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Hi, everybody,

In regard to the current discussion about the alleged relationship of abduction motifs to scattered themes in popular culture, I urge all interested persons to read Eddie Bullard's comprehensive examination and debunking of same. (In my judgment anyone who expects to be taken seriously when he or she talks about the abduction phenomenon had better have a thorough familiarity with Bullard's seminal work on this complex subject.) Bullard concludes for many reasons that no relationship exists. His most recent contribution to the discussion appears in the forthcoming second edition of my UFO Encyclopedia, to be published this fall by Omnigraphics.

As for the nonsense (pardon my lack of tact; it's the only word I can think of) that has the "Bollero Shield" episode of Outer Limits being recycled in Barney Hill's testimony, see my discussion in High Strangeness (UFO Encyclopedia #3, first edition), p. 250. Alas, this piece of debunking flummery, like so many others, is by now an unkillable canard.

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