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Having already published (a year ago) Omar Fowler's account of this incident (date: January 6, 1995) on page 22 of FSR 40/1 (Spring 1995), we learned with some astonishment the electrifying news (*Times*, front page, Feb. 2, 1996) and *Daily Mail* (Feb.3, 1996) that the British Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) have spent the period ever since (over one whole year!) in investigating this case and have now let it be known that they "can find no likely explanation."

(The press reports also mentioned that the CAA

have likewise investigated "three other sighting reports since 1987," and that these have also "baffled the CAA experts".)

It scarcely seems credible that the British authorities could wish to admit that they have spent one entire year investigating one single "UFO report", seeing that, as we all know, UFOs do not exist! So perhaps we too can conclude that this has simply been another of those unfortunate little leaks. G..C

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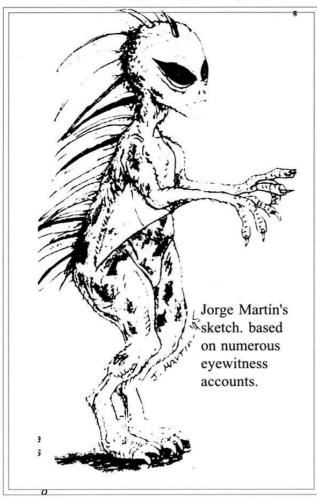
VAMPIRE "CHUPA-CHUPAS" IN PUERTO RICO

By Gordon Creighton

Précis Translation from Spanish. (EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 8.) G.C.

[I am indebted to Sr. Salvador Freixedo of Spain, as well as to Mr. T. Good and to several other correspondents, who have sent me photostats of Sr. Jorge Martín's reports at length on animal mutilations on that island, perpetrated by the "chupacabras" (the Spanish for "goat-suckers") which are creating so much alarm in Puerto Rico that the Island's political leaders are now talking openly about it and have demanded an official governmental investigation.

(At this point however let me explain - and it may surprise younger FSR readers - that it would be totally wrong to assume that such mutilations are anything new on the Island of Puerto Rico! As long ago as FSR 22/5, 22/6, 25/3. and Case Histories No. 17 (ie 1973 - 1979), I translated, and we published, five big reports from our then regular FSR Correspondent in Puerto Rico, the engineer Sebastián Robiou Lamarche. Three of those five articles dealt, as this present one does, with systematic mutilations of dogs, goats, geese, ducks, fowl, and rabbits on the Island. The only difference seems to be that we now have detailed accounts of the alleged appearance of the entities responsible After I had translated this first article, I received from Sr. Salvador Freixedo a copy of No.II/ 2 of Enigmas Del Hombre y el Universo, the splendid new glossy Spanish magazine on which he and his wife Magdalena are collaborators. He and Magdalena have recently visited Puerto Rico again, and the magazine contains Magdalena's exclusive report Un Extraordinario Monstruo Causa Terror En Puerto Rico (An Extraordinary Monster causes Terror in Puerto Rico), which provides many further details about these awful happenings. We will attempt to have our translation of Magdalena's account ready for inclusion in our next issue (FSR 41/2) EDITOR]



© A SUMMARY OF THE CASES AS NOW RE-PORTED BY JORGE MARTIN

I. During the night of September 7, 1995, Misael Negrón, a youth living in the Canóvanas Municipality, N.E. Puerto Rico (see Map) observed a "chupacabra", for ten minutes, standing on the balcony of his own house. He said it was "darkskinned, between 4ft and 5ft high, with a round head, with jaws ending in a point, a fish-like face, with big red eyes, no ears, and huge fangs protruding from its mouth, and a thin neck, long arms, and hands with three claw-shaped fingers". It was standing and walking upright, on two strong feet, and it had "some things" running up and down its back, "like a crest or comb", from the head right down to the lower part of its back. These "things", this "crest", seemed to be phosphorescent and "constantly changing colours, from green to blue, to red, to orange and again to green, and to violet". The creature, extremely alert, was standing there on the balcony, peering about on all sides, until it suddenly noticed the presence of Misael Nigrón, - some 30ft distant, at the other end of the same balcony.

On spotting him, it stretched, and stood very still and upright. Misael Nigrón took fright, and entered the house and shut the door behind him. Inside the room now, he saw that the creature was peering at him with its big red eyes through the window. Terrified, he closed the shutters of the window too. And the creature departed.

II On September 8, the next day, the same creature - or a similar one, was seen by his brother, Angel David Negrón. It was standing beside a freshly mutilated goat in the backyard of the house.

He moved towards it, whereupon it leapt at him and he fled, with the creature in pursuit. Once inside the house, and on the balcony, he watched the creature make off into the adjacent shrubbery.

The dead goat displayed the already "classic" symptoms —the small orifices and large cavities through which blood and body fluids and organs such as heart, liver, sexual parts, lips, eyes, ears, etc. had vanished.

Another striking feature noted by Angel David and also by his family is that, a few moments just before he spotted the creature, they all heard a loud noise "like a buzzing or humming combined with a sound like a turbine" coming from the direction of where the creature was. This same thing has been reported by eye-witnesses in many other places. At times the creature also utters a loud shriek together with a sound like a loud hiss.

III. Sr. Miguel Navedo, living in the same district, says he saw the creature three days later (Sept.11, 1995).

IV. Sr. Juan Alberto Robles Pacheco and Sr. José Miguel Agosto and wife and also other family members plus other unrelated witnesses all say they saw the creature walking along the road in broad daylight at 3.pm in August 1995. They even tried to catch it, but it ran off at an incredible speed and vanished.

THE CREATURE WOUNDED

V. Early in September 1995, a policeman, José Collazo, of Campo Rico, fired at the creature with his revolver. He had heard his car-alarm go off, and heard a noise seeming to mean that someone was trying to steal the vehicle. So he seized his weapon (Magnum 357) and went down to investigate and to his astonishment found this "dark-coloured creature" attempting to bite his dog (a full-grown Chow bitch) and the dog struggling to escape.

Suddenly the creature straightened up and faced the policeman, who fired at it. Feeling the impact, the creature bounded back against the wall and then fled at top speed. The policeman - an expert marksman - felt certain that he had hit it, having fired his shot from a distance of only 9 feet. Yet there was no sign of the bullet having hit his car, so he felt he had surely not missed and had indeed wounded the thing.

IT ALSO FLIES!

VI. In the early morning of September 16, 1995, while the surrounding region was recovering from the effects of Hurricane "Marilyn", the creature was seen again in the Pozo area of Campo Rico Municipality, and a local man shot at it several times without, so it seems, wounding it, for it instantly developed "wings" of a sort and flew off!

Sr. Daniel Pérez, a much respected local figure, observed it in flight from his home behind the local high school. He says: "It was daylight, about 7.30 am. I heard a loud humming noise, so I looked out, and I saw it. It was just settling, and it came down, on two feet, for a few seconds, upon a big stone in my patio. Then it performed a leap, and rose, and flew off, passing between the branches of an avocado tree without touching any of them.

"It was just as people have described it. But what I chiefly noted was that, on its back, it has got a lot of what look like tiny winglets, starting small and then getting gradually bigger as they go down to the lower part of its back. The creature flaps these tiny wings together at a tremendous speed and this is what caused the humming noise. They are sort of like little wings and not - as had been thought - coloured spines. What happens is that, when it moves these little wings so rapidly, all that you can then see are the upper edges of them, and that's what causes them to look like 'curved spines'.

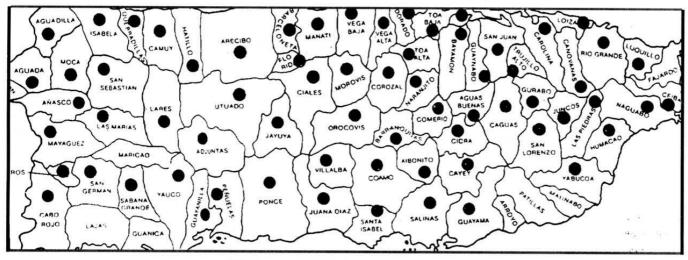
"And another thing is this: when it flies, it changes course by inclining these little wings in the direction to which it intends to go".

This man Daniel Pérez, who is a staunch Christian, said, finally, that, in his opinion, the creature is of extrater-restrial origin. "As far as I am concerned, I think it comes from somewhere else in the Universe. I am a religious man, but I cannot close my mind to the idea that life exists in other worlds, for to do that would be to set a limit to the creative power of God. For me - anyway - the creature is something not of this Earth. Though I admit that it gave me a shock when I saw it, its presence there didn't frighten me. In fact I do say that I found it comical, being such a funny, fat little thing".

His wife, Sra. Lourdes Pérez (address: No 11, calle de Barro Malpica, in Rio Grande) also saw it, from her house, as it flew off from the top of a tree. She was able to perceive fleshy little membranes linking its arms to the body, which it apparently utilizes when flying.

MORE INCIDENTS

VII. On October 4, 1995, in the Carolina district (N.E. Puerto Rico) the local Police Headquarters issued a statement to the press entitled "Appearance of a strange animal", which said that the Police in the adjoining Municipality of



Canóvanas (N.E. Puerto Rico) had investigated a complaint about a strange animal. The complaint had come from a Sr. Tomas Hernández Rivera, aged 33, living at calle 5, parcella 53, in the Canóvanas municipal area of Campo Rico.

Hernández Rivera told the Police, when they interviewed him that night, that he had seen a strange creature near his house, "walking on two legs, hairy, of a black colour, and about 5 ft high".

His impression was that something had leapt over a linked wire fence and fallen into a ravine. He then went to look and managed to catch a glimpse of it, running extremely fast and vanishing into dense undergrowth.

Juan Morales, a policeman of the Canóvanas District Station, reported this case to the Bureau of Civil Defence, whose staff searched the area but found nothing, other than a blanket and also what appeared to be a great deal of blood among the bushes and on the linked chain fencing.

When we ourselves went there and investigated the spot we too did find some of this blood, allegedly from the creature. At present the blood is being examined by experts, and in due course we will report on the results of the analysis. (Incidentally, however, it is curious that no Government agency seems to have displayed any interest in the analysing of this blood.)

However, Sr. Bienvenido Nieves, Director of the Puerto Rico Civil Defence, did compile a report on these happenings.

VIII. Three days later, on October 7, 1995, the creature appeared again, this time in the Los Pérez sector of the Cambalache suburb in Rio Grande Municipality, near Campo Rico.

Sra. Mary Anne Quiñones, a resident there, claims that, on that day, at 3.30 pm, while she was in her backgarden gathering some grass for her rabbits, she heard what seemed to be something heavy falling near her. She looked around, but could see nothing, and so carried on with what she was doing. A few moments later, however, glancing towards where the sound had seemed to come from, she found herself face to face with the creature, which was watching her, a short distance away, with its great red eyes. Her description of it tallies with those given by the rest. She was also able to see that there were membranes between its fingers, similar to the membranes linking its arms to its abdomen. Furthermore, she observed that the "hairs" with which it is covered are not truly hairs or down, but are a mass of long thin filaments projecting from its skin.

Another important detail noted by her was the fact that, like a *chameleon*, the mysterious creature is capable of changing the colour of its body in order to hide by blending with its immediate surroundings.

Terrified, Mary Ann Quiñones tried to flee and to shout out, but found herself unable to do so. Then the creature opened its mouth, showing its big fangs and the vividly red roof of its mouth, and it uttered a muffled bellow. Instantly Mary Ann felt able to react again and

she yelled. Instantly the creature made off, with vast leaps, into the surrounding thickets.

IX. On that very same day, October 7, 1995, the creature was also seen by Sr. Edwin Gutiérrez and Sra. Maria V. Gutiérrez.

X. Not far from there, in the Loma del Viento sector, on the terrain of a Señor Don Toño, he and the local folk who were present with him in his shop dashed out and saw the creature on top of a horse, apparently trying to bite it, while the horse was struggling to escape.

As they all ran up, the creature fled, taking gigantic bounds.

This, then, is but a sample of what the people of Puerto Rico are experiencing all over the Island.

LINKED WITH THE BUSINESS OF UFOs?

XI. Linked with it all of course are the constant sightings of alien craft everywhere over Puerto Rico.

Sr. Victor Rivera, resident in the Loma del Viento area, had a UFO sighting one night in August 1995, when he saw a great ball of yellow light hanging stationary above the trees near his home. Then he saw it perform a great leap in the sky and vanish at vast speed towards the South.

XII. Also during August 1995, a mother and her daughter saw an oval luminous craft enveloped in brilliant reddish and violet light, hanging in the sky in front of her car, at the junction of Puerto Rico highways No. 185 (to Juncos) and No. 187 (to Cubuy). A few minutes later the thing shot away northwards and was gone.

XIII. During the night of September, 8, 1995, various people living on the Estancias de Canóvanas Estate saw a "flying saucer", wreathed in a brilliant blue light, rise up from a spot near the El Yunque Mountain [in the Caribbean National Park, in the S.W. corner of Puerto Rico Island, scene of so many of our previous UFO reports. Ed. FSR.] and hanging there stationary in the sky. They saw a door on the craft open briefly, after which the thing vanished at high speed.

ANIMAL MUTILATIONS

XIV. The bulk of the animals mysteriously mutilated and killed on the Island have been sheep and goats, and consequently the local press took to calling the perpetrators "chupacabras" ("goat-suckers") but the fact is that quite definitely goats, but also all kinds of other animals - cattle, horses, dogs, chickens, peacocks, guinea-pigs, geese, ducks, rabbits, etc. etc., have been mutilated and drained of their blood with their organs being extracted.

IS THERE A COVER-UP?

XV. The big "absentees" in the investigation of this

state of affairs are unquestionably the Puerto Rico Dept. of Natural Resources and the Dept of Agriculture - at both the federal level and at the local office level.

It is true that some of the personnel of the Dept. of Natural Resources have visited the homes of a few eyewitnesses in these cases, but they have only made enquiries of a totally general nature, and, in contravention of their own clear promises, they have never returned to investigate further or to conduct any further enquiries whatsoever. This leads the local population to believe that the Department desires to hushup what is happening and is itself a part of the coverup machinery.

It is true that on September 12, 1995 the Department of National and Environmental Resources (its full title) put out a report on the dead goat of the Negrón family in Campo Rico, Canóvanas region (see section I above) following a request received from Sergeant José L. Chabert of the Division of Terrestrial Resources, and it reads as follows:-

"Today we received in this office a video showing the decomposed body of a goat.

The body and the entrails show various wounds, and we presume that these have become enlarged due to the advanced stage of decomposition.

Reference is made in the video to a 'strange animal' as having been responsible for the death of the goat. On checking the video again, I must conclude that the goat had been attacked by a dog, so we recommend that the Civil Defence and the Police should conduct a strict investigation.

As domestic animals are involved in this matter, the Dept. of Agriculture may be contacted in cases of any further such deaths of animals.

One of the functions of this Department is to protect and to manage, forest life. Cases involving domestic animals are consequently outside our Department's jurisdiction."

XVI. Investigator Jorge Martín's own comments on this Departmental "Report" are as follows":-

"This report is made on the basis of a video, and not on the basis of the examination of a dead goat. The Department's own technicians did not deign even for one moment to collect the goat, or samples from it, for examination in their laboratories as it would have been their responsibility to do if they aimed to issue an opinion based upon scientifically established facts. Nor did they return to examine the site as they had promised that they would do, nor did they organise any search for the "strange animal".

"The Department has followed the same pattern of suspicious conduct such as has been seen throughout the entire Island in relation to these cases.

"Furthermore, contrary to what this official statement says, The goat had only been dead for a few hours and was not "in an advanced state of decomposition". For the great holes in the goat's body were not the result of decomposition, but were due to the circular

wounds inflicted in the mutilation.

"The report says that the goat could have been the victim of attack by a dog, but the wounds to be seen on it consisted of small holes half an inch in diameter all over the entire body and several large clean-cut circular cavities, and not of bites and of tears as they would have had to be if due to the attack of a dog or of any other known animal.

"Anybody with a scientific education in biology, zoology, or veterinary medicine etc. and who is speaking objectively and honestly knows, when examining these wounds on the dead animals, that these wounds are *never* comparable to the bites of a dog, of a monkey, or of any other known predatory animal as the authorities at the Federal Department of Natural and Environmental Resources and the Department of Agriculture are attempting to induce public opinion to believe."

NOTES BY EDITOR, FSR

The rest of Sr. Jorge Martín's fine long article in *Evidencia OVNI* No. 8 deals with another altogether separate and decidedly bizarre question of whether all these mystery happenings on the Island of Puerto Rico could possibly be the result of some sort of *genetic manipulation or experimentations* by somebody or some agency, and I will give the gist of that in due course, in another précis article! G.C.

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AN IMPORTANT STATEMENT FROM BUDD HOPKINS

[For a long time past readers of FSR have been able to see for themselves what a large and powerful bunch of brazen liars and twisters exists among the ranks of our British Press and Media as a whole.

The same situation prevails everywhere else, because the Power of Evil is world-wide. It therefore gives me very special pleasure at this time to present the following statement from Budd Hopkins about a recent American TV programme allegedly dealing with "our subject"

Belial" the Father of Lies", is one of the old traditional names for the Great Satanic Power that plays so vast a role in the lives of all of us, and in future months I propose to have much more to say about the "Sons of Belial" because, alas, they and their successors are all too patently still with us.

I understand that the American TV programme discussed in this statement is likely to turn up on the TV here. So be prepared and be forewarned. EDITOR]

A RESPONSE TO NOVA'S PROGRAMME ON THE UFO ABDUCTION PHENOMENON —OR SCIENCE IS NOT ALWAYS WHAT SCIENCE PROGRAMMES DO

© By Budd Hopkins

Readers familiar with the writings and lectures of the late Dr. Allen Hynek may recognize in the above title an expanded version of one of his most quoted bon mots, "Science is not always what scientists do." After viewing the recent Nova programme which systematically and outrageously distorted the UFO abduction phenomenon and my work in the field, it's fair to say that Nova has abandoned its right to be thought of as either objective, balanced, or scientific. However, I suppose it's a perverse sort of honour to find my work trashed by people with the same intolerant mindset as those who also trashed the research of Dr. Hynek, Dr. James McDonald, and so many others who have laboured in the same unfashionable vineyard.

What Nova presented in its luridly titled programme, Kidnapped by Aliens?, was a mangling of the truth, a polemic having absolutely nothing to do with scientific investigation. Typically, on a show filled with hostile authority figures with little or no acquaintance with the data, astronomer Carl Sagan stated that he believed all abduction accounts are delusions or hallucinations. So far, Nova appears unconcerned that Dr. Sagan has yet to mount a serious investigation into even one abduction report. Should we be concerned with a programme so obviously biased that it has yet to mount a

serious investigation into even *one* abduction report. Should we be concerned with a programme so obviously biased? After all, my informal inquiries reveal that TV critics, media professionals and especially scientists, almost universally view *Nova* as a slick operation pandering to the same sensation-seeking audiences as commercial TV. This *Nova* UFO programme was designed to air during sweeps week, the period when the ratings war is at its hottest. Consequently, before they plunged in the knife later in the show, the producers began it in the most sensational tabloid style imaginable, with eerie music, foggy re-enactments and spooky lights, suggesting that *Nova* was now going head-to-head with *Hard Copy* and *Entertainment Tonight*.

But for anyone interested in truth, we *must* care about *Nova's* misrepresentations. The show undeniably reaches many public television viewers and is still regarded by those outside the scientific and intellectual communities as a *science* programme. Its deceptions, unfortunately, will mislead a large, ultimately world-wide audience now, and in later re-runs and videotape sales.

The main reason for the programme's destructiveness is its message, implied and delivered directly, that all abductees - *all* - are weak-minded patsies, delusional, or victims of repeated hallucinations. In other words, liars aside, *all* who report such experiences are, to some extent, mentally abnormal.

What evidence does Dr. Sagan, for example, present to buttress his sweeping - and to the abductees, damning - indictment of their ability to separate fantasy from reality? None. None whatsoever. For a man regarded within popular culture as a kind of Pope of Science to offer such a wholesale denigration of UFO abductees with no supporting evidence is worse than irresponsible. In the psychological literature there is only one report of an in-depth, blind study of the mental health of abductees - the 1983 report by Dr. Elizabeth Slater - and it shows that Dr. Sagan's opinion is totally unsupportable. *

Did *Nova* make any effort to find out if there is any evidence supporting Sagan's "diagnosis" of the abductees he'd never met? More to the point, how many abductees on the show did *Nova* ask to submit to psychological tests, psychiatric interviews and the like? To my knowledge, none. John, a former counsellor and one of the abductees who appears at length on the programme, informed *Nova* by letter that he would present himself for any type of test, medical or psychological, that they wished to administer. If *Nova* were trying to do an objective, scientific study as they claimed, they should have