

Closed encounters

LONDON: The world's oldest UFO society, the British Flying Saucer Bureau, has suspended activities after half a century because of a decline in unexplained sightings.

Meanwhile, *Fortean Times*, the journal of the unexplained, has declared "ufology" dead because UFO reports are so rare. Editor Bob Rickard said video cameras were so widely available that convincing footage of spacecraft would have been obtained if Earth was being visited.

"The space around us is dead," he said. "We are not being visited."

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