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The Air Force says that it has no **PHYSICAL EVIDENCE** (physical meaning 'something you can touch') that such things even exist. In the words of Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, retired, who served three years at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, as Chief Investigator for Project Bluebook **WHAT CONSTITUTES PROOF??** — Does a UFO have to land at the River Entrance to the Pentagon, near the Joint Chiefs of Staff offices? Or is it proof enough when a ground Radar Station detects a UFO, sends a Jet up to intercept it, the pilot sees it, and locks on with his Radar, only to have the UFO streak away at a phenomenal rate of speed? Which is **PROOF?**

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TEXAS PANHANDLE AND FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA SHAKEN BY MYSTERY BLASTS

AMARILLO, Tex., Feb. 11--Something shook up this area yesterday but nobody seems to know what it was.

The tremor, accompanied by two distinct blasts, shook a large section of the Texas Panhandle and southeastern New Mexico.

The shock was felt in an area from 100 miles northeast of Amarillo to Roswell, N. M., 200 miles to the southwest.

Witnesses said houses swayed and they reported hearing unpleasant noises like trucks hitting buildings, horses galloping, and gas explosions.

The seismograph at Texas Tech College registered a slight motion. One at Southern Methodist University in Dallas didn't.

Dr. Eugene Herrin, observatory director at SMU, suggested the tremor was the result of an atmospheric disturbance.

Fifteen hours later the same type of mysterious phenomena occurred at Flagstaff, Arizona:

MYSTERY BLAST JARS ARIZONA, ICES CARS
FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Feb. 11 (AP) - A mysterious jolt shook the Flagstaff area this morning, about 15 hours after a similar tremor rocked the Texas Panhandle and southeastern New Mexico.

Homes in all sections of the northern Arizona community bucked and swayed. Dishes rattled in the cupboards.

Drivers on the way to work said immediately after the tremor their windshields were iced over, both inside and outside.

Bill Hoyt, Managing Editor of the Daily Sun, said he was having his morning coffee when the jolt shook his Flagstaff home.

"It was like being in a vacuum or in the center of a concussion area," he said.

"A rather strange sensation that lasted about five seconds. There seemed to be the noise of an explosion, but it was something that you felt, rather than heard."

The seismograph at California Tech registered no motion and the Weather Bureau in Flagstaff said it knew of no atmospheric disturbance that could have triggered the tremor. (Stories condensed from articles appearing in the LOS ANGELES HERALD AND EXPRESS, the DALLAS MORNING NEWS and the DALLAS TIMES HERALD--Credit Liz Borries, E. I. Epperson and Lela B. Johnson).

ED. NOTE. Here we can rule out both earthquakes and planes breaking the sonic barrier. If earthquakes were the cause the seismographs would have told the definite story. And planes we do not yet have, capable of causing a sonic boom felt over a 300 mile area.

This leaves two other alternatives, (1) a large meteor exploding in the upper atmosphere, or (2) a skyquake caused by spacecraft operating also in the upper atmosphere. And those we still have with us, as attested by these three which followed an American Airlines plane for 45 minutes, the night of Feb. 24th:

AIRLINER TRAILED BY "SAUCERS"

DETROIT-(AP) -- The pilot of an American Airlines DC-6 passenger plane said Wednesday that three mysterious objects that looked like shining saucers appeared to accompany the plane for 45 minutes Tuesday night on its non-stop flight from Newark, N. J. to Detroit.

Capt. Peter Killian of Syosset, N. Y., who has flown passenger planes for 15 years, said "I have never seen anything like it before."

Killian said other members of the crew and the 35 passengers also saw the flying objects. The plane left Newark at 7:10 p.m.

"The objects were by no means close to the plane," Killian said, "but one would move

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in at intervals, fall back again and change its place in the formation while keeping abreast of the ship, which was traveling at 350 m.p.h."

N. D. Puscas, 41, of Garden City, Mich., a passenger, said the strange objects appeared to dance in the sky. Puscas is general manufacturing manager of Curtis Wright Division at Utica.

"There wasn't a cloud in the sky when I looked out and saw the objects in precision formation," Puscas said. "They were round-like and every now and then one would glow brighter than the others as if it had moved nearer to the plane. I have been making that same trip a number of times because the home office is in New York but I have never experienced anything like that before."

"Killian said he radioed two other American Airlines planes flying in the vicinity of his ship to make sure "I wasn't seeing lightning bugs in the cockpit." He said both other captains radioed back they saw the flying objects too. (The Miami HERALD, Feb. 26, 1959).

Ed. Note:--The reason that this excellent report made the wire services is because of the 35 passengers who also saw the UFO's. And 35 people witnessing an event such as this are going to go out and do some talking. This is just too many to "hush-up". Just like the Pan American pilot Van Winkle, who took evasive action to dodge a UFO over the Atlantic and 44 people were tossed into the aisles. It will be interesting to see what explanation the authorities will give for this one. But of course we do know the policy, If you can't explain 'em---IGNORE 'EM.

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The SKY QUAKES of Amarillo and Flagstaff, were on Feb. 11, and the evening of Feb. 12th a UFO was seen in the sky over Miami. The report has just reached this desk via letter from Miss Anna T. Ochipa of S.W. 8th Street.

She writes, "On February 12th at 6:10 p.m. I was sitting on the bus bench at 8th Street and 27th Avenue, and happened to look up. I saw a whitish object shaped very much like a cigarette moving across the sky.

There was a bank of clouds lower in the sky but above the clouds where the object was the sky was completely clear. After watching it for several seconds, I said out loud to the woman who was standing behind the bench wait-

ing for the bus also, "I wonder what that could be up there?"

After talking to her for a few seconds I turned my head back to look and the object was gone. The object reminded me of a cigarette in shape flat on the ends, but straight looking directly at it, on the top and bottom.

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Miss Ochipa, we are not surprised. Those long cigar-or-cigarette shaped fellows are the kind that are responsible for so many mysterious sky-quakes all over the country. Quakes that are never SATISFACTORILY EXPLAINED by the authorities.

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But down in South America it is different, as one of my correspondents in Sao Paulo, Brazil writes, "In this country we have FREEDOM OF THE PRESS." This quote is from J. Escobar Faria, Editor of a UFO BULLETIN in Sao Paulo.

And in Rio de Janeiro we have another excellent correspondent, Dr. Olavo Fontes, who is Chief of the Gastroenterological Section of the National School of Medicine at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Through his efforts and those of J. Escobar Faria, who is a Government Attorney, we in the United States are indebted for some truly significant contributions to the field of knowledge of UFO's.

Many excellent UFO reports make news headlines in South America, and never make the wire services here due to the policies prevailing in this country.

From Dr. Fontes we have received five excellent reports---I am even tempted to use the words FANTASTIC REPORTS, of cases where UFO's have chased cars on lonely almost deserted back roads in the thinly populated sections of Brazil. Those of you on the mailing list a year ago will remember the "Saturn-shaped" UFO photographed over the Island of Trinidad by the Brazilian Navy, and declared authentic by the Ship Commander and carried in all the Brazilian papers.

The five cases investigated by Dr. Fontes, were of this same type UFO, some of the reports before the January 16, 1958 Trinidad photo and some after. Before we condense these fascinating reports I wish to print sections of the letter from Dr. Fontes:

Dear Mr. Gariety:

My first purpose is to congratulate you for

the high quality of material printed in your bulletin. It is apparent that you have very definite ideas about the UFO problem, and I must confess I like very much your way of handling the varied aspects of the UFO riddle. I feel it is the correct way to get results in the search for truth. You are on the right track. Unfortunately, I can not say the same about most American UFO-researchers. I will not give names (for ethical reasons), but an evaluation of what has been printed in your country about UFO's in the last years gives us a picture of tremendous, hopeless confusion.

We see the mystics, the crackpots, the pseudo-scientists, the contactists, the publishers, the liars, the ethereal-believers, the "enemies" of the authorities, the "friends" of the authorities, the Menzels, etc.---all of them fighting a ruthless war against each other---trying to get the public on their side, but forgetting the really important thing---the UFO's themselves.

As a result, under the pressure of so many different influences, the ordinary American UFOlogist seems to be completely lost; that is, he is always hesitating about what to believe or discard. As a consequence, mental blocks are raised to protect the self, and they no longer can keep the objective attitude and scientific approach so badly needed in the field of UFO research. There are exceptions of course, like Coral Lorenzen, Lex Mebane of CSI, Max Miller and yourself.

In Brazil, on the other hand, we have a very different picture. We have a few UFO-researchers, but they are highly-qualified people working in close contact with each other and exchanging information and opinions frequently. The bulletins they publish are not many, but the quality of the material is outstanding. The true UFO investigators are slowly but surely getting the facts about the UFO situation spread among the public---in spite of the desperate efforts of the authorities to avoid it.

This has been done through a well-planned publicity of UFO-matters, by using newspapers, magazines, radio and TV stations all over the country. I was included in the small group of civilians who developed the plans connected with such a project, which has been in operation for more than 20 months.

The possibility that they are hostile has been presented and soberly discussed, too. They may be, or they may not be. The important thing, we believe, is to prepare the Brazilian people against such a possibility.

You know, if they are taken by surprise (a sudden mass-landing or UFO attack, for example), an uncontrolled panic and hysteria will develop, with the whole country paralysed by fear and unable to fight back.

This may sound to you like a science-fiction approach, however it is not so. Our opinions are based on facts. We have definite evidence that the UFO have performed a very detailed and careful survey of the Brazilian terrestrial defenses, including most of the Brazilian Army's bases, fortification, fortresses, arsenals, supply and communication centers, troop concentrations, military plants, etc.

The AF and Navy bases and airfields have also attracted their attention. We are informed that Military authorities here are worried about this disturbing pattern, and we have even discussed the situation with some of them.

Their scientific study of all the developments of our civilization might include also an evaluation of our military organization, I know. Or the pattern might be a "false pattern", a result of our ignorance about the whole picture of the UFO-survey. Anyway, after a careful evaluation of our data, we agreed that the possibility of a UFO attack in the future cannot be excluded yet, on the basis of the available evidence. And since the possibility exists, we concluded it was better to take measures to counteract it in advance, to avoid an unpleasant surprise later.

In the November issue of S.P.A.C.E., there is a reference to a UFO of peculiar shape sighted over Alliance, Ohio. "It kind of looked like the planet Saturn, since it seemed to have a ring around it", said the witness, Mrs. A. J. Campbell. Well, I can tell you that her description was accurate.

We have had many sightings of similar objects; spherical UFO's encircled at the equator by a kind of rotating ring. It was reported in Brazilian skies since November 7, 1957, but it is not a new type because it was first seen at Oloron and Gaillac (France) in 1952. Many sightings of this kind of UFO have been made through my country since Nov. 7, 1957, and some of them are extremely impressive.

In five incidents we see this UFO chasing cars. I have personally investigated each of the five cases, checking and rechecking the details in each sighting with the witnesses involved. These cases are of extraordinary significance, in my opinion, and as

you will see, the objects also have been compared here (by some of the witnesses) to the planet Saturn.

Sincerely,
Olavo Fontes, M.D.

On the night of December 21, 1957, the shadow of the unknown fell over the area around the small town of Ponta Poran, near the frontier of Paraguay. That night two UFO's chased a car in a road near the town. This incident was the beginning of a long series of local observations which ended on March 5, of 1958---about 75 days later. Never before have UFO's been seen over the same area for so long. A very strange thing. Throughout the country only 10 sightings were reported in the same 75 days, five of them at the island of Trinidad.

In contrast, in the area around Ponta Poran they were sighted night after night, week after week and month after month, by hundreds of persons living in the town or the surrounding area. Strange lights were seen in most cases, flying near the horizon or hovering near the ground in deserted places. In five cases however, the UFO's chased cars traveling along deserted roads around the town.

INCIDENT NO. 1

DATE: Dec. 21, 1957. Place: a road near Ponta Poran---witnesses: Mrs. Ivone Torres de Medonca, her three sons, Fernando (9), Helena (7), and Luis Agusto (3); her servant Miss Bruna; and the driver Marcio Goncalves (18). There was another witness, Mrs. Elvira Torres, who came at the end and saw only one of the UFO's. The sighting is reported by Mrs. Mendonca:

"At 6:30 we left my farm and were traveling back to Ponta Poran in a jeep driven by Marcio. The road was very deserted, and the sky was overcast with low hanging clouds. Suddenly far away to the south I spotted a large ball of light about the size of the full moon. It appeared to be close to the ground, but it couldn't be a house because only a few existed in that region, and all were lit by feeble kerosene lights.

"It must be a flying saucer, I said as a joke. The light started moving rapidly toward our car, and we saw it wasn't one light, but two. Two spherical, luminous objects flying side by side. They approached the jeep silently, gradually increasing the gap between them so that, when near, each of them was flying along one side of the road. They followed a horizontal course, but oscillated from side to side in a strange wobbling

manner, and also appeared to be rotating around their own axis.

"One of them stopped in mid-air and dived toward the ground--stopping a few feet from the ground and about 60 feet from us. The other kept moving, maneuvering in circles around the jeep, sometimes getting very close.

The one that came down performed a "dead-leaf" descent. It came down in a very peculiar pendular motion, that I had never seen before. They emitted a very intense light. We could see, however that they were shaped like a spheroid, encircled by a kind of ring at the equator, just like the planet Saturn. Both were of the same size and the same color. The upper half was a fiery red, also the ring, and the lower half was surrounded by a bright silvery-white glow. In spite of this, we couldn't tell if they were solid objects or not, because all of them was light,---a glaring, dazzling light, magnificent and extraordinary, hurting our eyes, variable in intensity and throwing blinding jets against the car.

"The whole crew of my jeep were scared by the eerie spectacle. The children started to cry. That was no phenomenon to be studied and examined rationally. I was frightened beyond reason, but was still able to talk to the driver.

"Marcio, by the love of God, do not stop the car, we must get away from this place. Marcio started to drive more rapidly. But that nightmare was not to end so easily. The two objects started to follow us, moving along the sides of the road, sometimes at our right, sometimes at our left, sometimes very close to us, sometimes moving away. They stayed around us all the time, flying near the ground at our side, behind, over and in front of us, apparently making a careful study of the vehicle and the passengers inside.

"Their maneuvers were coordinated, while one of them remained at a distance, throwing beams of light at us, the other dived toward us at high speed, was gone and appeared again to repeat the game. Sometimes they used another tactic, one of them moving in front of the jeep and sending jets of light toward us, as if to attract our attention, while the other studied us from behind, coming very close. The light they emitted was so strong that, when one of them was in front of the car, it affected the vision of the driver so that, several times, he almost lost control of the vehicle.

"The strange hunt lasted for two hours. It ended only when the jeep entered the town of

Ponta Poran. Then the two UFO's moved away apparently closing their study. They crossed the frontier of Paraguay and disappeared.

"Next day, several people living in the surroundings also reported the sighting of strange moving lights in the sky.

"The UFO's emitted no sound, or heat. Their proximity did not interfere with the engine of the jeep, or with the headlights and other electrical instruments of the car. My watch was not affected either, and none of the persons involved in the sighting felt any abnormal sensation during it, even when the UFO's came very close to us."

INCIDENT NO. 2

DATE: Feb. 19, 1958. Place: the same road near Ponta Poran. Witnesses, Mrs. Mendonca of incident No. 1, her son Fernando (9), the forman of her farm, a worker, and the driver. Marcio Goncalves (18). The sighting is reported by Mrs. Mendonca, once again the chief witness.

"We left Ponta Poran at 4:00 a.m., planning on arriving at my farm just before the beginning of the day's work. Just after the town was left behind, in a place called 'Porteira Ortiz', we spotted a reddish light in the sky. Marcio sighted it first and called the attention of the Forman to it. This man was a hard-boiled skeptic who had not believed our report about the December case. Marcio told him that the 'star' was one of those flying saucers that had followed us on the road about two months before. The man laughed at him and assured us that it was only the Planet Mars. But his smile froze on his face when he soon realized that the light was approaching rapidly. It came from the east and was closing in at high speed. It approached silently, steadily growing in size, no more a mere light in the sky, but a huge spheroidal object surrounded by a bright red glow. It came down slowly, performing that peculiar 'dead leaf' descent, and seemed to be wobbling in mid-air as it quickly approached the ground--about 60 meters away from the jeep. It remained there, absolutely motionless, as if waiting for us. This UFO looked exactly like the UFO's of our first sighting, the same spherical shape, the same rotating ring, the same polished silvery metal. I am even convinced that it was one of the objects that we were sighting again.

"I know that I should not be scared after my first experience, but I again felt frozen with terror and could only pray. The three men sat still in their seats, sweat trickling

down their faces, watching the nightmarish scene. My son was the only one to enjoy the spectacle, entirely unaware of the possible dangers ahead of us. I confess I was frightened this time just for one thing; this UFO was hovering just over the road ahead, in such a position that to continue our trip we had to pass under that thing. I had the unpleasant feeling that it was a purposeful maneuver to stop our car in that lonely place. "Why? Maybe because the other UFO was around, somewhere on that same road ahead of us, perhaps landed on it or beside it--doing something we couldn't see; the one in front of us being the sentinel against intruders. The first time they only tracked the jeep, this time the approach was very different, not observation---but DIRECT INTERFERENCE.

"Marcio had decided to go ahead toward the UFO and tried to get my permission to do so. I told him to stop talking nonsense and go back to town before anything worse happened to us. He started the jeep and turned around on the road. The UFO didn't interfere with our movements, but when the jeep turned away from it, the strange craft climbed up sharply. It followed us for some time, then passed at our side and started to climb up rapidly just before we entered the town. It continued to track us from a high altitude and finally stopped over the headquarters of the Brazilian Army at Ponta Poran. It remained there, motionless in the sky for half-an-hour. That gave me time to alert several friends in the town about the UFO. I called the following persons: Mr. Athamaril Saldanha, civilian pilot and chief of the local post of the Instituto Nacional de Mate, and Dr. Eraldo Saldanha and his wife Ione. They watched the UFO for more than 15 minutes. Mrs. A. Saldanha and her two sons also joined our group. At 6:00 a.m., the unknown object suddenly shot straight up and disappeared.

INCIDENT NO. 3

DATE: Feb. 19, 1958 (Evening) Place:---the same road near Ponta Poran. WITNESSES---Prof. Cicero Claudino da Silva, Mustafa Esgaib, Law Student, Olegario Campos, Notary, and Joao Manuel Vasques, clerk of the State Taxes Office. The report is made by Prof. da Silva.

"When we heard of the experience of Mrs. Mendonca in the morning we decided to make our own investigation that night. It was not to investigate if the reports were true or not, we had talked with the witnesses and there was no doubt they were telling the truth. Personally I had made the decision to attempt a

"contact" with the beings inside it if there was any chance. So we took a station-wagon after dinner and left the town through the same road where the object had been observed in the early morning.

"At 10:30 we arrived at the place called Porteira, stopped the vehicle and started to blink the car's headlights at regular intervals. We had planned to attract the curiosity of the UFO if it was somewhere near us. We had planned right. From the west, from the direction of Paraguay, a light appeared in the sky, reddish in color, low on the horizon and very distant. This light was flying with an odd side-to-side horizontal oscillatory motion. It came toward us, silently, approaching and increasing gradually in size and brightness. It had a flattened appearance but no form could be seen behind it. Placed around the car, we watched its slow approach. Suddenly the light shot straight toward us at high speed, and came so near that it illuminated the ground around the car. There was a panic among us. It was a purposeful maneuver to scare us, there was no doubt. I didn't like it. At this very moment we spotted another similar light, still closer than the first, coming from the other side. We realized the danger and lost our heads. We had not the courage to wait for more. There was something alien and hostile in the movement of those 'things'. We jumped into the car as rapidly as possible and ran away at high speed from that haunted place. The lights did not follow us. They moved away in opposite directions. They remained in sight for a long time, high in the sky and oscillating from side-to-side, but far away.

"At the town, we called several friends to help us. We went again to the road outside the town, but this time we saw nothing. The two UFO's were gone. The next night, we left the town together with many other cars---a true caravan. We went again to the place called Porteira. Nothing happened.

INCIDENT NO. 4

DATE: March 3, 1958. Place: the road near Ponta Poran. Witnesses: Mr. Marcio Goncalves, the driver of Mrs. Mendonca's jeep in the first two incidents, his brother (13) and two friends, and Marcio's girl friend. The story is told by Marcio.

"After my second adventure with those eerie things, I with several friends---night after night, made many exploratory trips through the roads around Ponta Poran. After a ten days investigation without results we decided

to close the search.

"On the night of March 3, 1958, I called my brother and asked him to gather some friends for a 'flying saucer hunt'. This was not my real interest of course. I had invited my girl friend for a ride in the moonlight and we needed companions to persuade her parents that she might go, too. Their permission was granted and we left the town in the jeep around 9:00 p.m.

"I drove up to a lonely and romantic spot between two small thickets, and told the boys to leave the car and start the hunt. I told them to flash their flashlights toward the sky. What I was actually doing was making believe they were going to find the UFO's. I didn't feel guilty about my little trick because they were enjoying the situation, and excited about the adventure. And no one was going to be hurt if the UFO's did not appear as I expected.

"The time was 10:30, and I was talking love to my sweetheart. Suddenly she looked as if she were very frightened, and I knew that some thing was wrong, very wrong. I quickly turned my head to the point she was looking at, then I saw it too. Something very bright was hovering in mid-air over one of the thickets. The boys had seen it also, and ran toward the jeep, shouting "THE SAUCER--THE SAUCER". The thing shot straight toward us at high speed. Then everything got light, as if the sun had come out. But the light was red, like blood. My hair stood straight up on the back of my head. Where was it?

"It was directly over us. It was larger than a car, shaped like a round ball. It was so near we could have hit it with a pole. The boys had jumped into the jeep. The girl was trying to scream. The situation was very bad. Not having the courage to get out of the vehicle for a closer look, I decided to run away at once.

"I started the jeep, and drove hurriedly toward the town. The thing followed us, just behind the jeep, flying at about 9 feet from the ground. The jeep as well as the surroundings were illuminated by the bright glow coming from it. There was no noise. I started driving more rapidly, risking our lives because the road was in bad condition.

"The strange hunt lasted for 15 minutes, until we arrived at a thicket. The road passed through the woods and I hoped the object could not fly under the small trees along it. I was right. We saw it pass behind the trees and disappear. But the nightmare was not to end so easily. The strange hunter was enjoying

the game. When we left the woods we spotted it hovering over the thicket, higher in the sky. The road at that place curved toward a hill a few hundred meters away. When the thing saw our car it dived at high speed, but not toward us. It shot straight toward the top of the hill. It was now ahead of us.

"The situation was bad. The object had maneuvered to cut off our way to the town. In fact, our path was blocked for it was now on the road ahead of us, hovering a few feet from the ground on top of the hill. The jeep started to climb the hill. Then a strange thing happened. As the car was climbing the hill, the headlights were raised until they hit the UFO. The thing resented the light, as if it was scared by it or its propulsion system was disturbed by the light rays. Anyway the UFO wobbled violently in mid-air and shot straight up, to run away from the car's lights. A very strange and unexpected thing. We then passed under it. It began to follow us again, but staying more distant than before. After 10 minutes, it climbed up vertically and switched off its lights and disappeared into the darkness.

INCIDENT NO. 5

(Ed. Note--This case we will give only in minimum detail in order to save space for the comments of Dr. Fontes, who personally interviewed the witnesses in each incident, and has some excellent opinions and comments.)

DATE: Feb. 24, 1958. Place: a road between the town of Nazare and Salvador City, the capital of the State of Bahia. WITNESSES: Dr. Carlos Jose da Costa Pereira, Lawyer, Mr. Manuel Mendes, technician of the Senai National Department, his driver, and Mr. Antonio de Araujo, a friend.

They were traveling by night, and at 3:05 a.m., the motor suddenly stopped. They could not find the trouble so decided to sleep beside the road. It was then that they sighted a large luminous silver blue light hovering overhead.

The UFO was stopped at an estimated 90 feet high and 240 feet away. It then began a vertical descent until it was only 10 or 12 feet from the ground. The object appeared to be 60 to 75 feet in diameter. Two of the group began to walk toward the unknown. When they came close to the illuminated area below the object, the UFO suddenly took off vertically. At about 600 feet the object made a tight circle in the sky. Then it stopped again in the sky and tilted at a 45 degree angle. At this moment Dr. Pereira got the impression that the

rotating ring was notched like a cog-wheel, but the indentations seemed to be oblique in relation to the edge of the ring.

Then the UFO did a series of maneuvers in the sky, sometimes moving vertically, sometimes flying in tight circles, and then in a straight line. It did a "dead leaf" descent and came down to about 12 feet from the ground. For the second time the observers walked toward it---but again the UFO ran away to avoid any contact; it took off vertically, in a straight line, at tremendous speed, and was gone. The time was 4:35 a.m.

The observers then tried to start the motor of the car and to their surprise, the motor functioned properly, and they were able to proceed to Salvador City with no further trouble.

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COMMENTS BY DR. OLAVO FONTES

"The five incidents listed here are linked with each other by three different characteristics (1) in all of them the UFO's chased cars, (2) the same type of craft is involved in all cases; (3) in four of the cases the incidents took place in the same general area in spite of the time differences between them.

"These common characteristics set a pattern for the entire group. This is important because none of the reports were printed by the press at the time of their happening, but several months after the last incident. Another important thing is that all witnesses were interviewed personally and separately. Even the children. Their reports checked with each other with a few differences in detail. Also important is that different groups of observers were involved--each checking the truth of the facts reported by the others.

"Incident 3 is unique in the whole history of the UFO's---for the first time a group of people, reliable and responsible, left their town in an expedition to meet the UFO's and found them, but got more than they wanted. This is an incredible fact but it happened.

"The operating methods of the UFO's have changed, their behavior is now very different. They are landing, they are chasing cars---they are even interfering with people, chasing them, teasing them and even trying to scare them. They were doing something in the area of Ponta Poran, it is evident, but this something had nothing to do with the inhabitants of the region. Also, their behavior shows that the entities inside them are not supermen---they are just like us. Their attitudes and behavior supports such a conclusion. Of

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course, I would appreciate the UFO's more if they attended to their own affairs and refrained from interfering with our businesses. But it is evident that we cannot expect them to behave much differently than we ourselves would, given the opportunity. Their behavior is evidence that their psychology is very much like ours.

"In incident 1, for instance, I believe that the UFO crews were newcomers, not familiar with the natives and their mechanical contraptions. They showed an almost morbid curiosity about the jeep and its passengers.

"In incident No. 2, their attitude was entirely different. They had already satisfied their curiosity in Incident 1. It is obvious that they resented the interference of the natives. It was there as a sentinel against intruders. The other was possibly somewhere ahead on the road doing something that could not be disturbed by intruders. Anyway, the one that appeared blocked the passage of the vehicle with a purposeful maneuver.

Incident No. 3 is perhaps the most important of the entire series. Four persons left the town with the purpose of contacting the aliens. They stopped the car and started blinking the headlights. The UFO appeared but refused the contact. Their behavior was angry, almost hostile. In fact, they seemed to have little or no sense of humor.

Incident No. 4 was the same kind, a stopped car, boys shining flashlights, obviously looked like another contact attempt on the part of the natives. The UFO reacted in the same manner. The first dose had not been enough it seemed, the natives needed to be

scared some more. Therefore, the interference was more direct and frightening this time. Apparently they were blocking the way back to town, but something interfered this time. The car headlights. It appears that they don't like to be the target of a beam of light. Possibly the careful balance of their electro-magnetic propulsion system was badly disturbed by that light beam focused on their craft, at close range. The UFO violently wobbled when hit by the light rays. A physical effect, I have no doubt. WHY? Nobody knows I am sure. Anyway, the alien machine ran away from the light and did not approach the jeep anymore. VERY INTERESTING!!!

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