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UFO Entity Hostility

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How dangerous are the UFO entities that occasionally confront us? Since they sometimes seem to know what we are thinking, even from a distance, initial encounters with aliens can be events filled with bewilderment and terror. Considering that some government agencies have publicly and repeatedly denied the existence of these creatures, any human who encounters them experiences an immediate paradigm shift as to the reality of UFOs and the creatures who occupy them.

In 1943, four years before the Kenneth Arnold encounter, two men in a small airplane near Prescott, Arizona saw two luminous objects direct a beam of light onto a military airplane, which then exploded. The crewmen bailed out only to have beams of light directed towards them which set their parachutes on fire. Both died as a result. About thirty years later a truck driver opened a window and stuck his head outside to get a look up at an object that was over him. A fireball descended from the craft and struck the man on his face. He later discovered that a lens in his glasses had been warped by the heat and had dropped out of the frame. Also, his forehead had been blistered. The UFO literature contains many descriptions of objects getting close to cars, trucks, and people before unleashing painful lights toward them.

A night watchman in an eastern state was confronted by a rather large object which was making a hissing sound along with a very bad odor which caused him to vomit. In Brazil a young man was hit by a ray of light and knocked to the ground. People who watched the incident said that they could see figures behind a sort of instrument panel inside the craft. A young student was confronted by a black ball of fire which emitted a sooty material on his upper body and clothing.

A man was driving home from work and encountered a large object on the ground emitting beams of light when, all of a sudden, the car's engine burst into flames. The driver jumped from the car as its gas tank was exploding.

As a group of UFOs maneuvered overhead a police officer could feel a stinging sensation and waves of heat from six UFOs overhead. A woman reported that a grocery bag started to burn as a UFO was maneuvering over her car.

A Brazilian man spotted a UFO and three entities standing on the ground. The man ended up shooting at one of the entities with a rifle and was struck in the head by a green light. A few days later he was released from a hospital suffering from leukemia. He was also covered with welts and soon died. In India an airliner was struck by an unknown object that was never identified or explained which caused it to crash.



Minnesota Mufon Meetings

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1:30pm - 5pm**

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special security, so you can
come and go as you please
and smoke outdoors. There
is also an elevator.)**

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The literature, especially from older periodicals from the 1960s through the 1970s, contains a wealth of information about unusual encounters and experiences with UFOs. If possible, visit used book stores. If they sell used UFO magazines you might be able to find a few that were published during earlier years.

**The Dropa tribe and their stone discs
revisited by Philip Coppens
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http://www.philipcoppens.com/baian_kara_ula_upd.html

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In the mid-1990s, German author and tour guide Hartwig Hausdorf reignited the debate as to whether aliens had crash-landed in their craft in the remote mountainous region of Baian-Kara-Ula, in China's Qinhai Province. Over the past decade or so, several elements of the story have been confirmed.

The alleged crash-landing at Baian-Kara-Ula has become known as "the Chinese Roswell"—though the crash, if there was one, occurred not in 1947 or thereabouts but several thousand years ago.

At the core of the story is that in 1937–38, an expedition led by Chi Pu Tei, an archaeologist with the Chinese Academy of Sciences in Peking (Beijing), was trying to find shelter in the Kunlun-Kette mountain chain. The team members entered a cave and found inscriptions on the walls. At the back of the cave they found several tombs, aligned in a row, containing strange-looking skeletons, each measuring 1.0 metre 20 centimetres in length and having an abnormally large skull. Buried with the skeletons were unusual stone discs, 716 in all, about 30 cm wide and 1.0 cm deep with a hole in the centre, each bearing strange hieroglyphs. Were these Stone Age long-playing records?

The story goes that the Chinese Academy of Sciences tried to ban the publication of these findings, but eventually the story of the Dropa (or Dzopa) tribe and their stone discs was released—though never confirmed.

There are several aspects to this story: the strange skeletons; the discovery of a little-known tribe of dwarf-like beings; the nature and whereabouts of the discs; and the decipherment of the inscriptions.

The script was apparently only deciphered and the passages translated in the early 1960s by a team led by Professor Tsum Um Nui of the Peking Academy of Prehistory. He claimed that they describe the crash of an extraterrestrial spacecraft 12,000 years ago. Here are a few lines from the translation: "The Dropa came out of the clouds in their aeroplanes. Before sunrise, our men, women and children hid in the caves ten times. When they finally understood the sign language of the Dropa, they realized the newcomers had peaceful intentions..."

As for the discs, it has been pointed out that stone discs are a known ingredient of Chinese culture and are called "Bi" discs. Although their origin is unknown, these Bi discs have been dated to as far back as 10,000 BCE—thus largely coinciding with the time-frame of the alleged crash.

Bi discs were normally made from jade or other precious materials and were regarded as status symbols. In the aftermath of war, the losers were required to hand over their discs as a sign of submission. Furthermore, it is known that the discs were used in burials. In aristocratic burials, the discs were normally placed above the head, below the feet and on the chest of the deceased. Interestingly, Bi discs were often considered to be "the Ear of Heaven", and sometimes the hole in the disc was placed in front of the mouth so that the dead could speak to their ancestors.

The story that stone discs with hieroglyphs were found in a tomb is therefore not only plausible but likely—considering, too, that Bi discs often carried inscriptions.

In 1974, a tourist, Austrian engineer Ernst Wegerer, saw and photographed several discs in the Banpo Museum in Xian, in Shensi Province. But this begs the question of whether these discs, which are similar in description to those reportedly discovered in Baian-Kara-Ula, were "just" Bi discs or actual examples of the ones found in the mountain cave during the 1937–38 expedition.

Descendants of the Dropa

Many people incorrectly believe that the story of the Dropa tribe was first aired in a 1978 book titled *Sungods in Exile*, edited by David Agamon. This

book details the 1947 expedition of the English scientist Dr Karyl Robin-Evans, who supposedly reached the Baian-Kara-Ula mountains and made contact with the Dropa. According to the book, the tribe comprised several hundred members, all dwarfish in appearance and four feet (1.22 metres) tall on average. Dr Robin-Evans stayed there for half a year, learned the Dropa's language and was introduced to the history and traditions of the dwarfish beings, who told him that their ancestors had come from Sirius, of all places.

It is now known that the book was largely science fiction dressed up as non-fiction, but many people had already decided that the Dropa story was bogus—especially those who erroneously argue that the book was the first to mention the “ridiculous” story.

It would seem that *Sungods in Exile* either was meant to cash in on stories about the Dropa that were in circulation for a few years before it was published, or—if you like a conspiratorial explanation—was meant to discredit the story. Why? Perhaps it was merely because China was a communist nation and any interest in things Chinese was officially discouraged at the time by western governments.

But it was definitely not a hoax—at least not one executed in 1978. The Berlin-based historian Dr Jörg Dendl has been able to trace the first mention of the Dropa story to 1962, when a monthly magazine for vegetarians, *Das vegetarische Universum* (“The Vegetarian Universe”), published an article titled “UFOs in Prehistory?” in its July edition. Dr Dendl has so far not been able to find the original Chinese or Japanese source, but it is clear that the story is much older than 1978.

Furthermore, the story reported in *Sungods in Exile* of an expedition coming across dwarfish people in the Baian-Kara-Ula region has non-fictional counterparts. Dr Dendl found a 1933 clipping about a Chinese confrontation with dwarflike beings. Though some might argue that the location was in “Tibet”, at that time Baian-Kara-Ula was mistakenly labeled as being part of Tibet. The article relates how a woman, only 1 m 20 cm tall, was seen being escorted by Chinese soldiers and that she and her group were being held as slaves. There was also a statement that they were cannibals, but this might merely have been an excuse to cover for their inhumane treatment.

Most importantly, the existence of the Dropa—or a tribe like them—has been confirmed. In November 1995, the Associated Press (AP) stated that some

120 “dwarfish beings” had been discovered in Sichuan Province, in a so-called “Village of the Dwarfs”. (Some skeptics cast doubt on the AP account, though it is easily verifiable. In fact, on 9 November 1995, the German publication *Bild* ran a report titled “Das Dorf der Zwerge – Umweltgifte schuld?” [“The Village of the Dwarfs – environmental pollution to blame?”] about the discovery.) The tallest adult in this village was three foot 10 inches (1.0 m 15 cm) tall; the smallest was two foot one inch (63.5 cm).

The location of the village is only a few hundred kilometres from the Baian-Kara-Ula mountain range. However, despite China's becoming more open, this entire area including the village remains off limits to foreigners.

Hartwig Hausdorf, who has been on the track of the Dropa since at least the early 1990s, ponders whether in recent years the Dropa's descendants might have abandoned the mountains and settled in the nearby lowlands—where they were “discovered” in 1995.

According to a report in *Bild* on 27 January 1997, a Chinese ethnologist claimed that the tribe's dwarfism was due to a high concentration of mercury in the soil, which had poisoned their drinking water for several generations. The claim did not go unchallenged, however. Dr Norbert Felgenhauer of the Munich Institute for Toxicology argued that this theory is nonsense. He stated that such poisoning would result in immediate death, not stunted growth, and introduced as evidence the case of the Japanese town of Minamata, where in the 1960s many inhabitants died from mercury poisoning. He also noted that mercury was unable to change human DNA and hence could not be held responsible for causing an hereditary trait—one that was clearly apparent in this tribe.

Deciphering the Discs

So, we know that the existence of stone discs is possible, if not likely, and that, if the 1933 report is correct, there were dwarfish people living in that region. The question, then, is this: is the decipherment of the script correct? If it is, then it does not necessarily prove that alien beings crash-landed in China, but at the very least it shows that these “genetically bizarre” beings believed they were descendants of aliens.

According to the story, in 1962 a team of five scientists from the Peking Academy of Prehistory,

led by Professor Tsum Um Nui, managed to decipher the inscriptions. Despite the claims made in the translation, the scientists eventually published their findings. Professor Um Nui then apparently was forced (or he decided) to abandon his position, after which he returned to his native Japan where he died shortly afterwards. Though little is known about what happened next, Hausdorf underlines that, in 1966, the Cultural Revolution began—and, as with all such revolutions, much was lost forever.

There is no verification of the 1962 translation as such, though it should be pointed out that there is no evidence in the camp that argues it's all a hoax to suggest that the 1962 story and the translation are invented. So far, the best the detractors have been able to argue is that the story is improbable (of course!) and that no one has ever been able to decipher a stand-alone language, let alone an extraterrestrial language. That is true. But nowhere does the account say, and no one has ever argued, that this was a "unique language".

The only claim in this connection is that in 1937–38, when the discs were discovered, their inscriptions could not be read immediately. Only in 1962 did a team of specialists succeed in this task. For all we know, the language in which the script was written had not yet been deciphered in 1937, or no one had paid sufficient attention to the inscriptions, or only in 1962 was someone able to identify the language in which the inscriptions were written.

But note the year: 1962. This is the year that the earliest known reference to the story appeared—found by Dr Dendl in a German magazine—and it would suggest that something happened in 1962 that made a Chinese or Japanese source report on it.

The translation of the discs might be precisely such an event: Professor Um Nui publishes his translation, the media pick it up and create a controversy; he decides to retire and return to Japan, while the media outside of China also report on it, ending up in the German magazine "The Vegetarian Universe". If the story was invented, it means that it was invented (or misreported) in 1962.

The 1978 Sungods in Exile hoax is now clearly nothing more than a footnote in the story, largely responsible for popularizing the entire saga but

definitely not for creating or inventing it out of thin air.

The 1962 article also discusses some technical details of the discs, underlining the potential factual nature of the story. It notes that the discs were composed of cobalt, iron and nickel—the only metals to produce a magnetic field. Nickel is found largely in Canada and Central Africa, but in recent years it has been found in China, in the general area where the discs were located.

For Hausdorf, this is a further indication that the story is factual, for this find post-dates the discovery of the discs—and the 1962 article. In short, what in 1962 was unlikely and improbable has now been confirmed.

A New Expedition

Baian-Kara-Ula remains one of China's most remote regions. Its mountains reach as high as 5,000 metres and descend to 2,000 metres. Despite the altitude, summers can be pleasantly warm in this region.

It is now said that a new expedition is being prepared and will soon be under way. It is apparently largely an initiative of Chinese media empires, its main sponsor being the China Daily newspaper. If the participants are able to get their act together, it might not be another decade before this story takes yet another twist.

AN ESTIMATE OF THE SITUATION – 2009 By William I. McNeff MNMUFON Assist. State Dir.

During military campaigns the commander from time to time will ask for an evaluation of where things stand. This is called an "Estimate of the Situation". By its nature, this cannot be perfect, but is simply an analysis of available facts and an assessment of what they mean and recommendations for possible courses of action. It's time again for my annual look at where we are with respect to UFOs and ETs. First let's review the biggest stories of 2008.

In January 2008, major UFO sightings in Stephenville, TX drew global attention. Many witnesses insisted they saw fighter jets chasing after a UFO on Jan. 8th. The Air Force first said they had no aircraft flying in that area at the date and time of the alleged UFO sighting. But two weeks later, the Air Force came out with a statement that

was essentially, "Ooops. We did have jets flying exercises in the area and we just forgot about them." When this flip-flop raised a red flag for many people, the Air Force went silent on it all. The statements of denial by Air Force personnel, which may have been intended to discredit the witnesses, failed in light of FAA radar reports. The radar data for Jan. 28 showed the unknown object was traveling as fast as 2,100 mph and then at other times slowed to a crawling speed of 49 mph. The craft was last pinpointed at 8 p.m. along U.S. Hwy 36, 10 miles from President Bush's Crawford ranch!

In April, the proposed ballot initiative to create an Extraterrestrial Affairs Commission in Denver started another global media blast.

On May 13, Vatican astronomer Father Funes declared that it's OK to believe in extraterrestrial beings as 'our brothers and sisters' and that such beliefs are not in conflict with faith in God. On May 14, Britain released more than 1,000 documents on UFO sightings from the 1970s and 1980s. Also on May 14, a UFO allegedly crashed south of Las Vegas near Needles, CA that immediately attracted "men in black" and a secret military operation. The May 30 Denver press conference showing of Stan Romanek's "Alien-in-the-window-video" became a smash Internet and news hit and even broke page view records at www.DenverPost.com.

On July 23, former astronaut Dr. Edgar Mitchell piqued the interest of many with his interview on Kerrang Radio proclaiming that the Roswell extraterrestrial UFO crash was real and so are government cover-ups of UFO phenomena. Further proof of these cover-ups was the Oct. 20 release of more UFO files in Britain that included the story of U.S. airman Milton Torres who was told to shoot down a UFO in 1957 near England.

Finally, on November 5, President Elect Obama announced that John Podesta (a past advocate of UFO disclosure) would co-manage the White House transition team. Podesta has stated publicly in the past, "I think it's time to open the books on questions that have remained in the dark on the question of government investigations of UFOs. It's time to find out what the truth really is that's out there. We ought to do it really because it's right. We ought to do it because the American people, quite frankly, can handle the truth. And we ought to do it because it's the law." However, when some of his staff people were asked recently about this, they stated that it was doubtful that this would happen

at this time, because doing so would create certain problems.

Nevertheless, other key White House Cabinet members have made recent statements about ending the secrecy. Bill Richardson of New Mexico, home of the 1947 Roswell extraterrestrial vehicle crash, has stated that "The federal government has not come clean on all that issue [Roswell UFO] and should." The Rockefeller Initiative briefed Senator Hillary Clinton on the UFO issue. Gov. Napolitano of Arizona surely knows that former Arizona Gov. Fife Symington has admitted to seeing the "Phoenix Lights" UFO. He said he thought it was "some sort of alien spacecraft". Symington also believes the government has used disinformation tactics to try to discredit thousands of other witnesses.

Stephen Bassett, director of "X-PPAC", hopes to have 40,000 signatures from supporters asking for government release of UFO information ready for Mr. Obama by Inauguration Day. He writes: "The truth embargo is now at the end of the line. The release of documents in Britain and France has put huge pressure on the U.S. It makes the government here look pretty stupid." He calls his campaign "The Million Fax on Washington." Unfortunately, after choosing that title, he discovered that the Obama transition team is accepting no faxes. You can imagine that if they were, their fax machines would be spitting out reams of paper daily from people asking the new administration to do this or that. Instead, the Obama team collects public ideas and opinions at their Change.gov website, where the public can also vote on ideas submitted by other people. A recent suggestion on that website that the government release UFO information had received 11,000 some votes when I last checked.

Based on the above information, it might be supposed that there is a good chance that the Obama administration will reveal at least some of the unclassified information about UFOs, as well as some classified information that would not compromise U.S. military capabilities or technological superiority. It is my personal opinion that the majority of Americans would not be unduly upset by the revelation that we are being visited by extraterrestrial life forms. But there is a minority who likely would be upset by this, with concerns ranging from fear of invasion to a belief that these beings are evil or even demonic in nature. With the U.S. in the middle of a recession, anything that upsets even a minority would likely not be welcome by government leaders. What is more likely is a slow release of information to gradually accustom

people to the idea of an alien presence. This seems to be taking place, both in the form of statements by respected personages such as Dr. Mitchell and through leaks of documents. Dr. Robert Wood and his son Ryan have collected hundreds of such documents and, based on forensic evaluation, have provided various degrees of validation of many of these documents.

Perhaps in a few short years, the government will reveal basic information about the ET presence. It may be pushed along faster by cases with strong evidence such as those at Midway Airport and at Stephenville. But in the meantime, UFO researchers can help speed up this process by investigating, analyzing, and publicizing the sightings of UFOs and ETs that are continuing to be reported, and those cases in the past in which good evidence shows that there is a highly important phenomena taking place. This is what we in MUFON are doing, and there is every reason to believe that we are on the side of history, because, sooner or later, truth will out.

Note: Credit should be given to the Denver UFO Examiner, from which some of the above material was taken. The URL is:

<http://www.examiner.com/x-2024-Denver-UFO-Examiner~y2008m12d31-Obama-predicted-to-open-secret-UFO-files>

The Man Who Wasn't There: Newhouse Joe Capp, UFO Media Matters, November 21, 2008

<http://ufomedia.blogspot.com/2008/11/man-who-wasnt-there-newhouse.html>

I'm writing for you, the future UFO researcher and investigator, and you can take this as a prophetic hint or a powerful history lesson: Don't let the debunkers make your credible UFO witness a non-entity.

This increasingly common debunker's tactic of removing the witness from center stage has been very successful. This tactic allows debunkers to isolate the evidence from the people and then manipulate that evidence by shifting the focus to explainable data while excluding witness testimony and any other real-time data. This removal of the witness from center stage in UFO casework highlights the need to advocate for the witness in a public way.

That is exactly what didn't happen in the Lt. Newhouse case, centered on an impeccable military witness who supported and trusted his country and

acted on that trust by submitting an 8mm film of his sighting as "evidence" of "flying disks". This was a big deal. Newhouse was not saying he saw miscellaneous lights in the sky, he was claiming he saw flying craft that were in fact disks.

This post could have been "The Family That Wasn't There". Lt. Newhouse's testimony was further enhanced with statements by his wife and children, witness testimony that was treated as inconsequential, hardly spoken about and noted, even though the family members themselves had the closest sightings.

James McDonald, See Post ;"The Last Scientist" (<http://ufomedia.blogspot.com/2008/07/last-scientist-part-1.html>), sought the Newhouse family out over a decade later. This is from McDonalds about his phone interview with the family:

"As you will recall, one of the key points that I wanted to check with Newhouse concerned the description given by Ruppelt (and repeated in Baker's analysis as reproduced in the 1968 Congressional hearings), namely, that they appeared to be silvery-gray, "gunmetal", and like two pie pans face-to-face. Both Newhouse and his wife fully confirmed that, Newhouse comparing the shape to a discus in his comments to me. Mrs. Newhouse pointed out that they occasionally tipped, so that their round projected area, as seen in the initial portions of the sighting when they were nearly overhead, was replaced occasionally by a side-view exhibiting their discoid shape. There was not the slightest equivocation or any element of uncertainty as either of them discussed that very important point...

I should add that Newhouse returned to the above point several times in the course of our 50-minute telephone conversation, since, as he remarked, the matter of the visual observation was extremely important in his estimate. He commented on the point that almost no one who has since discussed his sighting and movies takes note of that point. In particular, he volunteered some extremely negative comments about the analysis in the Condon Report, and, to my queries, replied that no one from the Colorado team ever personally contacted him. When I asked him, in that connection, if he rejected their "gull hypothesis," he replied in the affirmative and said that, if he had a chance, he'd tell Condon the same thing he told Ruppelt: "You'd better go take a better look at some sea gulls!"

“Newhouse said that the Air Force didn't send the originals back to him at any time. He wrote ATIC when a long time had elapsed, and what they did finally send back to him was a color print which he stressed was distinctly inferior to the original. Not only that, but he was positive that they had cut out the first 10 or 20 feet, which were shot when the objects were very much closer and appeared much sharper on the film. (Oh! it just hit me that this may account for the seeming discrepancy between the maximum image size on the Baker-analyzed film and Newhouse's rough recollection that he began the shooting when the objects were at a zenith angle of 45-degrees. The missing footage, which he seemed positive was from the earliest and best parts of his original, would have shown the objects at an angular diameter larger than the later portions that have been involved in subsequent analyses. You follow me, I presume.)

What happened to that clip which clearly showed these object the Newhouse family saw were disk-shaped? The objects on the film were hard to evaluate for any definitive answers. But the tape that was given back to Newhouse was a copy and not the original he had submitted.

This is an extreme close-up...but they were pretty far away by then.

Lt. Newhouse had ample aviation and photography credentials, making him a superior witness and documentor: “He had about 2,000 air-hours as an aviation photographer by 1952”

“Newhouse's rough recollection that he began the shooting when the objects were at a zenith angle of 45-degrees” would have made them much closer. UFOMM posted an article on missing evidence which was submitted and Newhouse's was not the only claim of this type.

<http://ufologie.net/htm/tremontonmcdonald.htm#doc>

At conferences, I see UFO researchers who become disenchanted with the whole field simply because of the vehement and irresponsible, knee-jerk attacks other researchers make on witnesses who report UFOs. Today we need to be more vocal as researchers on the side of credible witnesses. It is not enough to throw our hands up and avoid involvement, or push the witness aside, while we pick up our metaphoric slide rules and focus on myriad small things. The testimony of regular Americans is an crucial part of the process of convincing people these are real. After all the great mass of documentary evidence and eye witness

testimony is now in the hands of the everyday people --not in the hands of the scientist, debunker or professional UFO researchers.

Gustavo Fernandez describes fanatics in his article: “When Ufologists Become Skeptics”: “A fanatic is someone who, distressed by the dissemination of another's ideas, claims journalistic censure against these ideas”...

<http://inexplicata.blogspot.com/2008/11/when-ufologists-become-skeptics.html>

Today, via the Internet, we have instant social media posts of breaking events, and Google searches and via YouTube, rapid distribution of cell phone video and point-and-shoot consumer cameras, we have millions of blogs, and free public access to old-media style wire service distribution that used to be available only to professional journalists and broadcast networks. We must use these great communications media, not as hammers against different new and carefully thought-out ideas, but as a convergence of public spaces where we must examine the injustices of the debunkers first hand. And we need to rethink our roles as rapid-responders, and publish these injustices as they happen, especially when debunkers and disinfo campaigns are used to make witnesses invisible by minimizing them to death.

DON'T LET THEM MINIMIZE WITNESS TESTIMONY ... LET YOUR TESTIMONY BE HEARD VIA YOUR BLOG, YOUR YOUTUBE, YOUR WEBSITE.

When you have a UFO witness --whether professional or lay orientation—come forward to take the risk and appear on Larry King, take time to call in and confront the debunkers one on one. That kind of pro-witness activism is a great thing to behold... and to participate in.

We have to remember that with massive popular distrust of government officials, major media, and even the now widely documented suppression and falsification of data by science institutions during the Bush presidency, the best way to “sell” the reality of the UFO phenom is to let the everyday people hear and see the everyday UFO witnesses tell their stories.

I do not myself entertain theories that end up making the UFO witnesses constantly idiots. For me, a good theory has to include the human factor, especially in the case of UFOs that seem to demonstrate possible intelligence on the other side.

But regardless of our personal theories about the phenom, we need better ways to investigate. We need fresh input from a new generation in the field -- intelligent people who view the entire anatomy of a UFO event in terms of both human and non-human possibility.

One of the ideas I disagreed with mentioned in the Brad Sparks clip on "MOGUL: The Balloon To Nowhere" was his minimizing certain types of witnesses. The ground truth that allows Mr. Sparks --who I think is a fine investigator-- to theorize is that there would be no counter-story, if it weren't for the everyday witness: the farmer, rancher and housewife. Brad Sparks and everyone else would not be presenters if not for these witnesses. Despite how they are treated and used and tossed aside they still come forward the Newhouses, Mack Brazels, Betty & Barney Hills...June Crain and many more, brave UFO experiencer who believe with their whole hearts, that there is something deep and good in the nature of humankind, something in each of us that will recognize these most credible witnesses from all walks of life are telling the truth.

This is the real heart of what is happening on our planet ...people of all kinds are experiencing the "impossible" and are brave enough to talk about it.

"To The Moonshaft!"
The SIU Is Returning To Slovakia
Ted R. Phillips, The Centre for Physical
Trace Research, 11-0-08
<http://tinyurl.com/6hfmng>

After a substantial donation the SIU is making plans to return to Slovakia in an attempt to find and explore the Moonshaft cavern and artifact.

This project was initiated 39 years ago by Dr. J. Allen Hynek and Ted Phillips and after two expeditions we will begin expedition 3 as weather conditions in the area makes a several week trip practical.

The expedition still requires additional funding for supplies and equipment to obtain samples of the structure and fully document the authenticity of the Moonshaft. Full documentation and samples are necessary to convince a small number of scientists to then return with us for a scientific study of the artifact/structure.

A new website is being created by SIU member and webmaster, Adam Johnson, and will provide new information and documentation. When completed

the website will be: www.Moonshaft.org and will provide a number of new connections such as the WWII Nazi search for the cave and this ancient structure. Our plan is to "take website viewers along" through reports, images and video posted at the end of each day.

Please consider donating any amount, however small, so this project can be completed. Your help is needed and vastly appreciated!

The CE4 Corner
(c)2008-2009 by Craig R. Lang, MS CHt
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January/February, 2009 - Deeper Connections

In the last week, I spent some time going over the latest version of the MUFON Field Investigator's Handbook, in preparation for a for a series of talks this next year. The topic is on working with close encounter experiencers, field investigation and therapy - how they fit together, etc. As I read the material, I found that the section on abduction cases was well written. It seemed to be pretty generic - applying for nearly every case. However, I also found that it treats close encounters as purely abduction - and at that, purely what I call "standard model" encounters. Unfortunately, the spectrum of cases investigators and therapists encounter are far more varied.

The typical encounter, as described in the investigator's manual, is the classic abduction by small grays, taking the experiencer to a waiting UFO. The experiencer finds him/herself on a metallic examining table, undergoing a physical exam with a powerful sexual component. There are also lots of other components to the experience, all very typical. Indeed, I find that at least half of the encounter events I hear of seem to conform to this model. But conversely, nearly half don't...

One case jumps out from the crowd, a case I have intermittently been involved in for the last couple of years. I first became involved when the lead investigator asked me to accompany her to the site of the encounter. It turns out that the encounter was more of a chance event, where the witness encountered a group of entities apparently doing their thing. And in this case, their thing did not seem to involve the witness directly.

In this case, the entities (they didn't sound much like typical grays) were in the process of stealing an

animal from the corral on the witness's farm. However, his unfriendly interaction with the entities resulted in minor injuries and a lot of emotional fallout for the witness. He grabbed his gun and confronted them, shooting at one of them. An instant later, another one attacked him from behind, spinning him to the ground and knocking him unconscious.

Originally, I had suspected that this was an abduction event, due to the close proximity to the entities and the apparent missing time. However, in our trance work, I found that it was apparently more of a single encounter, a confrontation that did not turn out so well for the witness. Because of our hypnotherapy work, we all learned a lot about the events of that night. However, the case has had profound emotional effects. In addition to the witness, it has also affected a lot of other people for varying reasons.

Returning to the MUFON investigation manual, I thought a lot about this case as I was reading the section on abduction work. This case seemed to be a classic example of the duality between investigation/research and therapy. The Minnesota state director and field investigation coordinator handled the initial event and investigation. They did an excellent job of interviewing the witnesses, gathering the evidence, profiling the site, etc. Then it was my turn...

When we returned to the site and I did trance work with the witnesses, details emerged that indicated the event was not an abduction, but more of a confrontation. The events he had described during the initial interview emerged with considerably enhanced detail. I had him recount the event multiple times and each telling was consistent, with increasingly more detail. Thus, I conclude that this was a clearly defined, physical event with powerful emotional consequences, but not an abduction, per se.

In subsequent follow-up work with the family, I found that the parapsychological fallout from the case has continued. I have learned that many others have contacted the family, having described dreams and visions, psychic impressions, etc. While there may be prosaic explanations for these events, this also suggests to me a deep connection between close encounters and parapsychology. Ultimately, in the fabric of reality, everything is connected.

As I read the material in the MUFON manual, I realized that, in the case of this investigation, the system has appeared to work. The combination of

field investigation and hypnosis, under strict guidelines of careful fieldwork and clean regression, seemed to produce a detailed understanding of the events. However, they only deepened the underlying mystery of the case.

Like so many other encounter cases, the deeper we look, the stranger and more profound things seem to become. There are so many threads of the extraordinary, so many intertwining mysteries. UFO/Entity encounters, psychic events, paranormal fallout, etc. - the litany of mysteries continues. Intertwining them all, binding them together, are deeper connections than perhaps we can ever understand.

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Book Review:

Beyond UFOs, by Jeffery Bennett
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I'm almost finished reading the book *Beyond UFOs*, by Jeffrey Bennett(1). So far, I love it. In a word, the book is excellent - but I say that with reservations. In a sense the title, *Beyond UFOs* is a misnomer. Jeffery Bennett really has little to say about UFOs, except to devote some printspace to expressing skepticism. What the book is REALLY about is exobiology and the latest in SETI theory. I wish he had forgotten the "U" word. The book is fascinating enough without any reference to UFOs and the obligatory skepticism Bennett throws in.

Bennett is a traditional scientist, and has very-much of a mainstream scientific viewpoint on extraterrestrial life. However, to his credit, he leaves the rhetorical door open to the possibility that UFOs could just be real. He states that he is unconvinced by any claims made to-date regarding UFO evidence. However he also states that any civilization visiting us would probably be so far in advance that we would probably not expect much physical evidence from their visitation.

However Bennett describes how he, himself, saw a UFO once, a distant nocturnal light that behaved in a non-orthodox manner - what we would refer to as a maneuver of the first kind or MA1. He states that it meets the technical definition of UFO - something unidentified seen in the sky. However, he expresses doubt that it was an "alien spaceship" or anything like that. Still, he does not rule it out. Like any true scientist, he expresses an open mindedness, tempered with skeptical discernment. And while I question the degree to which he extends his skepticism, I do believe he is barking up the right tree...

Bennett makes some interesting speculative calculations, based upon the number of probable civilizations, the life span of civilizations, etc... In logic similar to that behind the Drake equation, he argues that any civilization out there that would be visiting us would most likely be very old - probably in excess of twenty to fifty thousand years. Thus, their technology, and their behaviors, would be nearly indecipherable to us. How could we extrapolate the current rate of technological advancement over the last 50 to 100 years, out another ten-plus thousand? In short, we couldn't. Thus, we can't even imagine what a civilization such as that of the Visitors would be like.

He briefly refers to Clarke's Third Law, "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic." When we examine the descriptions of abduction and contact experiences, we find just such a scenario, where the Visitors seem to exhibit nearly "magical" qualities. Thus, current UFO encounter reports seem to reflect what Bennett describes. Unfortunately, Bennett does not seem to examine these reports enough to get the flavor of the phenomenon. He merely states that he is unconvinced by the evidence.

Again, I think that his comments are somewhat justified though in my view, inordinately skeptical. He claims that there is no evidence for alien visitation. However, he does not address any of the physical evidence cases in the UFO literature, including many classic radar-visual, ground-trace and artifact cases.

There are many such physical evidence cases, largely unacknowledged by science. I often challenge skeptics who make the "no evidence" claim to read the Sturrock Report, or its popularly published book equivalent, *The UFO Enigma: A New Review of the Physical Evidence*(2). This is usually enough to quash the "no-evidence" claims, though even this doesn't do anything to build a claim for alien visitation.

Ultimately, Bennett has a good point, that there will always be a divide between the mainstream science community and those "hobbyists" who explore beyond the "acceptable" bounds of mainstream science to study things like UFOs. And so, I question whether *Beyond UFOs* is "beyond" anything. Rather, it simply takes a different tack - exploring the fields of exobiology and SETI theory, building theoretical underpinnings for the search for alien life - yet discounting the possibility that alien life might have already found us.

When taken in its proper context, *Beyond UFOs* is a fascinating book. I think you will find that it is an excellent layperson's guide to both SETI theory and exobiology. All in all, this book is a well written, good read. Just ignore most of what he says about UFOs.

(1) http://www.amazon.com/Beyond-UFOs-Extraterrestrial-Astonishing-Implications/dp/0691135495/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1230443766&sr=1-1

(2) http://www.amazon.com/UFO-Enigma-Review-Physical-Evidence/dp/0446677094/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1230445002&sr=1-1

First Missing Time, Now Missing Space?

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www.ufomafia.com/blog

We've all heard about the Missing Time phenomena where people discover they've been missing for hours or days with no recollection. Mostly associated with abductions related to UFOs.

Now I'm listening to Missing Space. Where people exhibit hours or days worth of physiological changes like hair and nail growth, fat growth but hadn't been anywhere or so they thought.

This is getting strange because I got a warning not too long ago that we needed to bring the abduction issue out fast because the abductors are getting better at 'it'.

I guess that 'it' meant the ability to abduct us and not raise notice or alarm.

After 60 years of scrutiny and much more in the past 20 years we may be cramping their style and they're coming up with other ways to abduct us without disrupting our timeline. We get abducted for a second but into a dimension or environment that is unaffected by time as we know it and then we're brought back a second later to us but our bodies show signs of regular operation.

I've not read every UFO book or case study but this phenom has popped up several times this year alone to people I've spoken too and the incidents have been going on for at least the past 5 years.

Could they be employing new techniques? Are we losing this battle to expose abductions associated with UFOs?

We have far too many multiple eyewitness accounts and far too many accounts in general to sweep this under the rug. It's time to do it or get off the pot before someone gets real smart and we'll never know when abduction occurs.

**UFO Related Information 'Above Top Secret' Says Australian Political Leader
AllNewsWeb.Com - Sydney, Australia,
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<http://www.allnewsweb.com/page1241241.php>

Australian's are seeing strange things in the skies and sometimes on the ground, from Melbourne to

Mullumbimby, from Budgewoi to Bundaberg. UFO sightings have never been more frequent, yet politicians are keeping mysteriously quiet on the topic.

One of these politicians is Malcolm Turnbull, one of the biggest names in Australian politics. Malcolm Turnbull is a member of the Australian Parliament and the Leader of one of Australia's two main political parties, The Liberal Party, the party identified with John Howard, Australia's previous leader. Turnbull served as the minister for the environment under John Howard.

The party is now in opposition, however Turnbull stands a good chance of being Australia's next Prime Minister. Turnbull is also highly associated with the movement calling for Australia to ditch the UK Monarchy. If he does become PM Australia might have a good chance of becoming a republic (in the event Australia's current PM, Mr Kevin Rudd doesn't beat him to it) but don't hold your breath for any UFO related disclosure.

Michael Cohen, of All News Web, happened to chance upon Mr Turnbull and ask him a few questions regarding UFO related topics, probably the first time he was asked anything on the topic by any media outlet. Some of the answers he gave were startling.

On the issue of whether he would disclose what the Government knew about UFO's, alien visitation and contact with humans he was rather evasive and claimed he wasn't sure the Government knew anything and if anyone did know something they weren't telling him or anyone he knows. Then he made the surprise revelation that 'Information on that subject would be above top secret, the highest classification of secrecy'. This was a truly remarkable comment. He then mentioned that 'Australia hasn't had its Roswell yet' to which our reporter replied 'That's not exactly true.'

So there we have it, yet another top ranking politician alluding to a government within a government that might know something about the topic but isn't telling anyone, even elected officials and party heads.

When asked if he believed earth is being visited by Aliens and whether he believed in UFO's he simply reversed the question and asked our reporter if he did. Yet the impression gained was that he knew more than he was prepared to give away.

Reality is that Australia's attitudes towards UFO disclosure are as progressive as the nation's attitudes towards internet censorship: We can expect secrecy for decades. I guess we will never find out why so many UFO sightings down under involve helicopters in tow, spotlights searching for something in sky. We will never find out why the next day no one can even confirm if there were helicopters aloft the night before, what government department they were from or what the heck they were searching the sky for at 2am.

After all, we powerless mere mortals are way too dumb to be trusted with information on questions like 'is there anyone out there?' We would rather leave that to the 'elected' elite that control our lives.

Spread The Word! By Robert Hastings,
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In the months following the July 2008 publication of my book, UFOs and Nukes: Extraordinary Encounters at Nuclear Weapons Sites, I have posted online a number of excerpts from it.

The book contains dozens of interviews with former or retired U.S. Air Force personnel who were involved in highly-classified, UFO-related incidents at various nuclear weapons sites, including missile launch facilities, nukes storage areas, and bomb/missile test sites during the Cold War era. In some cases, the missiles' functionality was reportedly compromised immediately after the UFOs hovered over them.

Because I am an American, UFOs and Nukes is written in English. Over time, persons from various countries have emailed me and asked for my permission to translate the posted excerpts into their own languages. I have readily and gladly complied with these requests. Other individuals or organizations have translated the same passages and posted them online without first asking my permission. While I would have preferred a formal request beforehand, as long as those translations are entirely accurate, then I have no objection to their appearance on the Internet.

The intention of this open message is to grant permission to anyone wishing to translate the already-posted excerpts from my book, into any language, for the purpose of posting them on the Internet. I would, however, greatly appreciate being notified of each and any translation.

Note: I am not granting permission to translate my entire book, only those excerpts which I myself have already posted online.

The excerpts in question appear below, together with their URL:

A Shot Across The Bow - <http://www.cufos.org/hastings.pdf>
Beams Of Light - <http://tinyurl.com/6dmavl>
Launch In Progress! –
<http://www.theufochronicles.com/2008/07/launch-in-progress.html>
Like a Diamond in the Sky –
http://www.eye2thesky.net/Hastings-Diamond_In_the_Sky.html
Reporter Duped By UFO Debunkers –
<http://tinyurl.com/5bs6jp>
UFO Sightings At ICBM Sites and Nuclear Weapons Storage Areas –
http://www.nicap.org/babylon/missile_incidents.htm

Given the obvious importance of this long-suppressed information about the UFO-Nukes Connection, I believe that it should be disseminated worldwide. To that end, I urge the translation of my research material into as many languages as possible. I ask only that the original English text be faithfully represented and that the following copyright notice appear with any such translation:
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In summary, nearly 100 U.S. Air Force veterans now openly state that UFOs have been monitoring and sometimes interfering with our nuclear weapons systems. The citizens of every country on Earth have a right to know the truth about these important developments. Spread the word!

The Will To Dis-Believe
Dean Radin's Entangled Minds Blog
(excerpt), Dec. 19, 2008
<http://deanradin.blogspot.com/2008/12/will-to-disbelieve.html>

"- he can only believe something if he already knows how to explain it. This attitude is unfortunate because cognitive and perceptual psychology has clearly shown that the old saying, *"I'll believe it when I see it,"* is actually backwards. The saying should be, *"I'll see it when I believe it,"* because we are all biased not to see if we don't believe, or at least have a reason to believe based on theory or prior experience.

Scientists have to continually strive to counter this knee-jerk tendency to disbelieve, otherwise existing knowledge quickly collapses into dogma. Unfortunately, existing knowledge almost always congeals into comfortable habits, which is what led

physicist Max Planck to lament that despite the scientific ideal, in reality knowledge advances by funerals, and not by the appearance of new evidence or theories."

Justice Should Punt McKinnon
by Billy Cox, November 10, 2008
Billy Cox's Blog De Void - Sarasota,
Florida, USA
<http://tinyurl.com/34yy9v>

It's good to see Obama transition team chief John Podesta taking aim at untangling the Bush catastrophe with executive orders, and let's hope Executive Order 13292 (De Void 11/5/08) is at the top of the list.

Podesta's advocacy of UFO declassification is generating considerable speculation about how far he can push it, but it's doubtful President Clinton's former chief of staff wants an early test. Which he may get if this Gary McKinnon thing keeps tottering towards America's shores.

Dubbed 'The Nerd Who Knew Too Much' by Fleet Street, McKinnon is the 42-year-old British hacker who confessed to breaking into U.S. military and NASA computers seven years ago in search of secret UFO data. He didn't strike the mother lode, but the Justice Department is about to haul him across the pond for wreaking an alleged million dollars in damages during his fishing expedition.

Since his arrest in 2002, McKinnon has been diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome, a form of autism, and his defense team is hoping the British High Court will hear him out in an oral judicial review by Dec. 5. Otherwise, McKinnon's headed for trial in the States.

Problem: Thanks to Gitmo, waterboarding, and assorted other upgrades to America's definition of human rights, McKinnon has become a cause celebre in the UK. Supporters at www.FreeGary.org.uk have been pressing Parliament to tell Uncle Sam to bring the trial to England. Last week, a bipartisan group of MPs urged British Home Secretary Jacqui Smith to freeze McKinnon's extradition unless the U.S. agrees to return him home for any jail time he faces if convicted.

A hyperbolic American federal prosecutor's labeling of McKinnon as "the biggest military computer hacker of all time" has apparently transformed the Glasgow native into a video martyr, at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NfO1GoOzytw>
and <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VXHXM-8zWlc>

According to The Inquirer in London, the latter became the third most-viewed clip on Myspace last week until it vanished: "The Inquirer understands that the video was pulled by someone in the U.S. without explanation."

Wow. More conspiracy intrigue. How unusual.

This isn't the fight a new administration committed to transparency really wants to pick, not now. A McKinnon trial in the U.S. could conceivably slip the bridle of cyber-vandalism and provoke a broader discussion about UFO secrecy. That's not likely to happen, given the MSM's endlessly comfortable whirlpool bath in talking-points Thorazine. Still, it's not a chance that a guy like Podesta, given his vulnerability on UFOs, wants to take at this point.

If the Justice Department were smart, it'd punt the venue back to England. The cowboy days are over.

Minnesota UFO Reports

St. Cloud, Minnesota Triangular UFOs

United States Reports Posted: December 28, 2008

Date: December 27, 2008 Time: 745 - 830 p.m.

Location of Sighting: St. Cloud.

Number of witnesses: 3

Number of objects: 4

Shape of objects: Triangle.

Full Description of event/sighting:

I was driving on I-94 headed in to St. Cloud. It was an overcast night, so no stars. I looked up and in the distant I can see what look like 2 lights. As we got closer, it was 3 lights in the shape of a little triangle, about a 150 - 200 feet across and about 600 to 700 feet in the air hovering 1000 off to the right of the Highway. We were right under it, so I know it was hovering and there was alot of traffic, so someone else had to of seen it. It took me about 30 minutes to drop my friends off and get back to that same place. On my way back, in the same area, but more west there was a super big triangle and 2

small ones spaced out faraway from the big one.
Thank you to the witness for the report.

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Chatfield, Minnesota Strange Star-Like UFO

United States Reports Posted: December 25, 2008

Date: December 12, 2008 Time: 9:30 p.m.

Location of Sighting: Southwest of my apt. building, above funeral home.

Number of witnesses: 1

Number of objects: 1

Shape of objects: Star-like.

Full Description of event/sighting:

I was sitting on my fiancé's couch watching TV, when I noticed movement out my window to the southwest, approximately 1/2 mile away, that appeared like a plane with a very bright white light approaching my building. I was intent on trying to identify the object, when it stopped and remained completely still for approximately 20-25 seconds and then went dark, as if a "camera shutter" closed around it. It was a totally clear sky that evening and very, very cold. My fiancé didn't see the object. Since 1995, there have been several sightings in and around Southeast Minnesota. We've seen colored orbs, rods, a bright rectangular craft, and a large black square that blocked out the stars. All this in and around Chatfield, St. Charles, and Spring Valley, Minnesota. Thank you to the witness for their report.

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Frank Stranges Passes Greg Bishop's UFO Mystic Blog Nov. 19, 2008

<http://www.ufomystic.com/wake-up-down-there/frank-stranges-passes/>

The Reverend Frank Stranges, author of such contactee classics as *Stranger At The Pentagon* and *Flying Saucerama*, has returned to his permanent home with the space brothers, according to an email today from Tim "Mr. UFO" Beckley.

Stranges founded the National Investigations Committee on Unidentified Flying Objects (NICUFO) in 1967, apparently in homage to NICAP, the original civilian UFO group founded in 1956. He may have been piggybacking on NICAP's strong public image, but we can of course forgive him for that.

Stranges most lasting legacy may be his narrative in *Stranger At The Pentagon*, the story of Venusian Captain "Valiant Thor."

According to Stranges, After Val had met with the president and members of the Joint Chiefs, he had a meeting with Stranges at the Pentagon. Val Thor sounded (and looked) like Michael Rennie's portrayal of the ufonaut Klaatu in *The Day The Earth Stood Still*:

Being a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as well as a student of the Bible for many years, coupled with my experience as an special investigator, I felt as though my senses were functioning properly and that I knew exactly what I was about to do. I was on my guard for fakes and frauds. In walked a man, about six feet tall, perhaps 185 pounds, brown wavy hair, brown eyes.

His complexion appeared normal and slightly tanned. As I approached him and he looked at me IT WAS AS THOUGH HE LOOKED STRAIGHT THROUGH ME. With a warm smile and extending his hand, he greeted me by name.

His genuineness astonished me, but quickly I understood. As I gripped his hand, I was somewhat surprised to feel the soft texture of his skin... like that of a baby but with the strength of a man that silently testified to his power and intensity.

Other contactees met their space brothers in deserts, along deserted highways, and in coffee shops. Frank Stranges met Val Thor in the hallowed halls of military power, making him the only contactee to be able to claim the imprimatur of officialdom.

On December 12th of last year, WFMU's 365 Days Project posted mp3s of Stranges' only known record album—part of the soundtrack from his 1966 film *Phenomena 7.7*. I provided some commentary and supplied the recordings and images of the cover. I was privileged to meet Dr. Stranges at the Retro UFO conference last year, where he signed a couple of his books and a copy of the *Phenomena 7.7* soundtrack. "I haven't seen one of these in years" he

said wistfully. Since I had two copies, I gave him the other. For me, it was like meeting a rock star, albeit a 70-odd year-old one. May Frank Stranges' star burn forever.

A Ufological Review Of 2008

By Eileen Nesbitt, aliencasebook@yahoo.com

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The following is a compilation I put together of very worthy 2008 articles regarding a subject within the realm of ufology.

These articles represent all of the hard work put forth by various alien and UFO related websites and blogs within the UFO community as well as a portion of what mainstream media had to offer.

A Ufological Review For The Entire Year Of 2008:
<http://tinyurl.com/7jhhpr>

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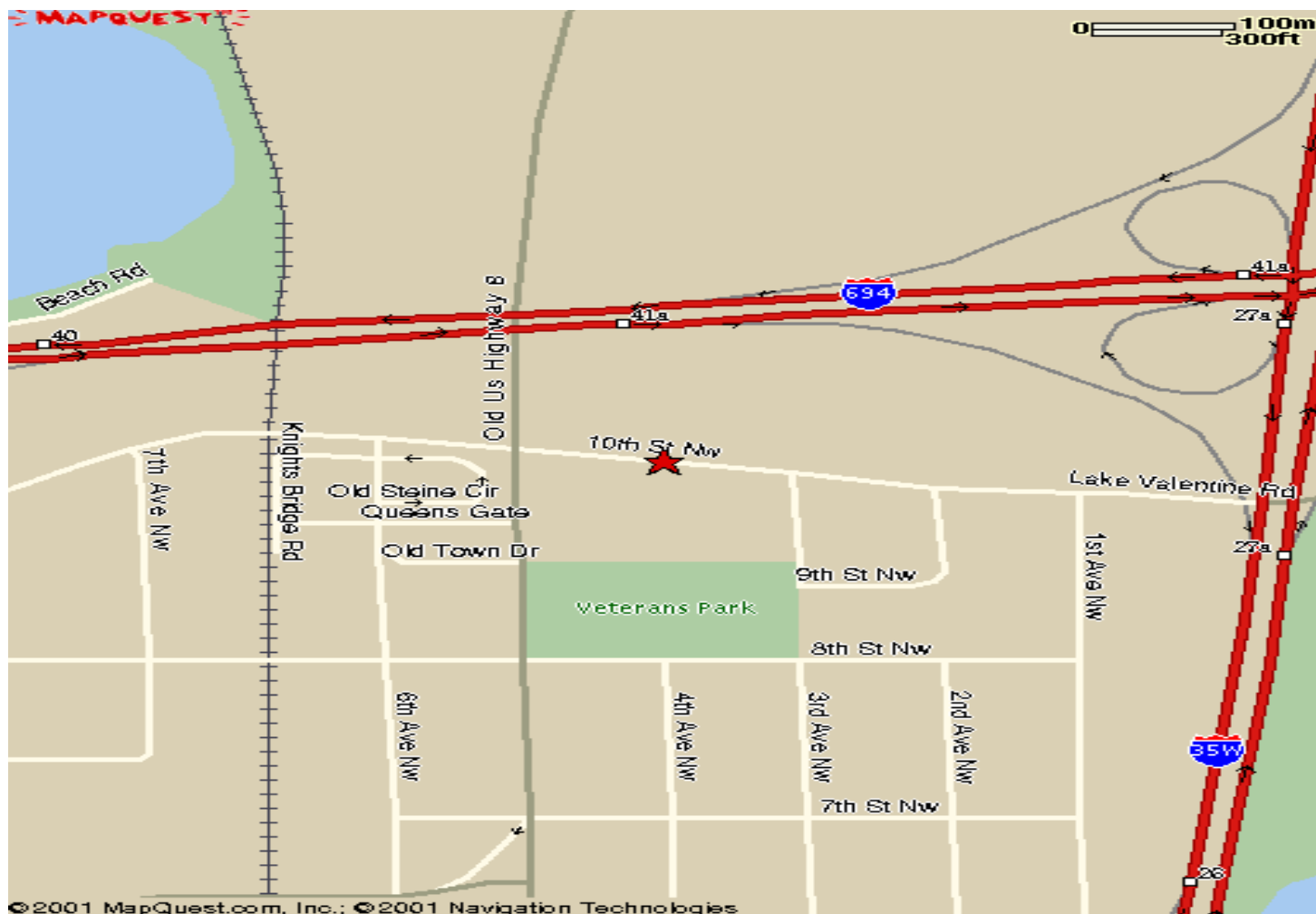
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