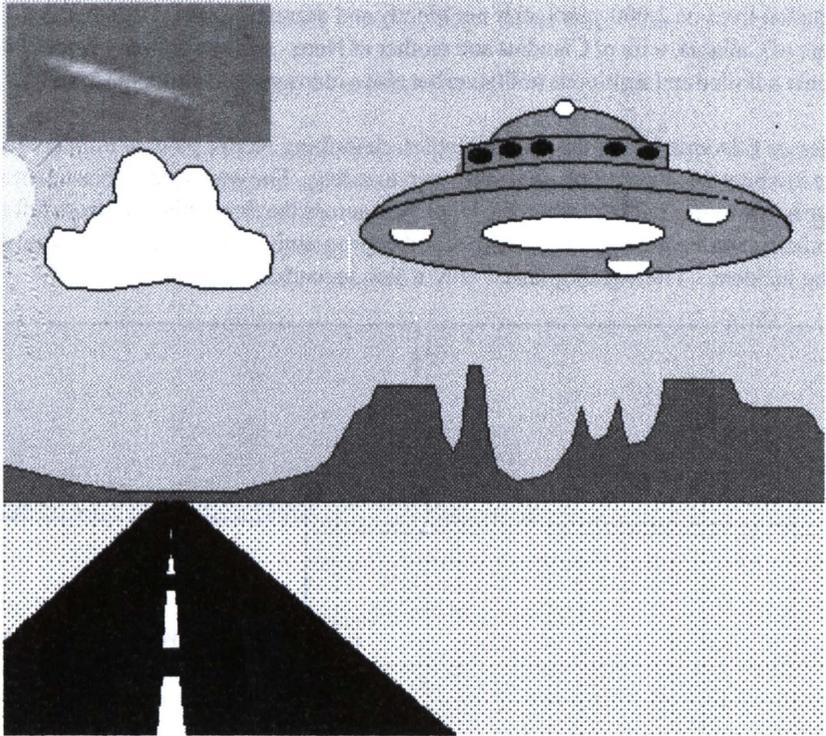


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Newsletter of the STAR Fellowship

ANOTHER UFO IN A TV HISTORY PROGRAMME

It was reported in a previous issue of *Amskaya* that a UFO appeared in the programme *Henry VIII, Patron or Plunderer?* at the site of the Field of the Cloth of Gold, where Henry had had a meeting with the French king. A round object had travelled across the sky behind the presenter, who was talking about the flamboyant event at the now featureless landscape.

Recently, a similar thing has happened again, in the programme *Mothers, Murderers and Mistresses: Empresses of Ancient Rome*, broadcast on BBC Four at 9:00pm on Wednesday, 5th June 2013. Professor Catharine Edwards was exploring the dramatic lives of two women at the heart of power in 1st-century imperial Rome. One is Messalina, whose scandalous reputation lives on 2,000 years after her bloody and dramatic death. The other is Agrippina - sister of Caligula, wife of Claudius and mother of Nero - an extraordinary woman who was not only a skilled and ambitious politician but also a murderer and ultimately a murder victim.

Professor Edwards was at the Bay of Naples, describing Nero's plots to murder Agrippina there in a boat that would sink - but she swam to safety. She was saying "Nero sent soldiers to her house to murder her" when the UFO flew across the sky behind her from left to right, eventually passing behind her. As with the other programme, there was of course no mention of the incident. The sighting lasted only a few seconds.



UFO over Bay of Naples?

UFO Cover-Ups Must End, Moonwalker Edgar Mitchell Says

On February 5, 1971, Edgar Mitchell became the sixth of only 12 men to step on the moon. Of that elite dozen, which included Buzz Aldrin and the late Neil Armstrong 44 years ago this week, Mitchell is the only one to go on record about his controversial belief in extraterrestrial UFOs - and of a possible government cover-up.

After retiring from NASA in 1972, he founded the Institute of Noetic Sciences and later wrote

The Way of the Explorer to document his experiences with mysticism and space. James Clash recently spoke on the telephone with the retired U.S. Navy Captain from his home in West Palm Beach, Florida. The interview included the subject of UFOs:

Clash: You're also known for your views on UFOs. What's your experience regarding the Roswell, New Mexico, incident of 1947?

Mitchell: After my space flight, I was contacted by descendants of the original Roswell observers, including the person who delivered the child-sized coffins to the Air Force to contain alien bodies. Another was one of the children of the deputy sheriff who was patrolling traffic around the site. There was also a military officer who was a friend of the families not involved in that particular operation, but who did share office space there. They all seemed credible with their stories that the bodies found were alien.

Clash: If that's the case, why has it been hushed up?

Mitchell: Initially I think there was justification in that leadership officials thought people weren't ready to handle it. But we are well past that now. Frankly, and this is just personal opinion, remember what (President) Eisenhower said in his final speech: "Beware the military industrial complex." I suspect that's what we're talking about. But it's not just military. It's a cabal of organizations primarily for a profit motive. We invented aircraft at the beginning of the 20th century. Twenty years later, we had an airline industry. Think of what that could mean in terms of space travel with control of UFO machinery, technology. There's a lot of money involved.

Clash: Have you ever seen a UFO yourself?

Mitchell: I consider myself fairly well informed, although I have not seen one personally. I'm not out there looking -- I'm pretty busy.

Clash: Have you been threatened by anyone about your outspokenness on the subject?

Mitchell: No, but they wouldn't be very successful with me if they tried.

(James M. Clash is the author of *The Right Stuff: Interviews with Icons of the 1960s* (AskMen, 2012). He writes on adventure for Muse, the arts and leisure section of Bloomberg News.)

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-07-16/ufo-cover-ups-must-end-moonwalker-edgar-mitchell-says.html>

Brazilian disclosure

The Brazilian Government has just declassified a new set of significant previously secret

UFO documents, now covering the 80s. We already had disclosures covering the 50s, 60s and 70s, all with very important documents and information. So far over 4,000 pages have been disclosed.

The recent disclosure is particularly powerful because it contains dozens of reports of UFOs on May 19, 1986, considered the 'Official UFO Night' in Brazil, when 21 spherical objects, estimated 100 meters in diameter, according to military sources, were detected by radars and spotted by civilian pilots, and literally jammed air traffic over the major Brazilian Airports, such as Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. Then, several Mirage and F5 jets were scrambled to pursue them.

As a result of that 'invasion', the Air Force minister Brigadier Octavio Moreira Lima went public about it the other morning on the national TV network, declaring all facts openly. The pilots who took part in the pursuing and their commanders also spoke freely about the pursuits, which occurred over several hours.

We've had several other disclosures since 2007, all as a direct result of the campaign UFOs: Freedom Of Information Now, promoted since 2004 by the Brazilian Committee of UFO Researchers. The latest disclosure comprises over 2,200 new pages of formerly secret UFO documents that were given to the Committee and also sent to the Brazilian National Archives.

In late July, hundreds of papers from the Brazilian Air Force's official System for the Investigation of Unidentified Aerial Phenomenon (SIOANI) have demonstrated how the nation's military authorities dealt with the UFO Phenomena in the 60s and 70s.

Considering that SIOANI wasn't a top secret agency and that even civilian researchers took part in its procedures, the structure and functionality of which proves that Brazil is the first country in the world to officially and publicly admit the reality of the UFO Phenomena, and the first to investigate it openly. For instance, where have you ever seen color drawings of flying saucers reported by witnesses and investigated by military personnel, such as these ones?

A.J.Gevaerd,
Editor, Brazilian UFO Magazine

<http://www.theufochronicles.com/2009/09/brazil-declassifies-new-set-ufo-secrets.html>

Brazilian Defence Ministry invites UFO researchers

For the first time in history a Ministry of Defense of a country has officially invited UFO researchers to discuss the UFO Phenomena, how to handle its investigation and the information it may come from it. The meeting happened 3 pm yesterday at the Brazilian Ministry of Defense building, in Brasilia, the Federal Capital, and over 20 people took part in it.

On behalf of the Minister of Defense, Ambassador Celso Amorim, Secretary Ari Matos Cardoso and his associates received the Brazilian Committee of UFO Researchers (CBU) members to discuss the subject. Present at the gathering, that lasted some 75 minutes, were also several representatives from the Brazilian Air Force, Navy and Army, all subordinated to the Ministry of Defense in Brazil, and who were asked to fully comply with the ufologist's requests.

The meeting is a direct reply to the Iguassu Falls Letter, issued during the 4th World UFO Forum, that happened last December. In the document, signed by nearly 30 speakers from over a dozen countries and some 600 people attending the conference, it is formally requested to the Ministry of Defense that all UFO secret archives are disclosed and an official committee for UFO investigations is created under the Brazilian Air Force. It is on its way now!

The Iguassu Falls Letter is the latest step of the well-known and very well succeeded campaign "UFOs: Freedom of Information Now," created by Brazilian Committee of UFO Researchers (CBU) and that has forced the Brazilian Government to open approximately 4,5 thousand pages of previously classified UFO documents. I have been posting many news about it in the last 5 years. It is a trajectory of success of the Brazilian Ufology towards freedom of info.

While we are still producing texts to announce this fantastic achievement to the entire Brazilian and World UFO Communities, please read the official note below, that was published at the very website of the Brazilian Ministry of Defense, another clear sign that the topic is being fully recognized as serious by our authorities.

I am very happy to announce this, as it is the result of my colleagues and I efforts at the Brazilian Committee of UFO Researchers (CBU). It has been our strategies in the last years, through the above mentioned campaign, that resulted in this special moment for us all.
<http://www.ufo.com.br/>

3 Super-Earth Planets That Could Support Alien Life

The habitable zone of a nearby star is filled to the brim with planets that could support alien life, scientists announced today (June 25).

An international team of scientists found a record-breaking three potentially habitable planets around the star Gliese 667C, a star 22 light-years from Earth that is orbited by at least six planets, and possibly as many as seven, researchers said. The three planet contenders for alien life are in the star's "habitable zone" - the temperature region around the star where liquid water could exist. Gliese 667C is part of a three-star system, so the planets could see three suns in their daytime skies.

The three potentially rocky planets in Gliese 667C's habitable zone are known as super-Earths —exoplanets that are less massive than Neptune but more massive than Earth. Their orbits make them possible candidates for hosting life, officials from the European Southern Observatory said in a statement.

We knew that the star had three planets from previous studies, so we wanted to see whether there were any more," co-leader of the study Mikko Tuomi of the University of Hertfordshire, U.K. said in a statement. "By adding some new observations and revisiting existing data we were able to confirm these three and confidently reveal several more. Finding three low-mass planets in the star's habitable zone is very exciting!"

This is the first time three low-mass planets have been spotted in the habitable zone of the same star system, and it's unlikely that astronomers will find any more around Gliese 667C. The star's habitable zone is packed full, making it impossible for another planet to orbit stably within the zone, the researchers said.

"The number of potentially habitable planets in our galaxy is much greater if we can expect to find several of them around each low-mass star — instead of looking at 10 stars to look for a single potentially habitable planet, we now know we can look at just one star and find several of them," team member Rory Barnes of the University of Washington said in a statement.

Gliese 667C is the faintest star in the three-star system. From the surface of the planets in orbit around Gliese 667C, the two brighter stars would be as bright as the full moon by night and shine visibly during the day, ESO scientists said.

Gliese 667C is cooler and dimmer than the sun, making it possible for planets that have very close-in orbits to remain habitable. This star's habitable zone lies within an orbit the size of Mercury's around the sun, ESO officials said.

<http://www.ancient-code.com/3-super-earth-planets-that-could-support-alien-life/>

Sky at Night Magazine reports that planetary systems seem to be the rule rather than the exception for stars - also dusty "Kuiper Belts" seem quite common, which seems to support George Adamski's ideas about solar systems.

Australian UFO

A green UFO that lit up the night sky over Ipswich has the man who saw it and experts in the field baffled. "I've never seen anything like it before," UFO Research Queensland president Sheryl Gottschall said.

Booval's Arthur Sollitt took a video recording of the bizarre object and after replaying the video many times he is still none the wiser. "As far as I am concerned it is an unidentified



flying object, but whether it is earth-made or something from outer space... you just wouldn't know," he said.

The QT has seen Mr Sollitt's video recording and it can be found on our website. The green UFO swoops across the sky with what appears to be a set of wings at times before morphing from other angles into a saucer shape. A white light moves around the UFO. Mr Sollitt, a former speedway racer who won the world derby in 1980, was moved to come

forward with the recording after the QT received texts and a letter about strange lights in the sky.

Mr Sollitt, 83, takes up the story:

"This happened on the night of the 24th of February at approximately seven o'clock," he said. "I went outside to have a breather and I saw a green light in the sky. I didn't take much notice of it at the start, but when I came back out I noticed it was there so I got a camera to record what was happening and try and work out what it was.

"From some angles it is like a green rectangle, and then it has a white object above it almost in a T shape in some angles. At times the white image is above it and at times it is below it. It is almost as though it is turning upside down. It is real hard to explain."

Mr Sollitt said he saw the object swooping about "in the general vicinity of Swanbank". "It may be a remote-controlled object. But it is something in the sky and it is flying like a plane," he said. "I don't know whether it is concerning or not. When I was trying to get some footage of it a lady walked past and said, 'It's strange isn't it. I've seen it before'. It has apparently been seen three times".

<http://www.qt.com.au/news/arthurfilms-mystery-ufo-overipswich-morphing-object/1872434/>

UFO over Wales

My husband's experience makes me very sceptical about UFOs - what most people think are aliens are really something with a perfectly logical, mundane explanation. However, I've had a couple of experiences that I have yet to come up with a good reason for. The first was when I was a teen, living in Grays, Essex. I saw three bright lights in the sky. They looked like stars but I'd never noticed a triangle of stars in that position before and as I watched, I realised that they were slowly moving around each other. After a few minutes, one of them broke formation and suddenly flew off faster than I could follow. Not long after, the other two did the same.

No star behaves like that, and I was more than a little disturbed by what I'd seen, especially when I read an article in the local paper a few days later discussing the lights. There was

even an interview with a UFOlogist and a number to call if you'd seen the lights. I rang it and had a chat with a very lovely lady who was clearly enthusiastic about UFOs, but that was the end of that. I never heard from her again and there were no more articles in the newspaper telling us that the lights were really satellites or weather balloons.

When my husband was in his teens, he was out walking along the beach one night when he saw a red light speeding along just above ground level. Suddenly it shot up into the sky and was lost to sight. The next day he couldn't wait to tell people about the UFO he'd seen. While he was relating his tale in the local newsagents, someone came in who was able to tell him what it really was - a helicopter had been transporting a large container when the cable snapped. Free of the heavy weight, the helicopter flew up before the pilot could get it under control.

Maybe I've seen too many science fiction movies where the aliens are the bad guys, but I find the notion that an alien race is coming to observe us deeply frightening. If they have the technology to fly over just to watch, then they are light years ahead of us and if they decide to invade, we don't stand a chance. If they are observing us, then there's no way they'll be caught out by something as simple as the common cold or water if they declare war, no matter what Hollywood might have us believe.

You can imagine my disquiet then when my husband and I saw more strange lights not so long ago. We live on the edge of a town with countryside and hills surrounding our property and we often enjoy stargazing at night. Since there are no street lights, the sky is usually very clear and the stars are beautiful to watch. We both saw two bright red lights hovering over one of the hills. They were well below the clouds, so couldn't be stars or satellites. At first we thought they were airplanes, but they weren't moving and if they'd been helicopters, we would have heard them because they were so close. Instead, there was nothing but silence.

We were watching them for a good ten minutes as they hung there. Suddenly one of them flew off - upwards. It didn't go to the side and it didn't change position. The red light simply lifted, getting smaller and smaller until it was no longer visible and all the while, it was as silent as ever. Not long after, the other light did the same, leaving us both very unnerved. This time, there was no article in the local paper and we didn't phone anyone. Who would believe us and what would they do if they did? The police could hardly do anything and this isn't the movies - we aren't going to have the army flying in, all guns blazing. Besides, you can't tell me that the authorities aren't already aware - given the location and the fact that we're not far from training sites, the army will be more than aware of what we saw.

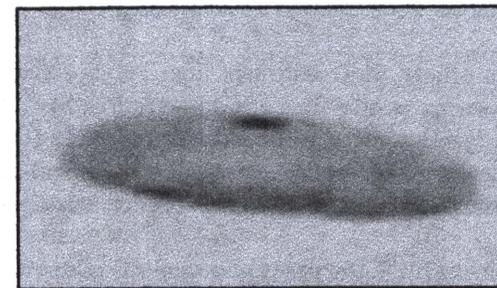
We haven't seen the lights since and to be honest, I hope we never do again. I don't like the thought that we're not alone and that somewhere in the universe are beings far more technologically advanced than we are. Much as it would be lovely to think that they're completely benign, any civilisation carrying out this much surveillance is more likely to be

preparing itself for something more sinister. Whatever it is, I don't want to be here to see it. <http://uk.news.yahoo.com/ufos-welsh-valleys-084800766.html>

Stunning Flying Saucer Caught Over Russia 2013

Published on Apr 20, 2013

Two schoolgirls from Khakassia managed to take incredible shots of a flying saucer. Eyewitnesses have no doubt that they had seen a UFO. The object's shape was a classic saucer shaped craft, and left onlookers stunned and amazed. There is a video of the incident on *You Tube*.



UFO sightings: Files explain why MoD closed down special desk . 21 June 2013

"Discoid" shapes were spotted in photographs of Stonehenge, according to the files

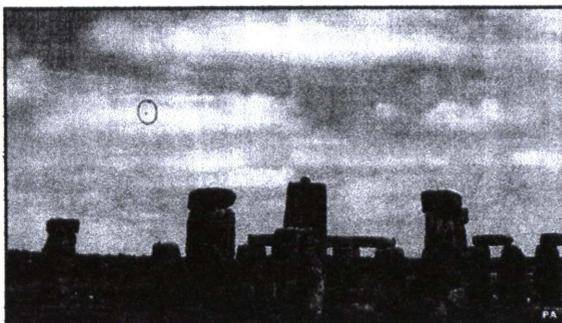
The Ministry of Defence closed its UFO desk because it served "no defence purpose" and was taking staff away from "more valuable defence-related activities", newly released files show.

The desk was closed in December 2009 despite a surge in reported sightings. The disclosure came in National Archives files relating to reports of UFOs - Unidentified Flying Objects - between 2007 and November 2009. They show UFOs were reported at several UK landmarks, including Stonehenge.

The latest tranche of declassified files covers the final two years of work carried out by the MoD's UFO desk. The 25 files include reports alleging contact with aliens and UFO sightings near UK landmarks, and detail the decision to close the MoD's dedicated desk and "hotline".

In a briefing for the then defence minister, Bob Ainsworth, in November 2009 a civil servant, Carl Mantell of the RAF's Air Command, suggested the MoD should try to significantly reduce

the UFO work. He said it was "consuming increasing resource, but produces no valuable defence output". He told Mr Ainsworth that in more than 50 years, "no UFO sighting reported to [the MoD] has ever revealed anything to suggest an extra-terrestrial presence or military threat to the UK".



UFO over Stonehenge

His memo said there was "no defence benefit" in the recording, collating, analysis or investigation of the sightings, adding: "The level of resources diverted to this task is increasing in response to a recent upsurge in reported sightings, diverting staff from more valuable defence-related activities." One photograph, dated October 2008, showed a suspected UFO near Blackpool, the files said.

An official MoD statement from the time said the department had "no opinion on the existence or otherwise of extra-terrestrial life". It went on: "In order to make best use of defence resources, we have decided that from December 1, 2009 the dedicated UFO hotline answer-phone service and email address will be withdrawn. [The] MoD will no longer respond to reported UFO sightings or investigate them."

Among the 4,400 pages of documents released are:

- A letter from a school child in Altrincham, Greater Manchester, to the MoD, dated January 2009, asking if aliens exist after she had seen some strange lights, and including a drawing of an alien in a UFO waving
- A report received via the UFO hotline by someone who had been "living with an alien" in Carlisle for some time
- A report from a man from Cardiff who claimed a UFO abducted his dog, and took his car and tent, while he was camping with friends in 2007
- "Green, red and white lights" reportedly seen over the Houses of Parliament in London in February 2008
- "Discoïd" shapes in photographs of Stonehenge, in an email dated in January 2009
- Photographs taken at Blackpool Pier which show an aircraft that had not been seen at the time the picture was taken in October 2008.

The files show the number of UFO sightings reported to the MoD trebled in the year the desk was closed. The letter from a school child was sent after she saw strange lights. According to a briefing in the files, during the years 2000-07 the ministry received an average of 150 reports per year. But by November 2009, it had already received 520 reports that year, as well as 97 Freedom of Information requests on UFOs.

Possible reasons for the increase included the rising popularity for releasing Chinese lanterns during celebrations. Dr David Clarke, author of the book *The UFO Files*, said the "last pieces of the puzzle" had been revealed with the insight into the final days of the UFO desk. "The last files from the UFO desk are now all in the public domain. People at home can read them and draw their own conclusions about whether 'the truth' is in these files or still out there," he said.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk>

UK scientists join forces to scan universe for alien life

British astronomers are joining forces to hunt for ET - or at least, signs of his existence. In a move that comes only weeks after the Government closed its UFO hotline, scientists from 11 institutions, including the Jodrell Bank Observatory, have formed a network to help those working in different fields of research to share their expertise. Telescopes will listen for radio and light broadcasts, and communications experts more used to working on the intelligence of chimpanzees and dolphins are trying to devise ways of decoding messages and framing a response. The network, by Dr. Alan Penny of the University of St. Andrews, was officially launched at the National Astronomy Meeting of the Royal Astronomical Society, at St. Andrews, Scotland. The UK SETI REsearch Network will bolster Britain's long-running involvement with the US Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence project. Dr. Penny said the interception of light and radio signals that were entirely artificial and could not be made by nature would be proof we were not alone. Dr. John Elliott, an expert in animal and human communications from Leeds Metropolitan University said "Standard decipherment techniques used by the military and security agencies are not going to help much. To put the challenge into perspective, we still have scripts from antiquity that have remained undeciphered". Dr. Robert Massey, of the Royal Astronomical Society said "If we found even one civilisation elsewhere, it would be an entirely sensational result".

Daily Mail, July 6th, 2013

WEB SITES

The following web sites are all relevant to extraterrestrial contact

All the Planets are Inhabited:

<http://www.egyouth.fsnet.co.uk/atpai>

Flying Saucers, Leys and Lost Technology - the Tony Wedd site:

<http://www.egyouth.fsnet.co.uk/tony>

Voices from Space - the Philip Rodgers site, detailing his amazing tape recordings as well as free energy research and extraterrestrial language:

<http://www.spacevoice.fsnet.co.uk>

The Great Isosceles Triangle of England - leys and orthoteny (UFO sighting lines): <http://www.egyouth.fsnet.co.uk/triangle>

The Real Stonehenge and Avebury - Mollie Carey's photos of carvings at ancient sites, and extraterrestrial connection:

<http://www.egyouth.fsnet.co.uk>

The Ley Hunter 1969-76 - the magazine on leys, with some articles by Tony Wedd:

<http://www.tlh6976.fsnet.co.uk>

THE HIDDEN UNITY and BEGINNINGS

The Hidden Unity looks at the strange phenomenon of subconscious siting of ley points, and notes that places of worship, of all religions and all ages, tend to predominate on leys. The environmental and philosophical implications of this are discussed, and the apparent necessity of worship but irrelevance of doctrine. Two ley centres are given as examples, and investigated in depth - the Shah Jehan Mosque in Woking and the Guru Nanak Sikh Temple, Scunthorpe. There is an appendix by Eileen Grimshaw on the significance of the Pagan religion to this study. Illustrated with photographs, maps and line drawings. **£2 plus 30p p&p from the Amskaya address. Please make cheques payable to J. Goddard.**

Beginnings is about a series of potentially useful discoveries, mainly made by Jimmy Goddard over a period of about twenty years, but having some overlap with discoveries made by others. For various reasons, the investigations are all in their early stages, and some have not been continued. They include earth energy detection, natural antigravity, subconscious siting, ley width, and the solar transition effect. There is also a chapter on cognitive dissonance - a psychological factor which seems to have been at the root of all bigotry - scientific, religious and other - down the ages. The booklet is concluded with an account of the discovery of leys by Alfred Watkins. **£2 plus 30p p&p from the Amskaya address. Please make cheques payable to J. Goddard.**

EARTH PEOPLE, SPACE PEOPLE

In 1961, Tony Wedd produced a manuscript *Earth Men, Space Men*, detailing many claims of extraterrestrial contact. It was never published, and I had thought it was lost, though it has recently been located - Tony had given it to Timothy Good. To try to make up for the loss in a much more modest size, this booklet was prepared. As well as giving details of some of the more prominent contact claims, there are articles on the history of the STAR Fellowship and some of its personalities, evidence for life in the Solar System and investigation into extraterrestrial language.

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