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Re: Tim Matthews

From: Robin Ramsay <user@lobster.karoo.co.uk>
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>From: Tim Matthews <matthews@zetnet.co.uk>
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>Fwd Date: Wed, 10 Feb 1999 09:10:09 -0500
>Subject: Re: Tim Matthews

Lobster, Hull, UK Weds 24th Feb.

Dear Errol Bruce-Knapp,

A number of comments by Tim Matthews have been brought to my attention; and while I suspect that responding will only encourage him, a couple of things have to be put right.

Matthews says Lobster has 'no credibility', which is simply a matter of opinion. It stands or falls by itself. However he goes on to say the following:

>As to 'Lobster' magazine all I can say is that its' support for
>a real intelligence asset who admits to having done deals with
>UK intelligence (Yes, '"Dr." Armen Victorian') and its support
>for 'Combat 18' contact Larry O'Hara says more than enough
>about the shocking state of its readership - not to mention
>Robin Ramsays' complete inability to grasp reality. He
>obviously doesn't get out enough!"

and

>I don't think many people take 'Lobster' seriously and all of
>O'Haras/Ramsays/Victorians' claims have been totally exposed as
>the sad fantasy that they are."

I am not aware of Armen Victorian being an 'intelligence asset' or 'having done deals with UK intelligence' and would be fascinated to know the location of this information.

As for 'all of O'Haras/Ramsays/Victorians claims' hav[ing] been totally exposed as the sad fantasy they are' - what precisely is he doing here except engaging in further ad hominem attacks? Which claims does he have in mind? Between us we have made many in several fields!

The personal abuse I can ignore. But an allegation such as Matthews' about Victorian and British intelligence is more serious.

What we know as fact about Matthews is the following: working for Searchlight he infiltrated the far right in the UK. Working for persons unknown he then infiltrated the magazine Green Anarchist and, in classic agent provocateur fashion, encouraged its readers towards acts of violence and law-breaking. (That members of Green Anarchist were subsequently the objects of a massive operation and prosecution by the British state, up to and including MI5, may be a coincidence.)

The first claim is admitted by Matthews and the second is documented (a) by the material he wrote for the magazine and (b) by the testimony of the Green Anarchist members who were around at the time.

It is on the basis of these previous activities that some people, me included, are suspicious of his role in the UFO field.

Yours sincerely,

Robin Ramsay, editor, Lobster.

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