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Re: D. Bunkerism

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The individual who insists on signing himself the Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments and wishes the best of Gus Cannon to Jerry Clark.

>From: clark@canby.mn.frontiercomm.net [Jerome Clark]
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>The skeptic has to acknowledge the frequent presence of ambiguity, >the impossibility of final answers to some of the most interesting >questions, and the possibility that he or she may be wrong, too, >even about treasured beliefs (such as that, say, the object at >Roswell was a Mogul balloon).

>Debunking as applied to limited, specific issues where real >answers are attainable is, of course, useful and necessary. As a >defining philosophical principle, however, it is, in my opinion, >intellectually and practically indefensible.

Well and usefully said - although one should not overlook the possibility that mystery man K. deBunker is being ironic - unusual (and largely incomprehensible) as that habit is in the United States outside the city limits of Cambridge, Massachusetts. So what he is doing cruising the strip in Albuquerque I do not know.

We already have the handy term "paranoid" and the slightly longer "barking loonies" to cover those who see every attempt to debunk "limited, specific issues" as the work of the NWO, CIA, NSA, Vince Johnson, my own employer, and others of like nature.

Now what we need is a word to define the yet vaster numbers of the misguided who seem to regard any attempt to interpret *any* UFO event in mundane terms as blasphemy, bigotry, debunkery and dishonesty. Oh, and "noisy negativism", too. ("You know who you are!")

(In which respect, Jerry, someone on this List and I cannot think of one better qualified than you, ought to come to the rescue of the reputation of Vicente Ballester-Olmos, lately slandered by a bunch of censorious Spanish stalinists in defiance of the facts.)

I never have been happy with the term "True Believer", while "bunkist" just sounds like someone with a prejudice about where they sleep, and most of us suffer from that.

For once at a loss for a word
Parsnip D. Meatmuncher
Rubbish Collector

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