The Devil Hunters, started almost five years ago by Laura Leuter, now has more than a dozen members who go out on weekends to locations of reported sightings and do research _ complete with a night vision camera and boom mike in tow.

Leuter, 25, of Old Bridge, says she and her colleagues approach their interest in a scientific way and are willing to accept that the legend may be nothing more than a tale passed down through the generations.

"We get people every once in a while who e-mail us and tell us, 'You need to get a life, you need a job' and we're like whatever," concedes Leuter, who works for a major financial institution. "What are you doing on my Web site? If I'm the one who needs a life, why are you looking up things you don't believe in?"

The legend likely began by playing a rule in childrearing or by discouraging outsiders, Gillespie said.

"It's not too terribly helpful to get too hung up on whether or not the Jersey Devil exists," he said. "

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CIA scientists were convinced that there was something else going on, they instigated their own external science review panel, then pressed in-house for a National Intelligence Estimate and forcefully urged a major intelligence and research programmes on the government via Bedell Smith and the 'cardinals', who dragged the issue through the IAC to within an inch of the national security council. The CIA had discussed some aspects of implementation with other bodies, including ADC. They had a draft NSC memorandum of authority ready to go. At this point Robertson enters the frame, in effect tells the CIA and the Air Force not to be so silly and silence reigns. Did anyone ever wonder why the CIA's *internal memos* from Feb 1953 contain not one whisper (that I know of) of demurrer or even faint embarrassment about this fiasco? Top CIA scientists don't urge expensive 'community wide' intelligence and R&D programmes on government whimsically. No, there were clearly some convinced and quite worried people before January 1953. I find it very interesting that not one secret in-house memo from the time mentions regrets, dissensions, justifications, sackings - not even a mild ragging about any of it.

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Luis wrote:

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>I suspect neither Brad Sparks nor other sceptics (Luis  
>Nuñez, etc.) would agree with you on that.

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>>by the photographer. Investigation of the photos shows  
>>a rectangle of halftone around each UFO image. The  
>>images were probably taken from a comic book I used to  
>>have.

Luis,

What is the reasoning why a Billy Meier type, double-plate 'UFO' beamship, could be evidence of an alien spacecraft?

They are 'flying saucer' photographs.

Surely therefore we can safely conclude why, whether hoaxed or otherwise, they are only of related interest resulting from Kenneth Arnold's misconstrued depiction of the genre.

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Werner asked:

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>known more about this picture???

Werner,

I'm not aware of Geller having photographed a 'UFO',  
although he does - no surprise - have an interest in the  
subject.

There was an article published by 'The Idler' magazine in  
its summer 2000 issue. Entitled, 'Uri Geller Solves  
History's Greatest Mysteries', he expounds on the true  
facts behind some of ufology's most famous cases, see:

<http://www.idler.co.uk/html/uri/uri.htm>

Even Corso merits a mention and Geller's 'psychic  
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Date: Wed, 3 Dec 2003 19:01:45 +0100  
Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?  
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Excuse me, James.

Maybe I did not explain myself properly.

I was not saying that the Trindade UFO was a REAL flying saucer from outer space. I was only pointing to a presently on-going debate in UFOUpdates about if and how the photos were hoaxed. It is not a closed case, as Larry wrote.

LuisR

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Date: Thu, 4 Dec 2003 15:14:09 -0600  
Subject: [UFORL] UFO is spotted over Kingsgate Retail Park during morning rush-hour  
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| <p>THE appearance of a UFO in the sky above Kingsgate Retail Park last week caused spooked drivers to bump their cars.</p> <p>Several people reported seeing a huge silver object in the area as they drove past at around 8.45am last Wednesday.</p> <p>Drivers were so distracted by the bizarre sighting that at least two minor bumps were reported, as the attention of motorists wandered from the more mundane forms of transport before them on the road.</p> <p>A local woman, who did not wish to be named, contacted the News to describe the experience of a friend who was driving towards the retail park at that time.</p> <p>She said: "My friend saw something hovering, which was silver in appearance and looked like the dishes you see on the side of television transmitters.</p> <p>"It was huge, and it was pulsating - he wasn't the only one who saw it, as you couldn't have missed it.</p> <p>"He saw it and just thought: 'Good God', and was really quite shaken by the whole thing.</p> <p>"Then the object just suddenly disappeared - it was so strange.</p> <p>"My friend thinks the accidents at Kingsgate were a result of other people seeing this thing as well.</p> <p>The sighting has also intrigued East Kilbride UFO Club, whose members were warned in advance that they might be about to spot something strange in the sky.</p> |  |  |

<p class="headtypea"><font face="Arial,sans-serif" size="2">Colleagues in Cumbernauld had seen a similar object around half an hour previously, and alerted their South Lanarkshire counterparts that it appeared to be heading in their direction.</font></p>  
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Date: Thu, 4 Dec 2003 10:41:27 -0500  
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A new play, "The Alien from Cincinnati" opened here in Bloomington IN.  
The basis of the play is "I'm pregnant by a spaceman."

I am wondering if there will be any fallout here in the form of UFO  
sightings or reports of ET pregnancies.

(: Maybe the Robertson Panel was right! :)

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Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 00:34:06 +0000  
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On the Mongolia 1926 case I listed as one of my favourites, I obtained a copy of the book some time ago and copied the entry. It is quite well known.

#### Mongolia 1926

'On August fifth - something remarkable! We were in our camp in the Kukunor district, not far from the Humboldt Chain. In the morning about half-past nine some of our caravaneers noticed a remarkably big black eagle flying above us. Some of us began to watch this unusual bird. At the same moment another of our caravaneers remarked, "There is something far above the bird." And he shouted in his astonishment. We all saw, in a direction from north to south, something big and shiny reflecting the sun, like a huge oval moving at great speed. Crossing our camp this thing changed in its direction from south to southwest. And we saw how it disappeared in the intense blue sky. We even had time to take our field glasses and saw quite distinctly an oval form with shiny surface, one side of which was brilliant from the sun' (2).

Nicholas Roerich, "Altai-Himalaya, A Travel Diary", London 1930 Ch XI, p. 361

Roerich was a US based artist I understand, who had some sort of spiritualist beliefs, but these do not permeate the book. I tried to read some of it but would describe it as a very dense, worthy travel diary just documenting long journeys with pack animals, and not very interesting to me.



From: "Martin Shough" <mshough@parcellular.fsnet.co.uk>  
Date: Thu, 4 Dec 2003 19:29:58 -0000  
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a 'UFO',
although he does - no surprise - have an interest in the

subject.

There was an article published by 'The Idler' magazine in

its summer 2000 issue. Entitled, 'Uri Geller Solves
History's Greatest
Mysteries', he expounds on the true
facts behind some of ufology's most
famous cases, see:

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Corso merits a mention and Geller's 'psychic
insight' about crop circles
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James.
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Subject: Re: [UFORL] Where is Everybody?  
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Regarding:

>From: James C Giglio <jgiglio2@polaris.umuc.edu>  
>Date: Mon, 8 Dec 2003 11:16:20 -0500 (EST)  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] Where is Everybody?

Jim wrote:

>The link listed results in an error message, which  
>states that results files from queries are deleted from  
>time to time, and that the query must be re-submitted.

Jim,

Yes, although I had 'cut and paste' the URL separately to check it would work, looks like the link is only stored temporarily and now reports, "Result files are deleted periodically".

>Backing up through the URL leads to this one:  
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><http://multisearch.dtic.mil/>  
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>which looks like the place where the original query got  
>submitted. It's a collection of databases; the user must  
>specify the database(s) to be searched and submit a  
>search string.

From:

<http://multisearch.dtic.mil/>

Select 'DOE R&D Accomplishments', under 'Other Federal Databases'.

Enter 'search terms' as "flying saucer".

This will display the link to:

'Where is everybody?' An account of Fermi's question.

James.

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On Sat, 6 Dec 2003, James Easton wrote:

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<FONT FACE=arial,helvetica><FONT COLOR="#000000" FACE="Geneva" FAMILY="SANSSERIF" SIZE="2">HI, ALL -- I haven't been online or read, written, or responded to e-mail since late on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, and I'm writing this before gutting up to taking on the latter.&nbsp; My apologies to those of you who zapped an e-gram my way during the last couple of weeks.&nbsp; Be assured I'll be sending a reply your way soonest.&nbsp; Ditto to those whom I owe other things.<BR>

<BR>

So why the haitus from the virtual life? (If I've I've spoken with you by phone, skip this part, unless you want to see if I'm still telling the same story.)&nbsp; To make a long story short, the Friday after <BR>

Turkey Day, while my wife Mary, daughter Jen, and I were hiking in the Gila National Forest north of Silver City, New Mexico, I fell and broke my lower right leg in two places, one per each bone (first broken bones in almost 61 years of semi-reckless living).&nbsp; Adding insult to injury, there's no good story to tell:&nbsp; no long drop from a flying saucer with a faulty tractor beam, no bear attack, no air evac--just a slip-and-fall on a relatively easy trail.&nbsp; Grumble, gripe...<BR>

<BR>

With a little help, I managed to walk out to our 4Runner on it (we thought it was just a severe sprain).&nbsp; Monday I went to the doctor, "just in case," and learned it wasn't just a sprain.&nbsp; The leg's now splinted, and a no-weight-bearing cast will be put on tomorrow, to be replaced in 6-8 weeks with a walking cast, etc.&nbsp; All in all, it'll be about three months till "done."<BR>

<BR>

I know, I know.&nbsp; That still doesn't explain the radio silence...&nbsp; My office is a two-level affair.&nbsp; My Mac, printer, etc., were located on the lower level, and I couldn't get there from here.&nbsp; This weekend, Mary and Jen rearranged things, and...&nbsp; Tah-dah!<BR>

<BR>

Once again, my apologies to those owed responses to e-grams, etc.&nbsp; You'll hear from me soonest.&nbsp; Meanwhile, I hope the only bones broken in your necks of the woods were turkey wishbones, and all good wishes for the holidays and the coming year. -- Cheers, KARL </FONT><FONT COLOR="#000000"

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Where is Everybody?

"Enrico Fermi's famous question, now central to debates about the prevalence of extraterrestrial civilizations, arose during a luncheon conversation with Emil Konopinski, Edward Teller, and Herbert York in the summer of 1950. Fermi's companions on that day have provided accounts of the incident".

See:

<http://multisearch.dtic.mil/passcgi/dexplr/dexpldcgi?qry1993668166;11>

The complete .pdf file, referenced therein, is especially insightful, with Teller recalling, "At any rate, the conversation, according to my memory, was only vaguely connected with astronautics partly on account of flying saucers might be due to extraterrestrial people (here I believe the remarks were purely negative)...".

An interesting early snapshot, albeit as remembered many years later.

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The number of UFORL subscribers has risen steadily in recent months.

A number of submissions from new subscribers have been outwith the list remit and consequently not posted. Unfortunately, I no longer have time to address each of these personally off-list and explain why the material was unsuited to UFORL.

The list is statedly, "open to subscription from those who advocate and adopt a consistent, scientific appraisal of purported 'UFO' related evidence".

It is not an apt forum for zealous 'believers'.

Contributions from self-proclaimed 'contactees', 'abductees', or anyone reasonably taking issue with content from a previous posting and then bemoaning that the list has many subscribers who adopt a more skeptical approach, will simply not be authorised.

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Sounds just like the UFO-SAM wind turbine kite I have. It's silver, and it spins rapidly in a brisk wind, giving a pulsating effect. And you can know when and where you will be flying it in advance (if the wind holds up).

<http://www.cochranes.co.uk/ufo.html>

I Googled UFO-SAM and got over 100 hits.

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UFO is spotted over Kingsgate Retail Park during morning rush-hour  
By Judith Tonner

THE appearance of a UFO in the sky above Kingsgate Retail Park last

week caused spooked drivers to bump their cars.  
Several people reported seeing a huge silver object in the area as they drove past at around 8.45am last Wednesday.

She said: "My friend saw something hovering, which was silver in appearance and looked like the dishes you see on the side of television transmitters.

"It was huge, and it was pulsating - he wasn't the only one who saw it, as you couldn't have missed it.

"My friend thinks the accidents at Kingsgate were a result of other people seeing this thing as well."

The sighting has also intrigued East Kilbride UFO Club, whose members were warned in advance that they might be about to spot something strange in the sky.

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For information, I recently received the following feedback from a non UFORL subscriber:

I have read with interest your posting about inquiring the CIA about balloon flights conducted by Raven Industries.

Another possible way to obtain information is via the Defence Technical Information Center (DTIC). In general, all experimental military projects are described in technical reports, and Raven Industries must have written a report describing the flights.

I have made the following experiment:

1- I have gone to the DTIC web site:

<http://multisearch.dtic.mil/index.html>

and I have clicked "DTIC Technical reports"

and I have entered Raven Industries in the search field.

8 reports were produced, describing flight experiments.

Unfortunately, all were in the seventies or more recent. All of these reports are declassified.

Older reports (sixties and before) are archived in microfilm format and you must consult an archivist to obtain it (use help in the menu). Ask for reports produced between 1960 and 1974 by Raven Industries.

Ordering a report is not easy as it must be ordered by a registered agency.

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I haven't mentioned the following previously and it might be of interest.

Some time ago, I wrote to Dr. Frank Etscorn:

[BEGIN LETTER]

I wonder if you might please assist with some research and clarify the following, which originates from 'Kestrel's Nest -- A weblog by Eric Wagoner' - see:

[http://www.ericwagoner.com/weblog/archives/2000\\_08\\_20\\_archive.htm](http://www.ericwagoner.com/weblog/archives/2000_08_20_archive.htm)  
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[this URL will 'wrap around']

Monday, August 21, 2000

New dad Mike Gunderloy at Larkfarm pointed to UFO netzine Saucer Smear. Lo and behold, the current feature story is new developments in the famed Socorro, New Mexico UFO landing.

Physics professor emeritus Charles Moore, the man behind the Project Mogul balloon flights that almost certainly led to the Roswell hulabaloo, suggests that the Socorro sighting may have been a lunar lander flight test that went off course from the White Sands Missile Range, south of Socorro.

Regular readers of Kestrel's Nest know that I went to school in Socorro, and ended up staying in town for eight years. I've met Lonnie Zamora and have seen the area where the sighting occurred.

For much of the time I was in school, psychology professor Dr. Frank Etscorn, inventor of the nicotine patch and all around really smart guy, was dean of the school. He was fond of telling the story behind the sighting. I don't recall all the details, but his story involved a couple of students (Tech students are notorious pranksters), back projection, and making "eep eep" noises while wearing strange coveralls. He giggled when telling how these students managed to fool not just Officer Zamora but also a horde of UFO experts.

[END]

Can you perhaps help to solve the mystery of this 'UFO hoax'

story.  
[END OF LETTER]

Dr. Etscorn kindly replied:

The stories I told were pretty much the stock stories that had been going around campus for years regarding Tech student involvement in the incident. I bet most NMTech "old timers" would agree that the whole thing had an air of "Tech Prank" -- the students were as you mentioned notorious (and, I would hope, still are!). I did have a student in my Paranormal Borderlands of Science class do some research regarding the story depicted in "The Socorro Saucer in a Pentagon Pantry" book. Can't remember her name. As I recall, she tracked down some Techies of that era and talked to them and also found out that a rear projection device had been removed/borrowed/checked-out etc. from some place on campus.

Possibly another stock story. Funny how the story changes: I don't ever recall relaying to students that the "people" were wearing "strange coveralls" and making "eep eep" sounds. Maybe that was just me -- I do originate from Kentucky.

I always thought, if the incident had been a student prank, that they would have salted the ground where the purported saucer landed with ground-up trinitite (available from White Sands -- as well as school geology dept) and then mixed in with the sand on the ground.

Do I think something from outer space landed there? Not in a million years!

Do I think officer Zamora could have misperceived something more mundane? -- yes -- he's human just like the rest of us. Test aircraft from White Sands - greater than zero probability. Tech student prank -- that really, really worked well -- same probability, maybe more.

Take care  
Frank Etscorn  
[END OF REPLY]

Inventor of the Nicotine patch?

Evidently so and a somewhat Fortean tale. From:

<http://www.wku.edu/news/releases/october/etscorn.html>

"Dr. Frank Etscorn, the inventor of the nicotine patch and member of Western Kentucky University's Hall of Distinguished Alumni, will deliver the 21st L.Y. Lancaster Memorial Lecture Nov. 10.

[...]

Etscorn developed the concept of the nicotine patch after accidentally spilling liquid nicotine on his arm. Although he was a nonsmoker, Etscorn felt as if he had chain-smoked several cigarettes. This prompted the idea that putting nicotine on the skin could be an effective way to get the chemical into the bloodstream and suppress smoking.

When the patch was perfected, he patented it and sold it to Ciba-Geigy Pharmaceuticals. The patch earned Etscorn numerous honors and was named one of the best products of 1992.

Etscorn received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Western in 1971 and a master's in experimental psychology in 1973. He earned his doctorate in experimental psychology from George Peabody College in Nashville.

After graduating from Peabody, he went to New Mexico Tech where he was a professor of psychology and dean of students. He received the school's distinguished teaching award in 1990.

Etscorn, who was inducted in Western's Hall of Distinguished Alumni in 1993, retired from New Mexico Tech in 1993. He lives in Wyoming with his wife, Sheri.  
[END]

Incidentally, although a professor of psychology, Dr. Etscorn does have an association with space science; from:

<http://www.nmt.edu/~astro/eco.html>

"The Frank T. Etscorn Campus Observatory, dedicated 25 April 1993, is on the campus of New Mexico Tech in Socorro, NM".

Dr. Etscorn is a noted amateur astronomer and was for many years a stated "advisor" to the 'New Mexico Tech Astronomy Club'.

James.

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Courtesy of Jim Oberg, the following seems somewhat topical:

[BEGIN]  
6 December, 2003

"REPORTS THAT say something hasn't happened are interesting to me, because as we know, there are known unknowns; there are things we know we know. We also know there are known unknowns; that is to say we know there are some things we do not know. But there are also unknown unknowns the ones we don't know we don't know."

Professional Skeptics Group Proves UFOs Real!

Organization expected to retract defamatory claims,  
facilitate \$1,000,000 award to Swiss man

by Michael Horn

LOS ANGELES - It was only a matter of time before a breakthrough in authenticating the existence of non-terrestrial UFOs would take place but, surely, nobody thought it would come about this way. Despite mounting evidence over the past half-century the arbiters and manipulators of public opinion in media, governmental and scientific circles, along with professional skeptics and debunkers, have marginalized serious discussion of UFOs and dismissed all evidence as inconclusive and flawed.

Defamatory Claims?

A special target, at the top of the hit list for skeptics and debunkers for more than 25 years, are the claimed contacts of a Swiss man, Billy Meier. Meier, who claimed that his contacts with extraterrestrial human began in 1942, when he was five years old, also says that they continue to this day, more than 60 years later. But the skeptics, in labelling Meier and his evidence as fraudulent, claim that he hoaxed his 35mm photos and 8mm film segments of the UFOs during the mid-1970s using models or some unidentified form of special effects

wizardry to accomplish the alleged deception. Professional skeptics, such as the international organization CFI, magician/skeptic The "Amazing" Randi and science writer/skeptic Michael Shermer, have long been in the forefront of those accusing Meier of hoaxing his physical evidence, which also includes video and sound recordings, as well as metal alloy samples.

Meier's supporters state that these claims run counter to the results of scientific examination of Meier's evidence by experts from JPL, IBM, USGS and Nippon TV, as well as special effects expert Wally Gentleman, known for his work on Stanley Kubrick's "2001", among many films. They also claim that all of Meier's physical evidence remains irreproducible even with today's technology.

### The Challenge

In order to definitively resolve the matter, in early February 2001, a number of Meier's more than 1200 photos and eight film segments were presented for examination to case investigator Vaughn Rees of CFI West, the Los Angeles branch of CFI. Mr. Rees concluded that, in his expert opinion, they were all "easily duplicated hoaxes" and that the two lights seen flashing alternately from two different parts of the UFO in the film (Hasenbol, March 18, 1976 at:

[www.figu.org/us/ufology/videos.htm](http://www.figu.org/us/ufology/videos.htm)

were accomplished simply by Meier's scratching the film with a pin.

Mr. Rees agreed to back up his claims by duplicating one of Meier's UFO photos along with the film segment, which should be the easiest to duplicate because it was the only one of Meier's that had no other objects in it to compare to the UFO. Mr. Rees stated that he already had a 35mm photo camera and knew where to acquire an 8mm movie camera. His work wasn't required to be exact to the last detail, just convincingly comparable in quality to Meier's.

Over the next two months Mr. Rees failed to submit anything to back up his claims and, in May of 2001, it was suggested that he could try using any high-tech equipment available to him, i.e. computers, special effects, Photo Shop, etc., to fulfil his commitment. It was also suggested that, if he wished to be sporting

about it, he should use only one hand since Meier is a one-armed man.

## The Results

Two years later, at a UFO conference in February of 2003, Mr. Rees was confronted about his failure to meet the challenge. He responded that he still didn't have access to a photo-processing lab, which Meier himself never had access to, having sent all of his films off to a local shop for developing. Mr. Rees was reminded that he could, and perhaps had already tried to, use any high-tech means at his disposal instead. In a comparable two-year period Mr. Meier had, with one hand, produced hundreds of photos, while the able-bodied, technology-savvy Mr. Rees had produced none.

Now, about three-years have passed and Mr. Rees has still failed to provide even one photo or film to back up his claims. In a three-year period of time Meier had taken nearly 1,000 photographs and, in about one year's time, he took at least one-half dozen of his 8mm films, and he did all of this using only one hand! A comparable number and quality of such types of films for an individual special effects person during the mid-1970s (and maybe any other time period) would be quite respectable, though an Internet search will reveal that no such cinematic accomplishments, professional or otherwise, exist.

This may be the first, and most important, time in history that skeptics have set out to disprove a presumed hoax and ended up proving its authenticity. And, in this case, what they proved is undoubtedly the factuality of the most important event in human history, the existence of, and contact with, extraterrestrials.

## What Integrity Demands

The professional skeptics of the Meier case have concocted all sorts of fanciful notions and theories as to how he hoaxed the evidence. But when challenged to prove their claims they repeatedly replied that it was not their job to attempt to duplicate the evidence, although conducting themselves according to the scientific method would require it. Their time for freely, and irresponsibly, attacking Meier ran out when Mr. Rees and CFI West utterly and completely failed to meet the challenge they had finally accepted. In so

doing, they effectively proved Meier's UFOs real and their own claims unsubstantiated and defamatory.

Unequivocal public retractions and apologies are now due Meier from CFI West, Vaughn Rees, Randi, Michael Shermer, etc. They have indulged in character assassination, slander and libel, and the sloppiest, least scientific thinking imaginable. It is now absolutely incumbent upon any and all of the skeptics who have offered money for proof of "paranormal" phenomenon, to offer it to Meier and his non-profit organization in Switzerland, FIGU.

Specifically, the offer by Randi of \$1,000,000 for proof of a paranormal ability has been more than satisfied and must be paid.

Integrity demands that they now live up to their word. There can be absolutely no argument, dispute or doubt now, especially considering the abysmal, failed attempts by the skeptical accusers themselves, with any tools at their disposal, to debunk, let alone duplicate, Meier's stunning proof. Now it's time to recognize that the most important event in human history has occurred and to discover what meaning it holds for us.

#### Addendum

While the skeptics have offered an unexpected contribution to authenticating what have come to be known as the Meier Contacts, it's really only the tip of a very deep and solid iceberg of irrefutable proof far beyond a reasonable doubt.

#### Noted Astronomer Corroborates Additional Evidence

In April of 2003, Dr. Joseph Veverka, Chairman of the Astronomy Department at Cornell University, was presented with documentation of specific information on Jupiter, its rings and its moons, published by Meier in October, 1978, five months before the Voyager probe photographed and relayed the information back to Earth. When shown the evidence that Meier described the moon Io as being the most volcanically active body in the solar system, prior to the first official knowledge of it in March of 1979, Dr. Veverka was direct and candid, "If he said that 3-5 months before, then all that I can say is that he's right."

Meier also documented the fact that Jupiter had rings; described the chemical composition of the planet's surface, the coloration of its moons, Io's smooth surface and Europa being encrusted in ice. But far more amazingly, Meier accurately described both the composition and the source of Jupiter's rings 20 years before scientists from Cornell announced their findings, in 1998!

### Prophetically Accurate Information

In February of 1995, Meier published a lengthy document of enormous complexity in which he foretold the likelihood of certain specific future events. In September 2001, portions of that information were included in the book "And Yet They Fly!" written by Guido Moosbrugger, an Austrian former schoolteacher and principle acquainted with Meier for about 25 years.

The following seven items, foretold on pages 347 and 348 of "And Yet They Fly!" have recently occurred and virtually in the sequence Meier foretold:

1. The strike or attack by the US and its president (Iraq). Meier even used the word "stun" when he said the strike would "...stun the entire world..." "Stun" is a synonym for the term "shock" used by the US as in "shock and awe".
2. Meier correctly predicted the following upsurge in unrest and violence from Islamic fundamentalists.
3. Meier foretold the spread of AIDS, which has indeed become very widespread.
4. Mad Cow Disease has since spread to other animals and humans as Meier also predicted.
5. Meier said that a new disease and epidemic would then appear and SARS did just that.
6. His warning regarding a renewed threat of chemical warfare is more in the news than ever.
7. Meier specifically warned of the possibility of an accident, one that he said could be avoided, however, at the nuclear power plant near Lyon, France. The emergency scenario, and the timely shut down of that exact plant,

occurred on August 12, 2003.

Now, in case the astronomically high odds against any kind of coincidences or lucky guesses aren't apparent, consider that Meier identified the following eight years in advance:

1. The exact country and leader (out of hundreds) that would launch a stunning attack and a synonym for the term actually used by that country's leader (impossible to calculate).
2. The exact religious group (out of thousands) that would respond with their own attacks.
3. The exact disease (out of thousands) that would spread widely among humans.
4. The exact animal disease (out of thousands) that would spread to other animals and humans.
5. The sudden appearance of a new disease and epidemic.
6. The exact kind of weapons and warfare that would cause renewed threats.
7. The exact location (out of 436) and type of facility (out of several) that would have a near-accident.

If this doesn't qualify as a genuine demonstration of psychic or paranormal abilities nothing does.

And it far exceeds any reasonable requirements to garner the financial award promised for such a demonstration, though that never has been the purpose of Meier's mission. It is only fitting, however, that those who have long accused him of being a hoaxer out for non-existent, and unproven, financial gain, should now have the opportunity to reward him, not only for his abilities, but also for suffering the fools and their defamation for so long.

For those who may be unaware, in addition to character assassination, Meier has survived 19 (documented) actual assassination attempts.

## The Sound Recordings

Finally, the skeptics (and others who've actually tried)

have also been unable to reproduce the sound recordings Meier made of a UFO, using only a cassette tape recorder, in an open field in front of 15 witnesses. There are 32 simultaneous frequencies occurring, 24 in the audible and eight in the inaudible range. To date, they remain irreproducible even with state-of-the-art synthesizers, let alone with cassette machines outdoors.

You can hear, and download, a three-minute sample of the sounds at: and experiment with them yourself. You will also find more documentation on the Meier Contacts at this website.

### The Most Important Event In Human History

Now that the authenticity of the Meier Contacts have been firmly established, we can begin to examine the information, and the real purpose, behind the most important event in human history.

Hint: It has to do with our future survival.

Michael Horn is the American Media Representative for The Meier Contacts and has researched the case for 25 years. He can be contacted at: [michael@andytheyfly.com](mailto:michael@andytheyfly.com)  
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Luis,

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My questions remain unaffected, i.e.:

"What is the reasoning why a Billy Meier type, double-plate 'UFO' beamship, could be evidence of an alien spacecraft?

They are 'flying saucer' photographs.

Surely therefore we can safely conclude why, whether hoaxed or otherwise, they are only of related interest resulting from Kenneth Arnold's misconstrued depiction of the genre".

Like any 'flying saucer' photographs from, say, Heflin, Meier, Trent, Walters and countless others, it's evidently not a worthwhile UFO 'case' to start with.

Given our fifty-plus years of post-Arnold hindsight - a considerable comprehension - what generic 'saucer' photographs seriously offer any prospect of proving the reality behind Arnold's 'flying disks'?

However, ultimately that's what it's all about,



especially for those who maintain why they have not been deluding themselves for years, or most of their lives.

Obviously, as with any ardent belief, it's their challenge to prove averred facts, not anyone else's to refute innate convictions.

Remarkably, or perhaps otherwise, despite 'flying saucers' being touted as foremost evidence of ET interaction, some 'pillars of ufology' do not comprise 'saucer' encounters.

'Arnold', 'Socorro', 'Rendlesham' and 'Cash-Landrum' are perhaps all the more interesting as a consequence.

Certain depictions attempt to 'morph' Zamora's Socorro object into a 'flying saucer', as if that adds to overall credibility, yet, it's so demonstrably incongruous.

I recall Brad Sparks observing:

"I am nevertheless bothered by the fact that no one else in the 1947 flap ever saw objects shaped like Arnold's, with only one possible exception (a suspected hoax apparently)."

See:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufu/updates/1999/apr/m01-002.shtml>

One might surmise that if the only correlating evidence in our founding 'saucer flap' is one probable hoax [the Rhodes photograph], it justifies slightly more alarm for ufology than merely being 'bothered'!

I suppose the point about undertaking an exhaustive investigation of 'Trindade' or any other 'flying saucer' photograph, with earnest hopes of establishing it might verify the realism of Arnold's disks, is... given our post-Arnold acuity, what's the point?

James.

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I used to have a Coleman pressure lantern, intended for camping.  
The "UFO" in the attached Billy Meier photo is definitely the  
top from a lantern exactly like the one I had. You can even see  
the holes for the bale handle and the nut that holds the top on  
in the photo.

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>>To: <UFORL@yahoogroups.com>  
>Subject: Re: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?  
>Date: Wed, 10 Dec 2003 00:38:32 -0000  
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>Courtesy of Jim Oberg, the following seems somewhat  
>topical:  
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>[BEGIN]  
>6 December, 2003  
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>"REPORTS THAT say something hasn't happened are  
>interesting to me, because as we know, there are known  
>unknowns; there are things we know we know. We also know  
>there are known unknowns; that is to say we know there  
>are some things we do not know. But there are also  
>unknown unknowns the ones we don't know we don't know."  
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>Professional Skeptics Group Proves UFOs Real!  
>  
>Organization expected to retract defamatory claims,  
>facilitate \$1,000,000 award to Swiss man  
>  
>by Michael Horn  
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>LOS ANGELES - It was only a matter of time before a  
>breakthrough in authenticating the existence of non-  
>terrestrial UFOs would take place but, surely, nobody  
>thought it would come about this way. Despite mounting  
>evidence over the past half-century the arbiters and  
>manipulators of public opinion in media, governmental and  
>scientific circles, along with professional skeptics and  
>debunkers, have marginalized serious discussion of UFOs  
>and dismissed all evidence as inconclusive and flawed.  
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>  
>Defamatory Claims?  
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>A special target, at the top of the hit list for skeptics  
 >and debunkers for more than 25 years, are the claimed  
 >contacts of a Swiss man, Billy Meier. Meier, who claimed  
 >that his contacts with extraterrestrial human began in  
 >1942, when he was five years old, also says that they  
 >continue to this day, more than 60 years later. But the  
 >skeptics, in labelling Meier and his evidence as  
 >fraudulent, claim that he hoaxed his 35mm photos and 8mm  
 >film segments of the UFOs during the mid-1970s using  
 >models or some unidentified form of special effects  
 >wizardry to accomplish the alleged deception.  
 >Professional skeptics, such as the international  
 >organization CFI, magician/skeptic The "Amazing" Randi  
 >and science writer/skeptic Michael Shermer, have long  
 >been in the forefront of those accusing Meier of hoaxing  
 >his physical evidence, which also includes video and  
 >sound recordings, as well as metal alloy samples.  
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 >Meier's supporters state that these claims run counter to  
 >the results of scientific examination of Meier's evidence  
 >by experts from JPL, IBM, USGS and Nippon TV, as well as  
 >special effects expert Wally Gentleman, known for his  
 >work on Stanley Kubrick's "2001", among many films. They  
 >also claim that all of Meier's physical evidence remains  
 >irreproducible even with today's technology.  
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 >The Challenge  
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 >In order to definitively resolve the matter, in early  
 >February 2001, a number of Meier's more than 1200 photos  
 >and eight film segments were presented for examination to  
 >case investigator Vaughn Rees of CFI West, the Los  
 >Angeles branch of CFI. Mr. Rees concluded that, in his  
 >expert opinion, they were all "easily duplicated hoaxes"  
 >and that the two lights seen flashing alternately from  
 >two different parts of the UFO in the film (Hasenbol,  
 >March 18, 1976 at:  
 >  
 >[www.figu.org/us/ufology/videos.htm](http://www.figu.org/us/ufology/videos.htm)  
 >  
 >were accomplished simply by Meier's scratching the film  
 >with a pin.  
 >  
 >Mr. Rees agreed to back up his claims by duplicating one  
 >of Meier's UFO photos along with the film segment, which  
 >should be the easiest to duplicate because it was the  
 >only one of Meier's that had no other objects in it to  
 >compare to the UFO. Mr. Rees stated that he already had a  
 >35mm photo camera and knew where to acquire an 8mm movie

>camera. His work wasn't required to be exact to the last  
>detail, just convincingly comparable in quality to  
>Meier's.

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>Over the next two months Mr. Rees failed to submit  
>anything to back up his claims and, in May of 2001, it  
>was suggested that he could try using any high-tech  
>equipment available to him, i.e. computers, special  
>effects, Photo Shop, etc., to fulfil his commitment. It  
>was also suggested that, if he wished to be sporting  
>about it, he should use only one hand since Meier is a  
>one-armed man.

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>The Results

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>Two years later, at a UFO conference in February of 2003,  
>Mr. Rees was confronted about his failure to meet the  
>challenge. He responded that he still didn't have access  
>to a photo-processing lab, which Meier himself never had  
>access to, having sent all of his films off to a local  
>shop for developing. Mr. Rees was reminded that he could,  
>and perhaps had already tried to, use any high-tech means  
>at his disposal instead. In a comparable two-year period  
>Mr. Meier had, with one hand, produced hundreds of  
>photos, while the able-bodied, technology-savvy Mr. Rees  
>had produced none.

>

>Now, about three-years have passed and Mr. Rees has still  
>failed to provide even one photo or film to back up his  
>claims. In a three-year period of time Meier had taken  
>nearly 1,000 photographs and, in about one year's time,  
>he took at least one- half dozen of his 8mm films, and he  
>did all of this using only one hand! A comparable number  
>and quality of such types of films for an individual  
>special effects person during the mid-1970s (and maybe  
>any other time period) would be quite respectable, though  
>an Internet search will reveal that no such cinematic  
>accomplishments, professional or otherwise, exist.

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>This may be the first, and most important, time in  
>history that skeptics have set out to disprove a presumed  
>hoax and ended up proving its authenticity. And, in this  
>case, what they proved is undoubtedly the factuality of  
>the most important event in human history, the existence  
>of, and contact with, extraterrestrials.

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>What Integrity Demands

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>The professional skeptics of the Meier case have  
>concocted all sorts of fanciful notions and theories as  
>to how he hoaxed the evidence. But when challenged to  
>prove their claims they repeatedly replied that it was  
>not their job to attempt to duplicate the evidence,  
>although conducting themselves according to the  
>scientific method would require it. Their time for  
>freely, and irresponsibly, attacking Meier ran out when  
>Mr. Rees and CFI West utterly and completely failed to  
>meet the challenge they had finally accepted. In so  
>doing, they effectively proved Meier's UFOs real and  
>their own claims unsubstantiated and defamatory.

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>Unequivocal public retractions and apologies are now due  
>Meier from CFI West, Vaughn Rees, Randi, Michael Shermer,  
>etc. They have indulged in character assassination,  
>slander and libel, and the sloppiest, least scientific  
>thinking imaginable. It is now absolutely incumbent upon  
>any and all of the skeptics who have offered money for  
>proof of "paranormal" phenomenon, to offer it to Meier  
>and his non-profit organization in Switzerland, FIGU.

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>Specifically, the offer by Randi of \$1,000,000 for proof  
>of a paranormal ability has been more than satisfied and  
>must be paid.

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>Integrity demands that they now live up to their word.  
>There can be absolutely no argument, dispute or doubt  
>now, especially considering the abysmal, failed attempts  
>by the skeptical accusers themselves, with any tools at  
>their disposal, to debunk, let alone duplicate, Meier's  
>stunning proof. Now it's time to recognize that the most  
>important event in human history has occurred and to  
>discover what meaning it holds for us.

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>Addendum

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>While the skeptics have offered an unexpected  
>contribution to authenticating what have come to be known  
>as the Meier Contacts, it's really only the tip of a very  
>deep and solid iceberg of irrefutable proof far beyond a  
>reasonable doubt.

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>Noted Astronomer Corroborates Additional Evidence

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>In April of 2003, Dr. Joseph Veverka, Chairman of the  
>Astronomy Department at Cornell University, was presented



>with documentation of specific information on Jupiter,  
>its rings and its moons, published by Meier in October,  
>1978, five months before the Voyager probe photographed  
>and relayed the information back to Earth. When shown the  
>evidence that Meier described the moon Io as being the  
>most volcanically active body in the solar system, prior  
>to the first official knowledge of it in March of 1979,  
>Dr. Veverka was direct and candid, "If he said that 3-5  
>months before, then all that I can say is that he's  
>right."

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>Meier also documented the fact that Jupiter had rings;  
>described the chemical composition of the planet's  
>surface, the coloration of it's moons, Io's smooth  
>surface and Europa being encrusted in ice. But far more  
>amazingly, Meier accurately described both the  
>composition and the source of Jupiter's rings 20 years  
>before scientists from Cornell announced their findings,  
>in 1998!

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>Prophetically Accurate Information

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>In February of 1995, Meier published a lengthy document  
>of enormous complexity in which he foretold the  
>likelihood of certain specific future events. In  
>September 2001, portions of that information were  
>included in the book "And Yet They Fly!" written by Guido  
>Moosbrugger, an Austrian former schoolteacher and  
>principle acquainted with Meier for about 25 years.

>

>The following seven items, foretold on pages 347 and 348  
>of "And Yet They Fly!" have recently occurred and  
>virtually in the sequence Meier foretold:

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>1. The strike or attack by the US and its president  
>(Iraq). Meier even used the word "stun" when he said the  
>strike would "...stun the entire world..." "Stun" is a  
>synonym for the term "shock" used by the US as in "shock  
>and awe".

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>2. Meier correctly predicted the following upsurge in  
>unrest and violence from Islamic fundamentalists.

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>3. Meier foretold the spread of AIDS, which has indeed  
>become very widespread.

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>4. Mad Cow Disease has since spread to other animals and  
>humans as Meier also predicted.

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>5. Meier said that a new disease and epidemic would then  
>appear and SARS did just that.  
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>6. His warning regarding a renewed threat of chemical  
>warfare is more in the news than ever.  
>  
>7. Meier specifically warned of the possibility of an  
>accident, one that he said could be avoided, however, at  
>the nuclear power plant near Lyon, France. The emergency  
>scenario, and the timely shut down of that exact plant,  
>occurred on August 12, 2003.  
>  
>Now, in case the astronomically high odds against any  
>kind of coincidences or lucky guesses aren't apparent,  
>consider that Meier identified the following eight years  
>in advance:  
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>1. The exact country and leader (out of hundreds) that  
>would launch a stunning attack and a synonym for the term  
>actually used by that country's leader (impossible to  
>calculate).  
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>2. The exact religious group (out of thousands) that  
>would respond with their own attacks.  
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>3. The exact disease (out of thousands) that would spread  
>widely among humans.  
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>4. The exact animal disease (out of thousands) that would  
>spread to other animals and humans.  
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>5. The sudden appearance of a new disease and epidemic.  
>  
>6. The exact kind of weapons and warfare that would cause  
>renewed threats.  
>  
>7. The exact location (out of 436) and type of facility  
>(out of several) that would have a near-accident.  
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>If this doesn't qualify as a genuine demonstration of  
>psychic or paranormal abilities nothing does.  
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>And it far exceeds any reasonable requirements to garner  
>the financial award promised for such a demonstration,  
>though that never has been the purpose of Meier's  
>mission. It is only fitting, however, that those who have  
>long accused him of being a hoaxer out for non-existent,  
>and unproven, financial gain, should now have the  
>opportunity to reward him, not only for his abilities,  
>but also for suffering the fools and their defamation for

>so long.  
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>For those who may be unaware, in addition to character  
>assassination, Meier has survived 19 (documented) actual  
>assassination attempts.  
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>The Sound Recordings  
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>Finally, the skeptics (and others who've actually tried)  
>have also been unable to reproduce the sound recordings  
>Meier made of a UFO, using only a cassette tape recorder,  
>in an open field in front of 15 witnesses. There are 32  
>simultaneous frequencies occurring, 24 in the audible and  
>eight in the inaudible range. To date, they remain  
>irreproducible even with state-of-the-art synthesizers,  
>let alone with cassette machines outdoors.  
>  
>You can hear, and download, a three-minute sample of the  
>sounds at: and experiment with them yourself. You will  
>also find more documentation on the Meier Contacts at  
>this website.  
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>  
>The Most Important Event In Human History  
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>Now that the authenticity of the Meier Contacts have been  
>firmly established, we can begin to examine the  
>information, and the real purpose, behind the most  
>important event in human history.  
>  
>Hint: It has to do with our future survival.  
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>  
>Michael Horn is the American Media Representative for The  
>Meier Contacts and has researched the case for 25 years.  
>He can be contacted at: michael@andytheyfly.com  
>[END]  
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>James.  
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Karl,

Earnestly hoping you're still recuperating... you had only just missed the following online references:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/2217>

>What sort of reaction has it generated, if anything?

There has resultantly been considerable media interest in still classified , 1963/64 'cold war' operations - those 'Albuquerque flights'.

However, let's all see how the CIA respond to ongoing FOIA dialogue; ultimately, that will be paramount, if not defining.

James.  
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CIA was<BR>

actually aware that previously unrevealed CIA 'cold war'<BR>

exercises had just been publicly disclosed in the 'El<BR>

Defensor Chieftain', two days beforehand.<BR>

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James, is this article available online someplace?&nbsp; What sort of reaction has it  
generated, if anything? -- Cheers and Happy Humbug, KARL</FONT><FONT

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Date: Fri, 12 Dec 2003 12:20:27 -0500  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Speiser [mailto:jimspeiser@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Thursday, December 11, 2003 12:51 PM  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

@

@

@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Robinson, Larry [mailto:lrobin@indiana.edu]

@ Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2003 9:28 AM

@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com

@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

(snippage)

@ @ I used to have a Coleman pressure lantern, intended for camping.

@ @ The "UFO" in the attached Billy Meier photo is definitely the

@ @ top from a lantern exactly like the one I had. You can even see

@ @ the holes for the bale handle and the nut that holds the top on

@ @ in the photo.

@ [JJS] Larry, I just gotta ask, do you purposely go out and collect

@ UFO-hoax paraphernal...parafena...stuff? Or do you just happen

@ to have all these things lying around? You're scaring me, dude.

@ By the way, my first reaction upon being shown Meier photos (by

@ Brian Meyers, of all people) was hubcaps...I even thought I could

@ narrow it down to a '64 Volvo...but yours sounds just as good.

When you have lived 52 years, you have had a lot of stuff pass through your hands. I rather find it amazing that the people who hoax these photos think that people won't recognize the UFO as products they own.

I am now actively seeking two objects, but other than that, have



not bought anything because it looked like a UFO in a photo.

Of the UFO hoax paraphernalia (stuff) I have or used to have:

- Helio Aguiar, 04/24/59, Piata Beach, Itapoan Brazil: The Collaro Conquest is my record changer of choice. With very little work, it can be transformed from a mediocre console record changer to a precision instrument (which I have done to three changers). See my web page on it:

<http://mypage.iu.edu/~lrobbins/collaro.htm>

I got my Collaro in 1970, but didn't make the UFO connection about the drive wheel until 1996. See the story here (move down until you get to 1959):

<http://mypage.iu.edu/~lrobbins/ufoclass.htm>

- Elizabeth Klarer, 07/17/56 Natal South Africa: I received my Spin-O-Reno toy for my birthday the same year. I didn't get really interested in UFOs until 11 years later. Why do I still have the Spin-O-Reno? I folded the rim down, and it became the best throwing disc (aka Frisbee) I have for distance and straight flying.

- Almiro Baruna, 01/16/58 Trindade Is. Brazil: I got the comic book as the freebie when my parents bought me some Buster Brown shoes. I no longer have it (but am now trying to acquire it - one of only two objects I am trying to acquire due to a UFO connection).

- Alex Birch, 03/04/62 Sheffield England: I didn't own this mobile of rockets and saucers - a neighbor kid did. But I saw it again in a children's classroom in the 1990s.

- George Adamski (numerous photos): My great-grandfather raised chickens, so I ought to know what a chicken brooder and a dull bulb are.

- Albrecht Steiner, 1954 Bad Hersfeld Germany: My father was an avid golfer in the 1950s, and had one of these office golf cups.

- 03/24/67 King of Prussia PA: He had this golf cup too.

- Warren Siegmund, 05/15/55 New York NY: I have had the same Scotch tape dispenser for 40 years. I found it in a drawer last week.

- Ballassar Bottos 08/23/57 Camden NJ: My great-grandfather's house had the same 2 bulb ceiling light.

- J Douglas Stewart, 07/12/65 Athens OH: I have had three of these lantern flashlights, one after the other. They rust easily.

- Alan Smith, 08/02/65 Tulsa OK: My aunt had an aluminum Christmas tree. She had a Christmas tree color wheel because 120V lights would be dangerous on such a tree. I later briefly had a color wheel (but not an aluminum tree) in the 1970s.
  
- Arthur Strauch, 10/21/65 St George MN: How many people NEVER had one of those 7.5W night lights? And in 1965, how many people NEVER had a flashbulb fail to go off. They are ubiquitous!
  
- Robert Salvo, 03/66 Wall TWP NJ: This Digi-Comp II computer is one of the really rare items that I have, and one of the few items I acquired (in 1969) after learning of the case (1967). But I got it because of my interest in computers, not because one of its parts appeared in a UFO photo. I noticed the object matched the part several months after I got the computer.
  
- Stephen Pratt, 03/28/66 Conisbrough England: The Kenner Girder and Panel set was my favorite toy as a kid, because I aspired to be a civil engineer until I first got my hands on a computer in 1968.
  
- 1966 Provo UT: My mother got this cheap vacuformed Santa Claus cookie box full of cookies which tasted like sugared cardboard at a Fashion Fair store in 1964. And she kept refilling the box with the same brand of cardboard cookies for years, because they "lasted longer than the other cookies" (maybe because nobody else in the family liked them). The UFO was the screw-on lid.
  
- 12/18/66 Lake Tiorati NY: I used to date a girl who had a 1965 AMC Hornet. I could always find her car parallel-parked on her street at a distance because the hubcaps stuck out as points.
  
- 01/12/67 Old River LA, also Jefferson Villar, 06/27/67 Wichita KS: I have had two of these UFO wind turbine kites.
  
- Ed Walters 1988 Gulf Breeze FL: They had a Swinger carnival ride at Kentucky Kingdom in 1995 when I went there (this is a different photo he took, not the two objects that predominate in his photos).
  
- 01/24/67 Yorba Linda CA: My cousin had the GI-Joe space set.
  
- Paul Trent, 05/11/50 McMinnville OR: In the 1950s, my grandmother had a pressure cooker with a top which looks like the object. This is the other object I am actively seeking, to compare it with the photo.
  
- And of course, I have two graduation caps.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jim Speiser [mailto:jimspeiser@yahoo.com]  
Sent: Sunday, December 14, 2003 4:13 PM  
Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

@ -----Original Message-----

@ From: Robinson, Larry [mailto:lrobbins@indiana.edu]  
@ Sent: Friday, December 12, 2003 10:20 AM  
@ To: UFORL@yahoogroups.com  
@ Subject: RE: [UFORL] One scientifically verifiable sighting?

(snippage)

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@ @ appeared in a UFO photo. I noticed the object matched the part  
several  
@ @ months after I got the computer.  
@  
@ [JJS] I had a Digi-Comp! I was way too young to understand what it  
was  
@ teaching me, I just liked making the marbles roll down and swing the  
@ registers back and forth (weren't they called something like  
"floppies"?)

Flip-flops, of course. But now I work with them in the form of  
integrated  
circuits such as the 74LS74.

By the way, my Digi-Comp II still works. I even wrote new programs for  
it  
to fix a couple of the bugs I found in the textbooks (the supplied  
division program was wrong). Several years later I built a real computer  
without using a microprocessor IC.

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freelance work) has just launched a new US Navy <BR>communications satellite  
called ... wait for it ... UFO !</FONT></BLOCKQUOTE></DIV>  
<DIV>The UFO satellite system has been around for sometime.&nbsp;I remember  
reading about it in message traffic when I was stationed aboard the USS Honolulu  
(SSN 718).&nbsp;&nbsp;It is not really something "NEW".</DIV>  
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<DIV>Tim Printy</DIV>

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This one is going to cause a few unexpected hits in search engines. Lockheed Martin (for whom I do some freelance work) has just launched a new US Navy communications satellite called ... wait for it ... UFO ! Here's part of the press release:

A Lockheed Martin-built Atlas III rocket carried a Navy communications satellite into orbit tonight, ending the year on a high note for International Launch Services (ILS), with six successful missions.

The Atlas III launch vehicle left the pad at 9:30 p.m. EST (02:30 Dec. 18 GMT), depositing the satellite into an elliptical transfer orbit about 32 minutes later. The satellite is the 11th in the series called UHF Follow-On (UFO), based on the 601 model built by Boeing Satellite Systems (BSS). Atlas vehicles have launched all 11 UFO satellites, beginning in 1993. The program is managed by the U.S. Navy Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR).

Mark Albrecht, president of McLean-Va.-based ILS, said: "Through the UFO program, we have developed a long-standing synergy among the three partners ? BSS as the prime contractor, building the satellites and contracting with ILS for the launches, on behalf of the Navy. ILS and the Lockheed Martin Atlas launch team are proud to have played a part in providing vital communications capabilities worldwide to America's military."

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"Flying isn't dangerous ...  
... landing is the tricky bit"

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Hi

I would like to acquaint you with some work we have been doing regarding accessing Australian Government documents to do with the UFO phenomenon. The work in progress may be viewed at:

<http://disclosure.freewebsite.org>

Happy reading.

Keith Basterfield

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Greetings list,

Maybe I'm missing some messages, but these questions occur to me:

\*Did anyone hear the discussion of the Rendelsham incident on the BBC Radio 4 programme on Nov 3?

If so, any comments on the content? also,

\*Did anyone see the US Sci Fi channel special on Rendlesham on December 12?

If so did it contain any 'new' evidence or testimony? Did it tell us anything we didn't already know?

Dave Clarke

"Depend upon it that he who loves making mysteries for the sake of mystery making is ultimately and in big things a fool, and therefore dangerous."

- Arthur Machen, 'The Bowmen and Angels of Mons'

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year re Kevin Conde's</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>recollection of his practical joke at RAF  
Woodbridge during the time</FONT></DIV>  
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could  
not recall the</FONT></DIV>  
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been during an</FONT></DIV>  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>The pro-UFO brigade believe Kevin's prank had  
no  
connection with</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>the incident and their main argument centres on the  
lack of evidence</FONT></DIV>  
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resolve this problem</FONT></DIV>  
<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>I filed an FOIA request with USAF 3rd Air  
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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>On 3 December I received the following reply from James Abbot, MOD E-1</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>FOIA Officer, HQ USAFE:</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>"Further to your FOIA request RAFM - 2004-005, in which you requested</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>level of Alert status that existed at RAF Bentwaters on various dates. A</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>thorough search has been conducted here and no records pertaining to Alert</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Status, were found either here or at HQ USAFE [Ramstein AFB]."</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2></FONT>&nbsp;</DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>I have 60 days to appeal if I wish to do so.</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>This conclusion leaves us no nearer resolving the issue.</FONT></DIV>

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<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>However,</FONT><FONT face=Arial size=2>background research on the international situation at the time of the</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>Rendlesham incident which may be relevant. Several references&nbsp;</FONT></DIV>

<DIV><FONT face=Arial size=2>mention&nbsp;</FONT><FONT face=Arial size=2>December 1980 as being</FONT><FONT face=Arial size=2>the time at which the Cold War was at its coldest </FONT></DIV>

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Date: Mon, 22 Dec 2003 09:27:00 +0200  
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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone!

Barni (Roumania - Odorhellen)

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<DIV>Okay, well in response to the first message I recieved here from dave clarke, I didn't hear the bbc report, but I have on tape the scifi report, and I don't think that their is much new information in it really.&nbsp; They have some testimony, which I have heard from other sources, from people that wouldn't give me an interview.&nbsp; It was basically the same old stuff though.&nbsp; I would like to hear what other people thought about it though.&nbsp;

Anyone???

<BR><BR><B><I>UFORL@yahoogroups.com</I></B> wrote:

<BLOCKQUOTE class=reply style="padding-left: 5px; margin-left: 5px; border-left: 1px solid black">There are 2 messages in this issue.<BR><BR>Topics in this digest:<BR><BR>1. Re: Rendlesham on TV & Radio<BR>From: "dave clarke"

<CD292@CRAZYDIAMONDS.FSNET.CO.UK><BR>2. Re: Alert Status/Rendlesham Incident<BR>From: "dave clarke"

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Rendlesham on<BR>December 12?<BR><BR>If so did it contain any 'new' evidence or testimony? Did it tells us<BR>anything we didn't already know?<BR><BR>Dave Clarke<BR><BR>"Depend upon it that he who loves making mysteries for the sake of mystery <BR>making is ultimately and in big things a fool, and therefore dangerous."<BR><BR>- Arthur Machen, 'The Bowmen and Angels of Mons'

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<BR><BR>Message: 2<BR>Date: Sun, 21 Dec 2003 16:17:29 -0000<BR>From: "dave clarke" <CD292@CRAZYDIAMONDS.FSNET.CO.UK><BR>Subject: Re: Alert Status/Rendlesham Incident<BR><BR>Greetings list -<BR><BR>You will recall the correspondence earlier this year re Kevin Conde's<BR>recollection of his practical joke at RAF Woodbridge during the time<BR>of the Rendlesham Forest UFO incident. Kevin could not recall the<BR>precise date of the incident but knew it



must have been during an<BR>"alert" as he was accompanied by another base police officer at the<BR>time.<BR><BR>The pro-UFO brigade believe Kevin's prank had no connection with<BR>the incident and their main argument centres on the lack of evidence<BR>for alert status at the time. In an effort to resolve this problem<BR>I filed an FOIA request with USAF 3rd Air Force,<BR>RAF Mildenhall, requesting a copy of documentary evidence and/or<BR>confirmation of the level of "alert status" at RAF Bentwaters-Woodbridge<BR>during the dates & times below:<BR><BR>0000-2300 Z on 26 December 1980<BR>1700-2400 Z on 27 December 1980<BR>0000-0600 Z on 28 December 1980<BR>1700-2400 Z on 30 December 1980<BR><BR>On 3 December I received the following reply from James Abbot, MOD E-1<BR>FOIA Officer, HQ USAFE:<BR><BR>"Further to your FOIA request RAFM - 2004-005, in which you requested<BR>level of Alert status that existed at RAF Bentwaters on various dates. A<BR>thorough search has been conducted

here and no records pertaining to Alert<BR>Status, were found either here or at HQ USAFE [Ramstein AFB]."<BR><BR>I have 60 days to appeal if I wish to do so.<BR><BR>This conclusion leaves us no nearer resolving the issue.<BR><BR>However,background research on the international situation at the time of the<BR>Rendlesham incident which may be relevant. Several references specifically<BR>mention December 1980 as beingthe time at which the Cold War was at its coldest <BR>since the Cuban missile crisis. The main point of concern was the tense situation <BR>in Poland where martial law had been declared and the West believed a Soviet <BR>invasion was imminent. On 10 December 1980 the US sent 4 AWACS spy planes <BR>to Ramstein to patrol the border between Poland and USSR.<BR><BR>I also found some interesting quotes in a Agence France-Presse story of 2002 on the <BR>FOIA release of Cold War documents relating to US spy plane operations over Russia <BR>and China during the Cold

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Thx for the good words (doing well, thx) and the link.&nbsp; Just (finally!) printed it  
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Good luck.&nbsp; My old colleages--or, rather, our successors--can be a slippery lot!  
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