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John Powell, reading that the supposed alien "writing" Budd Hopkins keeps under lock and key is made up of fairly simple symbols, writes:

> *If the symbology is as simple as you suggest then I*
> *absolutely guarantee that modern cryptographic analysis could decode it.*

Would you explain further, John?

The part that stumps me is what cryptographers could compare the symbols to. Are they letters in an alphabet? Do they stand for concepts, somewhat as Chinese pictographs do? Are they something scientific or mathematical, like symbolic logic or the symbols of organic chemistry?

Lacking that knowledge, how does a cryptographer proceed? Especially since -- assuming for a moment that the symbols are truly alien -- we know nothing of the alien culture or thought processes. It's not as if we have a Rosetta stone -- something in a language we know that says the same thing.

What would a cryptographer look for?

Greg Sandow

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