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### RPIT Roswell Revisitation Report No. 1

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**PRIMARY PURPOSE:** The primary purpose of this RPIT Report No. 1 is to present the findings of RPIT (Roswell Photo Interpretation Team) photo analysts after five-months of intensive study of the Roswell "flying saucer" photos taken in the office of General Ramey on July 8, 1947, and then to invite the assistance of UFOlogists who are willing to seriously address this question: "What can all this evidence really mean toward resolving the half century old Riddle of Roswell?" Even though the RPIT group at this juncture is only presenting this evidence and offering no final conclusions, it would appear that this may be the most convincing close-up visual evidence of arrival of an ET spacecraft on earth.

**BACKGROUND:** In May of 1998 Major George Filer, USAF-Ret., an official in the MUFON organization and publisher of "Filer's Files", contacted a fellow military retiree, Colonel James Bond Johnson, USA-Ret., to voice a special concern. Filer had been phone visiting with the widow of Lt. Gen. Roger Ramey, USAF-Ret., and she had expressed concerns over what she described as unfair treatment of her late husband in connection with his part in the Roswell Event of 1947. At issue is whether the general committed fraud upon the American people by announcing during a special live radio broadcast that the object first identified officially by the then Army Air Forces as a "captured flying saucer" was in fact "only a weather balloon and weather device." A few writers had even accused the general of "switching" the actual debris with fake junk prior to allowing a member of the press to examine and photograph the purported wreckage.

Johnson, who on the afternoon of July 8, 1947, had taken a series of photos of General Ramey and two other officers in the general's 8th Air Force HQ offices in Fort Worth, Texas, for his newspaper, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, offered to revisit the matter. Johnson only recently had obtained an enlargement of a photo of one of the officers, Major Jesse Marcel, intelligence officer of the 509th Bombardment Group, stationed at Roswell, NM. Major Marcel had headed a recovery team of the "flying saucer" wreckage from a ranch near Roswell and had been ordered to courier the debris to General Ramey's office for examination. Marcel had just arrived in Fort Worth by B-29 bomber and was photographed as the debris was being unpacked from meat wrapper paper packages in Ramey's office. The general was away from his office but expected to return shortly. Two unopened packages of debris lying in clear view, Marcel's soiled flight uniform, scruffy field boots and his tie and uniform cap tossed across a nearby radiator on a blazing summer day in Texas point to a "fast breaking" and unresolved situation.

Reporter-photographer Johnson had arrived unexpectedly to provide the sole photo coverage of what has proved to be the "Story of the Century!" Johnson first assisted with the debris unpacking and then "posed" Marcel with what later was described by the major as some of the "less impressive pieces" of the wreckage. When General Ramey returned to his office Johnson photographed him alone examining the pieces of wreckage and then he was joined in other shots by Colonel Thomas J. Dubose, Ramey's chief of staff.

Of special interest, the general in each of the four pictures taken of him by Johnson is holding a letter-size paper. In the first two pictures the general has the message folded but in the last two shots it is unfolded and in a position to be read. It has been speculated that Ramey was handed an urgent message as he entered his office and that if he first had read the message he never would have permitted the photos to be made. In support of this theory, shortly after Johnson departed the Ramey office, the general ordered his weather officer to report to his office and to identify the debris as a "weather balloon and radar device." Then, the general personally went to a Fort Worth radio station that same night to make his dramatic announcement that "shot down" the earlier official AAF "flying saucer" "capture" story. And the Roswell debris NEVER has been seen since by any member of the media during the next 51 years!

The five month study by RPIT has been done in a completely "Sunshine" climate with frequent updates being made to the UFO community and research results being posted independently on their web pages by each RPIT analyst. All of these RPIT member web sites are linked to the link page of <A HREF="<http://www.ufomind.com/people/j/johnsonj/>">James Bond Johnson.</A> None of the RPIT analysts have sought any financial profit from their findings and also they have borne their own expenses to date in advancing this project.

INVESTIGATIVE ACTIONS TAKEN: After the call from Filer, Johnson first examined the Marcel photo he had obtained from the University of Texas at Arlington Library, depository of four of the original Ramey office photo negatives. He noticed what seemed to be never before noticed anomalous objects and symbols in the debris. He then contacted two members of the MUFON Orange County to show them his findings and then placed on the Internet an invitation for others to assist in "revisiting" the Ramey office photos. Selected as charter members of RPIT (Roswell Photo Interpretation Team) were three volunteers from the United States and two from the UK. The Team has since been augmented by other volunteers from Australia to the former USSR. The only things the Team shares in common is an interest in trying to solve the Riddle of Roswell; they all possess a computer and the required software for photo analysis. The team members at the beginning of the project were mostly skeptics regarding any ET connection to the Roswell Event.

RPIT members independently obtained enlargements of the Ramey office photos directly from UTA and began their investigations under coordination by Ronald Regehr, Los Angeles area aerospace satellite engineer and MUFON Orange County associate director. Initial Team findings concluded that none of the several Air Force explanations as to the details of the Roswell Event could have been accurate. The Air Force had claimed recently that the Roswell "UFO" was "likely" an experimental Mogul balloon train. RPIT has determined that:

1) There was NO Mogul launch that reasonably could have produced the kinds of debris seen in the Ramey office photos.

2) The Ramey office photos contain NONE of the items that would have been found in the wreckage of a Mogul balloon train: sheets of plain aluminum foil with balsa wood stick frames and all held together by several hundred feet of string; this all was then lifted by inflated helium filled neoprene balloons. Neither the instructions in English included with each Mogul balloon train nor any other English writings -- or any other known language writings -- are to be found in the Ramey office photos.

3) The RPIT initial discoveries also included:

(A) foil like material that is covered by organized symbols or glyphs such as would be utilized in "writings". The symbols are described as similar to ancient Egyptian glyphs but have not yet

been deciphered. Some symbols are found repetitively in various parts of the photos, which would virtually eliminate the "chance" factor;

(B) beams which have very prominent organized symbols or glyphs embossed in bas relief along several beams in the wreckage;

(C) The beams appear to be hollow and fabricated from some type of possibly ceramic material -- but NOT balsa wood as used in a Mogul train! -- which has been formed and drilled in several places; and,

(D) Numerous other anomalous objects that would NOT be found in a Mogul train or any other weather balloon or Rawin device.

CONCLUSION: Please forward any comments and suggestions for further research to any of the RPIT members, including:

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