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Appologies - to those of you who have mailed me recently with reports etc and have not yet had a reply. I have spent the last two weeks installing and setting up a new PC. When time has allowed I have been copying files from one machine to the other via a link cable. Non of your high tech back up systems here. It has taken a long time. However things are now just about back to normal.

USAF Roswell press release 24th June 1997 - We make no appologies for the vast majority of this issue being taken up with information on the USAF recent press release. Once again this is history in the making. It is important that we make ourselves as fully aware as possible of the situation.

Problems with downloading Real Audio files - Some members will be aware that there have apparently been problems downloading some Real Audio (RA) files from the uk.ufo.nw web site. Presently we can only speak for PC users running Windows.

When a RA link is selected an option window should appear giving you the choice of where you want to save the file to on your hard drive. Some of the RA links do not give you this choice. The RA file downloads fully, loads you RA player then plays the audio file. Where has the RA file been saved to?

Thanks to Crow for the answer to this. Look in your Windows/Temp directory and you will see the file sitting there in all it's glory for you to move about as you wish.

Real Audio - On 24th June 1997, Col. John Haynes of the Unites States Air Force gave a press conference at the Pentagon. This latest release would have us believe that the bodies 'alien' seen at Roswell, New Mexico in 1947 were "probably" crash dummies. Here is the full 22 minute press release in Real Audio format along with the transcript. Point your browser at url:

<http://www.holodeck.demon.co.uk> - Select Real Audio button

If you are interested in UFO related Real Audio files you will find many more at url:

<http://www.crowman.demon.co.uk/>

IRC (Internet Relay Chat) - By now most of you will be aware that you can join our weekly UFO meetings on the IRC simply by using your web browser (see foot of e-zine for full details). If you want to be a little more adventurous and perhaps use one of the dedicated IRC programs such as the excellent MIRC visit the below url for beginners and others:

Frames: <http://web.ukonline.co.uk/phil.light/irchelp.htm>

No frames: [http://web.ukonline.co.uk/phil.light/page/chat\\_how.htm](http://web.ukonline.co.uk/phil.light/page/chat_how.htm)

NASA TV live worldwide - Unfortunately we here in the UK and many other parts of the world are unable to recieve the NASA TV channel. However due to the Mars Pathfinder mission we can confirm that there are various web sites which have a live audio and video stream of the NASA TV channel. The real time video is watched via your web browser while the audio obviously come's from your speakers.

Point your browsers at urls:

<http://www.chron.com/content/interactive/space/vdo/ntvlive/ntvlive.vdo>

<http://www.cnn.com/TECH/9706/pathfinder/multiplex/live/nasatv.html>  
<http://www.chron.com/>

If you have the program shareware or otherwise 'cuseeme' log into any of the following addresses:

Europe: 158.36.33.5  
UK: 129.186.112.242  
130.235.128.100  
139.88.27.43

What we cannot confirm at present is whether these sites will continue to give access to the NASA TV channel once the initial excitement of the Mars Pathfinder mission fades. This is where you come in. We know of the above sites but do you know of any more? Are there any other interesting video streams online?

Send any information to: [ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk](mailto:ufo@holodeck.demon.co.uk)  
Subject line: Internet Video

Sightings on the Radio - Most people are aware of the American TV program 'Sightings'. Did you also know that it has a sister program 'Sightings on the Radio'. This is an excellent radio program which runs for 3 hours six nights a week and is hosted by Jeff Rense. It covers UFOs and the paranormal. Many of the shows guests are the tops in their field and well known to UFO buffs.

Once again the show is only available in the USA, that is unless you have an Internet connection. The show is transmitted live via Real Audio, but more importantly they are archived. By visiting the below url you get a brief description of each of the shows. Select the link to the one/s you are interested in and simply listen. Like me you may find it more convenient to record the show on a tape recorder for listening at your leisure.

Of particular interest around now is the celebrations taking place in Roswell, New Mexico. Celebrating 50 years since the 1947 incident. Between 50,000 and 100,000 visitors are expected over the five day period. Many of the top ufologists will be there. Thanks to Michael Linderman of CNI News most of these ufologists will be interviewed on the show while at Roswell. Michael Linderman also guests on the show every Wednesday with a line up of the latest UFO reports from around the world. Point your browser at url:

<http://www.audionet.com/shows/endoftheline/>

Nick Pope - The third and final part of a look at Nick Popes new book 'The Uninvited' will appear in the next issue {78} of the e-zine.

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- special -

Book Title: A Fearful Symmetry  
Author: Lynne Bishop

We are extremely pleased to announce that starting in the next issue of the e-zine {78} we will be serialising the book 'A Fearful Symmetry - A True Story of Alien Intrusion into Human Lives' with a forward by John Carpenter.

We know that you will find this book absolutely fascinating and a little frightening. Lynne tells from the heart of her and her families abduction experiences. Don't miss it!

United Kingdom News  
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British Aerospace Teams With Lockheed Martin on Joint Strike Fighter

Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) and British Aerospace announced today that British Aerospace has joined Lockheed Martin's Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) team in the world's largest-ever military aircraft development and production competition. British Aerospace will participate in all phases of Lockheed Martin's JSF program.

British Aerospace has reached an agreement to work in partnership with Lockheed Martin on the \$718.8-million contract to produce and fly two concept demonstration aircraft for the JSF program and through to the engineering and manufacturing development and production phases. JSF is being developed for the U.S. Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps and the United Kingdom's Royal Navy to replace several types of aircraft in current service with the two nations, including the F-16, F/A-18C/D, AV-8B and Sea Harrier. The Lockheed Martin team was awarded one of two JSF concept demonstration contracts following a multi-year competition completed in November 1996.

Sir Richard Evans, Chief Executive of British Aerospace, said: "With a requirement for over 3,000 aircraft, JSF is the most significant trans-Atlantic military program of the 21st century. We are delighted to have reached agreement with Lockheed Martin and look forward to making a significant contribution, particularly in the areas of systems integration, low-cost design and manufacture and short take-off and vertical landing (STOVL) technologies."

Norman R. Augustine, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Lockheed Martin, said: "This agreement supports our objective of forming mutually beneficial, long-term international partnerships. We are proud to now have both British Aerospace and Northrop Grumman on our team and view their participation as a strong vote of confidence in our JSF program. We will benefit greatly from British Aerospace's capabilities and expertise on our team."

British Aerospace's contribution will be led by their Military Aircraft and Aerostructures business, Europe's leading military aircraft company, which has a leading role in a wide range of collaborative programs, including the VSTOL Harrier/AV-8B and Hawk aircraft through to the recently awarded contract for Nimrod 2000, the world's most sophisticated maritime patrol aircraft.

Led by its Tactical Aircraft Systems unit in Fort Worth, Texas, Lockheed Martin's JSF team also includes Lockheed Martin Aeronautical Systems in Marietta, Ga., which contributes F-22 aircraft technology; and Lockheed Martin's Skunk Works advanced technology development and rapid prototyping unit in Palmdale, Calif., where the two JSF concept demonstration aircraft are to be built. The team also includes Northrop Grumman, Pratt & Whitney, Rolls-Royce and Allison.

A U.S. government decision on the winning JSF design is scheduled in 2001 with initial aircraft deployment in 2008.

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World News  
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[W 1]\*\*\*\*\*

United States Air Force  
Aired 1400hrs 24th June 1997  
Col. John Haynes USAF  
Pentagon

Full transcript USAF press release on Roswell

COL. JOHN HAYNES, U.S AIR FORCE: Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

I'm sure I'd like to show you this book, tell you it's \$18 and head for the door, but there are two armed guards right there and they're not going to let me out of it that easily.

(LAUGHTER)

Let me read my prepared statement and then we will roll a short video that Captain McAndrew will talk about. And then I will answer some questions.

We're confident once the report is out and digested by the public that this will be the final word on the Roswell incident.

The conclusion of the first report left no doubt that what was recovered near Roswell, New Mexico, in July 1947 was debris from a formerly top secret Army Air Force's research project, Code Name Mogul. Mogul as an attempt to acoustically detect Soviet nuclear blasts and ballistic missile launches.

Mogul used an odd assortment of equipment carried aloft by a balloon train more than 600 feet long. This balloon train consisted of 25 balloons, attached acoustic devices and several radar reflectors which look like box kites.

In 1947, it was the misidentification of these radar reflectors that is most likely the famous flying disc.

Today, we're releasing the final report to address questions about alleged bodies associated with the Roswell story. This report has four main conclusions. If you have your books, turn to page 3. We'll have a lesson.

(LAUGHTER)

One -- Air Force activities which occurred over a period of many years had been consolidated and are now represented to have occurred in two or three days in July 1947.

Two -- bodies observed in the New Mexico desert were probably test dummies that were carried aloft by U.S. Air Force high altitude balloons for scientific research.

Three, the unusual military activities in the New Mexico desert were high-altitude research balloon launch and recovery operations. The reports of military units that always seem to arrive shortly after a crash were actually accurate descriptions of Air Force personnel engaged in the dummy recovery operations.

Four, claims of bodies at the Roswell Army air field hospital were most likely a combination of two separate incidents. One was a 1956 KC-97 aircraft accident in which 11 Air Force members lost their lives or a 1959 manned balloon mishap in which two Air Force pilots were injured.

That information is in this report.

These conclusions are listed in page 3, as I said, of the book. Please roll the video.

(VIDEO)

The first clip's pretty quick. I'm going start off with some Air Force high-altitude balloon operations, and the first project is going to be a NASA Viking space probe tested in New Mexico.

This was launched from Roswell, New Mexico, in 1972 and was recovered on the White Sands missile range, about 100 miles to the west. That is the Voyager, Mars, another test the Air Force did. (OFF-MIKE)...

(LAUGHTER)

Typical Air Force high-altitude balloon launch operation in the desert of New Mexico. This is during the mid '50s. That's just a comparison of the size. You can see how many airliners you can fit inside a high-altitude research balloon at that altitude. These are just some payloads -- the usual payloads particularly associated with the balloon.

Next will be the reconnaissance project Mogul. The project took place in New Mexico in 1947. This is some equipment associated with Project Mogul.

There's the famous box kite that became the famous flying disk. The weather balloons that were on the balloon train... That's the tin, paper, rubber and sticks that they recovered in the desert near New Mexico in 1947.

Here's what you've all been waiting for, the anthropomorphic dummies, and Joseph W. Kittinger Jr.. That's a typical test dummy used by the Air Force during the 1950s.

(LAUGHTER)

There's one of the project officers with that particular dummy. It's known as a Sierra Sam, manufactured by Sierra Engineering Corporation. One of the technical reports listed in the bibliography of the report. This is actually a man subject, but that's what the dummies were used for, to test ejection.

QUESTION: So, that's not a dummy?

HAYNES: That's a man.

(LAUGHTER)

Here's how the dummies were employed. Two dummies to a rack, somewhere in a gondola. They flew up to 98,000 feet. This launch is in New Mexico. That's an upshot, and there goes the dummy. He would free fall for a period of time and a drug chute would deploy, and the object was to recover a human from a high-altitude aircraft. And they often landed at off-range locations throughout New Mexico, often observed by civilians.

This is where the recovery crews are scurrying to recover them, either with aircraft or ground vehicles.

This is retired Colonel Joseph W. Kittinger Jr. This is the culmination of the high altitude projects that use the dummies. And that's the Excelsior Three gondola in 1960. And that's Captain Kittinger. That is a world record parachute jump. Still stands today. He free fell for four minutes and 37 seconds. And he did it three times.

OK, let me -- yes, ma'am.

QUESTION: Why did it take so long to come up with this conclusion? You've come up with many other conclusions.

HAYNES: Well, the first report was the GAO-required report for Project Mogul. When Captain McAndrew was doing additional research after that report had been given to the secretary, and we were waiting to publish the second report, he was looking for additional pictures. And he uncovered some film strips of the balloon test and the dummies. And that's when he began to do further research.

He sent it up the chain, and they said this is excellent information. It's outstanding scientific research by the Air Force. And we want the public to know about it, because it's the public's information.

QUESTION: Colonel, how do you square the UFO enthusiasts saying that they're talking about 1947, while you're talking about dummies used in the '50s, almost a decade later?

HAYNES: Well, I'm afraid that's a problem that we have with time compression. I don't know what they saw in '47, but I'm quite sure it probably was Project Mogul. But I think if you find that people talk about things over a period of time, they begin to lose exactly when the date was. And there were lots of dummies dropped. There were about 2,500 balloons launched during this 30-year period in New Mexico alone.

QUESTION: Why do you think people in Roswell and elsewhere still don't -- still are not convinced? No matter what you say?

HAYNES: I'm sorry, but I just can't answer that question for them. But they must look at the evidence. If you will read this book -- and I'm sure you're going to take it home tonight and read it -- quite frankly, you're going to find some very interesting and quite fascinating pieces of information about Air Force research.

Whether you accept that as the Roswell information, I quite frankly don't know. But we do because it overlays so well with this period of time.

QUESTION: Colonel, UFO groups also...

QUESTION: Excuse me. Sir, does the Air Force regret not declassifying some of this information sooner rather than just the last few years?

HAYNES: Great question. Nothing in here was ever classified.

In the first report, everything was classified in the '70s.

QUESTION: How much did this study cost?

HAYNES: That's a good question and quite frankly, we've not captured the data. But let me tell you that we've had no more than one or two people on it -- probably not even full time over the last two years.

QUESTION: Colonel, are...

HAYNES: I can get that for you but I just don't know because we just got the book on the 10th and I haven't -- I don't know what the publishing costs are.

Yes, ma'am.

QUESTION: Colonel, let me just clear up two things that you sort of brushed over quickly. Number one was the time frame that people are going to say -- But this is 10 years. How could they possibly make a mistake on the 10 years. And number two -- you said it was never classified, and yet why didn't people at the time say -- Well, my goodness, we were having dummy tests. This explains the answer. HAYNES: Well, the dummy test actually -- you need to get the book. You need to look in there.

If you'll look in there, you'll find there are a couple of things in which the dummy tests get lots of media attention, and I should have -- I have it tabbed, and I should be able to find it, but quite frankly, I'm sitting here and my knees are shaking.

(UNKNOWN): Twenty-six.

QUESTION: But...

HAYNES: Page 26.

QUESTION: Yes, but explain those two things.

HAYNES: OK. There's a picture for that.

But let me tell you that I don't know why they can't associate that time period. I'm sorry. I just don't have any information for that. All I know is what the Air Force did, and that if you overlay much of their claims and you look at the Air Force scientific research, you can see it's obvious that what we're talking about at Roswell -- and I don't mean Roswell in '47, because that was Project Mogul, that was unmanned. I want to make that very clear. And that's the first report.

But over that period of time, dummies were dropped all around there. And I think it's logical to assume that the people there saw Air Force ambulances come out. They saw gurneys come out. They saw body bags come out because the dummies were put into body bags to protect them.

They saw people in pith helmets. They saw people in shorts out there brushing the bushes looking for the remnants of the balloons.

And when you put all that stuff together and spin it, you find that it fits perfectly with many of the occurrences in Roswell during that era.

QUESTION: Except that 10-year period.

QUESTION: But they also said that these figures were of much smaller stature than full-size adult figures. How do reconcile that?

HAYNES: I don't reconcile that. I just have no idea why they say that.

QUESTION: Tell us when the dummies were first used -- what year?

HAYNES: Fifty-three.

QUESTION: And how many you say numbers of...

HAYNES: Well, the actual balloon launchings were about 2,500. The actual number of dummies dropped were -- it's actually in the book and it's very specific, but the number just escapes me. It's more than 300 or 400. Yes, sir.

QUESTION: Why did they make it -- the design -- resemble to flying saucer? It makes it very suspicious.

HAYNES: A flying saucer? Now, you were talking about in the video?

QUESTION: Yes.

HAYNES: That's also in here, I might add and you saw it in the video. Some of the -- and you're looking at payloads. Well, what they were doing is they wanted to recover these payloads and so they were testing the parachutes.

And I totally agree. If I saw something like that -- I'm riding along out there near Riodoso and I'm wandering out in the desert and I see this funny looking dish out there, I might want to poke around at it. But quite frankly, this is probably what it was.

QUESTION: You keep saying -- using the word "probably" and you say closed. Those two don't jive. How do you reconcile that?

HAYNES: Yes, you're right. OK. Let me say, from the Air Force's perspective that's exactly what it was. And I don't mean to be rude about that. I want you to understand, we are very, of this report. We think in our office that this answers lots of questions and it answers them logically and with integrity.

And one other thing I might add is if you want to do your own research, in the back is a complete, technical report bibliography and also there is a terrific, set of end notes. And I recommend that if you're interested in this, that you take these and you do your own research and come to your own conclusions. Yes, sir.

QUESTION: Does the Air Force have any evidence at all of any sort of space craft wreckage or extraterrestrial presence on Earth?

HAYNES: No, sir.

QUESTION: What is -- can you tell us anything about this myth of Area 51 which has become part of ...

(LAUGHTER)

.. everything from Hollywood movies to a local legend? What is Area 51? Is there such a place? What does it do?

HAYNES: That actually should be outside this brief. Let me ask you a question. If you are talking about Groom Lake, Nevada, is that what you're talking about?

QUESTION: I'm talking about the scene everybody remembers from the movie "Independence Day."

(LAUGHTER) HAYNES: My daughter asked me the same question. There is a facility in Groom Lake, Nevada. Quite frankly, I have no knowledge or expertise in the matters. I understand there are classified things that go on there and that's all I have to say about it.

QUESTION: One followup. How do you know -- I mean, your name is now Colonel John Haynes. It's going to go down in UFO lore as one of the people who took part, in the minds of some people, in the continuing coverup by the government. How do you know that you're not being used? How do you know that you know the full story?

(LAUGHTER)

That there's no evidence of this?

HAYNES: Because our job is to review all the Air Force documents for this era. And that's how we came up with this exciting and

interesting and intriguing, quite frankly, report. I know you think that sounds like a broken record, but you need to get in here and read it, and you will see that many of the things that people think they saw correlate perfectly with Air Force research projects.

QUESTION: You're confident that you're not part of any coverup, wittingly or unwittingly?

HAYNES: I'm totally confident.

HAYNES: But I think Colonel Weaver -- you might have seen him on TV earlier -- said it best. We can't even keep single secrets. How could we have a conspiracy or a cover-up?

(LAUGHTER)

Yes, sir?

QUESTION: A question of follow-up to the Groom Lake operating location. Recently there were a lot of sightings out in Arizona of supposed UFOs. Is it possible, within the range of possibility, that any classified aircraft from the Groom Lake area were in that vicinity and this might explain why people are suddenly seeing a lot of strange landing lights and so forth?

HAYNES: Well, let me say two things. Number one, as far as Groom Lake, I don't have any knowledge of that area. Forgive me. It's just not within my area of expertise. I don't have the access. End of quote.

Secondly, if you're interested in the Arizona question, I suggest that you contact the local authorities in Arizona and see what they have to say, because the Air Force no longer does any investigation of UFOs.

Yes, sir?

QUESTION: Let's go back to that so-called Area 51, because in people's minds, but you say I can't talk about it because it's classified, conjures up, oh, there it is. There's the cover-up.

Can you give us any hint, without violating any sense of confidential nature, what kinds of things might be happening?

HAYNES: Sir, I cannot. Forgive me. I just do not know.

QUESTION: Is there anyone in the Air Force that can?

HAYNES: I'm going to have to defer that to public affairs. It's outside of my area of expertise. Forgive me, but it's just outside of my area of expertise.

QUESTION: Can you rule out that Area 51 is only human-made equipment and intelligence?

(LAUGHTER)

HAYNES: Do we call that leading the witness? Is that what we call it? I'm sorry. I just don't know. Forgive me. It's just not an area that I have knowledge.

Yes, ma'am?

QUESTION: Colonel, let me just go back one more time to that. You say this is case closed and people should now believe it, but with the major hole, though, you're saying that they're wrong about the date and the date being six years time that they're wrong about.

How can you -- what explanation can you give them, other than just saying, well, we just think they're just mistaken by six years?

HAYNES: We don't -- I have no other explanation. I'm sorry. I have no other explanation. I'm looking at the facts as we have studied them, and I have no other explanation of that but what I've already given.

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