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### Re: First 'Grey' Report?

From: John Rimmer <[magonia@magonia.demon.co.uk](mailto:magonia@magonia.demon.co.uk)>  
Date: Sun, 16 May 1999 14:47:39 +0100  
Fwd Date: Mon, 17 May 1999 08:57:48 -0400  
Subject: Re: First 'Grey' Report?

>Date: Sat, 15 May 1999 13:04:53 -0400  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>From: John Velez<[jvif@spacelab.net](mailto:jvif@spacelab.net)>  
>Subject: Re: First 'Grey' Report?

>>From: Mark Cashman <[mcashman@ix.netcom.com](mailto:mcashman@ix.netcom.com)>  
>>Date: Fri, 14 May 1999 13:44:19 -0400  
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <[updates@globalserve.net](mailto:updates@globalserve.net)>  
>>Subject: Re: First 'Grey' Report?

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>>Mark Cashman, creator of The Temporal Doorway at  
>><http://www.temporaldoorway.com>  
>>- Original digital art, writing, music and more -

>Hi Mark,

>Thank you for your lucid response to Mr Rimmer, and to my post.  
>I was not going to respond at all due to the 'personal' terms  
>John's missive was couched in. John Velez this, and John Velez  
>that. My name gets used ten times in as many paragraphs and  
>there was more than a little 'foaming at the mouth' going on  
>than I am comfortable with. :)

>You addressed the 'content' of my post, whereas Mr Rimmer seems  
>more more interested in going after me personally.

>I'm not the "meat" that is on the table.

As I was replying to your clearly expressed personal opinions  
put out for public debate over your own name it is not  
surprising that your name cropped up quite a lot in my reply -  
once a paragraph does not seem excessive to me.

It's too often the case in ufological debate that any critical  
comment addressed to a publicly stated opinion seems to be  
regarded as an "ad hominem" attack. Anybody reading my comments  
would see clearly that I was not "going after" John Velez  
personally - I don't know anything about him to "go after" - but  
that I was attempting to challenge some of his arbitrary and  
dogmatic statements on what did or did not constitute a valid  
abduction experience.

I have found frequently in the past that "foaming at the mouth"  
about alleged vicious personal attacks is a good way of ending  
debates when one of the parties involved needs a quick getaway.

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John Rimmer  
[www.magonia.demon.co.uk](http://www.magonia.demon.co.uk)  
Abandon hope all ye who press Enter here

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