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### Re: 'The Most Authentic Alien Image Ever'

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>  
Date: Sat, 14 Dec 1996 11:51:34 -0500  
Fwd Date: Sun, 15 Dec 1996 13:12:13 -0500  
Subject: Re: 'The Most Authentic Alien Image Ever'

> From: "Clark Hathaway" <earthhrk@cyberport.com>  
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'The Most Authentic Alien Image Ever'  
>  
> > What I \_really\_ want is to know these things in a completely  
> > \_impersonal\_ sense. I'd like there to be a collection of data  
> > completely separated from any human being. Put that collection of  
> > data in a box, put the box in the middle of a giant empty parking  
> > lot and then any person who approaches that data can read it (do the  
> > experiments, whatever) and walk away with \_precisely\_ the same  
> > understanding (knowledge) as any other person.  
> I understand believe me. However and unfortunately, the above  
> DOES necessarily involve humans. It involves people who have  
> undergone a set of serious traumatic shocks to their psyche.  
> These folks seem to have an extremely difficult time  
> disassociating themselves from the tremendous emotional  
> attachment to their experience.

Anything as seriously traumatic as this is going to present a whole set of separate problems, which is why I think the psychological aspect and any related therapy should be separate from any research/investigation.

There's no reason why abductees can't be involved in the research/investigation but there are some otherwise obvious groundrules associated with that. It isn't a crime that one or another person has difficulty separating themselves from the phenomenon, I'd be surprised if that wasn't pretty much always the case.

> That the reported circumstances of these phenomena is fantastic  
> and all but unbelievable is true, but due to the overwhelming  
> numbers it is clear that something exceedingly strange is and  
> has been occurring.

I'm not so sure how overwhelming the number really are. True, its a lot of abductees but they are mostly coming from a very small number of abductionists. At any rate, the anecdotal data to date, overwhelming or not, is clearly enough to indicates that \_something\_, rather than nothing, is going on.

> > That's the only way we'll know that we got it right.  
> Perhaps, but in any event it IS TIME NOW that an honest and  
> totally objective study be made of what is occurring. Our  
> collective future just may depend upon it.

The time is certainly now rather than later.

> > And that is the filter through which I view every single bit of  
> > ufological and paranormal data. The odd thing is that my approach  
> > causes some skeptics to consider me a believer and it causes some  
> > believers to consider me a skeptic. Go figure...<grin>

> *Honesty is an all too rare commodity during these times. ;-)*

Hahaha!!

> > > *I have included a JPEG of the piece with this message.*  
> > *Great picture!*  
> *It IS for sale! <grin>*

I'll mention that in the listing.

> *Just think of what a conversation piece it would make hanging in  
> your entryway! <wide evil grin>*

Just think what a conversation piece I'd make hanging in my foyer if  
my wife found out I bought something like that!!!! <GRIN>

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Thanks, take care.  
John.

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