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Re: The Scientific Method: Does It Apply To UFOs?

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> Science relays on the repeatable and controlled experimental process. This
> works fine in the lab and with things that are of lesser intelligence than
> the experimenter. I submit that science fails when it is applied to equal or
> higher intelligence.

I tend to think of science as a lot of test tubes and stuff. What science has failed to find is the logical reason for all kinds of anomalies, like background radiation in landing areas (Walton) and scars on people that weren't there before the event (Velez) and unusual memories of sequences of events in their entirety (myself) and a lot of other circumstantial evidence. What does science say about any of this?

> There are many in the UFO community who think that science can solve the UFO
> problem with scientific solutions. I think they are wrong. 1. It is
> obvious that the UFO problem has developed into a political problem because
> there is a coverup and so is deserving of political solutions. 2. The UFO
> problem is an intelligence problem as the intelligence agencies know full
well.
> A approach from an intelligence perspective can yield understanding of this
> issue.

I agree with you on the complexities of the many aspects of the UFO Phenomenon as it is being dealt with by various aspects of humanity.

> Let me give an example as to why science can't deal well with intelligent
> phenomenon. I was talking to a marine biologist friend of mine the other
> day. He gave me an example.

The example of the octopus is great. It does indicate an intelligent lifeform that is interacting with humanity. Taking this a step further to apply the same observations to the alien presence is really the beginning. Only when we can tell them we know that they know in terms that they will notice is only the beginning. At this point in time, we are not of any real value to them and they won't bother to take notice. They still tag us the same way we tag fish. Are fish intelligent? Are we intelligent? Will we ever tag aliens?

When abduction cases are singled out, it means very little in value to any analysis of the whole picture. When sightings are highlighted, only one aspect of the whole phenomenon can be presented. It has to come that all of the available evidence is combined to begin to form a picture of the extent that the UFO Phenomenon does affect all of humanity. There has to be an end to the coverups, the hoaxes and all of the rest of the mythology that has become associated with the UFO Phenomenon.

Sure its nice to be able to see hoaxes and fiction for what it is. But the entire subject is so ripe that something has to be done. Its not important whether any one picture or video or abduction story is factual or not. What is important is how we conduct ourselves as we try to get to the bottom of it all.

Take care for now,
Cathy Johnson

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