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Re: Greer Briefed CIA ...

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> Hi Bob, All,

> I want to stand up and be counted among those who are tired of
> having to accept (less than ideal) characteristics in those at
> the forefront of modern ufology. What Bob says is true, Hoagland
> -has- abandoned any semblance of logic and common sense for the
> bells, robes, and candles, of the sooth sayers and predictors of
> future events.

> "Not that there's anything wrong with that!" (Sienfeld!)

If there's one thing in ufology that sets of my bullshit alarm
it's predictions. Especially the nutty kind we've seen recently
from the likes of Courtney Brown and Lee Shargell etc. This type
of wierdness is ufological snake oil at it's sleaziest. I even
cast a doubtful eye on the more rational predictions (ie. Stephen
Basset estimates a forum for disclosure in about 3 months, Bill
Hamilton estimates about 3 years) but, in these specific
instances I can forgive such people as long as they admit before
hand that they are speculating.

> It's ok if Hoagland or anyone else wants to have a career on the
> Psychic Friends Network, but don't mix that with the urgent and
> serious work that needs to be done regarding the presence of
> "something" on our world that we know very little about.

> Hoagland will meet with highly placed government officials on one
> day and then make wild predictions, (ex: His trip to Phoenix with
> Art Bell earlier this year!) on the next.

Hoagland kind of lost it for me when he asserted that the Apollo
launch pad fire was actually a NASA conspiracy to kill the
astronauts in the capsule. That more or less told me all I need
to know about Richard Hoagland. I really can't see see this man
being taken seriously by people in Congress but maybe he'll prove
me wrong. One can hope. Greer doesn't bother me as much. I think
Greer has been panned more because of his unconventional theories
about the UFO phenomenon itself rather than his political
efforts. Although Greer is quite repetitive, my hope is that he
makes some progress up on the Hill. Edgar Mitchell has been
everyone's golden boy for a long time and having this man on our
team can do nothing but good in my opinion. Astronauts really are
our salvation here. They bring that certain seriousness to

ufology's image that it so richly needs.

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