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Re: UFOs and CounterIntelligence

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> > From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
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> > > A classic example is Donald Menzel's "explanation" of the famous
> > > New Guinea case.

> > > It was apparent then and its very apparent today that Menzel relied
> > > on science only rarely when trying to explain (away) UFO sightings.
> > > It wasn't known then and it is known now that Menzel worked for the
> > > CIA at the time and was almost certainly doing what he did to assist
> > > the goals expressed by the Robertson Panel.

> > Some of the anomalous statements and behaviour of the scientists
> > performing SETI research made me wonder if there was another instance
> > of Menzelian science being performed.

> There probably are other examples, I'd be surprised if there weren't.
> Science politics is a heated competition of ideas.

Menzelian science is my polite way of saying psychological warfare,
disinformation, prevarication elementary tools of counterintelligence
not generally the methods of science politics.

> > If biographical research of the sort which Stanton Friedman performed
> > so rewardingly with Menzel interests you, take a look at background of
> > Frank Drake.

> I'm not at all familiar with his background.

Location, location, location they say is the one of the most important
factors in real estate.

Communications, communications, communications is similarly important in
intelligence operations if there is or will be contact with
extraterrestrials where might you place your key people?

> > Why should anyone think that the subrefuge performed by Menzel ended
> > with his retiring from the ufo field and or his death?
> > Is it rational or logical to assume that the intelligence community's
> > activities in this field were staffed by that one person and the
> > operation and functions he performed stopped when he retired? There
> > is no basis for this assumption based on the Robertson/Durant report.

> No basis at all. I'm sure there are other such examples. We know, for
> instance (without even invoking the CIA), that the military has policies
> for official tactical deception. That's the actual name of the USAF's
> such policy.

> The Robertson/Durant net result, that we don't want Americans freaked
> out by UFOs (for various reasons) was good. I don't mean 'good' as in
> right, I mean that it made sense at the time. Today we obviously don't
> have that problem. Why not?

An interesting value judgement. What assumptions went into your
judgement that the net result was good or made sense at the time?
Who are the "we" you refer to?

Gary

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