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BUFORA Analyses Israeli 'Dead Alien' Material
 report by Mike Wootten
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In the midst of intense international controversy, the British UFO Research Association has released its findings after an in-depth investigation of three samples alleged to be taken from a dead alien discovered in Israel.

Background

On 21st December 1996, after many reports of UFO sightings in the Galilee farming village of Achihod, an 'alien' which allegedly fell from a 'craft' was captured by a local kibbutz resident, Tziona Damti. The creature was described as being 5cm in length with human features, four limbs, no fingers and surrounded in a slimy material. It was further alleged that the creature was still alive on discovery but later died.

Tziona Damti called the police. Two officers arrived to investigate. It was claimed that when one police officer bent down to put the "alien" in a bucket, it jumped on his back. Officer Asher Ben Ezra told the press that the volume of bodily fluids left on the ground by the creature was abnormal and which led him to believe that there was something suspicious about it.

On hearing this news, psychic, Uri Geller, offered the family \$1,000,000 to purchase the creature to add to his vast collection of curiosities.

The Israeli media took great interest in the story and the Damti family along with local UFO researchers were certain that they had found something of great scientific and financial value. It was later claimed that the creature had been analysed by Israeli scientists who found that the creature was 'not of this world'. However, these claims have not been backed up with a report or an author of the comments. Other researchers and Israeli journalists speculated that the find was an aborted salamander foetus.

BUFORA's Involvement

Whilst the controversy raged, BUFORA was surprisingly contacted on 15th January by Israeli UFO researcher, Debby Segal, who along with Uriya

Shai, were representing the Damti family. Debby requested that BUFORA analyse three samples taken from the creature that she was bringing over to the UK. BUFORA agreed and commissioned a noted private lab to conduct the analysis.

The Analysis

The lab took delivery of the samples on 16th January and completed the work on 29th January. BUFORA had asked for an initial study to ascertain whether the samples supplied could be of extraterrestrial origin and whether further work would be justified. It was agreed that the carbon and nitrogen signatures of the samples should be examined to see whether there was a marked difference from the signatures that all terrestrial life would produce. Each sample was analysed three times (enough for the results to be legally admissible in a UK court).

The very latest, British designed, mass spectrometer equipment was used to conduct the analysis

The Results

The nine conducted tests showed that each signature fell well within terrestrial limits. Not included in the report is the assertion by the lab technicians that the signatures come very close to those expected from lizards and frogs.

[Lab report follows]

LC2 Ltd. (Analytical Laboratories)

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Certificate Number : LC97-006

Project Description: Analysis of Biological samples for Delta C13 values and N15 values by Isotope

Ratio Mass Spectrometry

Submitted: By Debbie Segal

Date received: 16th January 1996

Your Reference: Analysis and report commissioned by BUFORA Ltd. on behalf of Debbie Segal

Our Reference: LC97-006

Date of report: 30th January 1997

Project Summary

Three samples were received into the laboratory for analysis. The samples were placed into a liquid Nitrogen container for storage purposes and to minimise any possibility of cross contamination of sample integrity. Each sample was carefully removed from the liquid Nitrogen container and a small portion of each was removed for Isotope analysis and placed into a sterile pre-cleaned vial of EPA quality. Each sample was then subjected to Isotope analysis using a Micromass EA Isotope ratio mass spectrometer with both Carbon and Nitrogen measurement capability. Each sample was run in triplicate to establish good statistics for both the Carbon and Nitrogen components of the samples.

Project Results

Sample ID		Delta C13 value
Nitrogen Value		
LC23741		-24.25
4.2		
(Brown Container)		
LC23742	-24 12	4.3
(White Container)		
LC23743	-24.35	4.2
(Black Container)		
Typical Values for Terrestrial	-15 to -30	0 to
14		
Samples (depending upon diet)		

These values fall directly in the middle of expected values for terrestrially derived Carbon and Nitrogen and therefore we submit that these samples are of terrestrial origin and not extra terrestrial origin as originally anticipated.

For the attention of: Debbie Segal, Simat Ben Shabat, Shmuel No. 56b,
Neve Yosef, Haifa, Israel

Signed on behalf of LC2 Analytical Laboratories:

Keith Hall
Director

This is the first time that a British UFO research group has had the opportunity to examine samples that are alleged to be of an alien origin and it is the first time in nearly 20 years that the study of any UFO related material has been objectively analysed in the UK (Livingston Case).

Geller, who was immediately informed of the results by BUFORA is said to be very disappointed with the Associations findings. So too are the Damti family along with their supporting UFO researchers.

Conclusion

BUFORA is not disappointed with the results. We are an objective research organisation who approach the subject with an open mind. We work to ascertain facts and although we have a negative result, we have done what we set out to do and establish facts.

However, to many this may not be the end of the story. Despite, submitted expert and impartial opinion, there will be those who will argue that what we have presented proves nothing. It may be said that it is possible that an alien life-form may have the same carbon and nitrogen signatures as us. But the same argument may be posed if we had discovered that the samples had similar cell structures or indeed DNA. Indeed if we follow the popularist theory that we are all born from an alien origin then we would never be able to prove or disprove anything in this case irrespective of what analysis or expert opinion we sort. This is a circular argument that dogs the subject time and again.

In the cold light of day, BUFORA is satisfied that this careful and precise analysis shows that what was discovered in Israel last December does have a terrestrial rather than extraterrestrial heritage.

We are however, open to further discussion and are also willing to undertake further objective analysis of the samples. We are now unfortunately unable to finance any further work.

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