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## UFO UpDates Mailing List

## Odyssey File Request Processor - Complete File

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From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 17 Feb 1997 05:48:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 17 Feb 1997 05:48:00 -0500
Subject: Odyssey File Request Processor - Complete File

The Odyssey Fringe Science Research Network now supports an
Internet-based File Request capability.

What does that mean?
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    It means that you can now request Odyssey files using only an
    Internet e-mail message and without long distance charges.

How does it work?
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    First, you write an e-mail message with the correctly formatted
    request (see below) and send it to:

        <sjpowell@access.digex.net>.

    Next, wait for the e-mail confirmation message that your request was
    received.  Lastly, wait for your new file (or an error message if
    the request was incorrectly formatted) to arrive in your InBox.  All
    requested files are uuencoded using MIME. Simply save the message as
    a file with an .MME extension, uudecode that file to get your
    requested file.  (Most newer e-mail readers will automatically
    decode the file for you.)


How do I format the file request?
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    The Odyssey File Request message is just like any other e-mail
    message you might write and send.  From your Mail Reader select New
    Message.  Address the message to:

        <sjpowell@access.digex.net>.

    Now, you have to write the Subject line very carefully.  Here are
    the rules.

    Subject must contain:

            (OFR) (email.address) (ffffffff.eee)

    The three sections are:

                    A) Action Code.
                    B) Return Address.
                    C) Filename.

    A) Action Code.
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        The Action Code is used to specify a remote action at the
        Odyssey Fringe Science BBS.  To initiate an Odyssey File Request
        action the Action Code is 'OFR' (no quotes).  The Action Code
        must be enclosed in parentheses, it is not case-sensitive.

                Correct File Request Action Codes:


                                                (OFR)
                                                (ofr)

    B) Return Address.

        Use one space to separate the Action Code from the Return
        Address.  The Return Address is your Internet e-mail address, it
        can contain no spaces.  This must be your complete e-mail
        address.  Do not bracket your e-mail address with '<' or '>'.
        Your e-mail address must be enclosed in parentheses.

                Example: (sjpowell@access.digex.net)

    C) Filename.

        Use one space to separate the Return Address from the Filename.
        This is the full name of the file you want to request.  Use only
        the complete filename.  The filename must be from 1 to 8
        characters long, followed by a '.' (period), followed by the
        extension. The extension must be no more or no less than 3
        characters long. The filename must be enclosed in parentheses.

                Example: (coolfile.zip)

    You may leave the body of the e-mail message blank (the Odyssey File
    Request Processor does not read it).  Now send your message.


Frequently Asked Questions:
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    Can I request ANY file?  Of course not, only publically available
    files on the BBS are available through the Odyssey File Request
    Processor.

    Can I use wildcards in the requested Filename?  No way.

    How many files can I request?  As many as you like, but try to be
    considerate of others and not request too many at a time.

    How long will it take to get my file?  Usually between 24 and 72
    hours.

    I want a particular file right now, how can I get it?  Call the
    Odyssey Fringe Science Research Network BBS long distance at
    410-321-7461 to download the file.

    How do I get a list of the files available?  Send an Odyssey File
    Request for the listing.  Here they are by category:

        Complete Listing:               AOEINEOA.ZIP

        Alien Abductions:               ABDFILES.ZIP
        Assassinations:                 ASNFILES.ZIP
        CSICOP Files:                   CSIFILES.ZIP
        Book Reviews, etc.:             BOKFILES.ZIP
        Crop Circles, UGMs:             CIRFILES.ZIP
        UFO Crash/Recovery:             CRSFILES.ZIP
        Cryptozoology:                  CRPFILES.ZIP
        FOIA Files:                     FOIFILES.ZIP
        Government Stuff:               GOVFILES.ZIP
        International UFO Sightings:     NTFILES.ZIP
        Mars Face, etc.:                MRSFILES.ZIP
        Misc. UFO Stuff:                MUFFILES.ZIP
        Mutilation Stuff:               MUTFILES.ZIP
        Parapsychology:                 PSIFILES.ZIP
        Photographs, Movies, etc.:      PICFILES.ZIP
        Political Stuff:                POLFILES.ZIP
        Science Stuff:                  SCIFILES.ZIP
        Channeling, New Age Stuff:      CHAFILES.ZIP
        USA UFO Sightings:              USAFILES.ZIP

    Okay, enough questions, is this available now?  Right now.
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Thanks, take care.
John.

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