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Re: Belgian Radar-Visua

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>Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 21:03:47 -0500
>From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@compuserve.com> [Peter Brookesmith]
>Subject: Re: Belgian Radar-Visual
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>With the compliments of the Duke of Mendoza:

>>Date: Wed, 12 Nov 1997 19:07:57 +0100 (MET)
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: Henny van der Pluijm <hvdp@worldonline.nl>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Belgian Radar-Visual

>>Duke, here you go:

>>>Presumably these speeds were measured by calibrating the radar
>>>tapes in some way. The highest speed otherwise recorded was, as
>>>previously noted, 690kt [794mph/1278km/h] at 00.32 hrs. Don
>>>Ledger remarks that radar traces are meaningless. They sure can
>>>be.

>My understanding of the language is that "to miscalibrate" is to
>calibrate incorrectly. That is not implied in what I wrote. I merely
>suggested a source of & means of calculating the UFO's speed(s).

>You then kindly provided a complete record of the radar traces,
>which showed that 1010kt was the highest apparent speed of a UFO
>recorded on radar. My figure for the top speed was incorrect,
>because my information was incomplete.

>So how do you read "miscalibration" into this?

>I did remark on one Harrier group's problems with radar in the
>Falklands action. This was the result of badly TUNED radar, so that
>it wasn't picking up what it should have done (especially in
>downward-looking mode), which in turn made any calibrations
>meaningless and useless, and the inexperience & ineffective training
>of that carrier's pilots. Which was merely by way of saying that
>what you see occurring on a radar screen is not necessarily what is
>actually happening out there in the real world. This is not news to
>people who use radar. This is one reason why transponders came into
>vogue.

>I hereby apply, with gritted teeth, to have my non-hypothesis
>removed from your funny little list. Especially as you still haven't
>noticed my deliberate mistake.

Duke,

I'm not interested in your deliberate mistake, I have moved on already. I now take it that instead of miscalibrated, what you really meant was mistuned and I will adjust entry 12 in my Hall of Fame accordingly.

Besides that, after careful study I consider the information above just a smoke screen to worm your way out of my Hall of Fame. Therefore I am not removing your 'explanation' from it, because I would not want to do Ufology a huge disservice by compiling a list of bogus that is less than complete.

However, out of the kindness of my heart and to save the House of Mendoza further embarrassment through this case, I will change your name into 'Anonymous'.

BTW, thank you for the interest in the real estate on the back side of the moon that I recently sold. As soon as a new auction is organized you will be the first to receive notice of same.

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