

themselves were channeling messages directly through Andreasson.

It was also revealed that Andreasson had supposedly been abducted by aliens on a previous occasion and had sighted strange beings several times in the interim. The blue book given to her by the creatures had disappeared shortly after the incident.

Andreasson's alleged experience shared many characteristics with other well-known abduction cases. However, RAYMOND FOWLER, who participated in the investigation, claims that some of the details of her story match those of several unpublished cases, leading him to surmise that Andreasson did not adopt her story, either intentionally or subconsciously, from the UFO literature. The experience is marked by strong religious overtones, which seem to tie in with Andreasson's Christian beliefs. The vision of the gigantic bird was an enactment of the ancient legend of the Phoenix, an early Christian symbol of resurrection. Fowler speculates that this might have been a programmed vision created by the aliens. They might have been attempting to gain her confidence by associating themselves with the God in whom she believes. Other theories Fowler contemplates are that UFO OCCUPANTS are God's ANGELS or that they are extraterrestrials undertaking genuine missionary work.

A tragic incident occurred in 1977, reportedly as an aftermath of the case. While Andreasson was talking on the telephone with another alleged UFO abduction victim, alien voices reportedly interrupted the conversation. Although their language was unintelligible, Andreasson sensed anger and a threat of some imminent disaster. That night two of her sons were killed in a car crash.

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**SOUTH BERWICK, MAINE**, residence of Frances Swann, who claims to have been in contact with SPACE PEOPLE for the past twenty years. During the middle of 1959, two Navy intelligence officers went to South Berwick to meet Swann at the request of retired Admiral H. B. Knowles, who lived in the town. Swann demonstrated a phenomenon known as automatic writing to the two officers, claiming that the words she wrote were transmitted by UFO OCCUPANTS. The messages stated that the sender was a being named Affa from Ur-mus. Reportedly, Swann was able to answer questions posed by the intelligence officers that were beyond her education and technical knowledge.

In Washington, D.C., on July 6, 1959, one of the two Navy officers, just back from Maine, went into a trance while in the company of the other naval intelligence officer (allegedly Robert Nisham, a Navy photo analyst

assigned to the CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY [CIA] at the time) and CIA officer Arthur Lundahl. Reportedly, he, too, received messages from Affa through automatic writing. Affa was supposedly one of a four-man extraterrestrial patrol team of the "OEEV" (Universal Association of PLANETS) assigned to Project "EU" or "Euenza" (Earth). When asked if his craft could be seen as proof of his existence, Affa told the three men to go to the window. Allegedly, they saw a flying saucer fly by. According to some accounts of this incident, a check with Washington Center RADAR revealed that the radar return was blocked in the sector indicated by the officers.

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE (USAF) Major ROBERT FRIEND, acting chief of PROJECT BLUE BOOK, was asked to come to Washington to evaluate the situation. The experiment was repeated in Friend's presence on July 9, 1959. The naval intelligence officer lapsed into a trance and began to respond to questions by using automatic writing. When Affa was asked to change a fly-by, the reply was, "The time is not right."

When Friend returned to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, he prepared a memorandum on the case for his commanding general, who stated that he would personally take charge of further evaluation.

Although Friend has substantiated the preceding information, Lundahl has denied that a flying saucer was seen on July 6, 1959, or that the naval officer went into a trance during Friend's presence on July 9, 1959. He confirms only that the naval officer demonstrated automatic writing which he claimed to have learned from Swann. Today, Swann continues to receive alleged messages from Space People on an almost daily basis. However, she no longer uses the automatic writing method, but merely allows the messages to enter her mind. Reportedly, she has maintained her involvement with U.S. intelligence, an involvement which she has allegedly been told to keep secret.

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**SOUTH CENTRAL UNITED STATES**, location of a classic RADAR/visual UFO sighting on July 17, 1957. An Air Force RB-47, equipped with Electronic Countermeasures (ECM) gear and carrying six officers, was followed by a UFO for over 700 miles as it flew from Mississippi, through Louisiana and Texas and into Oklahoma. The intense light was seen visually, was tracked by ground radar and was detected by the onboard ECM monitoring equipment. In several instances, the UFO's sudden appearances and

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