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### Re: Jacobs on Abductions & O.B.E.s

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Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Dec 1997 03:24:25 -0500  
Subject: Re: Jacobs on Abductions & O.B.E.s

Dear List:

John Velez supplied a forceful - if not intemperate - second epistle on the status of his alien abduction experiences, which he insists are physically real events. He deeply resents my observations.

I will make just the following points:

Dear John,

\* John, one of the reasons you gave for distinguishing what you believe to be alien abductions from out-of-body experiences was that you never saw your physical body in bed when you were 'out'. I pointed out to you that many an OOBE experient/ astral traveller has reported that when looking back at the bed during an OOBE, it appeared to be empty. That remains a fact despite your ire.

\* There are techniques for determining whether you are in an OOBE state or not. But as you are having physically real abductions, you won't need that knowledge.

\* The "pattern" I was mentioning was to do with the \*interpretation\* of the experience, not the experience itself - you picked up the "alien abduction" interpretative pattern or frame of reference from reading Hopkins' book. The experience itself, which you did indeed already know about, is as old as human consciousness. I can show you prehistoric rock art in southern Africa that depicts the experience. To this day, the !Kung of the Kalahari know of it. They call it "kia" and it occurs as a result of their trance dances. They are not being abducted by physical aliens in physical craft. What we now call the alien abduction experience was and is known to the human race in many guises and from all time. The alien abduction frame is only the latest literalist interpretation. The experience is old, John. The alien abduction interpretation is only a recent obfuscation.

\* I was not trying to psychoanalyse you! I'm sorry of that's how it came across, but I would point out that I specifically said that my comments were based \*on what you said\* in your first posting on this topic. According to that, you have had OOBES since childhood, and you further have indulged in meditative and occult exercises. You are therefore prone to these types of experiences, and your history is typical. Unless you are lying, of course, in which case I withdraw my observations.

\* Putting in "<G>" does not make your image of shooting me in the

head with your pistol any less ugly. But it did persuade me to now fervently hope that you are indeed actually being abducted by physically real aliens, and that next time they don't bother to bring you back.

\*<G>

Paul

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