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Americans Think Intelligent Alien Life Coming Here, Poll Shows

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 11 /PRNewswire/ -- Is there intelligent life on other worlds? Does it resemble the tentacled uglies of Independence Day' 'Star Wars'... or, maybe, the nine-foot tall, gas-breathing Psychlos of L. Ron Hubbard's 'Battlefield Earth'? And if extraterrestrials decide to visit Earth, will they come as friend or foe?

A nationwide poll of nearly 1,500 people -- including a number of leading astronomers and astrophysicists -- conducted by the syndicated cable television show Dateline:USA found that more than 70 percent of those surveyed believe there is intelligent life in the universe, perhaps even in our own Milky Way Galaxy.

Opinion was evenly divided on whether they would be hostile or lovable if they came here, but nearly 80 percent were convinced that alien technology would be more advanced than ours: it would have to be to enable them to cross millions of light years of space.

Sixty-five percent of the Dateline: USA respondents felt that we'd be conquered or annihilated if an alien race invaded Earth, while 26 percent were sure we would ultimately defeat the invaders, no matter how technologically superior. Ten percent had no opinion or felt they "wouldn't be around" to find out how such a confrontation turned out.

Producers of the cable television show said the national survey was inspired by a number of current developments: the continuing success of the billion dollar 'Star Wars' empire, the production of international alien invasion bestseller 'Battlefield Earth' into a major motion picture -- starring John Travolta as the alien villain -- and the launch of the Mars Polar Lander.

Dr. Yoji Kondo, astrophysicist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, told Dateline:USA that we "can't assume that the thinking processes of another intelligent species on another planet, revolving around an alien sun in another galaxy, would be sure they'd even think it worthwhile to attack and plunder a planet like Earth."

Astronomer, physicist and "Star Wars" author Kevin J. Anderson contended that despite the views of many exobiologists "who is to say that totally alien forms of life -- not based on our carbon-cycle -- cannot be born in a sea of magnetic fields on the surface of a star, or that civilizations of carbon-based life similar to ours could not develop under oceans, flying high in clouds, or burrowing underground?"

Virtually all the respondents to the survey agreed that alien beings from other worlds will not 'look like us'. Opinions on extraterrestrial shapes and sizes ran the gamut of tear or pear shaped creatures and furred, taloned giants to winged lizards.

Adding the generally accepted footnote, Dr. Gregory Benford, physics professor at UC Irvine, told the survey, "There are certainly not just aliens, but intelligent aliens."

SOURCE: Dateline:USA

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