

TOPICAL SEARCH - COMMENTS

The topical search consists of the conduct of a remote viewing session directed against targets whose outcome is in future time. It is predictive in nature and normally addresses targets of distinctive high interest and public notoriety.

Request you conduct a topical search and provide available information, if any, for the period ending 2400 hrs, 22 October 1993 (Friday). Targets may include but are not limited to acts of God, accidents/catastrophes, political/military events, events related to criminal justice, significant human accomplishments, and etc.

SESSION INFORMATION

- A. TARGET DATA:
Task/Target No. : 93-209-T
Session No. : 01
- B. PERSONNEL DATA:
Source No. : 049
Monitor's No. : NA
Beacon/Sender No. : NA
- C. SESSION DATA:
Date Task Received : 18 OCT 93
Session Date : 18 OCT 93
Start Time : 1430
Stop Time : 1520
Method Used : ERV
Aids/Distractions (PIs) : Sinus headache
Pre-session Hunches (AVs) : None
Date Summary Returned : 19 OCT 93
- D. EVALUATION DATA:
Viewer's Estimate : Low, low, low
Evaluator's Estimate :
- E. SESSION SUMMARY:

The following perceptions, albeit limited, were acquired during this project session:

- The leadership of a small, but significant, country will change hands. This change will occur as an orderly transfer of power from either a parent to child or a grandparent to a grand-child. 1/2 T

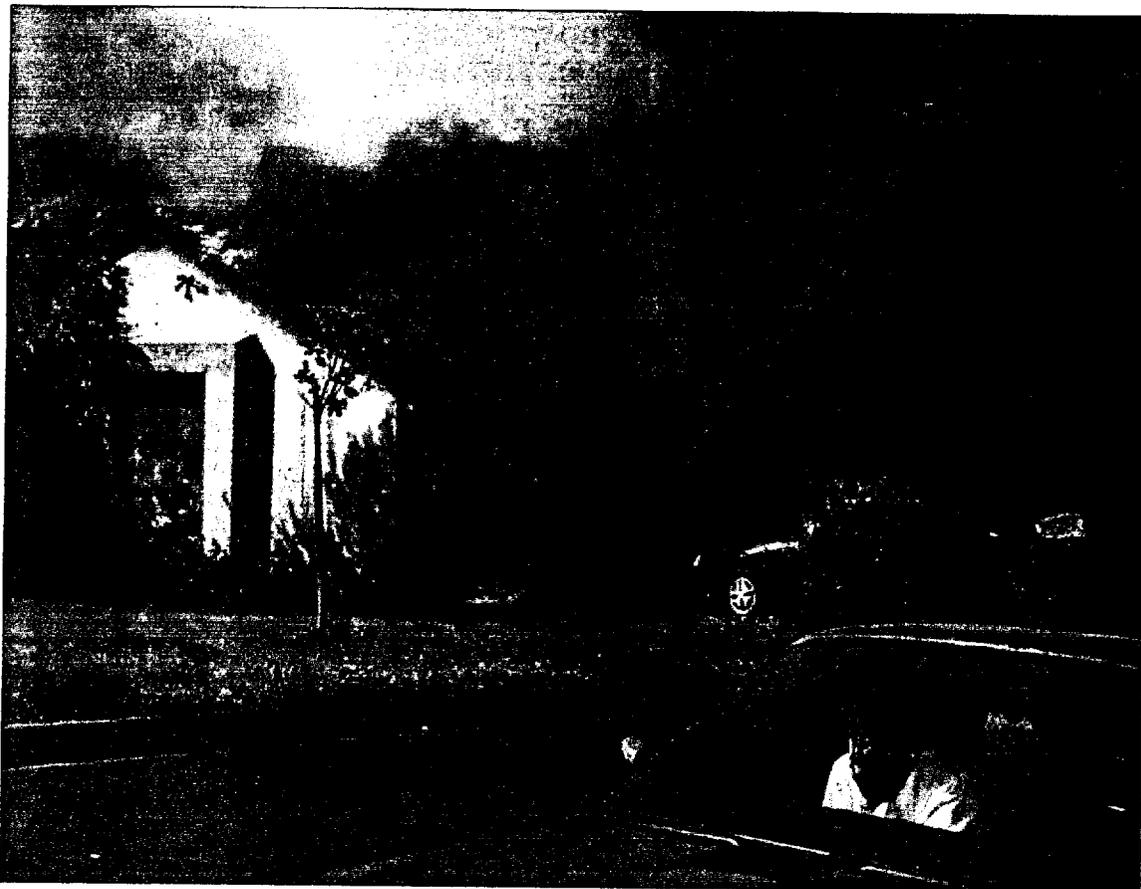
- There will be further fire fights between the Somalis and the U.N. forces. One encounter in particular will involve a previously unused weapon type. 19 Oct

- A very large fire will occur along a coastline. This fire will be extraordinarily bright and its main attribute will be the intensity by which it will burn. 28 Oct

- There will be a series of unexplained phenomena occurring within the southwestern U.S. towards the end of the month. Maybe the Chaco Canyon (northwestern New Mexico) region.

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Southern California wildfires



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A resident of Altadena, Calif., cries as her neighbor's house burns. Seasonal Santa Ana winds with gusts up to 70 mph fueled several blazes throughout the region, forcing many people to flee and causing extensive damage. The fast-moving fires destroyed scores of homes and scorched thousands of acres of land, which was tinder-dry from a rainless summer. Article, Page 3A.

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Brush fires rip through S. California

Gusts fan blazes; damage extensive

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Fed by fierce, dry Santa Ana winds and high temperatures, brush fires exploded over five Southern California counties yesterday, damaging or destroying more than 200 homes, threatening thousands of others and charring more than 65,000 acres.

The infernos hit hardest in the affluent communities of Emerald Bay in Laguna Beach, 40 miles southeast of Los Angeles, and Altadena, 10 miles northeast of Los Angeles. No deaths were reported, but at least 14 firefighters and nine civilians were reported injured in 13 separate blazes, fire officials said.

Damage was expected to exceed hundreds of millions of dollars in one of the most devastating brush fire outbreaks in memory.

In exclusive Emerald Canyon, flames blamed on a suspected "copycat arsonist" destroyed more than 100 homes, many of them multimillion-dollar estates. Schoolchildren were evacuated and Pacific Coast Highway was closed as firefighters there fought desperately against stiff afternoon winds to halt the 10-mile swath of flames. By late afternoon, California Highway Patrol officers and local police were manning hoses because fire departments were overstretched.

At least 50 other homes were damaged or destroyed by an early-morning fire that spread rapidly through 4,000 acres in the affluent foothill community of Altadena, authorities said. Only hours after that blaze broke out in the rugged Eaton Canyon, authorities arrested a transient who was booked on suspicion of unlawful use of fire.

The man apparently was camping in the hills and his campfire touched off nearby brush, a Los Angeles County Fire Department spokesman said.

Other major fires charred 21,000 acres between Thousand Oaks and the Pacific Ocean, 45 miles northwest of Los Angeles; about 3,000 acres in Escondido, 30 miles north of San Diego, where homes were threatened and officials at the San Diego Wild Animal Park worked frantically to move endangered California condors and other species; and about 750 acres in the Orange County communities of Anaheim Hills and Orange 40 miles southeast



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A Fire Department helicopter drops water in hard-hit Altadena, Calif.

of Los Angeles, where nearly 30 homes were damaged.

Gov. Pete Wilson declared a state of emergency and flew into Burbank Airport, meeting other elected officials at a fire command center in Pasadena. Officials said winds are expected to increase today and tomorrow, and no rain is forecast for the next seven days.

Many of the most serious fires remained out of control late last night as smoke darkened the skies and white ash fell like snowflakes.

In Laguna Beach, where property damage was most severe, the fire broke out just before noon, quickly jumped a ridge and spread south.

Dozens of homes were engulfed in the seaside community of Emerald Bay, where home values reach \$10 million and more. Laguna Beach Unified School District officials immediately evacuated three schools.

In downtown Laguna Beach, residents crowded onto rooftops and lined the Pacific Coast Highway to gaze at flames snaking down the hills toward the ocean. Traffic came to a virtual halt.

Overhead, helicopters dipped 150-gallon "Bambi buckets" in the Pacific, then headed back to drop the

contents on the homes burning in the canyons.

The Altadena fire, which began near dawn, caught many residents still asleep or eating breakfast as it raced through expensive neighborhoods pushed by 50 mph gusts.

The fire covered more than 1,000 acres by 10 a.m., climbing canyon walls and spreading embers through the air, fire officials said.

In Ventura County, a day-old arson fire swept across 21,000 acres of Santa Monica Mountain back country to the Pacific Ocean. But despite the enormous acreage burned, only four homes were lost.

In the brush-covered hills of northeastern San Diego County, a fire that erupted shortly after midnight burned across 6,000 acres, destroying six homes and five other buildings near 1,800-acre Wild Animal Park in the San Pasqual Valley.

A few hardy foursomes declined to leave the Eagle Crest Golf Course west of the park, even though flames came within a few dozen yards of the back nine.

"The safest place to be in a fire is in the middle of a golf course," said assistant pro Bill Hughes. "Green grass doesn't burn."

SOMALIAN CLANS BATTLE

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A Somali fires a U.S.-made M-16 rifle during clan fighting in Mogadishu. The gunman claimed that he took the weapon from a U.S. Army Ranger during a battle Oct. 3. (See article, 5A.)

Ousted Burundi official seeks help after coup

BUJUMBURA, Burundi — The ousted prime minister of Burundi appealed yesterday for foreign military intervention to restore order and re-establish democracy in this Central African nation.

Sylvie Kinigi's appeal came amid signs that the military coup was beginning to weaken in its fourth day. Along with suppressing Burundi's infant democracy, the coup has raised the specter of renewed fighting between the Hutu and Tutsi tribes, one of Africa's goriest ethnic rivalries.

The military has acknowledged that President Melchior Ndadaye, the country's first freely elected leader, was killed shortly after the National Palace was stormed on Thursday.

From Wire Reports

TASKING SHEET

SOURCE NO: 079

DATE: 18 OCT 93

SUSPENSE: 19 OCT 93

1000 HRS

1. PROJECT NUMBER: 93-209-T

2. METHOD/TECHNIQUE: Method of Choice

3. BACKGROUND: This is a topical search to be conducted in accordance with existing protocol.

4. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION: Conduct a topical search for the period ending 22 Oct 1993.

5. COMMENTS: None.