

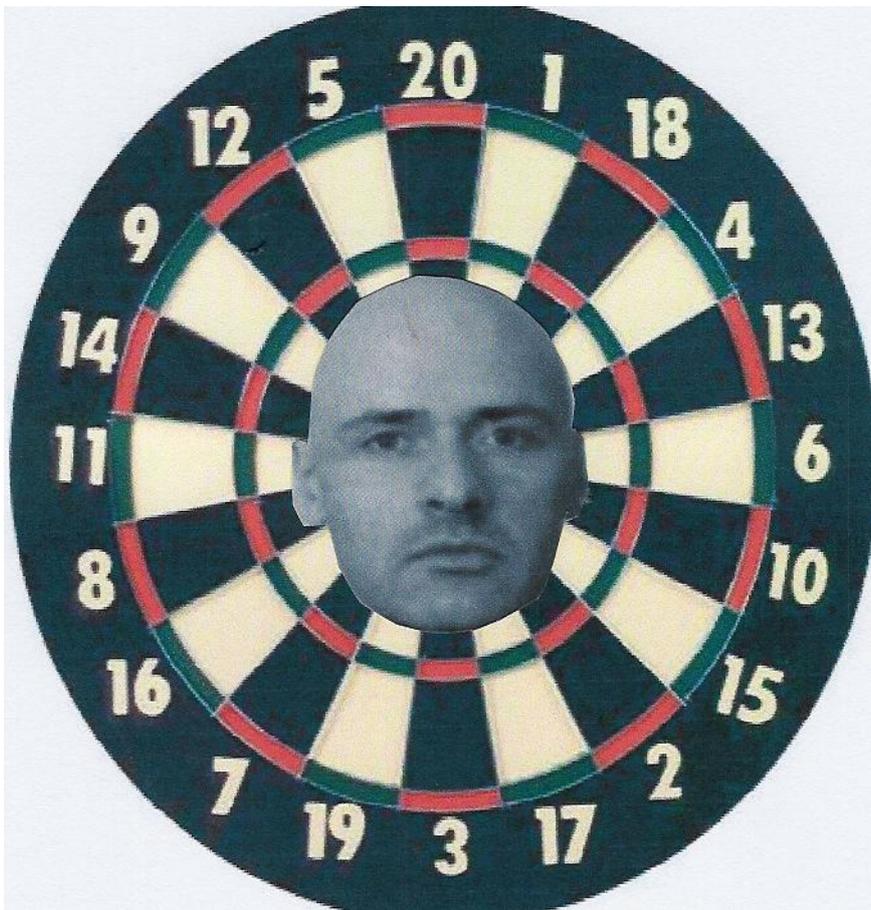
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## Welcome



Did you know that Ufology in the UK is dead again? Actually, it dies on average once to twice a year and I hope that for 2005, this is its last death for this year. But one can never tell. As soon as some Ufologist somewhere within the British Isles feels like getting his name into the papers again and is blessed with a compliant local press, then anything can happen. I am of course referring to the latest current bout of newspaper articles in the UK in early August telling us that it's all over and that Ufology in the UK is virtually dead. It's very tiresome.

I consider Chris Parr, who generated the original report upon which all the subsequent fuss was based, a pal as well as being a good friend of this zine. But I have to ask him what he feels he might have achieved for Ufology by doing this. One could argue that any publicity is good publicity and there is some weight to that point of view. However, the underlying point being made was negative.

I should also point out an element of personal interest here as well. There must have been easily a half dozen different newspaper articles generated by Chris's original piece in his local paper and in those other articles, it seemed like every waking Ufologist in the UK with a pulse had been quoted. Except me. This of course I found utterly outrageous and most disappointing. Tsk. (g)

But perhaps I'm blathering and fussing about nothing. I don't actually agree with the sentiments expressed as I feel they're off the mark. Privately though, what Chris is mostly fretting about are the social changes that have occurred within UK Ufology over recent years and I think there he has a point. Things have changed in the UK in that respect but the difficulty with lamenting the past is that you sound like you're stuck in it. It's true that we haven't yet moved on to a bigger, brighter future but I do also think that things are "happening" and new personalities with ideas and initiatives are coming through. At this moment in time, I am optimistic about the short term.

Ufology in big numbers may have taken a dip lately but the problem hasn't gone away. There are still, from time to time, strange things flying about our skies and they seem to have been doing that for quite a while. I think it's safe to assume that they will continue to do so and until answers are provided or are forthcoming, however large or small the numbers may be, there will always be people who look further than the parameters of their own personal lives or indeed the geo-political system within which they live. It is those people, us, you reading this that will carry this through, most of us to the bitter end. Further along the way, we will be joined by larger numbers again, of that I have no doubt, and the cycle will continue until finally the goal is reached. And I believe we will reach that goal.

I won't prattle on too much here about Nick Redfern's *Body Snatchers*. Those who have followed the reaction and debate subsequent to publication will know the state of play. It's been pretty much as expected – a real mixture. In all fairness to those who have rejected Nick's theory, I have thought that with just one exception, they have all at least been morally honest. Only one I thought was acting because of self interest. But, it has been truly marvellous the way it has stirred Ufology up and generated a level of intense debate the likes of which we haven't seen for a while. And also as predicted, this one will run and run.

# Roswell Reflections



The explosive reaction to Nick's book, *Body Snatchers In The Desert* was as expected. Big. We caught up with Nick on July 13<sup>th</sup> and asked him to give us an update on what his life had been like since the publication.

SM: I imagine, sat here, that it's been extremely hectic since the book was published.

NR: Not probably as hectic as you would have thought. Certainly in terms of interviews particularly for radio, that has been hectic. That's been literally like 10 or 15 a day at times. I'm talking about things like the Huston Breakfast show from maybe 9:00 till 10:00 and then maybe a radio show in Kansas from 11:00 till 12:00, that sort of thing with literally just enough time in between to get a glass of coke or a coffee.

SM: Anything from abroad?

NR: I've done a few local shows in the UK, not national ones but regional BBC shows, that sort of thing. But for the most part it's been American based radio interviews, largely focussing on the subject matter of the book. Interestingly, what I found was a trend. A number of the radio shows were quite happy to talk about the prime event that led to Roswell with the crash of this huge balloon array and the glider and the crew but they were very careful to steer me away from not talking about the more controversial things like the high altitude experiments and the prisoners of war and so. It was kind of interesting that there was this concern not to get into the more controversial areas and maybe that says more about the climate of today's world and reporting on controversial issues that make the government look bad, and so on.

SM: You can't really separate one from the other.

NR: That's the unfortunate thing. You actually can. You have this one event where they brought over prisoners of war who were the pilots to test fly this thing

that crashed. But on the other hand, you have these fairly dubious experiments that were going on in the same time frame and although collectively, as I show in the book, it led to the Roswell legend, unfortunately you can separate the two and I've actually had emails from radio stations saying, "Look, we want you on the show but we specifically will not discuss that issue." That's happened.

SM: That's ridiculous.

NR: It is ridiculous, I agree with you because, you know, I always thought the media would not only have the capabilities to look into these things but would also have the balls to look into them as well. And to actually say, "Please don't talk about this", to me, is kind of like a pathetic attitude. How do you expect to resolve anything? More importantly, how do you expect to make sure things like this never happen again if nobody wants to talk about them? It's crazy. I've never had that before.

SM: What about TV? Has there been much of that?

NR: No, I've done a couple of TV things but they were just spin offs from the publicity generated by the book people just asking if they could interview me but it wasn't specifically on the book as such.

SM: How have you felt about the reaction from people towards the book?

NR: As far as I'm concerned, I've been pretty happy with the reaction in terms of it was precisely what I expected. By that I mean that there have been some people that believe that I have cracked the case and that this is the literal answer.

Other people think that perhaps it tells part of the story. One example; someone came up with the idea that perhaps these classified balloon flights were being undertaken in New Mexico and because they were such huge devices, one of them collided with a real UFO. So you have a mish mash of classified projects and a UFO colliding together and that's what's led to these stories about UFOs coming down but also about classified vehicles coming down, which is an interesting theory. Again, that is another one that I suspected would come along.

Thirdly, there is the idea that people have simply fed me disinformation. Along that line, Stan Friedman actually told me that he doesn't necessarily believe that the people I interviewed are lying. He thinks that this could possibly be a cover story put in place by the government years ago, kind of like Mogul, but that they then decided not to use it. Now, again that's interesting but my argument against that, and I think it's a legitimate argument, is why on earth would the government come up with a cover story that was that controversial? The whole point with Mogul is, in some ways it would explain the secrecy surrounding the recovery of the balloon, but there's nothing controversial about it. To me, it's like kicking yourself in the teeth by covering up a crashed UFO by claiming that you did diabolical experiments on prisoners of war.

Those sorts of responses that came along were the type that I expected. There hasn't been much in the way of jealousy from the UFO community and I didn't actually think there would be, although some people did say to me they thought, "Oh well, if you think you've solved it, people are going to be jealous." I actually never thought that would be the case and in the most part, it hasn't been. As I said to people, all I'm trying to do is put out the information I've uncovered. Not to try and beat somebody to the finishing line.

There have been one or two emails where people have said, "You are a fucking idiot" or "You're full of shit". I've kept them on file.

SM: With a valid email address attached?

NR: Oh yes. They were just people that had listened to me particularly on the *Coast To Coast* show and emailed me the day after. Just complaining, but I've got thicker skin than that. Things like that don't bother me in the slightest. I just find it strange more than anything else when all I'm trying to do is uncover the truth and when you're not saying what people want to hear, it gets complicated. When you're telling them what they want to hear, for a lot of people in the UFO field, they love you. The minute you say something they don't like, you're either a disinfo agent or an idiot. I'm not generalising with the entire field, I want to stress that so don't wipe that from the interview, but I am talking about a few people within the subject and you always get that. The one minute they like what you're doing because it goes with what they're saying and the next minute, you're saying something they don't want to hear. The responses that have come in, to answer your question, have been what I anticipated; belief, semi-belief, denial, disinformation etc.

SM: I'm particularly interested by the second type of response that you quoted which is that yes, it was a balloon that crashed at Roswell but that it crashed with a UFO possibly. I think that comes from people that are very, very torn. This is what I'm reading behind this because I've seen that as well. They're very taken with the work you've done but don't want to let go of the UFO element to Roswell and they're trying to tie the two together and have the best of both worlds. I personally don't think that one holds up.

NR: Personally, I don't either. The reason I don't is that if you accept these classified flights were taking place, then presumably you have to accept that the crews that were on board them, the Progeria effected people or whatever, looked unusual so what are the chances of it crashing with aliens who also looked unusual as well? If it was just balloons and there was no way to explain the bodies then that might be a legitimate and intriguing theory to look into. This huge balloon system did crash but the fact that there were people already on board these things, that to me suggests that that theory doesn't hold water.

Somebody asked me yesterday why I wrote the book when I knew that I would be attacked. I said that my motivation within the subject isn't to be attacked or not attacked, it's simply for me to put out information when I get it. I said that if I'd kept all this information to myself, never did anything with it, never published it and people found out, I would have been, well not crucified but I would have been criticised for not bringing it to their attention. But when you do bring it to their attention, they don't want to know because it isn't saying something that a lot of them want to hear. And so, you're kind of in this situation where you're damned if you do and damned if you don't. I felt that because I'd done these interviews, because it was an intriguing story, the onus and the responsibility was upon me to put the information out there. So that's what I did and I felt I did it in the best way I was able to, and then sat back and waited for the response.

The response for me was wanted for largely two reasons. One, just to see what the UFO community felt about it all but also, and this is now happening, because it's prompted other people to come forward with knowledge of the material in the book. Again, if I just simply had filed these interviews away in a filing cabinet then none of this material that is coming through now, the new material, would be coming through. It would just simply be a case of well, it's an intriguing story but you never did anything with it.

SM: I was going to ask you about that. Are there any developments in any direction that you can actually talk about? I appreciate that there might be some things that you don't want to mention.

NR: In the most part, in terms of generalities, yeah, I can discuss it. One or two people have come forward. One guy came forward who's grandfather was in the U.S. army in the early 1950s and he said that his grandfather worked on a number of psychological warfare operations, one of which was the creation and spreading of spurious crashed UFO tales to the Russians. He actually didn't know the reason behind why this was being done but this tied in with the information in the book about how there was this fear in this period in the early 50s that the Russians were looking into the Roswell story and, forget the UFO community, these stories were spread to the Russians to confuse them. It was later down the line when UFO researchers began looking into Roswell and then it was us that was targeted. His grandfather was involved in one of these operations and he actually learned about this 25 years ago when he was about 14 or 15 and he said he was interested but he didn't really give it any thought. He actually didn't have much interest in the UFO subject and it was just one of those things he was told, and he related this to me based upon his recollections from having this conversation 25 years ago.

Another story related to some of these bodies being taken to Los Alamos in '46. I mention in the book, in a fragmentary manner more than anything else, that one or two of the people had mentioned how the experiments were undertaken in '47, but there were one or two references where one of the sources said something like, "It may have been a little bit earlier based on one or two things I heard". That wouldn't surprise me if there were a few other things going on. But this person knew about bodies, not living people that had been used in radiation tests being taken to Los Alamos in '46 and that at least some of these were dead bodies of Japanese people. And these weren't people who had been killed or anything sinister; they were corpses that were used in radiation experiments and atomic bomb tests and things like that. Or had been or were planned to be.

That's kind of a grey area from this witness at least. And obviously that would need to be tied in with what atomic bombs were tested at that particular time or were going to be tested, but it seems more likely that these were more radiation tests than strictly atomic bomb tests. I think that the key point though is that this person, who is now very elderly as well, had heard quite convincing evidence, because they worked there, of dead Japanese bodies being taken to Los Alamos in '46 for radiation experiments.

So it's things like this that are coming through with people saying that I don't know the full story or I've just got a snippet of a story, and to me, that's more credible than someone trying to pretend they know the whole situation on one particular event or story, as some of these whistleblowers do. I'd say there has probably been about twenty people who have been able to supply a few new things.

One intriguing thing is how I mentioned the FBI being involved in the MJ12 investigation and one or two people have come forward with more information specifically on that. When I say specifically on that, I mean in relation the MJ12 documents and the FBI going around to other agencies and asking if the documents belong to them, are they real, are they disinformation or, whatever they are, did you put them out? I got quite a bit of information from one particular retired guy who knew how the FBI had been knocking on doors and talking to these various agencies in 1988.

One of the things I've been toying with is putting together something that would include the information that I didn't put in the book. The new information but also some of the information about how I tracked the original people down, how I interviewed them, where I interviewed them, and how they all came together. The book largely focuses on the information. It doesn't go into the cloak and dagger information about how I interviewed them and how I would have to drive to a motel the night before and just literally wait in a Denny's restaurant or a Mexican restaurant for this elderly guy to come in. Legitimately, some people have asked, "How did you meet these people?" That's not really expanded upon in the book so I figured a follow up paper or something like that might help to explain all this type of stuff.

SM: Has there been any clarity as to the source of the MJ12 documents?

NR: No, not at all. You're actually talking about the person who sent the MJ12 documents?

SM: More who or what created them.

NR: Not really. If you look at the MJ12 documents collectively, the people I interviewed for the book said that some of these documents, these fake files were created back in the 50s. Then the Colonel, in his interview, talks about how they were creating things in the 60s and I'm pretty sure that some of the later MJ12 documents that surfaced publicly, if they're bogus, were created recently. Now, if that is the case, we haven't got, I don't think, one guy or one group that was responsible for putting this material evidence out. I think probably what's happened, which I think is more likely, is that throughout the years, people who are responsible for hiding this project or subject behind this crashed UFO smokescreen, that collectively over perhaps 30 or 40 years there have been different people involved in creating different documents and in spreading fake stories, but they've all got the same motive and they all broadly tell the same story. It's just that as it's across 30 or 40 years, it's not going to be the same person putting them together. I do know that the original MJ12 document that was sent to Jamie Shandera was post marked Albuquerque.

SM: Yes, so that strongly implies AFOSI.

NR: I don't know what it implies really but certainly, it implies a New Mexico link and you've got Kirtland AFB there and Kirtland was heavily involved with disinfo with regard to the Paul Bennewitz story. I think that's what's interesting is that maybe there's not so much of this material being sent because in simplistic terms, in America now, you have to put a return address on the envelope.

SM: You have to?

NR: Yes, the post office won't send it. So if I sent a letter to John Smith in Dallas, I have to put my name and address on the envelope on the top left corner. So maybe that's got something to do with the issue of sending out mail anonymously by insider sources, unless it's quite literally left on your doorstep over night.

SM: I was reading something I think only yesterday where somebody alleged or claimed that they suspected that the MJ12 documents were a concoction between Rick Doty *and* Bill Moore himself, as opposed to Bill Moore being one of the recipients.

NR: I don't know anything about that. I don't know anything about the originators of the documents beyond saying that I'm satisfied, based on the interviews I did that they were concocted by insiders. Now, again, who those insiders were, who was responsible for document A or document B, a lot of that we're never going to know. I don't really understand how we might be able to resolve that even because, well it's like a lot of people told me that a lot of the material was never put down on paper. It was word of mouth, purely to hide things and so I would be extremely surprised if we ever found a document that said something like, "You are ordered to create bogus MJ12 documents to deceive the UFO community." It wouldn't be that simplistic but I'd be very surprised if we ever found anything along those lines because it would be so incriminating.

SM: Well, you say that Nick but up to a couple of months ago, most people would not have expected to have the Roswell case possibly solved.

NR: Hopefully, in my mind, I hope that it is resolved but again, it's like the witnesses were all careful to stress to me that the document trail was destroyed to protect the guilty and because this wasn't unique physical material, it was just gliders and balloons that was destroyed. So again, although I believe the story to be genuine and the witnesses to be genuine, proving it with 100% certainty by bringing forward the material evidence, I don't think that's going to happen and I think that's the same with the MJ12 documents. We've got the documents, but if we go and find a paper trail behind the scenes, we're still going to be arguing about these documents for ever and a day.

SM: What reaction if any have you had from the witnesses since the publication of the book? The Oak Ridge lady, the DIA guy etc.

NR: Well basically, it was along the lines of "You did a good job writing the book", "You quoted us accurately" "There were no problems in that respect and just keep us informed of how things are going along." I'd obviously sent them the draft chapters originally so there were no problems there and they all knew they were going to be quoted and it was just literally a case of "You quoted us accurately" and so on.

SM: But none of them have complained about knocks on the door, because that was a concern wasn't it?

NR: Yes, it was originally, but that hasn't happened – yet. Who knows what can happen further down the line.

SM: Has anybody actually engaged you in what I would call a serious debate about the details presented in the book.

NR: Do you mean in an interview?

SM: Well, yes, or by correspondence. I think you have to make allowances for the fact that there is that much material that's there and that people are still absorbing it, but I'm struck by what I consider to be the absence of any structured or really strong counter argument. I mean, unless you know something different, then for example I think Stan Friedman's just given up. I thought his response was unbelievably weak.

NR: Well, you know Stan's reply to me was interesting because, as I mentioned, Stan told me in an email that he suspected that the people themselves don't believe they are lying. They are not deliberately lying. He thinks this was a cover story created .....

SM: Yeah, now hold on. Where's he getting that from? What evidence has he got to support that?



**Stan Friedman**

NR: Well, I think Stan's belief is that obviously a UFO came down so if a UFO came down, this would have to be a cover story. But he's of the opinion that it's not just a faked cover story put out by these people but it was actually something created by the government and the fact that these people read these files, they may have legitimately believed they were real documents, not realising that it was a cover. But again, I come back to why come up with a highly controversial cover story? Why not make it more down to earth or less disturbing?

But collectively, the response from people that have investigated Roswell, there actually hasn't been, you're quite right, a concerted debate, although Guy Malone, who lives in Roswell and who puts on a conference every year, he's trying to get a debate going at some point next year that involves me, Stan, and a few other people. Specifically where Stan would talk about the UFO angle, I would talk about this angle, and then we'd have somebody else talk about Mogul. They were even thinking about trying to get somebody from air force along to talk about Mogul. And perhaps another theory as well. There are loads of theories out there, you know, but just to kind of have a round table debate. And for me, I would welcome that. I think that would be good because you usually get the kind of situation where you go along to conferences and lectures and you get quite literally just the lecture. You have one person telling you their opinions or their research, which is fine. There's nothing wrong with that. But I think to do something a little bit more unique like Guy wants to do and really have us head to head discussing theories and everybody would debate it and the audience could interject with questions; that to me would be a good thing so I'm looking forward to that one.

SM: Right, but there has not been what you would consider a substantive response to you?

NR: Oh no, there have been substantive responses in the sense that people have asked me about specific things in the book, documents, witness testimony. I've had quite an extensive email debate back and forth with several people but not sort of like an official debate type of thing. I guess the closest has been the exchanges on UFO Updates and places like that, where people have commented on the material, documents, the theory in general, and other people have come forward with information as to why they think it's correct. I remember somebody included a quote which I'd never actually seen before or had forgotten about from one of Tim Good's books where he talks about a witness talking about how these bodies could have passed for Chinese people. That's an interesting little snippet of information. That's been more the sort of thing that's come out. People have provided snippets here and there or people in general either agreeing or disagreeing with the theory.

SM: You've mentioned Tim Good. Has he responded?

NR: I actually haven't had that much correspondence from UFO researchers. I've had a lot of correspondence from some people who have read the book and just commenting on it. I mean, quite a lot of correspondence. I have though had several categories of correspondence. There's been some UFO researchers just picking up and asking questions on certain parts of the book. Other people providing snippets of material that's already been published that I didn't know about that kind of tied in as well. And then, just people commenting on radio shows either pro or con. Unfortunately, or fortunately depending on your perspective, there hasn't been a huge debate but I think that one in Roswell might be a good thing to galvanise everybody to listen to the various theories.

SM: Are you still of the opinion that you were holding when we last spoke, namely that the present American administration probably doesn't have a clear idea of what happened?

NR: Yes. I actually still do believe that and it's not just because it was 60 years ago and many people have died. I think it's because of the circumstances surrounding the case. As I've said before, if it was a UFO, that material would have to be saved. Nobody's going to destroy a UFO, no matter how wrecked it is. Nobody is going to destroy alien bodies. They would be preserved for years for analysis to be undertaken on them. But it's like the Mogul balloon; that was the air force's prime card but even they couldn't come up with the remains of this balloon in a hangar. But the most important thing is, why on earth would they? There is no reason to keep shredded balloons and gliders and Japanese bodies.

So I still believe the witnesses when they say the material evidence was destroyed, because it makes sense to destroy it. It doesn't make sense to store away a crashed balloon or a crashed glider, when that's precisely all its.

Then of course you come back to the issue of the paperwork and the documents and that is the one area that I would hope if anything is likely to turn up, that it would turn up. I do mention in the book how one of the interviewees told me that they brought photographers on to the scene and just basically told them to photograph this and hand over the prints afterwards. So at some point, some sort of documentary evidence did exist.

Now it could be argued that when I was told that the documents had been destroyed to protect everybody, that was a type of protection as well to prevent me or whoever from looking for the documents. On the other hand, it may well be the case that somebody did carefully destroy this material evidence. You know, if you look at the verifiable facts, the whole range of outgoing files from the air

base at Roswell from '46 to '49 have just vanished. People say, "Maybe they are hidden here, maybe they are hidden there." That could well be the case but alternatively, if there was something contained in those files, they may just have been pulled and destroyed fifty years ago. And I think the UFO community unfortunately, doesn't want to hear that because it almost creates an air of defeat. They want to know there's a chance of finding it and that it's still there. And there may be a chance but equally, if this really was an operation designed to hide everything and destroy the paper trail, then unfortunately, it could well be the case they succeeded.

One of the things I find interesting about the destruction issue, with you bringing that up, if you look at the Roswell file, they are actually destroyed back to '46. Now if this was a UFO that crashed, quite literally out of the blue in the summer of '47, there wouldn't be anything on file about it pre '47, because it had come out of the blue, so the files would have been generated from '47 onwards.

But if you look at the book, there were various references to how some of this may have gone on after '46 and people were brought over from Japan in the '45, '46 era. So, if my theory is correct, that might explain why files were pulled a year before the Roswell event. That's one of the things that a lot of the UFO people who are pro Roswell haven't picked up on is the fact that maybe there is some significance that the files weren't pulled from the summer of '47. They went right back to '46.

SM: On a slightly more mundane tack to this, was there not a large fire in St. Louis?

NR: That was mainly the personnel records. The National Personnel centre is where you can file for records on people and that's where the fire was. It wasn't like at the National Archives, so to speak.

SM: Just staying with this point about the present government knowing or not knowing, my instincts are that they do. I'll tell you what I base this on, and of course, this is the beauty of your book. It enables hindsight and it enables one or two things to slot together. You've got ten years ago, only ten years ago, the Popular Mechanics article. You've got, a year after that, Captain McAndrew's report, the second report on Roswell. You've got Pop Mech who are virtually there with it and McAndrew who, if I recall correctly, at the end of his report, summarises all the options and I think he actually dealt with the Japanese prisoners of war option.

NR: I didn't know about that.

SM: I read that he did, I think that he did. He went through them all. He went through Mogul, aliens, Japanese prisoners of war, and one or two other things as well and he dismissed them all and went for his dummies. And if that was ten years ago, then they've got to know.

NR: Well I think there are some people in government, and I'm speaking hypothetically because I just don't know, that know something about it but again, it wouldn't surprise me if it wasn't like the people that I interviewed, that knew fragments of the story.

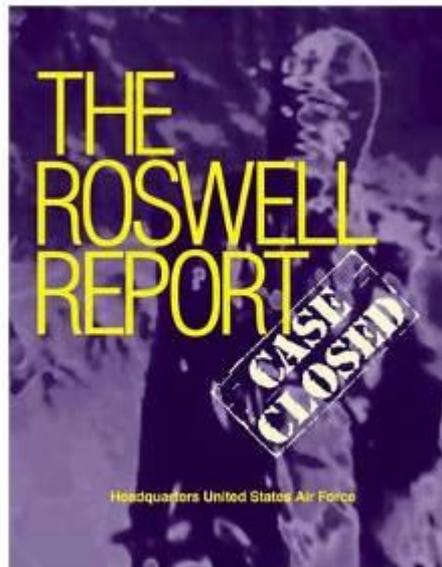
From the book, you'll know it was the Colonel who was the one who related most of the information about for example, the prime event that led to the Roswell incident, but it was the Black Widow that talked about the bodies and where they were specifically taken. And it was Barker and Salter that knew more in the fifties

about the way in which spurious crashed UFO tales were spread to the Russians. So it could well be a similar thing, where certain people know aspects of the story. I'm just wondering if the trail was hidden so well, that there isn't a great deal left. The reason why I sometimes wonder that is if you look at everybody who's spoken out about the Roswell incident, from whatever perspective, like Jesse Marcel for instance, you never got "About that interview you gave to Stanton Friedman. Don't ever tell anyone again or there will be a bullet in your head". That never happened. It didn't happen to any of the other post '78, '79, 1980 witnesses and I wonder if, regardless of whether this theory is correct or the UFO is correct, both of them are highly controversial and would be subject to official secrecy. So, if nobody was ever silenced or threatened with silence, then that says to me that the government is pretty confident in its belief that it's got all its bases covered.

I'll be the first to admit, that doesn't help my situation and it doesn't help anybody following the UFO angle. But what I suggest though is that if you're not going to take any action in any shape or form against anyone who speaks out, that would suggest to me that they know there is no way the person can prove this because there's nothing in the public domain or the archives that potentially could really 100% vindicate any of the theories.

SM: So they are quite happy for.....

NR: Well I wouldn't say they were happy for people to talk about it but I think the fact that people are talking about it may be seen as problematical. But behind the scenes it will be, "let them talk, let them do their thing, but at the end of the day, we know we've got it all wrapped up. So what's the point of us doing anything?"



SM: Well, that ties in actually with the last page of the book and your phone call to the Pentagon, and their reaction.

NR: Well, I do truthfully think that the government as an entity doesn't know what happened at Roswell and if anybody does know, then it's going to be people deep within the intelligence community. The extent of what they know about it, that's an intriguing question. People do believe that if it's been hidden from us then the government has all the answers. I think the government *did* have all the answers but the far more intriguing question for me is, do they still have the answers? That might seem strange but it's kind of like with a lot of these things.

You've got the Kennedy assassination. You're never going to find a document that says, "Please send four agents to Deeley Plaza to assist Lee Harvey Oswald in shooting the President." That's not going to happen. It would be stupid to imagine that documents like that would even exist. And it's a similar situation. A lot of these mysteries where there is a government connection are so deeply hidden that over time, the government itself begins to not quite understand what is going on.

One of the interesting things that one correspondent put to me was that if the Mogul balloon story was just a cover story, why didn't they fake a document,

which they could quite easily have done, showing that a Mogul balloon crashed at Roswell? They didn't do that and that suggests to me that maybe, the Mogul Balloon explanation was actually their best attempt to try and resolve it. Because, if it was a cover story, why not really make it convincing and come up with this document that they can wave around saying, "Look, we found this in the archives showing that in 1947, this happened." Obviously that didn't happen which is why the Mogul report wasn't that convincing for some people.

SM: Yes, but on the other hand, if they start telling more lies on top of other lies, there's always the danger that somebody will work it out.

NR: I agree. I don't think for one minute they did fake anything and no hard evidence came up in that scenario. No hard evidence came up in terms of the crash test dummies so that suggests to me that for none of these theories, regardless of which one is correct, there doesn't seem to be any physical evidence or documents or paperwork. That's why I suspect there hasn't been any backlash against the witnesses, purely because if there is documentary evidence somewhere, it's so deeply buried.

SM: I'd actually go slightly further than that and say that even if somebody could prove substantially, with documentary evidence, what went on at Roswell that confirms your theory, I still think the government could get away with it simply by saying and doing absolutely nothing. I think if they just don't respond, then it dies.

NR: I would agree with you to an extent on that. On the other hand, by simply saying nothing, with people continuing to dig deeply into the story, it wouldn't matter if they said nothing because eventually the media would sit up and take notice, and listen to what was said.

SM: You think so?

NR: I think eventually that would happen, yes. I think for the most part the media ignores whatever the UFO community says and in fact, unfortunately they ignore most things about UFOs unless it's something that debunks the subject and comes from someone with a bunch of numbers or letters after their name, which is unfortunate. But I think eventually, if people kept digging into the more controversial aspects of the UFO subject, and the government didn't want to comment, then eventually there would be people in certain influential positions who would sit up and take notice, like for example, Congressman Schiff did with the Roswell investigation in the early 90s. It's difficult to kind of know where things would lead, where they wouldn't lead, how things might develop etc. etc. It is just difficult to know because Roswell, regardless of the theories, is a unique situation that it's almost separate from the other events themselves that make up the larger UFO mystery.

SM: Just going back to the reaction to the book, has it at times felt like people were shooting the messenger?

NR: Not really. I expected that. For the most part, people have commented on the information contained in the book in terms of, "This is interesting, I know something about this" or "I think that person is deceiving you or lying" or "I think that's part of the story" or "Yes, you're bang on the money and have got it right." That's been the majority of the reaction.

There hasn't actually been much of a personal attack and in some respects, that's surprising and in other ways, it's not surprising because I tried to let the

information and the witnesses do the talking in the book and my main role in the book was to present data where I was able to back it up. Things like newspaper clippings or finding documents at the archives that supported what they were saying. But I'm quite sure you know, as things develop, it will be "Well, why did you listen to that person? Why do you think that person is real? Why did you put this story out?" I actually had one email where somebody wrote, "Why did you destroy my life?" That was after the Coast To Coast show.

SM: It wasn't Ed Gehrman was it?

NR: No, it was actually a woman who listened to the C2C show that I did with George Noory. I haven't destroyed anybody's life. What I've done is relate back the results of an investigation into a 60 year old UFO case. To say that I have destroyed their life is bizarre.

SM: I must say I did feel that that sort of emotion was behind Ed's response.

SM: Those types of responses haven't been that prevalent. I can understand that for a lot of people, Roswell has gone beyond being a UFO incident and rightly or wrongly, has become the cornerstone upon which a lot of the ETH angle exists and for a lot of people, it has become a kind of belief thing. They believe that aliens crashed at Roswell. I was actually talking to somebody else the other day about this angle and the way in which they said, quite rightly, that Roswell now has gone beyond an historical event and has become more a piece of American folklore, kind of like the British equivalent of Jack The Ripper. You can go into a bookshop in England and pick up probably dozens of books on Jack the Ripper, all with different theories or with people vehemently defending their own theories and beliefs based upon their investigations.

When I say it is now folklore, I don't mean that nothing happened and that it's just a legend. What I mean is, Roswell has become more like a belief driven folklore type event purely because the further and further it gets back in time with people dying etc., and with a lack of corroboration in terms of something that can put it to rest, what happens is that it does become a matter of, "I believe that person" or "I believe this person" and I think that when belief comes into it, then it becomes belief driven and anything that attacks belief systems are seen as threatening by some people. I have had a few emails along those lines, for the most part just saying something like, "Well why have your beliefs changed?"

It's not that my beliefs have changed. I've always tried to look at the UFO subject from the perspective of how do you investigate a case, not looking at it from a preconceived notion of, "Well, I believe this case involved this, so that's the perspective I'm going to investigate it from." We're all guilty of that at times. But I try not to do that. I try to just say, "Well, let's try to reappraise this case and see where it leads. And if it leads down that path, great. And if it leads down this path, well that's great too because I have no preconceived notion that it should fall into another category." And I think with Roswell, because it has captured the public's imagination so much and because it's a cornerstone of the ETH, that not only has it been believed as a UFO incident, but people have *wanted* to believe it as a UFO incident as well. And they still do.

SM: Well, when we were talking earlier about Stan Friedman's reaction, you explained his approach to your book was because he believes that a UFO crashed at Roswell. Many of us did, as well, before your book but we were prepared to be persuaded by the strength of argument contained in the book.

NR: I actually think anybody, with regard to this theory or any theory, would be persuaded if we could provide hard evidence. Something that somebody pointed out to me the other day, which actually was something I hadn't given too much thought to, although it's a matter of fact, is that with regard to the theory I've presented, I'm at the stage that Bill Moore, Charles Berlitz and Stan were at in '78/'79 when nobody knew anything about Roswell and they were just looking into it from the UFO angle. Up until now, largely, nobody knew about this angle so it's kind of like, for me at least, this is a theory that is only starting to take off.

The reason I mention that is, with you mentioning people are willing to change their minds, I think further down the line, if more data comes forward, as it certainly is, then that may well cause more people to change their opinion. It's just that it's such early days that I think that's why so far, the Mogul theory or the UFO theory or whichever theory, still has its supporters.

SM: I take your point and I think that's a very gracious point to make....

NR: I actually think it's the real point. It simply is that until now, this is people's first exposure for the most part to this theory. In the same way, look at when the Moore/Berlitz book came out, the response was, well nobody's done anything with crashed UFOs since the days of Frank Scully and Aztec in '50 or whenever, when Scully's book came out. People forget that between when the Scully book and the Moore/Berlitz book came out, that was 30 years, and there was practically nothing done in that time in the UFO research field apart from the occasional snippet here and there. And so, when that book came out, people were saying, "Well if UFOs had crashed, we would have heard about it. Where's all the research been for the last 30 years?"

So they had to start building it up to get people to accept that this is what happened by bringing forth new witnesses, and I think that's really where I am.

People are saying, "I don't believe this because, where's the research? Where's the information for the last 30 years?" And that's the point. I'm kind of starting over from where they were 25 years ago. I disagree when you say I'm being gracious. I think that is the scenario. It's such a new theory that people want to see hard evidence before they change their minds.

SM: Yes, that's a fair point and not unreasonable, except that I think you ignore the impact of your evidence, or the theory, the book, the package.

NR: Don't get me wrong. I certainly wouldn't play down the book at all or the potential impact or the importance of the story, if it's all vindicated, which I think ultimately it will be. It's not so much me playing it down, I'm just trying to get into the mindset of people who read it and as to why they disagree with me.

When people don't change their minds, I'm trying to determine from their perspective why they are not changing their minds, not from my interpretation of whether they should or not. If people read the book and don't change their minds, I could think to myself, "Well they should change their minds because the evidence is there in front of them" but I'm trying to do it from the way they are thinking, and I think that is how people are thinking, "We've never heard this before so why should we believe it without further information?"

SM: I take your point, so what I'm about to say now is very much from my personal perspective of the impact the book made on me, but, for people, in my opinion, to still go jauntily on, as one or two are, prattling on about UFO crashes and things like that, the personal reaction it has on me is that it just grates, and I

think, "What are you doing?" and I can see what they're doing. Maybe I'm doing everyone here a disservice but now, it just seems a bit hollow.

NR: This isn't me avoiding the question but I actually think the reason why there is still so much belief in the UFO theory is because some of the people legitimately think that the story I've been given is disinformation. I don't think they are ignoring the information I've got. They've got a legitimate reason in their minds why they think the UFO theory still holds water.

SM: But are you not discounting years of defending a particular position?

NR: I think people honestly believe what they say. It's the same with the Mogul believers. It's not so much that they think their theory has been demolished; it's that they actually think that my theory is official disinformation. I'm not so much of an egotistical person that I think that everyone should automatically come round to my way of thinking.

I knew from the word go when I planned the book, never mind when I wrote it and had it published, that certain people would not accept the information purely because it didn't go along with their theory. Now again, I want to stress that I think that is purely because, with a case like Roswell where disinformation has come into play with it, I knew that people would turn round and say, "You've just been disinformed" and, if there was no disinformation involved and if there was no other explanation for Roswell, then which ever theory existed would be accepted as the main one. But the fact that there are these weird shenanigans going on in the subject, ironically and unfortunately allows people to bolster their own opinions.

SM: But I would come at it from a different perspective. I'm saying that if people aren't prepared to intelligently assess what you've written, then to label your book as disinformation is the only option they have.

NR: Some people, without doubt, have debated me intelligently. I think for the most part, most of the questions and issues raised on UFO UpDates were worth raising and were worth bringing up. It's led to interesting and intriguing comments etc. But overall, it's still early days and as things develop and time develops, and as the story is looked into at a greater level and more people come forward and more leads pursued, then people will perhaps come round more.

When I mentioned how the Bill Moore/Charles Berlitz book was received in 1980 when it was published, I was actually going through some old editions of UFO magazines from that time like FSR and newsletters from the U.S. – there's a friend of mine in Dallas who's got a load of old American magazines from the 70s and 80s – it's actually interesting if you look back at some of them, particularly the self published newsletters where you can get into the mind set of the person writing it.

You see big comments like, "Well surely if UFOs had crashed, we would have heard all about this before. We'd know about classic landings and contactees and burgeoning alien abduction accounts." Bare in mind this was all 25 years ago. You do get a number of comments, which I've seen in a lot of these magazines from roughly 81/82, saying "We've never heard of crashed UFOs apart from the Frank Scully hoax. This is obviously a fake story because we would have heard about it in the last 30 years." And today, it's a completely different aspect. Everybody knows about Roswell, everybody accepts that something weird happened but you actually go back only 25 years, there was none of that belief, none of that crashed UFOs, alien bodies in hangars, underground bases, that just didn't exist

in the UFO community, and I think it's a similar situation today that the theories and the information that I've put forward just doesn't exist in the UFO community. The books only been out three weeks and nobody had access to the material before that apart from the publisher and the editors, and the people I interviewed.

SM: I just want to say, having listened to you say that, that you are not an egotistical man by any means. You are a much more practical man than I am. I mean your patience and your understanding.....



NR: A lot of people find this surprising when I tell them that as far as the UFO subject is concerned, we're all guilty of belief systems whether it's somebody who believes in God or someone who thinks they're going to win the lottery. We all have belief systems of one sort or another.

I believe there is a genuine UFO mystery and I believe something happened at Roswell. But, I base those beliefs upon hopefully, my own in depth investigations of something or, I look at somebody else's work and think they've done some really good work and that looks like the right answer.

And a classic example for me would be like Greg Bishop with *Project Beta*. What I try not to do is just accept stories and accounts and witness testimony because it looks exciting and it looks good and I think there is, and I'm not condemning the UFO field for doing that but I am saying at certain times, there is a tendency to want to accept the more controversial stories because they bolster up the idea of the ETH and the government conspiracy angle, which does appeal to a lot of people.

The key thing for me is that I don't need to believe. For me, there is no emotional attachment to what happened at Roswell. There is emotion in the sense that it was terrible for the people involved, but I don't have an emotional worry that one night I'm going to go to bed and find out that aliens never crashed at Roswell, and I think there are people in the UFO field who do worry. Or rather, what will happen to the field if it's proven that no aliens crashed at Roswell?

SM: Well that was certainly my concern, when we did the last interview.

NR: To me, I don't see why that should be a concern because the whole point of doing UFO investigations is to resolve what lies at the heart of the UFO mystery, or the several things that lie at the heart of the UFO mystery.

So for me, resolving one case as unexplained and another one as having a down to earth explanation and another one as could go either way, well, to me, that's what we should be doing. We shouldn't be trying to bolster one particular theory as like a crutch support for the collective UFO community. To me that's like a crazy approach. You're only doing half an investigation and the other half is dependent on how the UFO community is going to respond.

SM: You are of course absolutely correct but nevertheless, I think it would only be human nature to be concerned. If Roswell collapses the whole pack of cards, we could possibly be left with absolutely nothing at the end of it and no UFO mystery.

NR: The point is, should we be looking for a UFO mystery? I think we should be looking for answers.

SM: Yes, of course we should. No sane person could possibly disagree with you but nevertheless, there is a price to pay for those answers.

NR: Maybe there is a price to pay but you're still getting answers. It may just be that the answers that we find aren't the one we initially thought we would find, or that we were initially looking for. But that doesn't mean that we aren't still doing UFO research. It just means that the response and the answer may be different to what this or that person originally thought.

Somebody said to me the other day that they considered me a misfit and when I asked them what they meant, they said, "Well, you actually don't care about the answer to Roswell in the sense that you're looking for the truth but you don't actually care whether or not aliens exist", which is actually true. I don't. I don't care. I care about finding the truth but I don't care if the answer is less spectacular than I thought it would be. For me, it's the investigation and the search for the truth that's important. And they went on to say, "Most UFO researchers are looking for the truth but secretly, deep down, they want, even the sceptics want there to be alien corpses in a hangar somewhere." If there are, I'd like to find them but if there aren't, it doesn't bother me. And they said that there aren't that many people who think like that, which may be true.

SM: Actually, you mention sceptics and that, for me, that has been the most humorous aspect of your book. It's like the book has blurred the lines for everybody all of a sudden. I feel that many sceptics actually felt the loss of Roswell, on the basis of your book. It was as if, never mind Mogul. It was as if they needed it as much as we did.

NR: I agree, I actually agree with you a hundred per cent. I think a lot of people who are sceptics in the UFO subject enjoy the role they play as the sceptic. It's like "If we laid the UFO subject to rest tomorrow, what would I do?" I would go and do something else. A lot of them are legitimate sceptics and they just don't believe but a lot of them enjoy the fact that they are known in the field as Mr. Sceptic or whatever and if to an extent that was taken away by me or by somebody else, they would identify with that loss. It's kind of like, now what do we do?

I think again, that would be the same for all of us but I think we'd just move on to other areas. A lot of the UFO subject is human nature based, whether you're a believer or a sceptic, or you're open minded and willing to change your opinions or not. We're not Ufologists, we're human beings and human beings have varying emotions and states of mind that lead to different theories and different approaches to subjects.

SM: You're turning the world upside down Nick. You've come from a position of, prior to the book, of being a believer and you've produced a substantial block of evidence to turn it around. We've now got Magonia producing a very interesting piece of work which knocks away one of the lynch pins of the sceptical point of view, namely that UFO sightings go up after media events such as films.

NR: I think we need to keep in mind that the UFO field is like a minefield at the best of times and it's rife with belief systems and theories. Because so much is belief driven, what inevitably happens is that you do get this situation where people are unwilling to change either because they've staked their reputation on one particular theory or simply because people just don't want to accept that the things they believe in don't exist, or vice versa.

For me, that's never really been applicable because I genuinely try to look at the UFO subject open mindedly. I'm intrigued to find the answer but it's not important to me for it to be this answer or that answer. It may well be that many people do have an emotional tie because they've seen something unusual and it's so challenged their lives that that's the motivation not just to investigate but to believe that there's far more to this. I'm sure that somebody who saw one of the bodies at Roswell and perceived it to be alien might be outraged by what I'm saying because their entire last 48 years has been based upon the belief system that they saw aliens, and everything that's come forward since has vindicated that and to have that knocked down, I can understand how that would provoke an emotional response.

But I've never seen a UFO and I've never had that life changing encounter that a lot of people in the subject have had. And so maybe that's why I don't get caught up with it actually bothering me if a new theory comes along. I've had this before where I've had a phone call or a letter, usually from a fairly smug sceptic, saying something like, "Oh, did you know so and so has come along with a new theory which blows somebody else's theory out of the water and ha ha, there are no aliens" And then it's, "Well Ok, if they've come up with a really good theory and the information seems genuine, then let's go with that one". And their response is, "Oh", because I'm not like sat there, open mouthed, with tears in my eyes or whatever. That's not my approach.

The sceptics are just in the subject because they enjoy being sceptical, and there are some people like that. Some people genuinely believe there is no UFO mystery but some just enjoy playing the protagonist, if you like. But, when they go up against someone who isn't that bothered if theories change, because they don't have an emotional tie to the original theory, then they don't really know how to respond to that.

It's not a case of me not wanting to stand up and have an argument – I'll be the first one to stand up and defend my own corner and the information in the book, but that's defending it because I believe it to be genuine. What I won't do is defend a theory if someone else comes along with information that negates the theory. Not many people unfortunately do that. They do get tied up with belief systems and wanting to defend this or that when they should have the strength and the balls to say, "Well OK, lets look at all the theories and see where the evidence goes."

SM: In relation to what you've just said, and in relation to the remark made to you that you're a misfit, I can see where they're coming but "misfit" is not the word I would use. "Unique" would be more appropriate because I think your attitude is probably unique and there is an emotional detachment there.

NR: When I talk of emotional detachment, I don't want people to think I'm some emotionless robot or something like that, I'm not. It's just that I think that all of us recognise within the UFO subject that there are numerous aspects and facets to it. And when you find that there are verifiable examples of disinformation being spread to the UFO field and arena, we always have to keep that in mind, and so, keeping it in mind is why I never now accept any stories at first glance.

I don't say, "Have you seen the latest on this? This is amazing. This is the proof we've been looking for." Well actually, it may not be the proof we've been looking for. What it may well be is another example of wheels within wheels, boxes within boxes, cover stories to hide cover stories. A lot of people seem to forget there is disinformation within the subject and they only talk about the disinformation when it's convenient to them. If it's not convenient to them, they ignore it and

focus on what they think is a good case. But history has taught me we shouldn't be that black and white. When I look at the UFO subject now, I try and be completely detached from any theory and try and follow the evidence.

SM: I do want to say, you brought up the word "emotion", that you're absolutely right. Emotion doesn't feature very heavily in your writing, and personally, I've found what emotion you've displayed, which is very rare, to be very interesting and very revealing. Two things come to mind; to me it's obvious that you actually genuinely care about what happened to Paul Bennewitz whereas I'm more along Greg's point of view on this. Greg cares but he sees the bigger picture.

NR: I understand. Greg's point in that it may have prevented US agents being killed in Russia and so on. I understand that.

SM: And there's also emotion on that last page in the book. That "I wish you the best of luck with your cover stories". There's anger there.

NR: A lot of people in the UFO subject know me for purely UFO research. But what a lot of people won't know is that back from about '82 to pretty much when I left the UK, I was heavily involved with animal rights organisations in the UK, demos and all sorts. I have a major dislike and distrust, not of governments as such in the literal sense of its existence, but of people who abuse their powers and their situations and manipulate things and outright lie to us. I do my utmost, whenever possible, to expose that.

So in that respect, I'm not a fan of authority. Not because a government exists per se but in an ideal world, we'd have a perfect government but we don't. And I think abuses of government, whether it's UFOs or whatever the subject is, it needs to be exposed. That's the one area, like the UFO subject, that makes me angry. You know, lights in the sky – there's nothing to get particularly emotional about those – but when it's somebody's life, destroyed like a Paul Bennewitz or somebody like that, then OK, I do understand the bigger picture, that the government thought, "What do we do? Do we silence this guy, do we tell him not to talk?" But I think there could have been a middle ground. Like in the interview you did with Greg; couldn't they just have told him to stop? Greg's response was that they needed to find out what his motivations were. Was he working with the Russians? As it turned out, he wasn't. He just had a personal interest but I think that when they realised that, this is when they could have said to him, "Look, this is why you've got to stop." When they were conclusively sure that he wasn't working with the Russians, that he wasn't working with the Chinese or whoever, then at that point they could have said to him quite easily, "OK, look, this is why we've been watching you and this is why you need to stop doing it." But they didn't. They just literally kept on going and going and going until they got to the point where the guy collapsed. I think it's that sort of thing that needs to be addressed and that's why I think any abuse of power that I come across, I'll dish 'em out basically, if I can.

One of the interesting things about the sceptics was that a lot of them are kind of like government apologists. I've seen this before, they like to suck up to the official line. My involvement in various things goes back to the 80s, not just in the UFO subject. You name it; if I thought it was a worthy cause, I was standing behind it.

SM: In terms of the responses you've had from members of the public, has there been any response from anybody in Britain in relation to the English side of the story?

NR: You mean the guy in the railway station?

SM: Yeah, the Home Office.

NR: Actually, no there hasn't. One or two people from the States have contacted me with regard to acknowledging that they knew stuff was going on with Linda Moulton Howe and Bennewitz that's mentioned peripherally in that chapter. But, we know that anyway. But actually no, there hasn't been any response specifically. The only thing that somebody commented on, and I actually knew this already anyway, was that the Home Office does have a large role to play in the event that anything like a satellite ever crashed in the UK. That's not directly connected; it was just something that was brought up as an aside. The thing I want to stress is that the official publication date of the book was June 21<sup>st</sup> and today we're doing an interview three weeks on

SM: I know. It just seems a world away though since the book came out.

NR: The books only been out officially three weeks and one day so, it's not even one month. And bare in mind, it's only available in the States and unfortunately, if you look at the UFO community today, and the amount of exposure given to it, and the UFO community of say '97 and the exposure given to it, it's a completely different world.

I mean, we are now, literally today, a very, very small group of people. I know for a fact that people who will read this from Britain will appreciate this more but if you go back to say '87 or '98 and go into WH Smiths (UK equivalent of Borders or Barnes etc.), you would have found on the newsstands, magazines like *UFO Magazine*, *Sightings*, *Alien Encounters*, *Uri Geller's Encounters*, *Enigma*, *X Factor*, *UFO Reality*. That's like nine or ten just off the top of my head that were all being published in that time. You had books coming out of the woodwork left, right and centre. You had major TV coverage, newspaper coverage, all sorts of things and I'm sure you remember that era as well. It was like really, really busy.

And then, one by one, *Sightings* closed down, *Alien Encounters* closed down, *Uri Geller's* closed down, *X Factor* came to an end, people couldn't get book deals anymore. Some of the major groups around the country closed down or just reorganised and just didn't publish their magazines anymore. And so today, people talk about the UFO community and some people say that we're at our most powerful in terms of uncovering what's going on. I actually disagree.

I actually think today's UFO community isn't any where near the size it was or has the potential power that it did in the 50s and 60s in people like Keyhoe. Now not everybody agrees with Keyhoe's findings and approach, and things like that but the important thing is that I think today, a lot of what we're doing, and this is no fault of our own, is historical research, because there isn't too much substantial things going on today. We've done a lot of positive historical work and on top of that, we are becoming a more and more polarised smaller community with less and less magazines, with less and less conferences, with conference attendance down regardless of whether you're in England or America and I think that has an affect, unfortunately from my perspective, on how books are accepted. It's like anyone can write a book on any subject and it can be the greatest book in the world. If your audience is dwindling and no longer exists, then what can you do?

SM: I do see your point there obviously and statistically of course, you're right. The counter argument that might come back at you is that all the riff raff has gone and you're left with all the people that are really interested.

NR: Someone would argue that but I think that's kind of like an elitist approach. That's one of the things that does annoy a lot of people about people in the UFO subject. I've gone to UFO conferences and I guess one of the psychological things that goes on that the audience may not appreciate is that when you're a speaker and you're just in the company of the other speakers at the end of the conference or at dinner later, you then sometimes get a different perspective of the speakers from what the audience gets.

SM: I know what you mean.

NR: I won't name names but I've been in a room with a famous English UFO author who I could have just punched his lights out literally. Kicked his teeth right down the back of his throat because he was just sat there smugly, talking about how all these people that he called UFO anoraks that were buying his books. For American readers, I guess the best comparison is like a geek. But he was saying that these UFO anoraks were buying his books and allowing him to do this and allowing him to do that, and its like, "What gives you the right to call these people names like that? They're actually going out, spending their money on your book, coming to your lectures, listening to you, you get your fee for your lecture and all you can do is poke fun at these people."

I think there are people like that in the UFO subject although I don't mean that as a generalisation but the fact is, there are people like that. I think that elitist thing does come through and I think that's an unfortunate thing. People sometimes write to me and say, "How on earth do you get into the UFO subject? How do you find something out?" And I always say, and I mean this truthfully, it could be anyone of us who stumbles across the UFO mystery. You don't need to have been researching the UFO subject for 50 years and have however many letters after your name. PHD this or whatever. All you need is to be able to do credible research, dig for answers, and just keep going and that could resolve everything tomorrow. So I think it is kind of unfortunate that there is this "them and us" type of situation.

SM: Well, another argument as well Nick is that it's the old cultural thing; it comes in swings, peaks and troughs.

NR: I agree with you on that as well. It may well be that in 10 or 20 years from now, the UFO subject will be at a peak again. I just think that right now, we're not at a peak and unfortunately, the fact that that peak isn't there and the intense interest isn't there that was there 7 or 8 years ago means that no matter what you, me, or anybody in the UFO subject says, unfortunately, until things climb or change, we're largely preaching just to a small community and not really anybody else, apart from the occasional person who has a peripheral interest and goes into a bookshop and buys a book.

I think in the most part, I think we are just speaking to the community itself. There's nothing wrong with that but in terms of it breaking out beyond those strict parameters, I think it doesn't happen. And when it does happen, all the media does is pokes fun at it. It's just not that big a subject.

SM: A couple of points I would come back with here. Firstly, my personal sense of how the media are these days is that they are much more respectful and that when they write about it, they write about it in a saner, more level headed, less mocking manner.

NR: I think mocking is the wrong term – I shouldn't have used that. I think that what has happened is that they've realised that perhaps there is a genuine UFO

mystery out there but my personal experience has been that if you're specifically talking about an alien angle, then for some reason, the media always insist on having a counter argument from a sceptic.

Now, I understand that they want to get both points of view across but if the arguments put forward by one particular person, whether it's an alien theory or it's like my theory, if somebody feels they've got a really strong argument and the newspaper writer thinks they've got a really strong argument, why the need to keep bringing in the opinion of someone else or to use vaguely mocking tones? But that unfortunately is what the media is trained to do.

SM: But the other point you made a moment ago about it being such a protracted community and all we're doing is preaching to ourselves, well, that's *not* what you've been doing over the last few weeks. Presumably, all the radio interviews haven't just come from C2C type programmes. They've come from the general radio audience.

NR: I agree with you entirely. When I say that we're preaching to the converted, what I mean is, all of us are trying to get the word out beyond the UFO community. I think the problem is, no matter how many interviews we do, the interest and the fascination on the part of the general public isn't at the scale that it was years ago. So it's not a case of me not trying to get the word out and just settling for people who are already interested. I'm actively doing all I can to get the word out at a greater level. I think the big question is, how many people not inside the UFO community already, are actually listening to that message?

SM: That's a fair point.

NR: Don't get me wrong. I don't want people to think I'm just sitting here thinking, "Oh well, I've done C2C, I've done this show, I've done that show. What now?" Every day I'm trying to contact as many people as I can to get this story out.

But that is the problem. Those of us in the UFO subject, we debate every day on UFO UpDates or we read the magazines and we assume, actually quite incorrectly, that everybody else is vastly interested and knows what's going on and when there's a big revelation on UpDates about something, we go, "Wow, this is major news" but in actual fact, there's probably just a few hundred people that know about it. And more importantly, only a few hundred people who even care. That's the problem. That's what we're up against in trying to get things moving at a higher level and having a UFO community. Yes, but let's not have it where we're just preaching to that community.

I actually know there are people in the subject for who it is a money-making exercise. They like to be the number one name on the lecture circuit. They like to sell the T shirt or whatever. To me, that's not the reason for doing UFO research, it's not to be number one on the lecture circuit. The reason for doing UFO research is to get the results out and to further the subject. If you want to sell T shirts, fine. If you want to go on the lecture circuits, fine. But don't pretend that you're doing it for the greater good. Just be honest and say that you're doing it for the money. And there are people out there I know who are doing it for the money because I've overheard them talking, saying, "I'm not coming to your conference unless you give me this hotel room or that hotel room or I get this fee for speaking at the lecture and I get that and I get this."

Somebody's given you a platform to speak about your book. If I do lecture, for the most part if there's a fee involved then of course you're going to take the fee.

If it's out of State or whatever then of course you need a hotel room. But I've seen people make outrageous demands where it's quite clear that they won't accept anything other than the best, so to speak.

SM: Name names, Nick!

NR: No!

So in that respect I think there are people out there who need to reassess why they are in the UFO subject. I don't really have much time for people in the subject who want to see their face on the front cover of UFO magazine. If that's the reason for doing it, become a rock star instead or an actor or something. If you're going to do UFO research, let the research do the talking. That's primarily what I try to do and it's why I try to focus on, for me at least, the government files because I like to let the information do the talking rather than me try to say to them, "Look how wonderful Nick Redfern is." Or isn't, depending upon your belief system.

SM: In relation to this book, at this point, what do you see as the next step, if indeed there is one?

NR: Well, the next step has actually partly begun in that there are people on the inside that have got the book and are trying to open this up at a semi official level and are digging into this further. I can't really go into this too much now which is rather unfortunate as it's a kind of interesting story but I can tell you that there are people in the official world that are already making waves about the book and trying to find a piece of official legislation that would allow the investigation to go further beyond the GAO investigation. By that I mean some of the more controversial things that were suggested and discussed in the book, about the human rights violations. Some people on the inside are looking to see if there is something that can be done in that area to use that as kind of like a key to further investigation.

SM: You've mentioned this before. Are you in a position at this moment to elaborate even a tiny bit more?

NR: In the sense that when I say people on the inside, I'm not talking about people who just happen to be a government employee and just happen to have a personal interest in the UFO subject. I'm actually talking about people whom the book has been sent to who are in official positions and their positions are connected with legal issues and things like that and government accountability, that sort of thing. Abuses of power and experts in the field of the legalities of what can be done and what cannot be done. And there are people trying to get some of these involved in taking it further, at least in terms of a further enquiry. In the same way that there was an enquiry, not just into the Roswell thing but the human radiation experiments in the mid 90s that was initiated by the Clinton administration. This was done not just because radiation experiments were undertaken but because it was done to determine whether people were actually harmed or worse still, killed, and it needed to be addressed. And this is what certain people are trying to angle with this book now.

Now whether that will happen, I would hope so because I would be quite happy to answer questions etc. and I think it might open it up more. And ironically, I think if this theory turns out to be correct, and broadly speaking I think it will, then I also believe the fact that unfortunately because there were abuses of power involved, it reinforces the chances of a successful investigation being launched.

That's down to my opinion. If somebody just wanted to talk about aliens then people wouldn't want to touch it. If it was just a classified experiment that crashed, then people probably wouldn't bother because it wouldn't be that important. But when it's a case of human rights abuses, then I think there's a possibility of an investigation being launched.

I've spoken with some of these people already and the points they've brought are the ones I hoped they'd bring up, so at least they are of a similar mind set.

SM: Any feedback on sales of the book yet?

NR: No, and I probably won't know until December. But that's an interesting point because I would hope that it will break out beyond the UFO community.

Regardless of what the sales figures are, that would give an indication as to how the public perceives and accepts the UFO subject to some degree. It's a book that is arguably very, very controversial, probably one of the most controversial books on UFOs over the last few years, and it will be very interesting to see if the sales figures for this compare to the sales figures of other books and not just in the community but outside the community.

The potential spin off is in terms of not just how other publishers treat the UFO subject but how we get an understanding of how we're looked at on the outside of the community. If a really controversial book like mine sold a thousand copies, then that would suggest that no matter how wicked the experiments were, no matter how bizarre and unethical, nobody cares outside the UFO community.

On the other hand, if it sold massively, then that would suggest that people on the outside are interested in understanding what governments do behind the scenes in the name of national security or whatever. And that would be encouraging if that was the case. And even if it was somewhere between the two, it would still be encouraging.

SM: What is the next project for you?

NR: It's kind of related. I'm working on a book now, and a number of people know about it already because I've had to interview them, that is a systematic look at the way researchers in the UFO community in Britain and the States have actually been monitored by the intelligence community, some quite closely as well.

SM: It sounds potentially very interesting.

NR: Again, I can't go into too many details right now but what I can tell you is that in the same way the Roswell story didn't appear to be what it was at first glance, a lot of the reasons why certain people within the UFO community were put under surveillance was purely because they actually had other interests as well which were fairly controversial and the government suspected that their UFO research was a cover for looking in to other things, or on behalf of other people. I know that sounds enigmatic but it actually shows some of the people in the UFO field to not be what we originally perceived them to be. Or the government at least thought they weren't what they appeared to be which is probably more accurate.

SM: So you're going to pull the masks off a number of people's faces?

NR: No. For example, it's like me. I'll give you a classic example. This actually isn't in the book yet but it will be. I was under surveillance for a while by a number of departments in the British government and the reason why was because I was investigating the story of 96/97 about alien bodies being taken to Porton Down. You know the story.



#### Entrance to Porton Down

SM: Not the Berwyn Mountain job?

NR: That's the one, yeah.

SM: Good God. I thought most people..... Well OK.

NR: As far as I'm concerned, there is nothing to the story but what happened was that I had a unique

idea. I went down to Porton Down and got as close to the place as I could and when I saw the cars driving in, I took the number plates down on the cars and tried to track the people down who worked there, to just see if anybody knew anything about the story.

Now, why it became controversial and why I was watched was purely and simply because of the animal rights research and work I did in the 80s which in part focussed heavily on Porton Down, which I won't go into to a great deal. But basically I was working with a lot of people who were heavily involved in animal rights then and their motivation was Porton Down. And the thought and fear was that I was still in touch with these people and the research I was doing on the alien bodies story at Porton was actually a cover for feeding information on people still working at Porton today to these animal rights people. It actually wasn't true but it was an ingenious theory.

And that's one of the reasons for the surveillance and that's similar with some of the other people that had other interests. Not across the board; some was for the UFO interest that they were being watched but that is one of the reasons, that there was some cross over areas where they thought, "Is that person really legitimately doing UFO research or is it just something else?" There's lots like that in there.

SM: When might we see that?

NR: I'm not entirely sure. It's probably going to take me another month to get it finished and then it's down to publishing schedules and whatever.

Again, it's like another angle on the UFO subject that a lot of people don't consider. There has always been this idea and theory that the community itself is being watched. What there hasn't been a lot of talk about is that a lot of people in the UFO community have private lives and do things within their lives beyond UFOs that may have a bearing as to why they're being watched and the UFO angle of their research might be perceived by the watchers as a front for something more sinister. Ultra left wing and right wing organisations that people are connected to, political organisations, animal rights groups, and so on.

A classic example is the FBI's files on George Adamski from the 50s. They make it clear that the FBI's main concern was the fact that Adamski was always going on about the Russians and how Russia was going to dominate the world. This was the height of the Cold War, Reds Under the Bed and McCarthyism. You can read and understand the mindset of the FBI people just from looking at those documents. Here's this guy talking about aliens but, he's presenting it under the banner of "The Russians are going to rule the world." He actually said in one of his lectures which the FBI, unfortunately for Adamski, attended, that the aliens were probably communists.

Now, you can well understand that the FBI agents will go back to their offices and say something like, "This guy is spreading communism but he's basically doing it under the cover of a UFO banner. So hang on, let's have a look at some of these other UFO people." Then you find out that even today, a lot of people, like me, in the UFO subject, have a big interest in government secrecy and government accountability in general and we like to or are already interested in showing abuses of power when it surfaces.

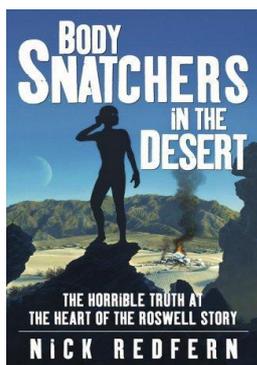
Inevitably there's still this mindset about whether we're doing this because of this other reason and the UFO thing is just a cover. You'll probably be quite surprised as to how many people, names you know of, that are actually being watched for genuinely obscure reasons. The idea that I was being watched because I was investigating an alien body in store and that somehow my Porton research and collecting names of people that worked at Porton was going to be passed on to animal rights groups is ingenious because I did work with a lot of these people but it's false. But the story about what went on behind the scenes, to me, in many ways, is more weirder than the idea that UFOs really did crash on Berwyn.

SM: Well are you aware of a UFO researcher who was watched and observed purely for his UFO activities?

NR: That's interesting and why it's interesting is because I haven't come across anyone who was solely watched purely because they were getting too close to something that was just connected with UFOs and absolutely nothing else at all.

Certainly the UFO angle was often a key player, like the Rudloe thing. There were certain people in the Rudloe saga that were being watched very, very closely because there were UFO secrets at Rudloe and the Rudloe story was far more intricate than the British government would admit but, there was still this concern that these Rudloe investigations were a cover for something else. But no, that's actually quite interesting that I've not come across anyone really who was being watched simply for their UFO research.

SM: Nick, many thanks!

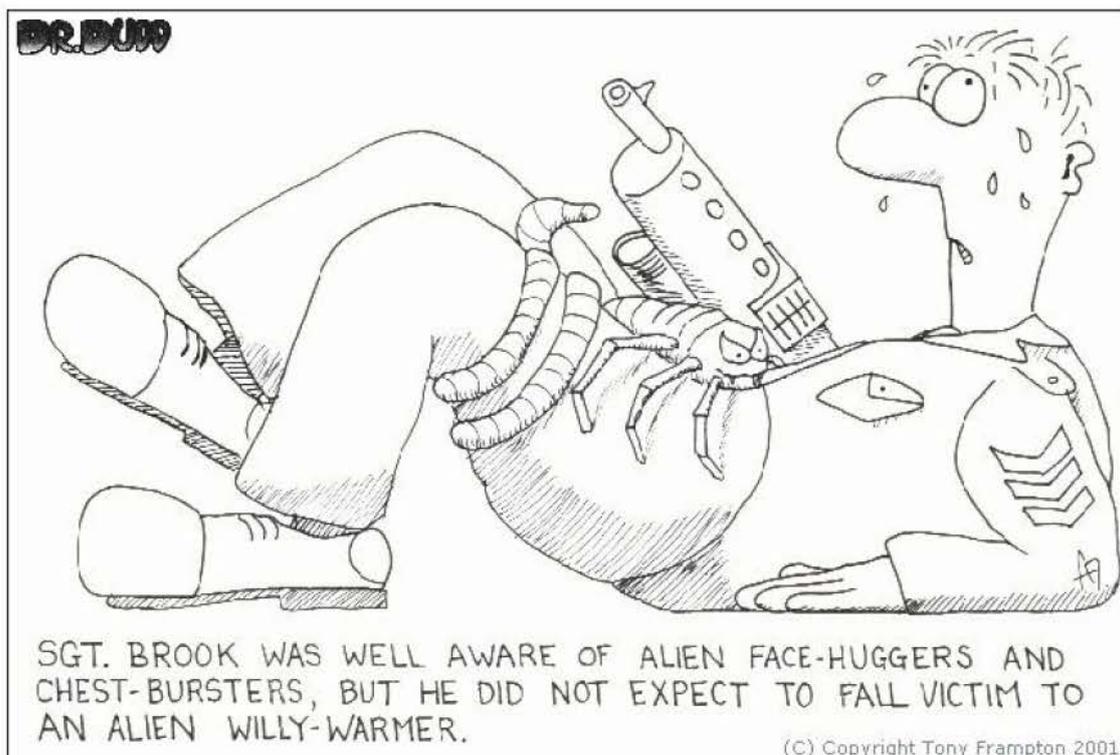


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## **This is very funny!**

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### **Rejection letter from the Smithsonian**

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Dear Sir:

Thank you for your latest submission to the Institute, labeled "211- D, layer seven, next to the clothesline post. Hominid skull." We have given this specimen a careful and detailed examination, and regret to inform you that we disagree with your theory that it represents "conclusive proof of the presence of Early Man in Harrison County two million years ago." Rather, it appears that what you have found is the head of a Barbie doll, of the variety one of our staff, who has small children, believes to be the "Malibu Barbie". It is evident that you have given a great deal of thought to the analysis of this specimen, and you may be quite certain that those of us who are familiar with your prior work in the field were loathe to come to contradiction with your findings. However, we do feel that there are a number of physical attributes of the specimen which might have tipped you off to its modern origin:

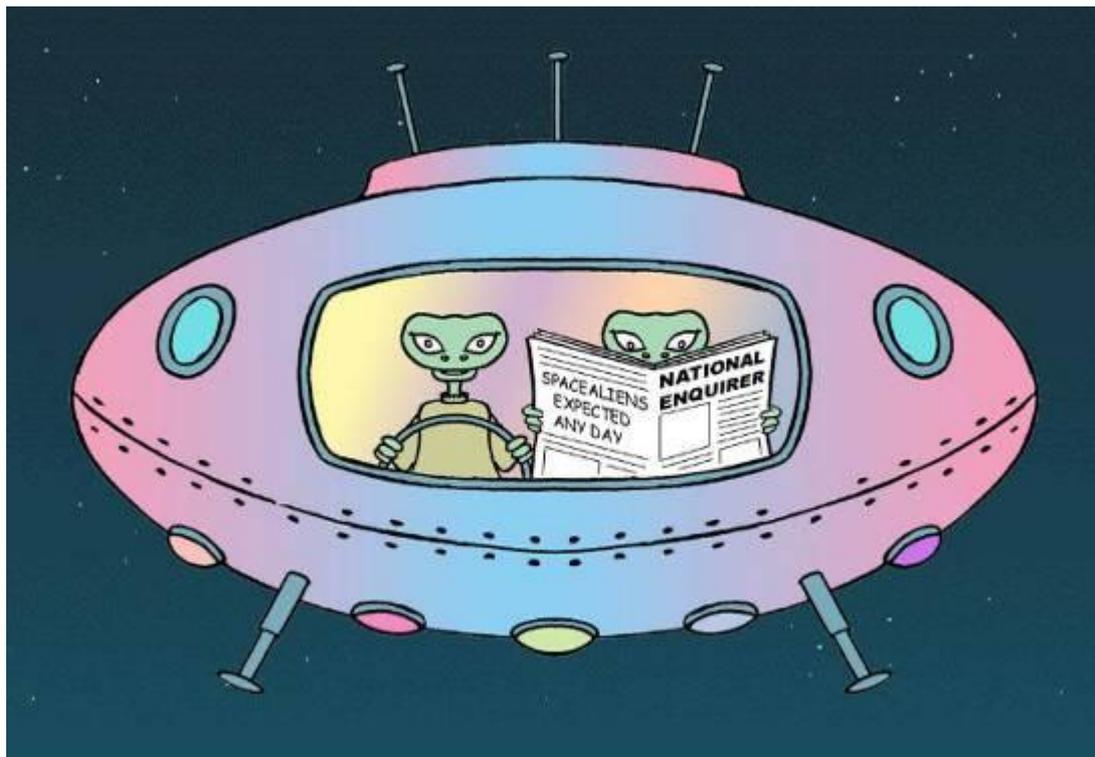
1. The material is moulded plastic. Ancient hominid remains are typically fossilized bone.
2. The cranial capacity of the specimen is approximately 9 cubic centimetres, well below the threshold of even the earliest identified proto-hominids.
3. The dentition pattern evident on the "skull" is more consistent with the common domesticated dog than it is with the "ravenous man-eating Pliocene clams" you speculate roamed the wetlands during that time. This latter finding is certainly one of the most intriguing hypotheses you have submitted in your history with this institution, but the evidence seems to weigh rather heavily against it. Without going into too much detail, let us say that:
  - A. The specimen looks like the head of a Barbie doll that a dog has chewed on.
  - B. Clams don't have teeth.

It is with feelings tinged with melancholy that we must deny your request to have the specimen carbon dated. This is partially due to the heavy load our lab must bear in its normal operation, and partly due to carbon dating's notorious inaccuracy in fossils of recent geologic record. To the best of our knowledge, no

Barbie dolls were produced prior to 1956 AD, and carbon dating is likely to produce wildly inaccurate results. Sadly, we must also deny your request that we approach the National Science Foundation's Phylogeny Department with the concept of assigning your specimen the scientific name "Texalopithecus Kar98-ino." Speaking personally, I, for one, fought tenaciously for the acceptance of your proposed taxonomy, but was ultimately voted down because the species name you selected was hyphenated, and didn't really sound like it might be Latin.

However, we gladly accept your generous donation of this fascinating specimen to the museum. While it is undoubtedly not a hominid fossil, it is, nonetheless, yet another riveting example of the great body of work you seem to accumulate here so effortlessly. You should know that our Director has reserved a special shelf in his own office for the display of the specimens you have previously submitted to the Institution, and the entire staff speculates daily on what you will happen upon next in your digs at the site you have discovered in your back yard. We eagerly anticipate your trip to our nation's capital that you proposed in your last letter, and several of us are pressing the Director to pay for it. We are particularly interested in hearing you expand on your theories surrounding the "trans-positating felicitation of ferrous ions in a structural matrix" that makes the excellent juvenile *Tyrannosaurus rex* femur you recently discovered take on the deceptive appearance of a rusty 9-mm Sears Craftsman automotive crescent wrench.

Yours in Science,  
Harvey Rowe  
Curator, Antiquities



WELL DANG...THERE GOES THE SURPRISE

## Rick Doty is my God!



**Richard Doty—photo from 2000.**

After various Nick Redfern interviews and a Greg Bishop interview, we come to this.

The three authors listed below have come together to write *Exempt From Disclosure*, a book about various aspects of the UFO phenomenon. I interviewed one of them, Robert Collins, back in May.

Interestingly, during the course of the conversation, it was obvious to me at my end of the phone that something “wasn’t quite right” with the phone line. I couldn’t say what it was.



**Exempt from Disclosure: UFOs, Aliens, Rick Doty, Mj12, Area 51/S4, LANL Reverse Engineering in the Z-Division, Crystal Rectangle**

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**Timothy S. Cooper**, Author & Writer: As the unwitting focus of much of the investigation into the Majestic documents, Mr. Cooper quietly began his investigation into CIA and NSA UFO activities in 1988 through FOIA requests, he has received private investigator training and served his country during Vietnam in both the Navy and the Marine Corps. He currently works in security. Tim can be reached by writing to P.O. Box 1206, Big Bear Lake, CA 92315.

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Robert Collins interview 20/5/05

SM: Thank you for sending the book over. I found it absolutely fascinating. A number of questions if I may. The Aviary, let's start with that. Given that many members of the Aviary were well known and respected individuals involved in the Intelligence side of U.S. government's activities, and so on, you stated that it was your decision to come together to get to the bottom of the UFO question. Would that be right?

RC: No, no, it was a collective decision. It wasn't my decision.

SM: Sorry, I meant collectively.

RC: Yes, collectively it was orchestrated by Bill Moore and Jamie Shandera back in the mid 80s. I contacted them. I worked at FTD at the time and I had been talking to some people, so I contacted Bill and that's how we got together.

SM: The question I want to ask is; why were you allowed to get away with it? Why weren't more senior intelligence officers trying to stop you?

RC: Well, we were being watched all the time. Getting away with it, well there's a lot of psychology in this area. If you go after somebody because you're pursuing a certain subject, by pursuing that person you are giving acknowledgement to the reality of the subject. So a lot of times what they did was, if they had people who were investigating the subject and the public was so sceptical about UFOs, they would just ignore them or watch and then stay away from them. So if they went after them, as I just said, that would acknowledge the reality of the subject. So it would be better to just not do anything.

SM: But they would have kept an eye on you?

RC: Sure. I've been watched since around 1985. A lot of it was known activities. I've got evidence posted up on the web site of phone taps. I've had this checked any number of times and each time we checked it, it was tapped. I know they are watching but they're just not saying anything.

SM: You mention that at one point, there was a female ET ambassador here on Earth. Do you remember that and can you elaborate on that?

RC: That was a long time ago. That was back in 1987/88 where we got a lot of that bird code, there are examples in that book. There were pages and pages and pages of that stuff that came through and between myself and all the sources, the whole gist of all the bird code was to set up an interview specifically with Bill and Jamie to interview EB3 in this case, who supposedly stayed in an apartment near the Mall in Washington DC. Of course she was under security by two US intelligence people who escorted her wherever she went and whatever she did. She would have meetings with the high up political figures but that's as much as we know because we never got a chance to see her. With Bill and Jamie, there were mistakes made interpreting angles and text and what this thing meant and what that meant; they just missed the boat. There was a lot of excitement going but we never got there.

SM: Where did the bird code come from?

RC: Ernie Kellestrauss here in Dayton knew a lot of it and he was well versed in the program. And Dale Graff knew a lot of it. We never interfaced with Dale directly. He was kind of like in the background and we never actually knew we were dealing with Dale Graff, we never knew that. Rick Doty was involved in that bird code, Bill Moore and Jamie Shandera and it just moved around in a big circle for 6 to 8 months, and we never got anywhere with it.

SM: Can you tell me any more about the yellow book?

RC: Other than what you see in the book there, there's not a great deal known about it because other than what the sources tell us or what they observed at Los Alamos, it's in a vault, you've got a viewing screen and as your eyes look at this book, it's on a computer screen, and as your eyes scroll down, it will scroll down on you automatically. It will read your eye motion. But it would take a lifetime, according to what I'm told, to get through it.

SM: Because it's that long?

RC: It's that long. And also the nature of the topic and the thousands of years that it covers would take a long time to get through it.

SM: On a couple of occasions in the book, you mention an organisation called OROCA, which you allege is actually rated higher than MJ12. As far as I can recall, you don't go into too much detail as to what it did.

RC: Well, that's just a titbit of information where people were actually physically read into the program and work on a day to day basis that know about the existence of OROCA. Raven didn't know that it existed and he found out quite by accident and he said it's been around since 1951. It's been around as long as MJ12.

SM: But what did they do?

RC: I don't know. I don't know the details. I just know they were a high up organisation and they were over MJ12 as far as what I know.

SM: If one goes through the book and picks up all the references, it would appear that you are alleging that there were probably at least three previous crashes to Roswell. You talk about two in LA in '42, the Missouri one in 1941. Are you fairly sure about those?

RC: Well, other than what's in the leaked documents and what witnesses said, and of course there are a lot of witnesses that are dying off on you, Bob and Ryan Wood have looked at those two cases in depth, and Ryan has looked at it quite a bit. As far as they're concerned it's real. What I've done here, checking on it, I think it's real as well.

SM: Do you think these are interstellar craft? Do you think they're scout ships from a mother ship, and why are they crashing?

RC: Well because no technology is perfect. The best technology ever made, and in this case I guess you could say technology that's in some cases is 20,000 to 25,000 years ahead of us, but nothing's ever perfect, no matter how good you get it. The Los Alamos source said that they're working on a craft right now which predates the Wright Brothers. It was made before the Wright Brothers invented flight.

SM: That leads me on to my next question which is this. You state in the book that the heart and soul of the book is the development of alien technology through reverse engineering. What is it that somebody now, in 2005 can look at and they would know that what they're looking at is derived from alien technology? What is it in the modern world that we actually benefit from now?

RC: Well, that's very subtle. That's a very subtle thing. I'm sure that a lot of the technology is getting into the public sector but what you don't know is the process as to how that's done. I don't know the process of how it's done. All I know is that a lot of these companies and big corporations are given certain pieces of technology and told to work on it. They have a lot of cases where researchers get this stuff and have no idea where it comes from. But what they're trying to do is to find ways to reverse engineer it so that we can use it in terms of human use.

SM: So you seem there to be echoing what Phillip Corso said.

RC: Yes, a lot of people trashed Corso but Corso was pretty much on with what he was saying, at least I think he was.

SM: You mention that at one crash, a very old Hebrew bible was recovered and you go on to say it is the key to understanding UFO sightings.

RC: Tim Copper said that. I have two other authors. I put in some of their stuff that I thought might have been questionable but since they wanted to include it, we tried to integrate it with everything else. So he said that. I don't know that I agree with that interpretation but that's what he said.

SM: Well, I was going to ask you if you could elaborate on that.

RC: That's all I can say is what was reported in the book. Supposedly one was recovered in the '47 or '49 crash and that Fullbright had been asked to work on it and interpret it, and the Hebrew text, as I understand it, predates anything that's been known so far. Other than that, that's about as much as I know about it. A lot of the information came from Tim Coppers father who was a retired Master Sergeant in the air force. He just died a couple of years ago. He retired in '63. There is actually evidence that he's got awards from Curtis LeMay thanking him for his participation in the UFO program. So that's real documented evidence that his father actually worked in the UFO programme. But that's as much as I know about that. I don't know a great deal about it. If it has all kinds of political or religious overtones, I kind of stay away from it. What it does is confuse the facts of the subject, at least in the way that I think of the facts of the subject.

SM: I'm not sure who was responsible for writing the stuff about Kennedy?

RC: It was Tim Copper.

SM: Well, I was going to say that he insinuates that Dulles was almost certainly responsible for Kennedy's death.

RC: I wouldn't say responsible, I would say had carnal knowledge more than responsible. They didn't have their fingers in the conspiracy but they had carnal knowledge that it was going down. The fact is that a lot of people back then, from people I've talked to including people in the military had carnal knowledge that something was going down. But they didn't actually participate in that conspiracy.

SM: And the reasons for Kennedy's death were that he was pushing the CIA into liaising with Russia, he was withdrawing troops from Vietnam.....

RC: There were a lot of reasons and people just personally hated him for what he was and who he was, and wanted to get rid of him. The cover up for the Kennedy assassination, from what I've seen, is as elaborate and as sophisticated as it is for UFOs. They've really gone to a lot of trouble to cover that up.

SM: Well obviously successfully as well.

RC: There's a lot of evidence right now, like the History channel's *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*. There's been a lot of good research done on the fact that this was a conspiracy. But the Congress and the politicians don't want to touch it. The most looked at report on that web site I run is the one on the Kennedy assassination.

SM: There have been at least three attempts, allegedly, to educate, inform, and tell the public about ET reality. I'm thinking in particular about the Jamie Shandera TV program, there was an attempt with Disney and with Linda Moulton Howe. Why is it, do you think, that these projects seem to bumble along to a certain point and then, at the crux of the whole development, suddenly the carpet is pulled back, so to speak.

RC: There have been a lot of successful programs on TV about UFOs. I know that the History Channel ran a five part series called *UFOs; Past, Present and Future*. I know that they put on successful UFO programs and that one History five part series program covered abductions too. So I know good stuff gets on there. But what I don't think happens is that either the public loses interest, they have a short attention span, or, whatever the psychology is, they just ignore what evidence is out there. Of course, you've got to consider the fear factor. Fear is a very driving force in this area, where I've experienced this constant state of what

you call paranoia, and I've seen it come from everywhere. I've seen it come from my sources, I've seen it come from abductees, I've seen it come from casual friends that I know of. They are afraid of something but they don't know what.

SM: But specifically, in the three cases I mentioned, where there was even, allegedly, plans to show the Holloman Air Force base landing, the film was withdrawn at the last minute and the projects didn't really go ahead properly, well certainly in the case of Disney and Howe. What do you think is going on there?

RC: I don't know. I talked to Emenegger about that back in the late 80s and he just told me what you've told me now. There were all these promises and then nothing happened. But this has been the case all along, where promises are made, commitments are made, and then all of a sudden it just dies out or gets dropped. And again, it's that fear or paranoia; if I make that step then something is going to happen to me. I have found out from my own experience that you can make that step, you can make many steps and nothing ever happens.

SM: But do you think that the offers in the first place were genuine or do you think it was never the intention to go all the way?

RC: Yeah, I think it was all genuine, but politicians get cold feet. You see this all the time where they make commitments and want to go forward, and then all of a sudden it will just get dropped.

SM: Do you think that disclosure to the public is inevitable in the long term or do you think it's something that will never be dealt with?

RC: It will be dealt with by some but not by others. It will be kind of like a mixed bag. It'll be accepted by some and not accepted by others. I know the governments won't do any thing unless they think the public already knows about it. Once they think the public is ready to accept something, they'll make some kind of casual announcement about it but other than that, until they can feel politically good about it, they're not going to stick their necks out.

SM: You say that but back in the 90s, the government were obliged to reinvestigate the Roswell crash and issued a statement which wasn't along the lines Ufologists wanted but that was through public opinion.

RC: That was a public demonstration of how you cover up something. That means that the people who initiated those investigations didn't know anything about Roswell and the air force didn't tell them anything. Like the Condon report back in 1966. It was a bunch of things put together but they weren't given anything. In fact as Condon said, they weren't given any classified stuff. No reports, no material. He said there could have been a great deal of classified stuff but we never had access to it. So right there, the Condon report was biased. The most sensitive stuff in this area, of all the technology information that you want to talk about is super, super, super classified.

SM: So if I interpret what you're saying correctly, there would really need to be a massive groundswell of public opinion before the government might even raise an eyebrow of acknowledgement in that direction.

RC: Well, every little bit that comes from anywhere counts.

SM: For example Mr Collins, I don't know if you noticed but today there were a number of email messages on various boards alleging that today, the Brazilian

government are going to at least talk about if not actually release some of their UFO documentation. Have you heard about that?

RC: No, but I'm not surprised. I know that the U.S. media ignores this subject in general. Anything coming out of Brazil or any other country is probably more open, in fact I would say that Russia is probably more open than the U.S. is.

SM: What comfort does the U.S. government have in terms of not being suddenly surprised by some foreign country deciding to say something?

RC: I presume they look at the impact on what that foreign country has on policy and gauge it based on that. They can pretty much snuff this thing out in a way for various numbers of reasons and keep the thing quiet, and they have been virtually able to do that. France issued a report (Cometa) and it was "Wow, wow" for a little bit and then just died out. But you realise what you're dealing with. You're dealing with things, from what I've been reading, that can go through walls and windows. They can abduct people right in the middle of an airport, with big crowds. You're looking at things so far advanced that the average person hasn't got an inkling as to the scale of what they're dealing with. I wouldn't know how to deal with something that came through walls and windows.

SM: You're talking now about technology and skill and ability that the U.S. government currently has?

RC: No. If you were a politician or in power, you'd be scared to death of this thing too, right?

SM: Yes, I would.

RC: If these aliens can do all these things, then the government is helpless, because the people on this planet have the greatest capability or assets to deal with the subject on a personal basis. In other words, you can deal with these aliens better than the government can.

SM: So you're saying that the government has no control over the situation.

RC: Right. The government has absolutely no control over it. But I think through public knowledge you would gain control. You'd have millions of people aware of what these aliens are and what they're doing.

SM: OK, why don't we have that public knowledge yet? The government don't want to say anything for a whole variety of reasons; the alien presence is complying with U.S. government wishes?

RC: Well they're scared of what the capabilities of these aliens can do. Obviously, I would think they're not here to blow us up or destroy us as they would have done that a long time ago. We're useful. They're here for a reason. They want something or they wouldn't be here.

SM: But we don't know what it is.

RC: Well people say it's DNA but I don't know if that's true or not.

SM: Are we moving into the area of alien/human hybrids here or is the DNA needed for their own reproduction?

RC: I know they're doing. From people I've talked to, genetic experiments but I don't know the success rate. I don't know how long a hybrid lives. I don't know if they're successful in this atmosphere. There are a lot of things I don't know. I do know we have problems with clones and that every time you start mixing genes, I don't care how sophisticated you are, you're going to start having problems.

SM: What do you think has happened to Presidents like Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford, who have made public statements before hand, particularly with Jimmy Carter, that when they get into office they're going to tell all and yet, when they get there, we get nothing. What do you think has gone on behind the scenes?

RC: They got briefed. And when they got briefed, they got what you would call the fear of god put into them.

SM: In the early part of the book, there is an indication that certainly in the 40s, the CIA were vague about the origins of saucers. There is some conflicting information in some ways there. There's a comment somewhere which says that the CIA were busy debunking them and secondly, they acknowledged that they were probably the property of another foreign power.

RC: Oh, that was in the Helms chapter. I tried to be clear about that. Publicly, they were debunking them. Privately, they were deeply concerned about the subject. The fact that they belonged to a foreign power was speculation within the CIA back in 1947. After the original recovery at Roswell, they thought the same thing, that they could be some kind of Soviet device that they weren't familiar with. Of course, they got over that pretty quick. That theory didn't last very long, from what I know.

SM: If for example, if the information in the book about earlier crashes in LA in '42 and the Missouri one I mentioned in '41, then if that information is correct, you would think the CIA would know by then.

RC: It's compartmentalised. The people who were involved in those recoveries didn't tell anybody else. The only people that knew were the higher ups and the whole thing got compartmentalised and hidden away somewhere in somebody's basement. They didn't tell anybody else. There wasn't a general knowledge within the group, whatever group you want to call it, that these kind of things existed.

SM: Are you talking about the control group?

RC: Yes. Whatever kind of control group existed at the time.

SM: So you're saying that even they wouldn't have known?

RC: They wouldn't even have known, outside of their small group of 5 or 6 or 10 people. They may just have taken the technology and put it away for later use. And then kind of filtered it out a little bit to certain technical facilities to see if they could find out the way this thing worked and what it was. But everything is highly compartmentalised, even out of Area 51 where people say, "Yeah I've been out there and been in those contained areas and everything is colour coded. Each one of those areas or hangars is colour coded and unless you have the proper colour code, you won't get in there. And Los Alamos is the same way. It's very compartmentalised.

SM: Who or what do you think is in charge of the whole thing and is aware of every detail?

RC: I don't know. I know the President isn't. He's told things but he doesn't know all the details. I really don't know the answer to that question. I could speculate but I really have no idea, not a clue. This is a rough area to get in to and I've been at it now for 20 years. It took every ounce of effort just to get that book out.

SM: What do you mean by that?

RC: It's a short book but putting all those details together and taking all that unrelated information from different places and different sources and putting it together and tying it all together going all the way back to the mid 80s, it took a tremendous amount of effort. The fact is, it took a year just to put that book together from spring of last year to now, just putting it together and then writing it in a way that would be understandable to the lay person.

SM: You make mention a couple of times in the book meetings between the U.S. military – and I'm not talking about the Holloman landing – and an alien representative at White Sands and that after that meeting, the threat of an alien invasion receded. If that's correct then obviously some assurances were given at that meeting. Can you throw any more light on that?

RC: No, other than what's written in the book. There are no details as to what went on. I would have no doubt there's a tremendous amount of information on that but it's all classified. It's locked up in somebody's vault, somewhere, but who knows where? I can guess, but I don't really know. But each one of those points that are made in that book, I would assume there's a volume of information for it but you can't get to it.

SM: One subject that you don't mention in the book is the Alien Autopsy footage.

RC: You mean the Santilli thing? Even my own sources laugh at that stuff. It's a hoax.

SM: There's no doubt or question about that?

RC: There's no doubt about it.

SM: You also make mention of The Red Book which is meant to be, is that a history of.....?

RC: Yeah, The Red Book is a summation. You know the Carter document? The sixteen volumes of Aquarius? Well, if you take those 16 volumes and put them into a summary book, that's The Red Book. There's a tremendous amount of information, so my sources tell me you can spend a life time going through that stuff. There's a tremendous amount of information that's been accumulated and kept classified.

SM: You make intriguing mention of the fact that there's been exchange programmes and that humans have been to the Eban's planet.

RC: That information is very sketchy. Other than what's been touched on, every time there's been an EBA that's come here and there's been an exchange entity, we sent somebody there.

SM: Would you know if this has been civilian or military personnel?

RC: I don't know. You're getting into those vibes of information we can't get into.

SM: I'd be curious to know, if and when they came back, what sort of mental state those humans would be in.

RC: Well, it's a good question. I'd be interested in knowing too.

SM: What do you think of whistleblowers?

RC: Oh, I think they deserve the most respect of everybody in the government, I really do. They keep the government honest and very few of them get any credit.

SM: I'm talking now specifically in relation to the UFO subject. All the whistleblowers seem to be..... it seems to be easy to take their legs away. Their backgrounds don't stand up to inspection, they lie and so on.

RC: Well the Sybil case where she worked for the FBI and the translation of those terrorist threats before 9/11 and she was told to sit on them; she's very credible. Who do you have in mind?

SM: The most obvious example would be Bob Lazaar.

RC: He is incredible but what he is, is he's a patsy. Because some of the information he says is correct and some of it is false.

SM: Are you saying he's a disinformation agent?

RC: No, I think he's just a patsy. He's putting out information which he thinks is true but it's not. He was set up and brought in. He was actually at S4 because Rick Doty says that was exactly the facility I was at. That's exactly what it does. The lay out and the diagrams are exact from what I saw so he was there. He was brought in and shown certain things and then he was let loose on the world.

SM: What would be the point of that?

RC: It's called reasonable or plausible denial. If people decided not to believe it, they could just ignore. If they wanted to believe it, well, that was their choice.

SM: This is what's so confusing and it's very difficult to get your head round. I mean let him out in the first place?

RC: Because they wanted to get the information out but yet they could deny it at the same time.

SM: Why do they want to get the information out?

RC: To condition the public. To get them familiar with the subject and to get knowledge in their heads and that some day, when this knowledge does come out, at least there'll be some air with it.

SM: So that would also include what Hollywood does etc. Why not just come out and tell us?

RC: Because of the political reactions. They don't want to risk it. The fact is, we go back again to their capabilities and what these aliens can do.

SM: So, are you saying that the aliens don't want the government to acknowledge their presence?

RC: Oh they do. They do. If the government doesn't do it, they'll do it.

SM: But the government won't do it because of what the aliens are capable of.

RC: Right.

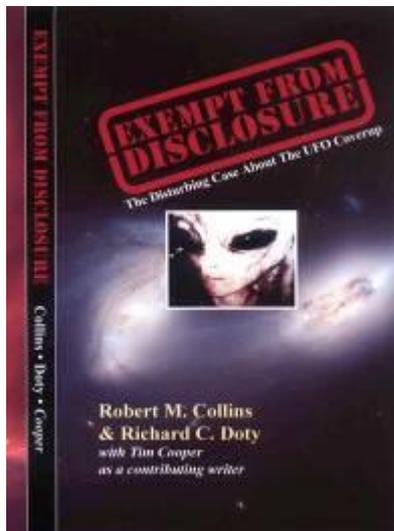
SM: And they don't want to admit that the aliens are here because they have no control over them.

RC: That's right. Exactly.

SM: But the alien motives seem benign. As you said, if they were going to take us over or kill us, they could have done that a long time ago.

RC: They want us for some reason and we're not quite sure what those reasons are, but we're useful. And they are curious about us so I guess it keeps them from wiping us out.

SM: Mr. Collins, thank you.



You can buy the book at Borders

[http://www.bordersstores.com/search/title\\_detail.jsp?id=54986187&srchTerms=Exempt+from+Disclosure&mediaType=1&srchType=Title](http://www.bordersstores.com/search/title_detail.jsp?id=54986187&srchTerms=Exempt+from+Disclosure&mediaType=1&srchType=Title)

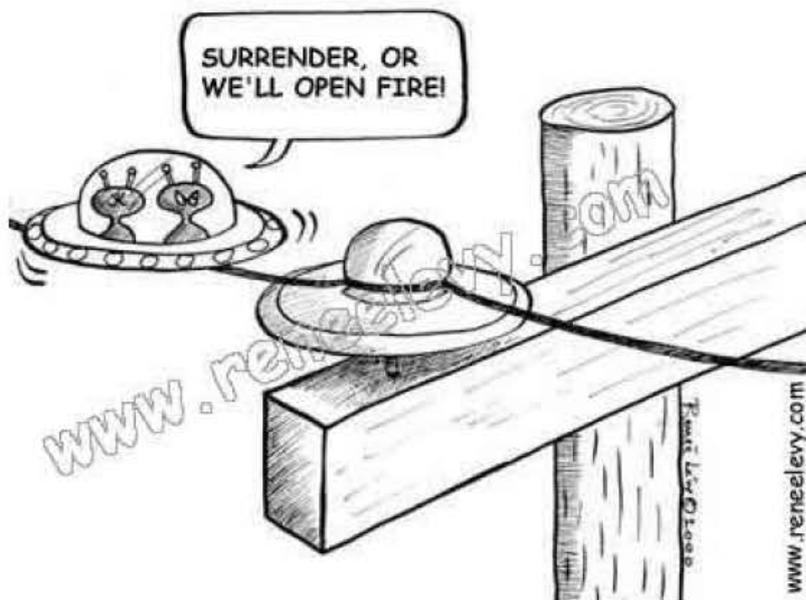
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It was a weather balloon,  
not a flying saucer

# Spheres, Stones, and Skulls

By Kithra

Amongst the oddities of what may be termed strange discoveries are spheres, stones, and crystal skulls. And, although these may not necessarily lie within the field of Ufology they are, perhaps, peripheral subjects; especially as many believe these artefacts had extraterrestrial origins. Isn't it strange how many of us that are interested in UFOs are also fascinated by other esoteric topics? I wonder if that arises from the way in which we see the world, or perhaps we're just more open-minded than the scientists!

However, you'll be relieved to read that I'm not writing an article about esotericism. Instead I thought I'd take a look at just a few of these incongruous, and unexplained, discoveries.

## Spheres

Back in 1977 some very mysterious spheres were found in a mine in South Africa during the removal of some vulnerable rock engravings thought to have been drawn by the San People. A gentleman who had seen a similar sphere in the Klerksdorp Museum found these particular spheres in pyrophyllite deposits. They appear to be made from limonite concretions, are extremely hard, their sizes vary from 1¼ to 2 inches, and they have precisely concentric grooves around the centre. It also seems that the spheres are so delicately balanced that, even with modern technology, they would need to have been made in zero gravity. The story goes that scientists at NASA were totally floored when they examined them, and were unable to come up with any explanation.

At the following website you can read more about their discovery:

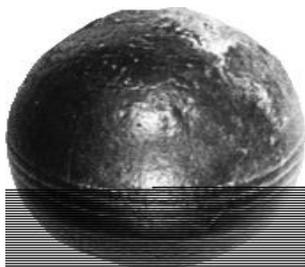
<http://community-2.webtv.net/WF11/MysterySpheres/>

And the page ends with the following, very puzzling sentence: *"I wrote NASA HQ, to confirm or deny this in 2000, and never received a reply. Mr. Hund's letter was removed from the Klerksdorp Museum page, afterwards, when I checked back some time later, and the page re-designed."*

You can find a more detailed scientific description of them at this site:

<http://nersp.nerdc.ufl.edu/%7Egghi/spheres.html>

That page ends with the following sentence: *"In the absence of a satisfactory natural explanation, the evidence is somewhat mysterious, leaving open the possibility that the South African grooved sphere--found in a mineral deposit 2.8 billion years old--was made by an intelligent being."*



**Sphere**

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And you can also find more information here, including the geology within which they were found – together with the argument that they might not in fact be what they seem:

<http://www.talkorigins.org/faqs/mom/spheres.html>

There really doesn't appear to be very much on the Internet about these strange spheres. However, in early May this year a short piece appeared here:

<http://posthumanblues.blogspot.com/>

That article was brought to the attention of the UFO Updates site in a very interesting post, which you can read here:

<http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/2005/may/m11-012.shtml>

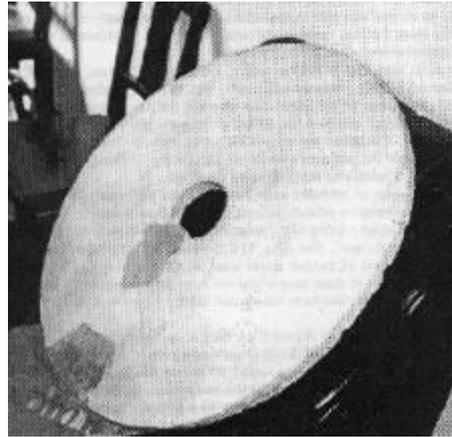
So next I'll take a look at some of the stones.

## **Stones**

### **Dropa Stones**

In 1938 Chinese archaeologists were exploring a chain of caves in the Himalaya, on the border between China and Tibet. Amongst their finds were a row of graves containing the relics of an apparent species of people that were around 4 feet tall, with big outsized heads and elongated thin limbs. In other caves they found pictograms that included depictions of the sky, and these have been carbon dated at between 10 and 12 thousands years old. However, the most amazing finds were those of handmade stone discs, about 9 inches in diameter, which were entirely circular with a hole in the centre. They also seemed to have a groove that spiralled outwards from the centre; but on later examination these grooves were found to contain some type of totally unknown lettering. 716 such discs were found, and taken to Beijing University.

Could the remains and artefacts be those of an alien race? After almost 30 years a Chinese researcher, Dr. Tsum Um Nui, declared that he had managed to decode them. For 2 years his conclusions were suppressed, but they were eventually published under the title: "The Grooved Script concerning Space-ships which, as recorded on the Discs, landed on Earth 12,000 years ago." And in his report he maintained that the discs told the story of how a spaceship had crashed, but the survivors had encountered hostility from the local inhabitants – the Ham Tribe - although they later made peace. Naturally, his theory was met with derision from the rest of the scientific community. Intriguingly, tests showed that the stones contained a high proportion of cobalt, along with other metals, and that they also had an odd oscillation rhythm, which might mean they had once been electrically charged.



### Dropa Stones

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According to a quote from the following site one of the decoded lines read:

<http://www.ancientx.com/nm/anmviewer.asp?a=61&z=1>

*"The Dropas came down from the clouds in their aircraft. Our men, women and children hid in the caves ten times before sunrise. When at last they understood the sign language of the Dropas, they realized that the newcomers had peaceful intentions..."*

Two cave dwelling tribes called the Ham and the Dropas once populated the region where the stones were found. The people were strangely formed in that they were short, weak, underdeveloped, and not characteristically Chinese or Tibetan. Furthermore, local legends from the area relate how small, bony, yellow-faced men came from the clouds a very long time ago. And some believe that, like the Drogon in Africa, they have descended from Sirius.

However, if you believe the article, (Item no: 10) on this next page, then it seems the whole story is nothing but a fake:

[http://kjmatthews.users.btopenworld.com/cult\\_archaeology/out\\_of\\_place\\_artefacts\\_5.html](http://kjmatthews.users.btopenworld.com/cult_archaeology/out_of_place_artefacts_5.html)

There is also a very interesting forum thread here:

<http://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/viewthread.php?tid=3771>

At that link most of the posts pick up the various flaws in the story and present very good reasons for the whole thing possibly being a hoax. And yet, on the other hand, some posters present equally good evidence for the story being true. It's really a case of read it and then make up your own mind. One of the most interesting posts makes a comparison between the Dropa Stones and the report of a UFO seen over Derbyshire, UK, back in June 2001.



**Dropa UFO Disc**

Picture Credit:

[http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/english/uk/newsid\\_1363000/1363848.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/english/uk/newsid_1363000/1363848.stm)

(You can read the Derbyshire UFO story at the same link.)

However, there is also a translated version of a lecture about the Dropas, which was originally given in German, by Hartwig Hausdorf. He authored a book entitled: "UFO & Ancient Astronaut Theory," and his talk was given in August 1997. As can be guessed, this talk puts the other side of the sceptic debate and presents his view that the Dropa story is true. You can read this translation here:

[http://www.inquiring-mines.com/dropas\\_hausdorf\\_lecture.htm](http://www.inquiring-mines.com/dropas_hausdorf_lecture.htm)

In a previous article I've mentioned the "Hobbit" species recently found in Indonesia; and it might be worth bearing in mind when reading about these dwarf Chinese people.

Around 23 crystal skulls, made from clear quartz, were also discovered in the caves where a gentleman, who wishes to remain nameless, found the Dropa Stones. He believes that they were used in conjunction with the Dropa Stones as a form of radio communications with their home planet.

I'll be mentioning Crystal Skulls again later in this article. But for now, at the following site you can see some pictures of these skulls, all of which are copyrighted:

[http://webs.lanset.com/dolphin5/siriusly/thumbnails2\\_001.htm](http://webs.lanset.com/dolphin5/siriusly/thumbnails2_001.htm)

And, from the same site, you can read an article about what might lie behind these crystal skulls from the Himalaya, and their alien origin:

<http://webs.lanset.com/dolphin5/siriusly/himalayancrystalskulls.htm>

Meanwhile, on the other side of the world, in Peru, South America, some very different stones have purportedly been found.

## **Ica Stones**

Dr. Javier Cabrera, who died of cancer in December 2001, collected over 11,000 examples of what were to become known as the Ica Stones. They were named after the town of Ica, in Peru, South America, where, around 1996, he established a museum to house them all. The stones are etched with images of what appears to be a library of ancient knowledge. Some are said to show humans coexisting

with dinosaurs, some are said to be depictions of medical procedures that our current civilization has only recently learned how to perform. Others are said to demonstrate how the Earth's continents looked millions of years ago, whilst yet others are said to show events such as comets, eclipses and even the Horse Head Nebula. Much of this led the good doctor to believe that ancient man interacted with extraterrestrials.

Naturally, archaeologists think they are a hoax, even though some of the stones have been found during the excavation of some of the tombs in the region. But Dr. Cabrera believed them to be authentic relics of a lost civilization.

It appears that a peasant farmer found the Ica Stones in a cave. Although, when questioned by the police the farmer denied having found them and, instead, owned up to making them himself. But there are so many thousands of these stones that one wonders how much time he would have had left in which to earn his living!



**Dinosaurs**



**A Heart Transplant**

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**Earth's Continents**

**The Cosmos**

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Picture Credit: [www.paranormality.com/ica\\_stones.shtml](http://www.paranormality.com/ica_stones.shtml)

At the following link you can read an "in-depth" account of the stones by a lady who went to meet Dr. Cabrera on numerous occasions.

<http://www.labyrinthina.com/ica.htm>

The stones are made from oxidised andesite, which is a fine-grained volcanic rock, and the pictograms are engraved, rather than being carved. The difference is important because Dr. Cabrera thought that a pre-Columbian people using only stone tools made them. Andesite is a hard igneous rock, and it would therefore be far easier to engrave them than to carve them by simply scratching away the surface. This surface is made from a natural varnish, created by bacteria over millennia, and the picture is made by scratching this away to show lighter colour of the stone beneath.

On the MOHS Scale, (a scientific measure of hardness), Andesites measure 6° with 1200 Kg/cm<sup>2</sup> of compression resistance. This is towards the top of the scale, which goes up to 10°, and would therefore be very hard to carve as it would be akin to carving granite – for which carbide-tipped tools are needed.

At this next link there is an article that takes a very balanced look at these mysterious Ica Stones, and includes various theories as to the pros and cons of them being real, or a hoax:

<http://paranormal.about.com/cs/ancientanomalies/a/aa041904.htm>

The piece goes ends with this paragraph: *"The Julesrod Collection The Ica Stones aren't the only controversial artifacts that seem to depict dinosaurs. About 50 years ago, an amateur archeologist named Val Julesrod began collecting [clay figurines](#) that had been unearthed in Mexico, and have been radiocarbon dated to be about 3,500 years old. While most of the figurines (there are more than 30,000 of them) are stylized human heads, some are of animals that strongly resemble camels, elephants and horses – animals that did not exist in Mexico 3,500 years ago. Others dated at 1,500 years old are monstrous forms that could be interpreted as dinosaurs. Or are they just mythical creatures?"*

So perhaps we shouldn't ignore the local Peruvian stories of strange creatures that are still extant deep within the jungles. And perhaps we shouldn't ignore the legend that a Jesuit Missionary, called Father Simon, visited the Inca in 1525 and sent stones engraved with strange animals back to Spain as part of the Spanish Conquest. If that proved to be true it would certainly show that some of the stones are not a modern hoax.

The author of a website devoted to Planet X, (a.k.a. Nibiru), suggests that the stone showing a telescope and comet may be a depiction of this, so far unfound, celestial object. They also put forward a very cogent argument as to why some of the stones may, after all, be genuine; and take a look at other artefacts that have been found over the years that seem to show what modern scientists say can't possibly be true. You can read this most interesting article here:

<http://www.darkstar1.co.uk/inca2.html>

The commentary to be found at the DarkStar site also mentions the Crystal Skulls, so now I'll take a look at those.

## Skulls

### Crystal Skulls

I suspect that most people who have an interest in the Crystal Skulls have heard of "The Mitchell-Hedges Crystal Skull" as it seems to be the most famous. The story goes that in the middle of the 1940's Mr. F. A. Mitchell-Hedges, a British archaeologist took his adopted daughter, Anna, with him on an expedition to Lubaantan, Belize, and there she discovered a crystal skull. The skull is made from clear quartz, and stands about 5¼ inches high with a weight of around 11 pounds, and it also has a removable jaw. However, the day of its discovery was also her birthday, and it is now believed that her father had hidden it for her to find as a present. It does seem that there is a record of his having bought a skull at Sotheby's, which had come from the Sidney Burney collection, shortly before she found it. In addition to which it is also noteworthy that other members of the expedition have no recollection of Anna even being there!



**Three different views of the Mitchell-Hedges Crystal Skull**

Picture Credit:

<http://www.bbcprograms.com/pbs/catalog/mysteryskulls/images/t0101mysteryskulls.jpg>

Picture Credit: <http://www.unmuseum.org/skulmh2.jpg>

Picture Credit: <http://www.ratbags.com/loon/1999/07skull.jpg>

And yet, according to an article at this next site Hewlett-Packard examined the Mitchell-Hedges' skull in 1964 – although many believe this idea to also be a hoax. At that time they specialized in crystal oscillators and were thus highly competent to give an opinion. They concluded that it hadn't been made by any mechanical process and, in fact, it really shouldn't exist at all:

[http://www.wintersteel.com/Crystal\\_Skulls.html](http://www.wintersteel.com/Crystal_Skulls.html)

However, the Mitchell-Hedges Skull is not the only one in existence as others have also been found; purportedly in various parts of, mainly, The Americas, and you can read a most interesting article about them here:

[http://www.world-mysteries.com/sar\\_6\\_1.htm](http://www.world-mysteries.com/sar_6_1.htm)

The same page also carries an article entitled: "The Crystal Skull Explorer - reprinted with the permission of its author Joshua Shapiro." For over 20 years this gentleman has lectured throughout the world about these skulls. And you can even download a free e-book "Journeys of the Crystal Skull Explorers" by Joshua & Desy Shapiro at this link:

<http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/free-ebook/csexplorers.html>

If you visit Joshua Shapiro's site below you'll find many links to information about his research into the crystal skulls:

<http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/cs.html>

Just under a decade ago the British Museum examined some of these objects, and their conclusion was that most were of contemporary derivation. The museum suggested they might have been made in Germany, in about the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, when that area had a large crystal carving industry. The Smithsonian examined some of the skulls as well, and they too reached a similar conclusion.

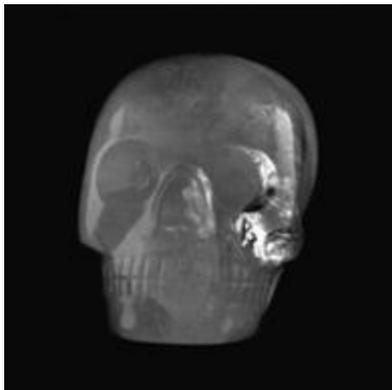
There is also an interesting snippet to be found two-thirds of the way down this page, part of which reads as follows:

<http://www.ramtops.co.uk/mesofaq.html>

"Welcome to *sci.archaeology.mesoamerican*

### **THE "INFAMOUS" CRYSTAL SKULL(S)**

*A documentary by the German TV from 1982 examined the skull. Examination of the polishing technique suggests that this was done with the help of a spinning wheel, something not known in America. Crystal working has been practiced in 16th and 17th century Europe, and while no skulls are known, crystal balls for magical purposes are known. The interpretation would be that the skull came from such a source. Why is there no historical documentation of the skull? Actually, virtually none of the 16th-17th century crystal pieces can be traced back to the artists. Seems like nobody cared to document this. Mitchell-Hedges in a letter from 1945 states that he doesn't want to reveal the source of the skull, so it could come from anywhere."*



**The Skull known as Max**

Picture Credit:

<http://www.marythunder.com/CrystalSkulls/MaxTheCrystalSkull/MaxTheCrystalSkullMessage.htm>

Picture Credit: [http://www.worldmysteryrc.org/scrollart/skull\\_amethyst.jpg](http://www.worldmysteryrc.org/scrollart/skull_amethyst.jpg)



**The Amethyst Skull**

But regardless of whether some of these crystal skulls are ancient or comparatively recently manufactured there are many Native American legends about them. Most of them say that there were originally a total of either 12 or 13 such skulls, and that when all are gathered together in one place they would be

able to tell the history of the Earth and the evolution of Mankind. You can read about the legends, and some of the other skulls, including some lesser known ones, here:

<http://www.angelfire.com/mi4/polcrt/CrystalSkulls.html>

It would seem that only a very few of these crystal skulls really are genuine Mesoamerican artefacts. So let's take a look at the evidence for many of them being hoaxes.

## The Fakes

It might good to begin by reading the article from this site explaining the why and how of so many of them being fakes. For a sceptical article it's very fair and well balanced:

<http://skepdic.com/crystalskull.html>

Then, in January 2005 two articles resurfaced in the newspapers that reported how one of the skulls had been examined by the British Museum, and found to be fakes. In the following report, entitled: "*The mystery of the British Museum's crystal skull is solved. It's a fake*" – written by "By Steve Connor, Science Editor" it states:

[http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/this\\_britain/story.jsp?story=598446](http://news.independent.co.uk/uk/this_britain/story.jsp?story=598446)

*A detailed analysis of the skull's surface has revealed that it was cut and polished with the sort of rotating wheel common in the jewellery houses of 19th-century Europe but absent in pre-Columbian America.*

*Historians and scientists believe that the skull was cut from a piece of Brazilian rock crystal by a lapidary in Europe, possibly Germany, and then sold to collectors as a relic from the ancient Aztec civilisation of Mexico.*

*"We are not at all sure that there is a rock source in Mexico that would produce a rock crystal of this size. There is strong circumstantial evidence that it comes from Brazil,"*

And, in the same story reported elsewhere, entitled: "'Aztec' crystal skull a fake, says Cardiff professor " by "Emily Pennink" you can read a longer report:

[http://icwales.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0200wales/tm\\_objectid=15053196%26method=full%26siteid=50082%26headline=-aztec--crystal-skull-a-fake--says-cardiff-professor-name\\_page.html](http://icwales.icnetwork.co.uk/0100news/0200wales/tm_objectid=15053196%26method=full%26siteid=50082%26headline=-aztec--crystal-skull-a-fake--says-cardiff-professor-name_page.html)

But, let's give the last answer to this site where, amongst other questions one is asked about the authenticity of the Mitchell-Hedges Crystal Skull:

[http://www.archaeologyanswers.com/questions\\_answers.html](http://www.archaeologyanswers.com/questions_answers.html)

**"014... CRYSTAL SKULL A FAKE?"**

**QUESTION:** *Have you read this study about the Lubaantun skull?*

1. *If it was found at the bottom of a pit under rocks and debris from the ruins, then why weren't there scratches on it?*
2. *Indigenous people don't give away something that they revere.*
3. *There were no on-the-spot photographs of it shot at Lubaantun.*
4. *In 1992 (about 60 years later) the local natives were interviewed, but they did not remember the skull. Juan*

**ANSWER:** *Yes, Juan, I have. And I'm pleased to summarise the facts on crystal skulls for you.*

*While some aspects of the Mitchell Hedges story do raise serious doubts, the arguments against its authenticity are, on a number of counts, just as tenuous. The safest course in such a situation is to keep an open mind on that particular example of crystal skull.*

*At this present time, no scientist on earth can date any crystal skull - unless it can be proven that a modern artisan has made it. Crystal itself, of course, cannot be dated.*

*But what is certain is this: that a large number of genuine, high quality ancient crystal skulls have been found.*

*Some of these crystal skulls have been unearthed in Chinese tombs from a period in which stone pyramids were being constructed. And 23 more ancient crystal skulls were discovered of recent times in the Himalayas. Concerning almost any ancient artifact that shows sophistication, skeptics are a dime a dozen. And admittedly there have been some fakes. However, as an archaeologist, over the past 36 years I have seen so many plausible arguments against discoveries, in which skeptics later had to eat their words, that one learns to be skeptical even of one's own skepticism."*

As the answer pointed out the skulls, just like the spheres and the stones, can't be dated. So as to whether they are 'real' or 'fake' we will probably never know. But perhaps we're missing the point entirely here. Perhaps it's not so much about whether they're genuine, or not, but more about how they 'speak' to those who see them, touch them, and work with them.

Kithra <http://kithraskrystalkave.org.uk>



**invasion from an unevolved planet**

# Report of Study into the alien abduction Phenomenon

## Reports conclusions

By Professor An Alprobe

1. Since 1947 there have been a constant steady stream of reports in the press that continue to this day of alleged accounts of aliens being abducted by Humans. To date, some four million aliens from a variety of planets claim to have endured this experience.

2.

a. Of the collated reports studied, 96.78965% fundamentally tell the same story. That story is as follows; all the individuals are female and are engaged in a variety of usually mundane activities when they become aware of a sensation of being watched.

b. Their next recollection is of a sensation of floating as they feel themselves being uplifted by an invisible force. They are carried on board what is variously described as an antiquated flying contraption that some have claimed carries the mysterious logo "U.S. Space Shuttle". They are placed on an operating table and they become vaguely aware of a number of strange beings attending to them. These beings make strange noises that appear to be their means of communication. The noise level is uncomfortable for there are also various buzzing sounds.

c. When they awake from their state of semi paralysis, they find themselves back at the point of their last memory. There is an initial feeling of coldness in the lower regions and some slight pain on the left shoulder. Attention is drawn to the area of pain and it is noticed that a strange diagram appears to have been sketched there. Around their necks is a piece of cord and a label is attached. The writing is indistinguishable and efforts to translate it have so far failed. It is replicated here.

"Greetings from the United States of America. In the interests of global friendship and fraternity, the U.S. government has thoughtfully donated to you a symbol of womanhood as can be found on our planet Earth. We have therefore given you a Brazilian Wax and a tattoo on your shoulder of a male and female member of our species in the act of reproduction as practiced on Earth. May the force be with you. George W. err Bush".

3. Experiencers commonly feel they have been sexually violated and that possibly their ova have been taken in order to breed a hybrid human/alien species. They are all heavily traumatised by the experience.

Professor Christine Belgium from the planet Razorsharp who conducted the study was unavailable for comment yesterday but his publicist put out the following statement on his behalf; "It's all bollocks mate. All of it."



# Glimpses of Extraterrestrial Utopias

**By Sheryl Gottschall**

The contactees of the 50's and 60's era painted images of ET civilizations that could be classed as Utopian. They portrayed the social climate on some ET worlds as largely one of contentment, happiness, harmony and order. These societies were highly organised and the ETs worked in occupations that were often tied to some sort of service industry.



That worked towards the planetary populations' higher good. The social goals were not directed towards the accumulation of money, indeed, in some instances planetary civilizations had no monetary systems whatsoever. Interactions were based on cooperation in general, even though systems existed to control deviance, and education of both a formal and informal nature was highly regarded. Unlike most of Earth's population, value systems were based on cooperation and self development rather

than competition, selfishness and authoritarianism, and these values were inspirational rather than demanded.

Although the expected effect of any utopian society is the transformation of it's civilization, in contactee accounts it didn't stop there. Nature was usually perfected and idyllic as well. Some ETs impressed upon the contactees that they had come to understand the value of appreciating the effect of their own needs on their environment and in some cases there are reports that ET cultures had either returned to or maintained a more rural style of living so as to remain harmonious with nature. In this sort of society it is only natural that nature would flourish and continue towards perfection. It was also reported that ET technology had also been developed so as not to be disruptive to the environment, and while ET civilizations continued to learn more about the universe and the subtle energies that interconnected it so too did they work in harmony with those energies rather than destroying them through their technology.

Although these societies almost sound like fairy tales and possibly too futuristic for us to digest, these contactees spoke of utopian-like ET societies as being already in existence and had been for a very long time.

## The Dream of Utopia on Planet Earth

ET models of Utopian societies have laid out the map for humanity to follow for to dream of Utopia is to enter into new ways of resolving the problems that come with living. The concept of Utopia is already silently lurking in the background of many religious beliefs, social programs and political infrastructures, although many of us may not recognise it. Achieving a utopian lifestyle is a driving force in most societies constantly motivating them to do and be better and humans can be uncanny in their intuitive understanding sensing when their society is drifting away from the utopian ideal. But what does it mean to dream of Utopia?

Usually a dream of Utopia is heightened when widespread dissatisfaction exists in a social structure. In the western world modern social conditions and values have peaked in recent years, creating a cynicism fed by the disheartening most recent scandal found in the news headlines. Priests and teachers breaching the trust of

innocent children by molesting them, doctors trading their patients long term health for short term profit, large corporations denuding the planet while slowly distinguishing the life of our childrens' childrens home, people warring on their fellow man, all make us expel a heavy sigh as we watch an archaic creaking system insidiously invading our very souls. The last century has seen the idea of Utopia flounder and falter as people exchanged hopes of harmony for peace, and then peace for mere tolerance.

Dissatisfaction with the direction society has taken has given rise to the feminist movement, environmental concern groups, the search for self-sufficiency, self-education, self-responsibility, healing and truth returning us to the path towards Utopia. So in a sense it has not all been for nought. In fact, the emergence of the dream of Utopia is dependent on the appearance of widespread dissatisfaction otherwise we would not reset our course and turn closer towards our goal. So in this sense to dream of Utopia is to dream of a better life, a better world and a better way and this keeps us moving forever toward it.

### The Role of ET Utopia

In this important way contactee accounts reawakened the pursuit of the ideal society in their time. The challenge for any utopian society is the development of a set of images that might cross different social groups and boundaries while uniting and inspiring them in similar ways. Imagine a world where even the boundaries of extraterrestrial societies could be bridged with our own. This would indeed be a gigantic leap.

One of the functions of utopian ideals is to sharpen our understanding of current political, social and moral dilemmas and this is precisely what the ET contact experiences of fifty years ago did. They fired the social imagination to bring back hope and direction to humanity. Although the ETs were quite high-tech they also seemed to practice what one could only call voluntary simplicity. They were not so much self-denying but rather practiced constraining their appetite for material goods by shifting their value system to one of intellectual endeavour and spiritual development. This promoted the idea of life-long learning, a delight of the mind that requires only leisure and modest material support. Quite a contrast to our modern fixation on "the lifestyles of the rich and famous", an item of popular culture that uses envy to promote high consumption.

The ET hope for happiness was entrusted to non-material "wealth" that diminished the need to acquire and consume. Fulfillment of the soul at some higher level of aspiration was achieved as an alternative to material self-indulgence. In this way the image of ET cultures that view life as an opportunity to learn rather than to squander paints a panorama of enquiry, wonder, aspiration, empathy, tolerance and compassion toward all whose path we cross, qualities necessary if we are to eventually become "cosmic citizens". No wonder the contactee movement had such a following.

Is it also no wonder then that contactee accounts 5 decades ago were the precursors of the emergence in our own culture of the flower-power era of the 60s, the hippie movement of the 70s, the environmental groups of the 80's and the grasp for the return of family values in the 90's.

### **Dreaming of Utopian Worlds**

What might it be like on other worlds and would we like it? From contactee accounts we can see that other cultures have been able to move past the problem of wars, disease and religious intolerance and this should give us hope that it can

indeed be achieved. But what might our society need to do to travel from one way of existence to another, and more to the point would we be willing to participate to bring it about? For example, if we tackle the issue of consumerism, which has a devastating effect on the environment, how might ET civilizations have resolved this one problem?

As stated previously some ETs have shifted values so the need for materialism has been surpassed by the higher status of success, that being "personal development". However, there are many steps in between that have to be conquered. For example, how would we satisfy our need to "get our hands on" things we admire? One idea proposed by Marge Piercy is to develop a worldwide library where even the rarest books, jewels, objects d'art, fashionable clothes etc. could be borrowed and examined by the entire population?

Imagine your household changing from month to month or year to year with the latest item of value. This could be a most interesting way to live and is an idea worth pondering.

In William Morris's *News From Nowhere*, the citizens of Ecotopia own little but it is elegantly handmade, the workweek has been reduced to twenty hours, leisure becomes a value in it's own right used for the arts and crafts, play and recreational sports, especially hiking, camping and climbing in the fiercely defended wilderness which has come to be respected as Ecotopia's principal public asset.

This is only one example of how to deal with one issue, but as you can see a Utopian world will require major value shifts that begins with our individual choices. The contactees reports that extraterrestrial civilizations have achieved such shifts and I believe it is possible for us to follow the path they have laid before us. It all begins with us choosing values which are closer to essential sanity and contribute to the greater good of our planet and its inhabitants.

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# Fortean Corner

By **Dam Acne**

Our reporter on the spot

Yes, it's back! By popular demand (meaning that no one asked to see this column again but we thought we'd foist another one on you any way).

## IT'S RAINING MEN!!



Men who have fallen from the sky

You've all heard those silly stories about fish, frogs, and all sorts of other bizarre creatures raining down from the skies in the most unlikely places. These days we know how this phenomenon occurs. A wind formation lifts up a body of water and drops it again miles away from its original location.

But what occurred in Harpenden on April 31<sup>st</sup> this year defies any explanation. Reports started to reach us here at the Fortean Corner news desk about how large numbers of men had descended from the skies and were found flat on their backs scattered throughout the town. Frankly, we didn't believe a word of the first story we got but by about the fourth such report, our curiosity was piqued and we decided to do a little digging.

So, with a thermos full of cornflakes that had been through a processor and melshed down with Ribena and liquid marmalade, off I set to see the originator of the first report we had received.

I found Mrs. Upanatem at her address on Friction Avenue in an excited and distressed state. "Oh," she gasped, "I'm so glad you've come. I don't know what to do. Come and have a look." And off we traipsed round the house to the back garden and, lo and behold, as I walked across the patio, I could clearly see three men lying on their backs at various points across Mrs. Upanatem's garden.

I walked up to one and peered at him. He appeared to be breathing but other than that, showed no other form of activity or intelligence. "And how did he get

here?" I asked Mrs. Upanatem. "You're not seriously going to tell me he just dropped from the sky?"

"As sure as I'm sat here on this dead camel," she replied, "They all came from the Heavens. I actually saw one of them float down."

"Float?" I asked. "Don't you mean plummet?"

"No Mr. Acne. I mean float."

"Are you on medication?" I politely asked.

"Yes," she replied, "I'm a schizophrenic with a multiple personality disorder and a paranoia complex with a reversed embolism. Is that a problem?"

"Absolutely not", I said. "You've got a lot in common with most of our readers."

So off I then trooped to Mrs. Ectoplasm who had sent us the second report that we had received and who was not far away from Mrs. Upanatem in Ballsover road. I rang the bell and Mrs. Ectoplasm answered the door. She was completely naked. When I was 16 and in my first job, I had an unfortunate industrial accident that enables me to completely ignore situations like this. I pressed on. "I've come about your men", I said. I was shown through the house and out into the back garden and noticed just two men on the lawn this time. But something made me look up and about 40 feet above us in the air was an incredible sight. There was another man on his way down and he was indeed floating as opposed to falling, just like Mrs. Upanatem had said.

I started to walk back to the office, leaving my car outside Mrs. Ectoplasm's house. I needed to clear my head and get the story straight. This was simply too absurd to be true. My ponderings were suddenly interrupted by the sound of my mobile phone ringing. I could see it was Jack from the office calling. What did that moronic, long haired retarded hippy want now? "Hello Dam? It's Jack. Look, this is urgent. Did you eat one of those small cakes I left on a tray on my desk?"

"Yes", I replied. "I though they were for everyone to share." I just caught the word "Shit" as he put the phone down.



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## **Lapis Conference, St. Anne's, Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> 2005**

God forbid I should ever be on time, so of course I wasn't. I was maybe 5 – 10 minutes late and walked in on the first speaker, Peter Grego, who was talking about Transient Lunar Phenomena. That's about things, lights etc that are seen on or near the moon. It is a scientifically recognised happening and even the grumpy old trout of British astronomy, Sir Patrick Moore has seen one. So that makes it all alright then. The subject matter might be interesting but I'm afraid this speaker was not. He went on for far too long and then wouldn't sit down after he had finished.

He even spent time on the ridiculous hallucinations people have about seeing a rabbit or whatever on the moon or some other shapes. I know this is a popular pastime among those with sad lives but I have never been able to discern any recognisable shape there at all and what's more, I wonder why people would even choose to attempt to do so? Oh I know. Because it's there.

The audience listening to him were stars. They were polite and tried to pay attention but despite their best efforts, he managed to loose them more than once. He could have been better prepared. I did wonder afterwards whether the talk he delivered was what the organisers expected.

Next up was Andy Roberts speaking about Flying Saucer cults and the contactee movements of the 50s and 60s. This was a breadth of fresh air compared to the previous speaker. Here was a man who was prepared, his video/slide show was professionally set up and he rattled off his speech at us at a fair old rate. That was possibly through a little bit of nerves but I certainly didn't mind and had no trouble following what he was saying at all. As he began to relax in front of the audience of about 100 souls, he even injected various personal comments and observations. He announced that he and Dave Clarke were working on a history of Ufology which should be published in autumn next year. That gives me a little bit of time to write a book on the same subject and get it out there before theirs (in joke). He covered George King and the Aetherius Society, Phillip Rogers, Cynthia Appleton, Molly Thompson and one or two others.

Watching Andy speak was extremely interesting. The first thing that struck me was that this man clearly loves the subject he was speaking about and he spoke with a passion and intensity that you couldn't help but notice. Watching him in front of that particular audience was also interesting. Here was a bloke who is a known sceptic, stood before a room full of believers. He was listened to with interest, so much so that even the one time that he tried to bait the audience by announcing, "That there are no such things as aliens" there wasn't a response, though not through lack of attentiveness or interest. People simply wanted to hear what he had to say.

The other challenging thing that the audience had to get their heads round was Andy's attitude towards the subject. He subjectively objectifies it. He loves the subject, regardless of the veracity of a report or not, purely for its cultural context and impact. He's not emotionally involved with it in the same way that an ordinary Ufologist would be which is a clear pointer and explanation for his countless battles on various message boards. His is simply a different mind set which the audience accepted without a murmur. They did themselves proud.

It was an excellent talk, in particular as he was ably assisted with his slides etc. by some scruff that he had hauled in off the street.

Marcus Allen, the editor of the UK version of Nexus magazine spoke next on the moon landing hoax perpetuated on mankind by NASA. I couldn't help feeling that this subject is now passé, that the public have had their fun with it and that it was time to move on. Not so Marcus. It was however patently clear that he had given this talk numerous times before and yet he still spoke with a passion about it and above all, was, I thought, extremely professional as well. This guy knew how to speak to an audience and indeed, how to manipulate them as well. I do not intend that remark in a cynical sense.

If you are going to have to listen to a talk on this subject, then Marcus is unquestionably the man for it. He steered clear of what I considered the worst clichés and dealt intelligently with all the points he brought up. Because time was running out, the organisers had to cut his talk short although he had spoken for well over an hour by then. And yet, I would have been prepared to listen for longer.

There was a brief question and answer session later and unusually for me, I stuck my hand up to ask one. I wondered how he explained the seismological equipment that is on the moon's surface and that is even to this day, transmitting information back to earth. I might be flattering myself but I thought I detected a slight chink in the otherwise confident delivery so far, as he replied that he wasn't saying that no one had ever been there; just not the 13 astronauts that NASA claimed to have sent. He then immediately deflected the question by dragging in the laser issue and had fun debunking that. I hadn't asked about that and the seismological question went unsatisfactorily unanswered.

I also think he made a mistake when he said at one point that there were no pictures of Armstrong on the moon because Aldrin had refused to take any of him. That is ridiculous and indeed, later he showed us a picture of the two of them on the surface together.

I enjoyed his talk regardless of how I felt about the subject matter. He does raise questions, interesting ones, but nevertheless one still can't help feeling that this subject has had its day.

Finally, Russ Kellett spoke. Clearly a popular man with a following, and a man of the people as well. I had to leave about half an hour into Russ's talk but, except for a brief period at the beginning when he was getting into his stride, he held my attention well. The difference between Russ's talk and the previous speakers was that Russ was speaking from personal experience about the strange and anomalous events that have happened to him. This was interspersed with some of the infamous video footage of his that he has taken. It was interesting to look at, no question, but what you were looking at was indeterminable. You can though see why folk like to listen to him. There is a slight fragility there which makes his talk a very human experience. You're watching an ordinary person speak, not a robot and it's almost like a one to one conversation. I would like to have listened to the end.

Conference organisation could perhaps have been a little tighter. It's easier said than done, I know, and one always runs the risk of spoiling people's enjoyment if one marials the whole thing along as if it were some military exercise. But the first speaker had too long and the others not long enough.

An enjoyable experience, definitely, and one that threatens to turn into a two day affair next year. It was also a pleasure to finally get to meet Joe McGonagle and Dave Clarke at last. Make the effort next year if it's within reachable distance for you. It will be worth it.



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## The Secret History of the MoD X-Files

**Dr David Clarke**

For half a century the Ministry of Defence has kept what it knew about sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects locked away in a secret archive. But with the arrival of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) the contents of "Britain's X-Files" have finally been revealed.

Public fascination with UFOs and alien visitors has continued to grow alongside man's first faltering steps into space. For centuries people have speculated about visitors from other worlds. But it is only since the end of the Second World War that large numbers of people have believed alien visits have actually occurred and been concealed by world Governments.

In recent years MPs, peers and some senior military figures have added their voices to the many ordinary people who have demanded the Ministry of Defence open their files and release information they hold on this subject. This pressure was reflected in the fact that when the FOIA finally arrived on 1 January this year UFOs were among the top three most popular topics among the hundreds of requests they received.

Now that Britain's X-Files have finally been opened – what do they actually tell us? The answer is disappointing for those who believe the British Government has been concealing evidence of alien visitors. But to social and military historians the files are a treasure trove of material. The papers contain details of 10,728 UFO sightings reported to MoD between 1959, when statistics were first kept, and the present day. The largest number of reports (750) came in 1978 when interest in UFOs and ET life reached a crescendo with the release of the Steven Spielberg film *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*.

The vast majority of UFO reports logged by the MoD came from ordinary members of the public and could be easily explained. Records show the most common causes of UFO reports were of aircraft, satellites and space debris, balloons, stars and planets. Around nine percent fell into the "unexplained" category. An intelligence report from 1954 states that resolving these cases was difficult because "ninety nine times out of a hundred, the scent is completely cold" by the time reports arrived at Whitehall.

However, a significant proportion of reports in the "unexplained" category were made by trained observers such as RAF aircrew, air traffic control staff and

civilian pilots. Some of the most puzzling involved seemingly solid objects moving at exceptional speeds and heights that were tracked by defence radars. On occasions these have led the RAF to scramble fighter aircraft to intercept them.

During the Cold War Russian reconnaissance aircraft (nick-named "bears") regularly probed NATO defences in the North Atlantic. Until the early 1990s British radars were continually on the look out for these intruders and many "UFOs" were later identified as Soviet aircraft. As one senior RAF officer explains: "Any object appearing on our detection radars was literally a UFO until identified. There were some that were never identified, but this must not be taken to mean that they were caused by phenomena from other worlds."

The files show how the military attitude towards UFOs was completely different to that of the general public. Official policy was restricted to establishing whether UFO sightings could be considered a threat to the realm. During the Cold War the major threat came from behind the Iron Curtain. Once Soviet aircraft were eliminated, the identity of a particular UFO was of no further interest to the MoD. As one of the documents explains: "...it is quite common for a sighting to remain unexplained but require no further official action."

But those reports that could not be explained continued to add fuel to the arguments of the civilian UFO groups who believed in alien craft. A *Daily Express* opinion poll in 1954 found that 16.5 percent of the British population believed in flying saucers. By 1998 an ICM poll for the *Daily Mail* found this had risen to 29% while 2% claimed to have had direct experience of an alien visit!

The MoD's most recent UFO policy document, released under the FOIA, is agnostic about ET visitors. It says despite more than 10,000 reports the ministry has never received any solid evidence, but adds: "[we] do not have any expertise or role in respect of UFO/flying saucer matters or to the question of the existence or otherwise of extraterrestrial life-forms, about which [we] remain totally open-minded."

The British authorities did not begin any formal study of UFOs (or "flying saucers" as they were widely known before 1950) until news of the many sightings in the USA filtered through to the British media. During the summer of that year newspapers serialised the first "flying saucer" books and a number of senior officials such as Lord Louis Mountbatten and the Government's scientific advisor, Sir Henry Tizard, put pressure on the authorities to study the phenomenon. The files reveal how the division of opinion between believers and sceptics in Government was a reflection of the views held by the general public as a whole.

While Mountbatten believed the saucers were of extraterrestrial origin, others such as Air Marshal Tom Pike of Fighter Command feared they could be spyplanes developed by the Russians. In turn, the MoD scientist Professor R.V. Jones said he would not believe until he could personally examine a captured flying saucer.

The fascination for seeing flying saucers, or UFOs as they dubbed by the military from 1950, filtered through all levels of society at the height of the Cold War. Belief in a higher power watching over mankind provided reassurance for many people who were concerned about the possibility of nuclear confrontation. At the same time invasions by alien hordes were widely depicted in popular culture and in films such as *The Day the Earth Stood Still* (1951) which reflected Cold War fears.

The UFO craze reached its peak in the summer of 1952 when reports of saucers tracked by radar and chased by jet fighters over Washington DC made headlines

across the world. They led Prime Minister Winston Churchill to fire off a memo to his Air Minister demanding to know: "What does all this stuff about flying saucers amount to? What can it mean? What is the truth?" In reply, he was told that "a full intelligence study" had been carried out in 1951 which found that all sightings could be accounted for as misidentifications of natural phenomena, optical illusions and hoaxes. The report of the oddly named "Flying Saucer Working Party" used to brief Churchill was kept secret until the year 2001 when I was able to locate the single surviving copy in the MoD archives.

The very first official study lasted just eight months after which the conclusions were delivered to a meeting attended by senior MoD and CIA officials. These recommended no further investigation of UFOs until solid evidence came to light. That decision was overturned in 1952 when the UFO invasion of Washington placed the subject in the news again. The Air Ministry was then asked to set up a standing committee of intelligence specialists to investigate future sightings. This UFO section, which was later incorporated into the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence when the modern Ministry of Defence was formed in 1964, continued to scrutinise UFO reports until October 2000 when their interest finally came to an end.

It was typical of the close post-war relationship between the intelligence agencies of the USA and UK that the latter's policy on UFOs would closely follow the lead taken by its larger neighbour. In 1953 the CIA convened a panel of senior scientists who decided there was no threat from UFOs themselves but feared that "phantoms" could be used by the Soviets as a weapon to generate confusion in the event of a war. The panel called for a campaign to debunk UFOs and asked the Air Force to comment publicly only on those reports where explanations had been found. In Britain, orders were circulated by the RAF which said sightings made by aircrew – particularly those involving radar – were covered by the Official Secrets Act and should not be discussed in public, particularly with the Press. This was the origin of the claims concerning a "Government cover-up" on UFOs which was in reality just another example of the obsession with secrecy that permeated many areas the British establishment during the Cold War.

Ironically, at the same time the intelligence agencies were debunking UFOs their own covert activities were contributing to the UFO myth. During the 1950s high altitude flights over the Soviet Union by then secret U2 spyplane caused a spate of UFO reports by civilian aircrew. And another project which used giant Skyhook balloons to collect aerial photographs behind the Iron Curtain were widely misreported as UFOs, allowing the RAF to keep tabs on their movements.

Britain's X-files show how sensitive the ministry was to criticism of their UFO policy, particularly from MPs and media. With the ending of the Cold War, UFOs were no longer taken seriously as a defence issue, but the subject simply would not go away. As senior official James Carruthers put it in a secret memo to Defence Minister Denis Healey, while they wished to avoid wasting public money chasing phantoms "it would only require one sensational unexplained or much publicised incident to bring down a shower of public criticism on the government for failing to give adequate attention to such matters."

## **12 KEY DATES IN BRITISH UFO HISTORY**

[level of interest in square brackets]

### **1946**

[4 out of 10]

In the aftermath of the war hundreds of sightings describing flying objects resembling German V-weapons are reported from Scandinavia and West Berlin.

Britain feared these "ghost rockets" could be Russian but an investigation decided they were an example of mass hysteria.

### **1947**

[6 out of 10]

As the Cold War began the first "flying saucer" wave grips the United States and leads the US Air Force to set up a project to investigate the phenomenon. In Britain mysterious "ghost planes" are sighted by RAF radars flying over the North Sea and fighter aircraft are scrambled.

### **1950**

[9 out of 10]

The craze for seeing flying saucers reaches Britain. Sightings by RAF pilots lead the Government to establish a secret Ministry of Defence committee, "The Flying Saucer Working Party."

### **1952**

[8 out of 10]

Prime Minister Winston Churchill demands to know the truth about flying saucers following sightings over Washington DC as fear of a war with the Soviet Union increases.

### **1953-54**

[7 out of 10]

RAF pilots report of a saucer over London lead to newspaper headlines and questions in the House of Commons. RAF issues order invoking Official Secret Acts warning aircrew not to discuss their sightings in public.

### **1957**

[5 out of 10]

The Soviet Union beats the Americans into space with the launch of Sputnik. In Britain UFOs are seen on radar at some of the most sensitive US airbases hosting nuclear weapons and the U2 spyplane.

### **1967**

[9 out of 10]

One of Britain's biggest UFO waves when police officers reported chasing a dazzling "flying cross" at speeds of up to 90mph across the Devon countryside. Questions in Parliament lead the Ministry of Defence to rethink its policy on UFOs.

### **1969**

[2 out of 10]

As man reaches the moon, the US Air Force close down their UFO project, Blue Book, after a study finds no evidence for ET or a threat to defence. In Britain the MoD decide to scale down their involvement in UFOs but continue to collect reports.

### **1978-79**

[10 out of 10]

The high-water mark for interest in UFOs. Release of *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* sparks a massive resurgence of interest in UFOs and ET life. UFOs are debated at the United Nations and in the House of Lords. MoD receive 750 sighting reports, the largest number ever.

### **1980**

[6 out of 10]

Lt Col Charles Halt, the USAF deputy commander of RAF Woodbridge in Suffolk files a report with the MoD describing how his men saw a UFO land in Rendlesham Forest leaving marks on trees and radiation traces.

### **2000**

[1 out of 10]

With the Cold War just a memory and threat from the East receding the MoD's Defence Intelligence staff, which had kept a watching brief on UFO reports since 1950, decide they no longer have any interest in the subject.

### **2005**

[8 out of 10]

On 1 January Britain's Freedom of Information Act came into force allowing access to the MoD's archive of UFO material dating back 30 years.

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### **Exhibitions, events, places to visit, etc:**

The National Archives (TNA) at Kew, Surrey, have published an online guide to the collection of Ministry of Defence UFO records. This can be accessed at the following link:

<http://www.catalogue.nationalarchives.gov.uk/rdleaflet.asp?sLeafletID=394>

From October 2005 the Science Museum in London are hosting The Science of Aliens exhibition, which asks "Are we alone?" and examines our enduring fascination with the search for alien life.

[www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/enews](http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/enews)

## The Face on Mars Speaks

Sometimes I get so lonely



I've not seen a soul for 5,000 years



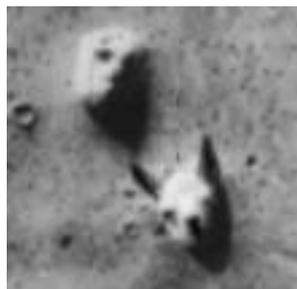
I get so tired of the constant photo taking



This is my best angle by the way



Oh well, at least I've got my pet dog for company





# PHOENIX LIGHTS EVENT ANALYSIS

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For clarification on what happened on March 13, 1997 over Phoenix and Arizona I made the following event analysis after initial investigation:

**Event 1 of a Type 1 object** is the sighting of the boomerang formation. However, the number of lights in the boomerang seemed to vary along the path of the object from 5 to 7 according to the witnesses. Some of the witnesses described this formation or object as huge, even up to 1 mile in span. It traveled, according to all witnesses, on a trajectory from Northwest to Southeast. It traveled at slow velocity along most of its course with one exception where it seemed to accelerate quickly. Its altitude was estimated to be below 5,000 feet. We know this is simply an estimate as it is difficult to determine the altitude of a flying object in the night sky. The witnesses agreed they could hear no sound emanating from the boomerang. The color of the lights changed between white and red.

**Event 2 of a Type 2 object** was the big black triangular form that was estimated by some witnesses to be as large as 2 miles in span! The lights on this object varied from none to as many as 9 amber lights. Some saw white lights, but they did not glow brightly. This object was seen to apparently deploy one of the lights to the west as it was moving on its southeasterly trajectory. The independent light-object has been described as a small orb or sphere that glows, but does not cast a corona, glare, or reflection from opaque surfaces.

**Event 3** - lights were the formation of amber-gold-orange lights seen arrayed near the Estrella Mountains and videotaped at around 10:00 p.m. It turns out by actual count that 8 lights formed part of an arc and 1 light was separated from this arc by a downward 10-degree angle from an imaginary coordinate system. This separated light from a closer perspective was actually two lights extremely close together. These lights looked to be perfectly round when seen through a telescope and had no corona or glare emanating from them.

**Event 4 of a Type 3 object** were the 2 large top-shaped object with engirdling pulsing rings of red light seen by Bill Greiner near Luke AFB. These lights were also seen traveling North to South on the west side of the valley. Bill reported seeing 3 jets take off from Luke AFB to intercept the nearest object. That object then performed a rapid vertical ascent leaving the planes far behind.

**Event 5** - Globes were reported seen in the vicinity of the triangle described as Event 2. These were large white luminescent globes that hovered silently over Fountain Hills, east of Scottsdale. These were somewhat similar to the objects seen by Bill Greiner, but no pulsing ring was seen.

At this point in the analysis we knew that these objects were unconventional; they did not behave like a conventional aircraft or natural objects. They were

unidentified; they were not identifiable as a known class of objects or aircraft according to the descriptions given by witnesses. They were unknown; the origin and nature of the objects are not generally known.

As we probed further my co-investigator Michael Tanner came up with a further analysis:

**1. FORMATION OF HOVERING ORBS** - First observed in a hexagram pattern at about 7:30 p.m. over the Superstition Mountains area east of Phoenix in the characteristic 8+1(or 2) formation of amber orbs and was next seen in two separate arc patterns with "trailing lights" over Gila River area at about 9:50 and again at 10:00 at the southern edge of Phoenix where they were seen by thousands and videotaped by a handful who had camcorders close enough at hand to catch the fleeting minutes of their displays. These amateur videos have immortalized the orb formations, becoming known around the world as The Phoenix Lights. These are the very same lights that started the controversy over "flares" and that will be taken up in the next chapter. The last appearance of the hovering orbs of the night was made over a now recognized "hot-spot" of Rainbow Valley arrayed in a "V" formation at about 2:00 a.m. on March 14th (and again appeared on January 14, 1998).

**2. "V" FORMATION OF FLYING ORBS** - First seen leaving the Henderson-Las Vegas area and entering Arizona at high speed, a V-formation of five to seven orbs, variously seen as bright blue-white to a yellow-white, came through the Prescott Valley area at low altitude by 7:50 p.m., turning south, where by 8:28, were videotaped (displaying their characteristic movement within the formation) at the north end of the valley that comprises the Phoenix metro area. In an apparent slower mode of flight, the orbs appeared at that point as amber in color as the formation moved along Interstate 10 angling toward Tucson after having been visually seen (not on radar) to intersect air traffic coming in on approach to Sky Harbor International Airport. After hovering for several minutes over a car full of witnesses driving north on I-10 at 65 mph, the formation was then picked up by observers in the Oracle area who reported the orbs' color as red to red-orange before the formation split up, going in separate directions while skirting the edges of the Tucson metropolitan area. At various points independent of this very specific formation, individual orbs were seen to shoot across the metro Phoenix valley with some moving away from and then re-docking with one or more of the Very Large Objects (VLOs) which came through later in the night.

**3. CHEVRON VLO (narrow angle)** - Observed first as a "V" formation of five white lights moving slowly and silently toward Prescott Valley from the northwest at about 8:15 p.m., the "chevron" was soon clearly seen as a single object. The huge craft made a pivot turn over the witnesses' home there while the lights shifted into an arc formation while the lights turned red and then it shot off at blinding speed toward Phoenix. At that time the next set of witnesses in central Phoenix saw the object coming directly toward them (estimated at Mach 2 or 3) while still in the "turbo" mode arc configuration, and then, as if to slow back down again, was seen to change back into a "V" whereupon it cruised silently and slowly right over their heads (only 100 to 200 feet above at 10 or 15 mph). The craft was later seen to zigzag through the valley, even changing altitude at various points and hovering for five minutes at the edge of Sky Harbor before proceeding south (right over the Village Lab building) to Interstate-10. After following I-10 several miles to Picacho Peak, the enormous craft (estimated at 900 feet or more on each leading edge and more than a mile in length to its "taillights") hovered once again for 10 to 15 minutes until there was no further track of it. According to Michael, this is a possible docking point for this craft and the giant triangle that followed it down I-10 some fifteen minutes later. This same

"chevron" or similar craft was seen traveling east to west over north Phoenix at about 10:50 p.m.

**4. BOOMERANG VLO (wide angle)** - This "V" formation, consisting of five groups of three lights, was confirmed to be a single huge object by various Prescott-area witnesses, being equivalent to a formation of five 747s flying absolutely lock-step in formation toward Phoenix. The craft was seen to make a southerly turn at about 8:25, once again, in the Prescott Valley area, after first approaching from the northwest. This VLO was later seen (although not clearly enough to identify) by an America West pilot who called Sky Harbor tower wondering what "those nine lights were", and an amateur astronomer in Phoenix who wrote it off as a formation of conventional airplanes. It is possible that this craft was the same as the giant triangle(wide angle) described below.

**5. TRIANGULAR VLO (narrow angle)** - This is the one seen by the family in Chandler. It may be the same Triangle or Deltoid craft seen by others as a wide angle craft. It had definite structure complete with panels in a grid along with lights at each of the three corners and a larger center light. Multiple witnesses confirm its northwest to southeast flight path through the eastern part of the valley with some observers seeing one or more orbs leaving and then re-docking with this VLO at various points. This particular craft was seen to "split in two" by a resident in Gilbert, south of Chandler.

**6. BIG BLACK TRIANGLE (wide angle)** - By all accounts the largest of the VLOs in the March 13th parade of craft, this gigantic craft was first seen at close range over north Phoenix between 8:30 and 8:45 where the key witnesses (real estate people who subdivided the area) estimated its size to be as much as two miles wide as its wingtip lights fell over two parallel streets that are 1.8 miles apart. Its flight path brought it low to the ground at this point (less than 2,000 feet) where it was seen to not only have dozens of lights along its leading edges, but also a row of windows wherein the silhouettes of "people" were observed! At some point further south, other witnesses reported that they saw nothing but the row of windows with beings (also in silhouette) as all of the lights were turned off at that point. By the time the VLO was seen over I-10 south of Casa Grande, however, three large lights were seen to be turned on, one at each corner, with smaller lights on along with the leading headlight. The witnesses here reported that it took them one to two minutes to drive under this immense ship while they were driving at 80 mph! They estimated the width of this VLO to be at least two, possibly three miles wide and big enough for a C5-A Galaxy or "Condor" troop transport (the largest conventional aircraft known) to land upon it! The craft had definite structure to it and the family of witnesses described its color as a flat blue-black like the color of a shotgun barrel. They also reported seeing rectangular "panel-like" structures on the underside of this craft.

Another large triangle was seen moving just north of Thunderbird Road at around 10:45 p.m., but the configuration of the triangle was different. That triangle had a V-cut into its trailing edge to give it a very distinctive look.

**7. GIANT DISCOID VLO** - Witnessed first by a retired airline pilot, his sons and a friend, and seen coming down Scottsdale Road at about 10:20 p.m., this huge circular craft, featuring amber lights around its perimeter (at an estimated one mile in diameter) was seen to make a purposeful turn toward Sky Harbor at about Camelback Road where it also intersected air traffic before disappearing from view over South Mountain. The corroborating central Phoenix witness, also a former pilot (Vietnam) and retired U.S. Marshal, described how the craft both reflected the city lights on its underbelly and blocked out the stars with its upper half, attesting to its being a single craft of spectacular "mile-wide" proportions.

This witness also claimed to have videotaped what he saw from the roof of his apartment building, but his tapes mysteriously disappeared in what may amount to a genuine "men-in-black (MIB)" episode. This craft may also have docked with the "chevron" craft and cloaked in "visual stealth" mode in its earlier pass through Phoenix at about 8:20 to 8:30, but this is purest speculation. The two craft reappeared (or two similar ones) in June and were photographed together at high altitude over Phoenix by the same witnesses with a 35mm camera while also viewing them with binoculars. A separate set of unconnected witnesses also reported the sighting of a huge discoid craft (bigger than Sun Devil Stadium at ASU) hovering at treetop level right off of the west end of the Sky Harbor runways at between 2:00 and 3:00 a.m. one morning about two weeks before March 13th.

**8. MILITARY JET/UFO INTERCEPTION ATTEMPTS** - We have to date identified four such events (there may be more) that clearly point to the conclusion that the Phoenix Lights UFO incident of March 13, 1997 was certainly no secret "black ops" or classified military exercise as many people would like to believe. A woman who lives next to Luke Air Force Base in the west part of the valley surfaced to report that at least 6 pairs of jets and as many as 8 were "scrambled" out of the base on the night of March 13th, something she could never recall witnessing before. One researcher called Luke AFB and asked someone who was out on the flight line if anything was seen by base personnel, and, unofficially, he answered that "they" were all over the place. The response from Luke spokesmen and their response to FOIA requests indicate that they were receiving phone calls about the lights, but never scrambled any jets to pursue them. Witnesses say different. Here are the witness reports:

A) Crown King at 5:30 p.m. - A formation of 3 huge "Vs" were seen hovering over this pine-topped mountain and were soon joined by a diamond-shaped or triangular craft which appeared "out of thin air" (at first seen as an amber light). As the four objects were hovering together, two jets were seen to come low from the south (from the direction of Luke AFB) at which point the UFOs went into a "stack", collapsed upon each other while going "into a ball", then totally disappeared! This would be called a case of high strangeness. Finding nothing there, the two jets circled the Crown King area and returned in the direction of the base. Similar disappearing acts of formations of "Vs", one over Lake Mead that afternoon and on March 27th over Elmont, New York were reported to Village Labs after seeing the article published in USA Today.

B) Central Phoenix at 8:15 p.m. - A pair of F-15s were dispatched from Luke AFB to attempt an interception of one or more of the Vs approaching or entering the valley at that time. This was reported to NUFORC by a ground crewman at Luke who stated that the aircraft were equipped with gun cameras and that one of the pilots had to be helped out of his plane because he was so shaken by his encounter. A cursory check revealed that Luke AFB no longer has F-15s in its inventory and only has the F-16 aircraft. However, at one time both were maintained at Luke. Could these F-15s have been visiting aircraft? There is still some attempt to locate the civilian witness who corroborated this story.

C) North Phoenix at 9:30 p.m. - One of the witnesses who had earlier witnesses with his wife the giant wide-angle triangle reported that when he was later at home, he saw in the distance what appeared to be the return of the triangle, this time with only three lights on, one at each corner.

As the UFO hovered near the Deer Valley Airport in northwest Phoenix, he saw two military jets approach the triangle, with one jet seen to pass one side of it

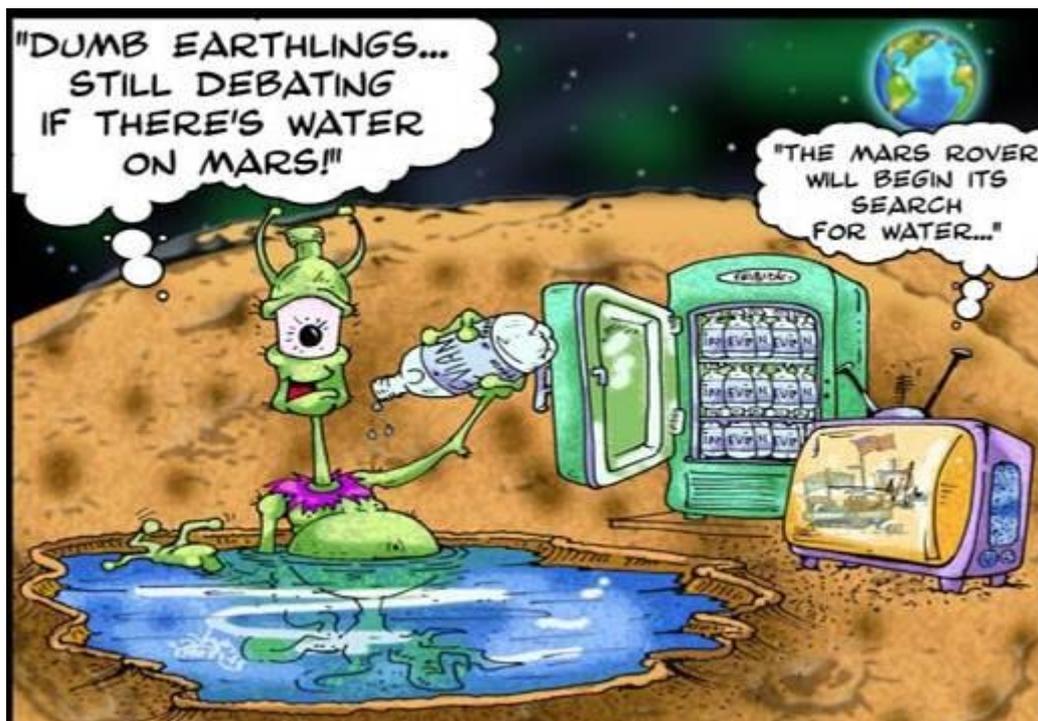
and the other seen to fly up under it, veering down at the last moment to avoid midair collision.

D) Luke AFB at 10:00 p.m. - (The original Event 4 - the first aircraft/UFO encounter to be reported). A truck driver who had been watching two unusual amber lights move ahead of him to the south for fully two hours as he drove down I-17 from Camp Verde, reported that as he neared his destination, a materials plant near Luke AFB, the two UFOs seemed to have stopped their movement and were hovering. Once at the plant, while waiting for his truck to be unloaded, he stood on a pile of materials to watch what were now seen as two identical, toy-top like amber orbs (like hot air balloons without hanging baskets) having a white iridescent sheen and a band of red pulsating light, with the nearest to him being one to two miles distant right near the runway at Luke. Suddenly, two F-16s, followed by a third, "blasted out of Luke with their afterburners on full", made a steep bank directly over the witness and headed straight for the nearest UFO. At the moment the lead jets were about to close on the UFO, it shot straight up and disappeared "in an instant" as the jets passed right through the very spot where the object had been hovering.

The second UFO also vanished, as it was no longer hovering in the northwest.

As you can see by Michael Tanner's event analysis and my own event analysis, there was a lot of activity on March 13th, yet the media chose to cover only 2 of these events. The Big Black Triangle has been virtually ignored by the journalists and is considered significant since these triangles have been reported more frequently throughout most of the world.

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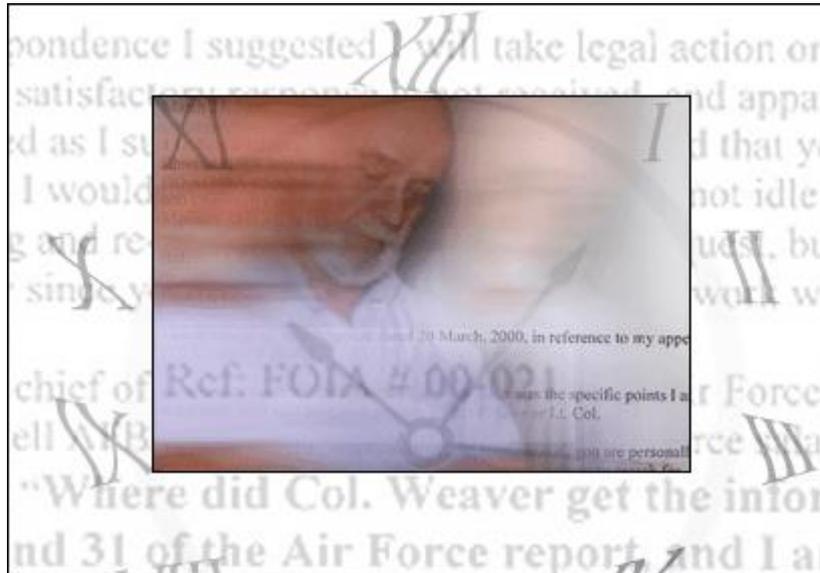


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# Searching for the Truth

(Always Telling the Truth, Means Never Having to Remember Anything)



**Is Timing Everything---As Related to the Roswell Incident?**

**By Dennis G. Balthaser**

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As this editorial is being written, we're again approaching the anniversary of the 1947 Roswell Incident, for the 58<sup>th</sup> time. It continues to amaze me as a researcher that after 58 years we have still not been given a satisfactory explanation of what happened here in Roswell, and consequently both the researchers interested in the incident, as well as the skeptics and debunkers continue to pursue their particular "take" on the incident. Will we ever know what actually happened here in 1947? Some think we will never know, while others claim we already know, and still others are in between.

One thing that does seem consistent, at least to me, is the fact that on several occasions in the recent past, coming out with "new" information has been timed to coincide with the anniversary date of the Incident. By coincidence or for publicity, promotion of books, or reports about the Roswell Incident is probably good salesmanship, because every year for the past several years the Roswell Incident has garnered media attention during the anniversary period around July 4<sup>th</sup>. This year will probably be no different, with several thousand people that are interested or maybe just curious converging on the town of Roswell to try and find the truth. It's my thinking however that the truth will not be revealed during this year's anniversary here in Roswell, but as on several occasions in the past, new information is being distributed, this time in the form of a new book by UFO Researcher Nick Redfern entitled, "Body Snatchers in the Desert; The Horrible Truth at the Heart of the Roswell Story", which I'll discuss later.

One of the problems I've experienced with these "final answers" to the Roswell Incident books is their lack of references or factual information to support their claims. Three other examples of well-timed documents are the 1995 United

States Air Force Report, "The Roswell Report: Fact versus Fiction in the New Mexico Desert" and the 1997 report, "Case Closed", and Lt. Col. Phil Corso's book "The Day After Roswell". "Case Closed" and Corso's book were released (escaped) in 1997, pretty much in conjunction with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Roswell Incident.

I am well familiar with the need for confidentiality when it comes to this research. I learned many years ago from Stanton Friedman that there are situations where the only way to obtain information, is to guarantee the persons confidentiality. Such was the case for me, several years ago when researcher Wendy Connors and I interviewed a key Roswell witness for three and a half hours on video tape, and have since copyrighted the information for posterity. We will eventually go public with the information, at a time that is appropriate for Ms. Connors and I, and do not plan on using unnamed witnesses or vague information. What we will present is what was recorded on videotape.

I also believe that when the United States Air Force or an individual goes public in book or report form, it is essential that all information be made public in order that it might be confirmed or denied and some form of finality can be addressed about the information presented.

The memorandum that Colonel Richard Weaver wrote to the Secretary of the Air Force pertaining to New Mexico Congressman Steven Shiff's request for an investigation by the General Accounting Office (GAO) about the Roswell Incident was dated July 27, 1994. That July date was possibly a coincidence date-wise, since the actual report was dated in 1995.

I have tried for several years through Freedom of Information Act requests to obtain detailed information about some of the comments Col. Weaver made in the 1995 report about the "Ramey photos" to no avail. I simply want to obtain copies of the reports done by a national laboratory, according to Weaver, on those photographs for the Air Force report. If the photos were analyzed as Weaver states, make the information available.

On June 24 1997 when the United States Air Force revealed their "The Roswell Report: Case Closed", it was made public 10 days prior to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Roswell Incident. The timing for the release of that report was absolutely astonishing, since Roswell was receiving worldwide exposure for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. I don't need to go into any detail about the absurd remarks made in that report about crash test dummies, which were not used until 6 years after the Roswell Incident.

So in both the 1995 and 1997 Air Force reports, we have information that cannot be confirmed after several years of trying by myself and other researchers, and out right lies about anthropomorphic test dummies that weren't used until 6 years after the Roswell Incident. In the case of the 1997 report, the timing by the Air Force was great regardless of whether any of the information in the report was accurate or not. It was intended to take attention away from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, but in my opinion failed miserably. I talked to several active duty Air Force servicemen when the report was published, and most were embarrassed by the Air Force's attempt to cover up the Incident with such ridiculous comments. It's my sincere opinion that "Case Closed" by the Air Force wasn't closed, and we should well expect another report from the Air Force at some point in the future.

Lt. Col. Corso's book "The Day After Roswell", quickly became a best seller, and was one of those "can't put it down books"; until I reached the end of the book

and found that there were absolutely no references to his many claims in the book.

I had met and talked with Corso on several occasions prior to his death, and found him to be extremely cordial and fairly impressive about his thoughts, however later when in-depth research was done about him, it was discovered that not all of what he said he was involved with was true. This was just another situation where we were led to believe that this was the final word on the Roswell Incident when in fact it wasn't, but the timing was there to release it in July 1997.

That brings us up to date, and as in the past, 2005 will be another year when the definitive explanation for the Roswell Incident is finally made public (or is it?) According to some reviews I've read about Nick Redfern's new book, it also has several unnamed witnesses, and several well-known researchers are questioning some of the claims he's making about the Roswell Incident involving a balloon attached to a Horten Brothers flying wing, containing Japanese individuals being used for experiments on the effects of radiation.

The unnamed witnesses, (whistleblowers) being referred to currently, and in the past could easily resolve the questions about the Roswell Incident if only a few would come forward and be allowed to be proven truthful or not. As long as witnesses remain unnamed, we have only to rely on the authors of the books we read for their validity, and that requires skepticism on those of us searching for the truth, but we will do that as part of our obligation to reach a final chapter on the 1947 Roswell Incident.

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## The Brazilian Breakthrough and other UFO Problems

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I thought that my involvement in the public side of Ufology was at an end when I packed in this game last December and left the book I had written to gather dust. Although I hasten to add not asbestos dust like the MOD files! Now there was a ridiculous excuse, second only to the one about a ship's log being blown overboard! However, I have been persuaded to pen some more words despite my reservations. As for the book, I have had a disappointingly limited feedback, and I will see if it is worth aggravating my hay fever by getting out the duster! Those interested will be pleased to learn the recent high winds in the UK have not dislodged the manuscript!

Much of my decision to withdraw from ufology, and my reluctance to get involved again, stems from the fact as each year went by I became more and more disillusioned with the way things are done in ufology. I can cope with the disinformation, the black propaganda and the secrecy from the powers-that-be, but I find the standard world of the ufologist ever more difficult to grapple with.

I hear story after story along the lines of how somebody was once a sceptic then looked at the subject and became a believer: a miraculous conversion takes place. I know from many of my colleague in astronomy this is not always the case. I started off in ufology at a fairly early stage in my career. I was not a standard sceptic. Indeed I largely ignored the world of UFOs which is probably why I got dragged into the subject in the way I did. I was certainly not one of those miraculous conversions whereby I have become 'a believer'. Indeed the way I viewed the subject is probably why I became a 'urologist by chance'. For me things were different and in some ways opposite to the standard sceptic converted to believer. Because I did not enter ufology in a conventional way I found I viewed the subject from a different perspective to the standard believer. Ironically I found the way ufologists go about their investigations quite alien! All too soon I found conventional ufology did not *generally* welcome science into the subject.

As a qualified astronomer, more precisely an astrophysicist, I was greeted with caution by many in the UFO scene. Maybe they thought I was going to blow their theories out of the water? If ufology and the believers therein were really that insecure, maybe I should try just such a thing. Surely UFO believers were strong enough to accept science into their subject. If asked today whether I believe ufology is that strong, I have to say in all honesty, no. When it came to my involvement with the standard UFO community I found myself drifting back from

the realm of 'the believer' and being more of a sceptic. Yet in other areas of my work the opposite was happening; *there* was a clear division, a gapping great gap between my two worlds of ufology.

More significantly, I still find much of ufo logy hostile to a serious scientific approach. Those involved in the UFO scene seem more interested in what the powers-that-be have to say almost as if ufologists believe only there they will find the source of truth. Yet if there is truth there it will certainly not be revealed to ufologists. It seemed to me the average ufologist was looking for answers in all the wrong places, putting all their flying saucers in one basket. I was not impressed with the way many investigations were being carried out. At best I found I could only halt my regression back to sceptical astronomer by becoming neither a sceptic nor a believer, but something in between, sitting on the fence if you like. That turned out to be good in some ways, for example I could see into both gardens!

Take for example the recent London conference which I saw advertised as *The Scientific Evidence*. Yet those speaking were all the same old names from standard ufology, Nick Pope, Timothy Good and a sprinkling of ex-NASA type scientists! **In** my opinion it was not the type of 'scientific' gathering which made me reach for my admission fee! Come on, you can do better than that if you try!

Science within ufology, if I can be generous here for a moment, is maybe alien because many ufologists lack scientific training. Certainly I have heard many ufologists talk about quantum theory, faster-'than-light travel and relativity and said to myself: "My God. Which school of physics did they fail at!" Your average astronomer's ignorance of ufo logy may be almost complete due to lack of education, but equally your average ufologist needs a good grounding in basic physics also, of that I have no doubt. Over the past few years I have noticed several big names in urology jumping on the scientific bandwagon as self appointed experts in the complex worlds of quantum mechanics, relativity and general modern physics yet have no idea of how often they produce verbal rubbish. Of course some of these are government or ex -government personnel and I can see exactly what game they are up to! But some are not and have no excuse!

During my ten years as astronomy correspondent at UFO Magazine, and as a science writer generally, I was always acutely aware of the perils of starting an article. It was so easy to start by talking about cosmology and dark energy and by paragraph two have the reader thinking "Yes, but what has this to do with UFOs?" They needed to stick with it to the end, but I all too often found they had not. I dare say they rapidly moved on to the next feature by a government whistleblower, dealing with something along the lines of how the powers-that-be are hiding research into powering UFOs with endless free Zero Point Energy. Of course, in doings so not realising what they call Zero Point Energy is what cosmologists call dark energy! Oh dear, never mind I'll just continue banging my head against the nearest brick wall.

And so I say, generally, ufology is weak. As much as many of those reading this would argue the opposite, I stand by that comment. True there are some who

have welcomed my efforts but there are many who have not. Just as many of my colleagues had warned all those years ago. True there are many out there doing good work and they are to be applauded. Nevertheless, generally, ufology is weak, easily led by the nose when promised the truth by high ranking officials and often blind to the real goings-on.

Hours, weeks and even years can be wasted arguing about a phone in a film or picture and whether it is right for 1947 when the alien on the table is so clearly a latex dummy with mould markings still visible. Scientific reasoning is all too often alien, but when the intelligence boys dangle a carrot the position changes. This is the proof the UFO believers are after, not the science which is more open, uncontaminated and easier to handle. Wake up and smell the coffee! In short ufology is easy to manipulate when these weaknesses are realised, and all the right people realise them.

Take this for example. A few weeks ago I learnt, as I am sure many of you have, that the Brazilian Air Force were coming clean over UFO sightings. People like Brazilian UFO investigator A.J. Gervaerd had been contacted and given files on sightings with a view to setting up a committee. Initially it was all cloak and dagger stuff, privacy was paramount and it was even suggested the Brazilians were tearing up their agreements with the USA over military cooperation and UFO secrecy! I don't know whether there were any secret meetings in dark underground car parks with a former deputy head of the FBI or similar, I certainly hope it did not get that ridiculous!

Since the news, the UFO community has been buzzing in anticipation. Never has Brazil seen such frenzied buzzing since the Chupacabras was cornered in 1996! Several large files containing secret documents were now in the hands of ufologists. I would be interested in the quality of the files rather than the quantity and I certainly believe it is only the tip of a very large iceberg, and not a particularly impressive tip at that. My worry is this: What is the rest of the iceberg all about?

When I heard the news my reaction was somewhat different to the average, buzzing ufologist. I did not see a 'disclosure' of the truth as many had, I smelt a rat, in fact a large black rat or to be more precise a large black propaganda rat with CIA written all over it. My view was, for God's sake wake up, there will be tears before bedtime!

Just like the days when Nick Pope arrived on the scene and hopes were high he would break the silence and tell all, we now have a repeat with Brazil. Have lessons been learnt? No! Nick Pope can tell you nothing new because he is bound by the Official Secrets Act. Likewise, the Brazilian Air Force, in the pockets of the USA, will be a similar story. What we have here is something important, but not in the way ufologist see it. This to me is clearly CIA controlled, and controlled with a view to either diverting attention from something else about to happen, or burying something else altogether. Either that or it is designed to discredit ufologists who are becoming too much of a pain in the butt of the authorities. Brazil is a special place for the USA, all manner of secrets can be buried there and

the powers-that-be are not going to give that up easily. My advice is to be careful, be very careful. All that glitters is not gold!

Even if the Brazilian Air Force wanted to break away from the control of the USA the likes of the CIA have procedures in place to stop such a thing. For goodness sake they have a whole department for that purpose! All those years ago, when I decided to look into UFOs, I thought I was entering a world of the unexplained. I found I had actually entered the world of the intelligence agencies; I was fast becoming an expert in the intelligence world not ufology.

I had my suspicions all was not well with Brazil when I started to receive calls some time ago about the Brazilian Air Force's sightings of several UFOs visible in the infrared, nicely videoed from a passing plane with just the right type of equipment on board. "Oh, what a surprise" I said! More significantly, the Air Force was quick to release this sighting to the media, and likewise the usual closed world of the news services, many in the pockets of the CIA, were unusually quick to spread the good news in quite a contradictory way to their usual practices when it comes to UFOs. At that point I knew we were building up to something strange and I smelt that rat approaching.

Now I notice that something strange is indeed happening. Have ufologists forgotten already what happened in the late 1980s and early 1990s when the Belgium Air Force were going to come clean after their flying triangle flap? Did that 'disclosure' happen? No it did not. They told ufologist sweet FA! Why? Because it was NATO, and who runs NATO? The USA!

So, what do I say about this new 'disclosure' promise? I would like to be wrong about all this, but I have had too much experience with the intelligence world's manipulation of ufology. Moreover, fat too many ufologists are gullible enough to buy it time and again. I cannot say I am holding my breath with a view that 'something wonderful is going to be announced'. I did not do that when we were about to get great news about life on Mars last year. No announcement was forthcoming as I predicted 'at the time. Before that we were going to get a significant announcement about the asteroid Toutatis as it passed close to Earth. It passed almost without interest for most people. Before that Planet X was about to return and the authorities were on the point of making a significant announcement. They did not! And so it goes on. Hardly a year goes by without the 'truth being on the point of being revealed to all'. Like predictions for the end of the world, these announcements come and go like the tides.

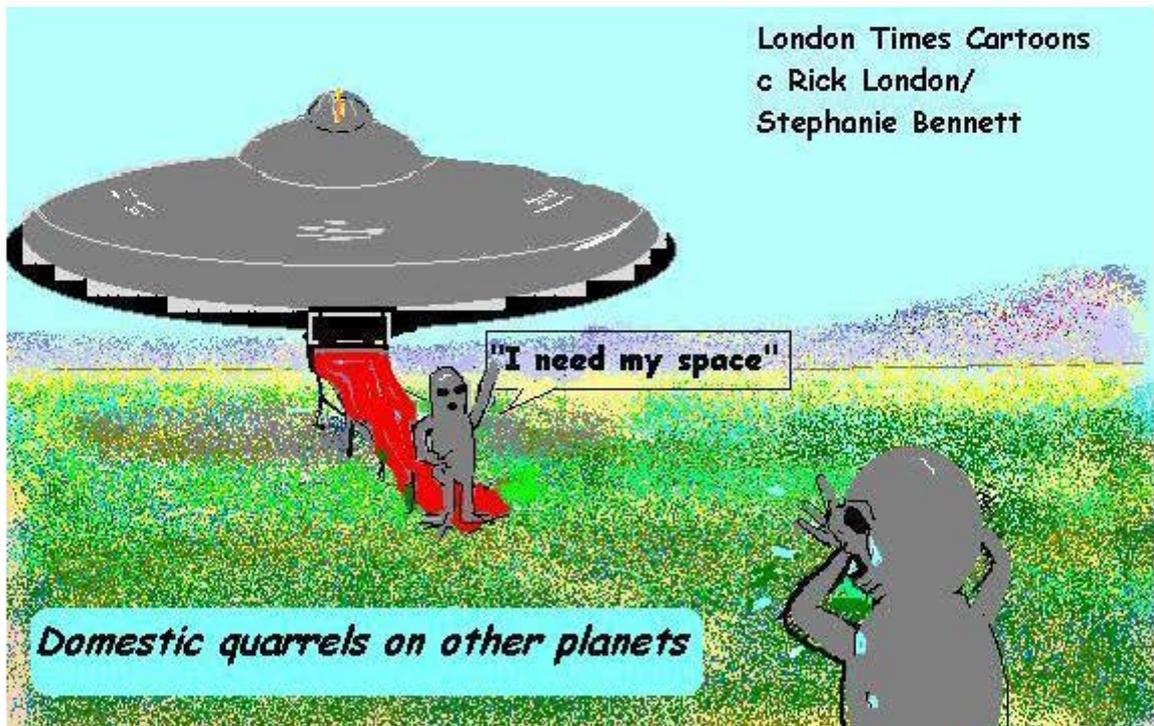
There are important lessons still to be learnt on all sides. I hope something positive will come from the Brazilian episode, but I would not be at all surprised if it suddenly turned around and bit those involved squarely on the backside!

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The dark side of the moon



This is another article by Andrew Pike. It is a synopsis for a book he has written and is thinking of self publishing. Andrew would really appreciate some feedback on this so if you have any comments to offer or have an interest in purchasing the book, please contact him at [andrew.pike@btdigitaltv.com](mailto:andrew.pike@btdigitaltv.com)

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In a frank and revealing analysis of the UFO subject astrophysicist, Andrew Pike, pulls no punches as he explains the science of UFO technology in both the open, white, world and the secret, black, world.

Drawing on his own experience and contacts from 35 years in astronomy and ufology, this book will examine our current understanding of UFOs.

Details from sightings are used to explain the science at work behind UFOs, including an in depth look at a never before published science report about the Rendlesham Forest encounter of December 1980. It is a story which goes well beyond the conventional extraterrestrial hypothesis.

Andrew Pike has long been regarded as one of those rare scientists who can explain complicated science in a way that is understandable to the general reader. Together with his open minded approach Hidden Agenda will reveal a whole new prospective on the UFO Subject.

### **Hidden Agenda**

Forbidden Science: UFOs, Secrets and Lies

By Andrew Pike, FRAS

*Not Everything in Ufology is Black and White.*

### **General Overview**

Hidden Agenda examines the science and technology behind the UFO Phenomenon from the viewpoint of the conventional, white, world of science and the classified, black, world of the military and secret services. It looks at the interaction between these worlds, their grey, cross over, areas of research. Also examined is the way these research interests are controlled not only by the powers-that-be in the classified, black world, but also by the way the white world exercises its own style of classification from the public and even the black world.

Hidden Agenda does not look at the UFO phenomenon from the viewpoint of the extraterrestrial hypothesis (ETH), as is the case with the majority of UFO books, but from the aviation, black budget world of governments and the forbidden science in the white and black worlds. However, an element of the ETH is included as it is relevant to the overall picture of the UFO subject.

Hidden Agenda also examine the author's work in these fields and contains an autobiographical element based on 35 years in both astronomy and ufology. It draws on the personal contacts and connections the author has in the white and black worlds of scientific research. Also included are new details on the Rendlesham Forest UFO incident involving United States Airman in December 1980. This information is being released to coincide with the 25th anniversary year of the event. *[Specific details are not being released prior to publication].*

There is a considerable element of new, previously unpublished detail to Hidden Agenda as well as a carefully crafted attempt to bring together existing details in such a way as to cast new light on the subject. As such the book will add a new perspective to the UFO subject.

The author is known for his ability to explain complex science in a manner understandable to the general reader with little or no scientific training, However, he is also known for his frank and blunt views on many subjects, as such this book will also contain some frank views about the way the 'UFO business' works and the characters it contains. It may also therefore be considered as "a frank and critical overview of the subject!"

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Book Length: 200,000 words; 460 pages

### 1. The Trouble with Ufology

Looks at the way the world of ufology works and is structured, from the workings of the humble UFO investigator to the manipulation of news services and UFO investigations by the authorities and secret services. Also contains details about the author's connections and relationships with the UFO business and the scientific community's relationship with the subject. The chapter deals with spooks, spies, astronomers and official manipulators amongst other characters. *[Contains details which cannot be released here].*

### 2. The Aliens Are Coming!

Best described as a brief history of UFO sightings. Covers sightings from ancient times through to World War Two (Foo fighters) onwards to ghost rockets and other post war sightings of the late 1940s. It then examines the 1950s through to modern day sightings decade by decade. Also examines the Majestic 12 story, Roswell and government involvement as well as US Presidential connections and British Prime Ministerial connections to the UFO subject. This is all dealt with in context with details in chapter one regarding government control of the subject and black propaganda.

### 3. The Flying Triangle

This is a chapter looking specifically at the black or flying triangle UFO. It charts the history of the object from the 1800s through to modern stealth aviation projects and encounters with the object. This chapter also looks at triangular UFO flaps, including the Belgian and UK flaps during the 1990s and the type of secret aviation projects which may (or may not) be responsible for the sightings. It also looks at how world governments act to spread black propaganda regarding the object. The chapter also serves as a build up to the most detailed multiple witness encounters with a triangular UFO in Rendlesham Forest during Christmas week 1980, covered in detail in the following chapter. *[Contains details which cannot be released here].*

### 4. Rendlesham

This chapter looks at the statements and reports from United States Airmen based at RAF Woodbridge and RAF Bentwaters in Suffolk, England, regarding a

UFO encounter during Christmas 1980. It covers the story in much the same way as other books but does contain new details including the author's early involvement in the subject. This latter point and the scientific details of Rendlesham are covered to a greater extent in chapter 11 where the witness reports are linked to the science of the encounter and the author's involvement - details released for the first time. *[Contains details which cannot be released here ]*.

## 5. The Intelligence of Man

A look at the stories and examples of forbidden science through the ages and the missed opportunities by the military and others. Looks at how the military changed its view towards 'wacky' science and how this relates to the current black, and white, worlds of secret science projects. This chapter also looks at how science was regarded by the powers-that-be up to the outbreak of World War Two. Other, later, chapters will expand on the ideas introduced here.

## 6. Hitler's Scientific Legacy

Charts the Nazi technology developed prior to World War Two and further developed throughout the war. It concentrates on the closing years of the war with the development of rocket science, flying discs and the race to develop the Atomic bomb. It looks at how close Hitler came to developing nuclear capability and some of the secret projects the SS had taken over under Himmler. The chapter also looks at the immediate years following the war including the investigation and interrogation of Nazi scientists: the rocket scientist in the USA and the nuclear scientists in the UK. These investigations were key to understanding exactly how close the Nazis were to developing flying discs and nuclear technology as well as plans to make deals and arrange defections to the Russians thus losing the Allies important discoveries, technology and documentation.

## 7. The Spoils of War

Expands on the previous chapter dealing with the race to capture Nazi technology following victory by the Allies. The chapter looks into how the Allies turned on each other and against the Russians in the race to capture the technology and use it to their own advantages. It will examine the role of intelligence organisations and how they specifically targeted the nuclear and anti-gravity technology believed to exist in Nazi Germany. It also looks at mistakes which led to the Russians capturing key equipment and personnel leading to a heightening of the forthcoming Cold War which existed into Ronald Reagan's presidency and the development of Star Wars (SDI) technology. *[Contains details which cannot be released here]*.

## 8. Electrogravitation

This chapter expands further on the ideas of the previous two chapters. However, it concentrates on the science of Electrogravitation, also known as electrogravitics or anti-gravity, and its development through the 1950s to the modern day. It looks at the strange effects of the science discovered by Nikola Tesla, Thomas Townsend Brown, and their connections with American Intelligence and the way their discoveries were manipulated by the authorities through black propaganda, etc. It also examines the Philadelphia Experiment and similar stories to discover how this manipulation worked. The chapter also looks at anti-gravity research currently being carried out in the white and black worlds involving big names in aviation and space research. There are also further details about how the Russians gained key knowledge and personnel into this subject following the war and how and why much of the science had to 'go black'. Also examines details about where the effects originate and the connection with the modern physics of quantum theory and relativity.

### 9. A Cornucopia of Weirdness

This chapter expands on the quantum and relativistic sciences of anti-gravity hinted at in the previous chapter. It examines how much of the forbidden science of the 1950s and beyond is reality today. It looks at how the white world and black world are in danger of colliding as the two worlds catch up with each other. Other areas examined are the possibility of faster-than-light travel and space exploration and how modern physics is developing to achieve such science - even the possibility of time travel.

### 10. A Universe made of String

In order to fully understand anti-gravity technology and UFO technology generally, it is necessary to go beyond quantum physics and relativity as they stand today. That requires a knowledge of string theory, the theory of subatomic matter and how it works. In this chapter these details are examined and applied to the effects seen in UFO sightings and anti-gravity research in the black and white worlds. It examines how the black world is dependant on the theoretical research of the white world to continue its work especially in gravity controlled aviation. The chapter also looks at how the control of gravity has developed a new understanding of gravity wave theory and its possible use in weapons of mass destruction and the Star Wars (SDI) technology still being developed today by big names in the aviation world.

### 11. Rendlesham Revisited and other UFO Encounters

This chapter pulls together all the previous chapters to explain in greater detail the ideas behind UFO technology. It draws on the Rendlesham multi-witness sightings at RAP Woodbridge and RAF Bentwaters in December 1980 to explain how the effects seen there can be linked to this technology. The chapter also

contains details of a scientific investigation set up partly as a result of this encounter to examine the science of Rendlesham's sighting and other sightings around the world. *[Specific details are not being released prior to publication]-*

## 12. Holography: The Complete Picture?

This concluding chapter will go further in pulling together the ideas about UFO technology developed throughout the book. It will draw together ideas and events in the book to highlight important connections and links as a general review and concluding chapter.

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**What the f\*\*k did I  
have to drink last night?**



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## **A CLINICAL ANALYSIS OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT PHOBIA**

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### **Abstract**

This study conclusively demonstrates that unfounded fear of government is a recognizable mental illness, closely related to paranoid schizophrenia. Anti-Government Phobia (AGP) differs from most mental illnesses, however, in that it is highly infectious and has an acute onset. Symptoms include extreme suspiciousness, conspiracy-mongering, delusional thought patterns, staunch "us against them" mentality, withdrawal from reality, and often religious fanaticism. Having the patient committed to a qualified mental health institution is the best option for family and loved ones. For this reason, all psychiatrists and family physicians should be provided with educational materials which will help them recognize the various symptoms and warning signs accompanying onset. Since comparatively little is known about Anti-Government Phobia at the present time, a government-funded health commission should be set up to oversee, and help focus, future research.

### **Incidence and Etiology**

Anti-Government Phobia has a worldwide distribution, but has a particularly high incidence in the United States. Infection rates are estimated by mental health officials to be about 5% of the general population, and this rate is growing at an alarming rate. Rates are highest, but not limited to, those who are disaffected in some fashion, especially those who have a strong personal grudge against the federal government for one reason or another.

Although certain variants of the illness have been around for many years, it is only in the last decade or so that the more virulent and infectious strains have appeared. This is most likely due to the rapid buildup of government, at all levels, during the 1980's. Closely paralling this trend was an explosion in the number of cases in which individuals were diagnosed as having unfounded fears concerning such.

Clinical Manifestations and Diagnosis Anti-Government Phobia is marked by extreme suspiciousness toward government. Onset is acute. Symptoms start almost immediately after a run-in with some agency or institution of the government, or when the patient is introduced to anti-government propaganda, in one form or another, by a self-styled "patriot." Common ways in which this harmful, anti-government propaganda is spread include: books, pamphlets, magazines, newspapers, audiotapes, videotapes, short-wave and conventional radio programs, computer bulletin boards, and various Internet sites.

Upon exposure to "patriotic" propaganda, the patient mysteriously begins to imagine hidden links between unrelated current events, weaving these gross distortions of reality into a complex delusional web; a labyrinth of conspiracy theories with all imagined clues leading straight to the federal government. With further exposure, the patient becomes increasingly paranoid, and slowly withdrawals from reality. However, mental deterioration is usually so gradual that the patient is often unaware of it.

This mysterious malady progresses until the patient invariably assumes a staunch "us against them" mentality. For instance, in the patient's warped mind-set, each new piece of gun-control legislation is oddly rationalized to be merely one additional step in an ultimate plot by the federal government to confiscate guns altogether. In some unusually severe cases, the patient assumes a survivalist mentality, stockpiling guns, ammunition, de-hydrated food, and other "essentials," in preparation for "D-Day" or "Armageddon."

At this stage, the patient also inexplicitly experiences increased delusional thinking. For instance, he may start fallaciously believing that the Federal Reserve is not in fact part of the federal government, but is instead controlled by wealthy Zionists. Other far-flung delusions may involve the United Nations, "black helicopters," concentration camps, or the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Delusions involving "takeovers" by foreign military troops, or jack-booted government storm troopers dressed in all black, are also commonly diagnosed.

Anti-Government Phobia is often associated with religious fanaticism. An excellent example of this is the infamous Branch Davidian case, in which most cult members preferred a fiery suicide over peaceful surrender to the forces of what they considered to be "Mystery Babylon." There have been other prominent cases in which "patriots" have become involved with terrorist activity, fallaciously believing that they were somehow doing the "will of God." More commonly, "patriots" have been involved in aggressive outbursts in courtrooms, and other public places such as town-hall meetings.

Overall, the worldview eventually adopted by "patriots" interprets modern-day news events as pieces of a giant jig-saw puzzle. Oddly, they believe that it is their solemn duty to put these unrelated pieces together in order to discover the underlying "picture." The warped interpretive framework used by many "patriots" in their missionary-like endeavor of saving the lost "sheep" (derogatory term comparing non-patriots to lost sheep) is a hyper-literal interpretation of Biblical prophecies, particularly those contained in the book of Revelation.

### **Spread of the Illness**

In the eyes of the so-called "patriots," the relentless drive to indoctrinate others with extremist political beliefs is seen as a righteous and compulsory act to save their "self-destructing" nation. Wildly fantasizing that America can somehow turn back the clock to better times, which in reality never existed, many "patriots" feel obligated to quote constantly from the Declaration of Independence, United States Constitution, Bill of Rights, and the writings of the Founding Fathers. In an ironic twist of fate, when "patriots" expose others to their divisive anti-government propaganda, through their misguided efforts to restore "individual liberty," they are actually infecting them with an extremely contagious mental illness.

A strong analogy can be drawn between "patriotic" indoctrination and patterns of religious conversion. In both cases, ultra-idealistic individuals believe that it is their solemn duty to gain proselytes for their particular faith. This is usually done on a person-to-person basis with a friend or acquaintance. To keep new converts from going astray or "backsliding," they are eagerly provided with a steady stream of propaganda. In each case, the devotee imagines that there is an evil, sinister force which must be opposed at all costs. In the case of various religions, the faithful are supposedly rewarded in the afterlife for sparring with the "devil." In the case of the "patriot," the so-called "New World Order" is viewed as the demonic bogeyman, with the reward for opposing it supposedly being an

increased amount of "personal freedom." In both "patriotic" and religious circles, there is an entire counter-culture, centering around various anthems and holy books, constantly being promoted by prophets, preachers, and paranoid propagandists of all creeds, colors, and strains.

### **Prevention**

Needless to say, prevention is the first line of defense against any type of illness or disease. Unfortunately, many mental illnesses are genetic in nature and thus can not be prevented. Fortunately, Anti-Government Phobia is non-genetic and thus wholly preventable. From an individual standpoint, the most effective prevention policy is obviously not to allow oneself to become indoctrinated by a self-styled "patriot," preferably by staying as far as possible away from any potentially divisive propaganda. As an added precaution, one should rely exclusively on well-known and reputable sources for news and other information.

Family members and loved ones can help out in this effort. However, it should be noted that prevention programs work best only when the entire community is involved. We all need to practice constant vigilance in order to spot divisiveness and hate in our communities. In this regard, networking is the ultimate key to success. A successful community-based empowerment program would include the following elements: citizen-citizen networks, police-citizen networks, parent-teacher networks, pastor-parisoner networks, doctor-patient networks, state-local law enforcement authority networks, and federal-state law enforcement authority networks.

### **Treatment and Prognosis**

Although the prognosis is generally good if the illness is treated soon after symptoms first appear, studies have shown that a disturbingly low percentage of patients allow themselves to be treated. Thus, having the patient committed to a qualified mental health institution is the best option for family and loved ones. For this reason, all psychiatrists and family physicians should be provided with educational materials which will help them recognize the various symptoms and warning signs accompanying onset. Once the illness is properly diagnosed, they should next notify the patient's immediate family members and discuss the various treatment options with them. This effort should be reinforced with extensive public ad campaigns promoting a 1-800 help line. Since comparatively little is known about Anti-Government Phobia at the present time, a government-funded health commission should be set up to oversee, and help focus, future research.

It can not be over-emphasized that prevention is the key to stopping the spread of Anti-Government Phobia. Once a person is infected, the illness is generally incurable. The only proven treatment is an extended, and often risky, "de-programming" session conducted by qualified professionals, such as the Cult Awareness Network (CAN). Left untreated, chronic symptoms invariably persist throughout the entire lifetime of the patient. Sadly, even the patients themselves realize this horrifying fact and surprisingly, seem apathetic to it. Oddly, they often confuse their symptoms with being "awake." For instance, they have been known to garble gibberish such as "once your awake, you can't go back to sleep." Further research is presently being conducted on the reasons why they rationalize their mental illness in this highly unusual manner.

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