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### UFO crash in Mato Grosso, Brazil - Update

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Hi List.

Errol, I'd like to add only a remark about the terminology used :

I've been using the terms "UFO" and "UFO crash" regarding this event because it is not known yet what it is. Of course what crashed there may be anything else different from an alien ship or an alien device. Although usually several people refer to an alien ship as a "UFO", I'm using the term with its original and exact meaning : Unidentified Flying Object, which means only something we don't know yet and that could be almost anything (even a weather balloon). Besides, it's the term used in the original report.

I present below an update of the reports. You'll see that there are some details that might encourage one to investigate the case, and also other details that might discourage one. Some parts are a little confusing.

It is also noteworthy that the brazilian national media didn't broadcast yet any report on the subject. So far, it is only the local media that is reporting the happenings - and it seems that the local reporters are still now performing literally a hunt over the apparently inaccessible object.

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UFO CRASH AT NOVA BRASILANDIA, MATO GROSSO, BRAZIL, ON JULY 1st, 1997 - UPDATE

The mail below was sent by Ataide Neto, President of AMPUP, to Pedro Cunha (pplfilho@nutecnet.com.br), brazilian ufologist who lives in Brasilia. Pedro Cunha forwarded it to the Internet on July 15 th, 1997.

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The reported fact is real, it's only a matter of time, because the fact happened. However, it can't be affirmed what it is about. The conclusion of such happenings will lie between the distrust of some and the certainty of others.

According to information from the population of the Nova Brasilandia county, the comments are evident.

The object that crashed at Nova Brasilandia is attracting several people to the region, and the county is suddenly gaining national fame, thanks to a product that has nothing to do with the land.

Nova Brasilandia is located 260 km away from Cuiaba' and is about 200 km from Chapada dos Guimaraes, a region full of sierras and by coincidence close to the surroundings of Serra do Roncador, which is the place that receives anually hundreds of tourists searching for UFOs and that is home

of a legendary cavern that links subterraneously Brazil to Machu-Picchu [the famous archeological site and mystical city in Peru].

There is not sureness about the veracity of this information [legendary cavern], however the clues collected induce one to presume the facts are undeniable.

People got knowledge and many witnessed the event of July 1st, 1997.

The residents of Nova Brasilandia affirm the unidentified flying object (UFO) has passed ripping the skies over that county. According to the locals, the object was an enormous ball of fire that illuminated the region, leading them to suspect that the UFO has crashed in some point within the rural area of the county.

The crash - according to the population - would have happened around 8:00 PM of a weekend, and the story told about the happenings doesn't contradict it, that is to say : a huge ball of fire that passed over the houses and went towards the sierras; after two to four seconds, it is heard an earsplitting din (like if it was something exploding), that could be heard in a radius of 160 km; and due to the impact the land shook, and soon after that a gleam appeared and it lasted for about one minute - according to them - and this gleam turned the sky into day. Even people accommodated in their homes, had to go outdoors to see the reason of this strange gleam.

The AMPUP team has been at the place for investigations and researches, and with the results obtained we conclude that the object IS about 100 to 200 kilometres from the city of Nova Brasilandia, next to Serra Azul [Blue Sierra], at that outskirts.

We didn't find it yet, because the place is of difficult access. However, we've fought and are fighting untiringly, day and night, to reach the object. The AMPUP team has been at Nova Brasilandia in the night of July 7 to July 8th, and only returned because of a multiplicity of problems : the gas was finishing, the food was ending, the road wasn't in good condition, some people started to feel bad... Thus, on July 8th, the AMPUP team returned to Cuiaba', but my anxiety was so big that I (Ataide Ferreira S. Neto) came back again to Nova Brasilandia, and I have made several and mysterious findings.

Before returning, I was receiving several phone calls to clear up what really would have happened, because the TV and the press wanted to interview me regarding what the AMPUP team would have obtained. After one of the interviews, the Gazeta TV Network group invited me to return to the site. It was July 9th, and so we went there again.

Arriving at Nova Brasilandia, we had to look for Mr. Santinho, this because when he was fishing, he saw the object falling some kilometres far from where he was. When we arrived at his house, we didn't find him, so we decided to talk to the Nova Brasilandia's Mayor, Mr. Sergio Benetti, who informed us of a reliable person who would know the place where would have fallen the object. We would have then to walk about 80 kilometres to find him, a person called Manito.

Before continuing, it must be said that the press - through many testimonies from people of Nova Brasilandia - believed that the UFO would have fallen at Mr. Divino Fogoio's ranch, about 70 km far from the county. The press has reached this conclusion because Mr. Fogoio spreaded the information, about 10 days ago, that he had sighted a weird object in his property.

Nevertheless, his reputation in the city is that of a great liar, and the distrust on his story increased when he affirmed he would have seen the object falling at his ranch but wasn't able to say where. Soon before, he had affirmed he knew where the object was, however in front of the press he stated the opposite, so we've decided to check the Manito's story out, 'cause the Mayor affirmed he was a reliable person.

When we reached Manito's farm, it was night already, he wasn't there, we kept waiting his arrival, and by 8,00 PM he came back, and his story was the following :

"My brother-in-law, Heleno, knows where is the "stuff", he has approximated himself about 200 meters to that odd "stuff", he didn't get close to the object only because of its very strong stink. He says (the brother-in-law) that the stuff is the size of a van, the color is SILVERY, and that part of it is above the ground level and the other part is buried. He told me it had a ROUND shape."

Manito gave us the address of the ranch where the object was crashed

close to this farm. And it's interesting to affirm that this farm (named Campina Verde) is located at the back side of Mr. Divino Fogoio's ranch. However, it's not so easy, because of the extension of the farm, the farms there are not small, to be more precise they are immense and this makes the object searches difficult.

We waited at the manager Manito's farm, and by 5,00 AM [July 10th, 1997] we went towards his brother-in-law Heleno, we reached our destiny by 7,00 AM. He told us the following :

"I don't know where is this stuff, I didn't see anything, I don't know anything, I didn't hear anything".

This information led me to a distrust because his affirmations weren't convincing, it seemed that he wanted to say something more, something he couldn't say before the camcorder of the Gazeta TV Network.

After that, we had to start it over from the very beginning, we didn't know what to do, we knew that something crashed, because the people from the city saw the ball of fire, and the din was so big that there wouldn't be anyone in that region affirming that he/she didn't hear it, and the gleam was seen by almost everybody in the region, for about a minute.

That being so, would it be possible that Heleno wouldn't has seen anything ? The cattlemen said the object crashed around that place, but where ?

They affirmed that Heleno knew, but he denied this info to us. So we searched for others, for something, for somebody, we didn't know from where to start over until the moment we got knowledge that other reporters were closeby, to be precise at the Ferrao de Ouro farm, 40 kilometers away from the farm where we were. And it was through these reporters that the information were getting hotter.

The farm Ferrao de Ouro is the only place that presents a landing lane for planes in the region, and these reporters who are from the paper "Correio de Mato Grosso" were in a plane, flying over the whole area, but nothing was found.

However, at that site, one of the reporters has obtained the following information : some of the people from that region have witnessed and affirmed they have seen Mr. Divino Fogoio with a piece of a strange object, and that he would come to Cuiaba' with the purpose of selling it.

At the farm "Ferrao de Ouro", the press personnel searched for the cowboy Gilberto Braga, 26 years-old, who works at the farm "Bela Vista", because he affirmed on July 08th to the paper "Gazeta" that he saw and touched the object. According to his statement, the object has the shape of a home basin and the size of a small house. According to him, he touched the object, and it exhaled a bad smell, and it was located inside Divino Fogoio's farm.

I stayed at the farm Ferrao de Ouro while the Gazeta TV Network crew and the Correio de Mato Grosso team joined to each other and went towards Gilberto. After some hours, they returned and brought newness. Gilberto Braga that day (July 10th) before the press denied the happenings, in other words, previously he had affirmed he saw the object, now he denies, however in the filmed report he appeared almost crying wanting to say something more.

When he finished the recording of his testimony before the camera, he turned back to Luiz Henrique (the Gazeta TV cameraman) and said : "from today to tomorrow, you'll know what happened".

This phrase became disturbing to us. It seemed like there was something at the site, and he couldn't talk.

Explaining another interesting point : according to information, Mr. Divino Fogoio is a smart and very dangerous individual in the region, everybody fears him. Mr. Fogoio and his son are violent, because they are killers.

The information I got from the press, are that Fogoio would has been arrested for having kidnapped, during five days, the former Mayor of Nova Brasilandia, who has been threatened and tied all the time.

However, Fogoio payed the bail and has been freed after two weeks. This makes me believe he is dangerous and therefore people hide something because they fear him.

It could be possible that Fogoio would has threatened those folks not to

say a word about it, and thus let him take financial advantage from that object.

We have found ahead more people who saw Fogoio with a piece of the object, and [who said] that he would be going to Cuiaba', to sell it.

WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THE OBJECT IS THERE, at those surroundings, because everybody in the region confirms it.

With the results obtained from the investigation, we reached the conclusion that Mr. Fogoio managed to find the object (whether within or without his farm), and that he wanted to take advantage of the situation.

I've walked all over the region, and all that I got was the same thing : "I didn't see, but I hear someone saying that JohnDoe saw and touched" ; "Fogoio is with the stuff there at his farm" ; "I saw Fogoio with a piece of the object" ; "What JohnDoe told me is that the object is the size of a Volkswagen [Fusca modell], the size of a van, of a small house, ..." . And so on, and we didn't find anybody who could take us to the site.

On Monday, July 7th, the Gazeta team has been at Fogoio's farm, but I believe they committed a mistake : they attended the place together with the Fire Department and the Police, because being him a person with bad reputation it is possible that he became afraid of the Police, and that they would take what he had of value.

The information, as mentioned above, made me believe that Fogoio wanted to take advantage of the situation, what harms us all.

From the farm Ferrao de Ouro, I took a lift in the plane, and we flied over the region searching for the object, until around 5,00 PM, unsuccessfully.

Then I was obliged to return home, because I was concerned, I hadn't informed my family where I was. I had been out for a long time, the eagerness was so high that led me to this. Therefore I returned at the nighfall of Thursday, July 10th.

Yet, the Gazeta team stayed, and later on I was informed that the SBT [Sistema Brasileiro de Televisao, or Brazilian Television System] has also attended the region together with another TV crew, that is to say, the media were taking over the region, and by insistence they can soon or later find something.

I have the expectancy that more information will come from the Gazeta and the Correio de Mato Grosso crews.

The last information are the following : the reporter Calixto, from the paper Correio de Mato Grosso, who was with me at the place, went to the INPE - National Institute for Space Research [Note from T.: this is at Sao Jose' dos Campos, state of Sao Paulo] - to obtain a picture of that region through the brazilian satellite, and this way managing to locate the crash site. Each 6 hours the satellite tracks an area of 180 km [over the region].

Any other information I'll make contact immediately.

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President of AMPUP. "

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Fascinating, ain't it ?

I believe that in the worst hypothesis, it's a false alarm (e.g.something other than alien), but what if it's not ?

Best Regards,

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