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### Re: Aliens are they real?

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Fwd Date: Fri, 23 May 1997 00:29:44 -0400  
Subject: Re: Aliens are they real?

Before I bow out of this thread, I think I'd like to respond to some of John Velez' remarks ...

John wrote ...

> Date: Thu, 22 May 1997  
> From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)  
> To: updates@globalserve.net  
> Subject: Re: Aliens are they real?

...  
>It's easy and cute for some folks to sit around and suggest things like,  
>"well let's put tracking devices on em,"...or, "let's put videocams in  
>their bedrooms and tape every move that they make" as if we were cattle.  
>This kind of thing turns us into mere 'objects' to be studied and put  
>through little mazes. Screw you, put the devices on yourselves and your  
>relatives. As John put it, "we've already been through enough."

John makes a couple of assumptions here that aren't necessarily valid.

First, he assumes the abductee must relinquish his privacy to some outside party who would be in charge of this equipment. Actually, I would assume just the opposite: any equipment would be under total private control of the abductee so he could monitor his own situation. If I were an abductee that's certainly how I'd want it.

Second, John assumes the abductee must wear some intrusive device, like a lab rat or something. Not necessarily so - it depends on the monitoring method chosen. As I said in the post that apparently precipitated this thread, there are probably literally dozens of approaches one could take, both active and passive. Take just one hypothetical example: a tiny weight monitor pad under a bedpost, connected to a monitoring box inside a nightstand drawer. The box would also have a built-in digital clock.

Now how intrusive is that? Nothing to put on, nothing even visible to a casual visitor to the room. And it can be ignored indefinitely, for months or years even. But if you wake up one morning with a nosebleed or memories of strange dreams, you can open the drawer yourself, check the box, and determine (1) was I not in bed for a significant period of time last nite? or (2) was the box de-activated (clock behind the time) for a significant period last night?

If I were a person who suspected he was being abducted, that would be a nice resource to have, don't you think? Even more so if the monitor were under my child's bed and he were getting the nosebleeds.

>Put yourself in our shoes.

I just did.

>As for the (ding dong) who wants to market "alien detectors"... try selling  
>those to your own family, or to the general public! They're the ones who  
>are gonna need em! Put one in \*your own\* bedroom.

I doubt most abductees have the electromechanical acumen to build these devices themselves. If I were an abductee, would I buy such a thing if it were available at a modest price and reported to be useful? You bet I would!

One point John makes that I certainly agree with is the possibility that the aliens could defeat absolutely anything we do to monitor them. Well, my response is, maybe so. But you never know til you try, and I doubt any of us is ready to toss in the towel on this phenomenon yet. John included.

With that I resign this thread and return to my normal mode of being a mere lurker. When it comes to emotion and spirit, I certainly admit that John has few peers in this list.

-Brian Cuthbertson

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