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Re: Mendoza's Secret Life

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Sun, 19 Jan 1997 22:17:52 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 20 Jan 1997 00:47:04 -0500
Subject: Re: Mendoza's Secret Life

>Date: Mon, 13 Jan 1997 11:30:51 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <GSANDOW@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Mendoza's Secret Life

>Gary wrote, about Peter Brookesmith's possible secret identity as a
>counterintelligence agent:

....snip....

>The best way to counter disinformation would be with
>facts. A good solid list from you or Brian of mistakes or
>misrepresentations or character assassinations in Peter's book would do
>much more to counter its effect than unsubstantiated charges will. Fight
>disinformation with truth.

....snip....

>To stay reasonable, do the following:

>1. Devote your energy to the substance of Peter's book. Prove he's
>wrong. Fight error with truth. Fight even known disinformation with
>truth.

>2. Don't make accusations unless you have concrete evidence to back them
>up.

>Greg Sandow

JC: We all know that Greg's logic is undeniably correct on this.
The real trick is for all of us to do it. It is not easy sometimes
when emotions get in the way.

Date: Wed, 15 Jan 1997 19:56:08 -0600 (CST)
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
From: Brian Zeiler <bdzeiler@anet-chi.com>
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JC: I apologize for cutting in on this conversation but I like
both of you folks.

Brian .. you wrote:

>I'll be sure to post examples with excruciating detail,
>and Brookesmith will have the right to defend himself. Hopefully this time
>he'll be serious about a rebuttal and not as flippant as he was last time.

JC: He is not defending himself. He is defending his logic, facts or lack of them. He doesn't have to rebut you seriously and you don't have to convince him of anything.

A. Lincoln once said: You can fool some of the people all the time; all of the people some of the time but you can't fool all of the people all of the time.
(or something like that)

No one can convince everyone to go along with him on every topic, no matter how hard he tries. Because we're all different, we are going to see things differently. However, those people reading these posts, who can think for themselves, will look at your "facts" and the other person's rational rebuttal or lack of it, and make up their own minds. When the second person doesn't answer (rationally or otherwise) the first person's "facts," the intelligent readers following both people's posts will eventually figure this out for themselves, especially if those original facts were solid enough to begin with. Those "readers" will "adjust" their way of thinking to what seems most logical for them. If you convince the scientists, etc., the ballgame is won.

Also, it is important to remember you are not alone in this. It is not simply the logic you present to another person, but rather, the collective logic we all present_ to that person (and to the world) together.

Relax, we're all in this for the long haul.

Sincerely,
Jerry Cohen

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