A CASE TO CONSIDER. © BY GIORGIO G. PIACENZA.

The astounding pictures that accompany this article were taken by Mr. José Maria Fernández, a 43 year old Cuban from a lower socio- economic background who now lives in Puerto Rico, and is building pyramids in order to 'balance the island's energy' and prepare her for possible evacuation events". This work was requested by his alleged extraterrestrial friends. Mr. Fernández, friends and family claim that his physical contacts began soon after a sighting in the city of Ponce that made the news in 1991. I was told that Mr. Fernández (back then a fisherman and diver) had recently been bitten by a shark and was about to lose his leg to gangrene when he spent one night demanding out loud that God prove His existence and benevolence to him. Then, apparently, a UFO approached from the ocean shining a light that "turned the night into day" and healed his leg. Since 1996 I have personally researched this case, staying at Mr. Fernández's home and travelling with him on several occasions, being also able to submit two photographs for scientific analysis.

One analysis was carried out by the creative Mexican physicist, Mr. Mario Torres Luján who works for a prestigious Hispanic UFO magazine, and has also conducted fine examinations on many of the Mexican videos and cases presented by TV reporter & researcher, Jaime Maussan. Another photograph was analyzed by physicist and NASA-independent-image-consultant, Mr. Donald Selwin, PhD. No evidence of tampering was found by these scientists.

The photos, which are polaroids, indicate the presence of energy fields under special computer imaging filter effects (which greatly excludes the idea of models thrown up into the air or hung from a string), and they are not computer generated because there are no detectable pixels under magnification. There are dozens of these good pictures with a variety of backgrounds and foregrounds, and the camera equipment that I saw was single-focus, old and rudimentary. I also met persons that allegedly had impressive sightings, or related experiences when they met Mr. Fernández or he took them along.

Some interesting videos filmed with a simple, single-focus camera were also shown to me, and surprisingly one of them was shot overnight when I took Mr. Fernández to participate in the conclusion of a long ecological march in Tallahassee, Florida. The video apparently depicts a Venusian research craft 'dancing' in the night sky and blinking on and off, while on the ground the march participants were celebrating by drumming around a campfire!

On one occasion, after taking this contactee to San Diego, California for a UFO conference organized by American Indians (most of whom seemed to immediately recognize him as legitimate), he told me he felt "they" (the ETs) were outside the conference premises, and left. About half-an-hour later he returned to the conference with two polaroid pictures of a structured UFO over San Diego harbour! I knew the equipment he was using because we were staying in the same room, and we packed together his scarce belongings in a shoulder bag.

By conducting interviews with some of the witnesses to Mr. Fernández' experiences, and by being able to stay at his home and to travel with him, I have concluded that he is basically sincere and that the case is real. When I started to conduct this research, I found Mr. Fernández to be a fairly poor person, but with an immense wealth of unconventional advanced information. Indeed it was among the people of his own cultural context and social background that he was best understood and evaluated regarding his authenticity.

For example, he had apparently learned much about the "extraterrenials" (otherwordly dwellers living below the surface in their planets of origin), extraterrestrials (like us living above the surface), the ultraterrestrial "ashtars" (very advanced leaders among the visitors' hierarchy), and some of the other positively and negatively oriented (or rogue) Earth-based intraterrestrials; their associations and their enemies. Apparently, spiritual and historical reasons were paramount in understanding their presence in the planet. Apparently also, both surface-dwelling humans and "they" had a lot at stake in the current planetary situation which was about to undergo major modifications.

Word was mentioned about the negativity of many -but not all- of the "Grey" varieties of beings that had established a path different from the confederate majority, that belong to a chain of 'solar councils', and there also was numerical information that seemed to be able to help us interpret synchronicities in a meaningful way. I personally witnessed some of these. On one occasion we arrived at an unknown home by following numerical coincidences, and the

owner of the house told me on camera that she had dreamt of Mr. Fernández the previous week, but had never revealed her address to him or met him before.

Mr. Fernández told me that we are the ones that have to learn how to think and operate with the "mind of the cosmic beings", and not vice versa, because as a species we have become disconnected from the main information processes that originate from the Creator and from the local "Central Sun" (in Sirius). He explained that we all shared with cosmic beings a common subconscious knowingness about how the Universe actually operates and that "they" are clearly aware of this, but we are not. He also explained to me that the Maya had kept some of these ways alive, and that there was a universal language used by the benign beings visiting us that had to be interpreted in a specific way to be sure of the source or origin of a psychographic communication (automatic writing).

There are other contactees that have had experiences with the same beings that Fernández has had in the island of Puerto Rico and I had the opportunity to interview one of them on video, the recently deceased Mr. Jorge Poza Roche. Listening to both men agree and disagree spontaneously and half-jokingly about what "the beings" meant during their common physical encounters would have convinced anyone with an open heart and mind. Their sincerity was palpable.

Mr. Fernández' case is in many ways similar to other contactee cases that speak of "space brothers". His attitude, as a simple and outspoken person of conviction, correlates well with that of others that have apparently experienced benevolent and informational contacts of this nature, such as Paul Villa, Daniel Fry, George Adamski, the German Ludwig Pallman, and more recently, Peruvian Sixto Paz, Costa Rican Enrique Castillo Rincon, Spaniard Jose Luis Grifol and Bolivian Luis Fernando Mostajo.

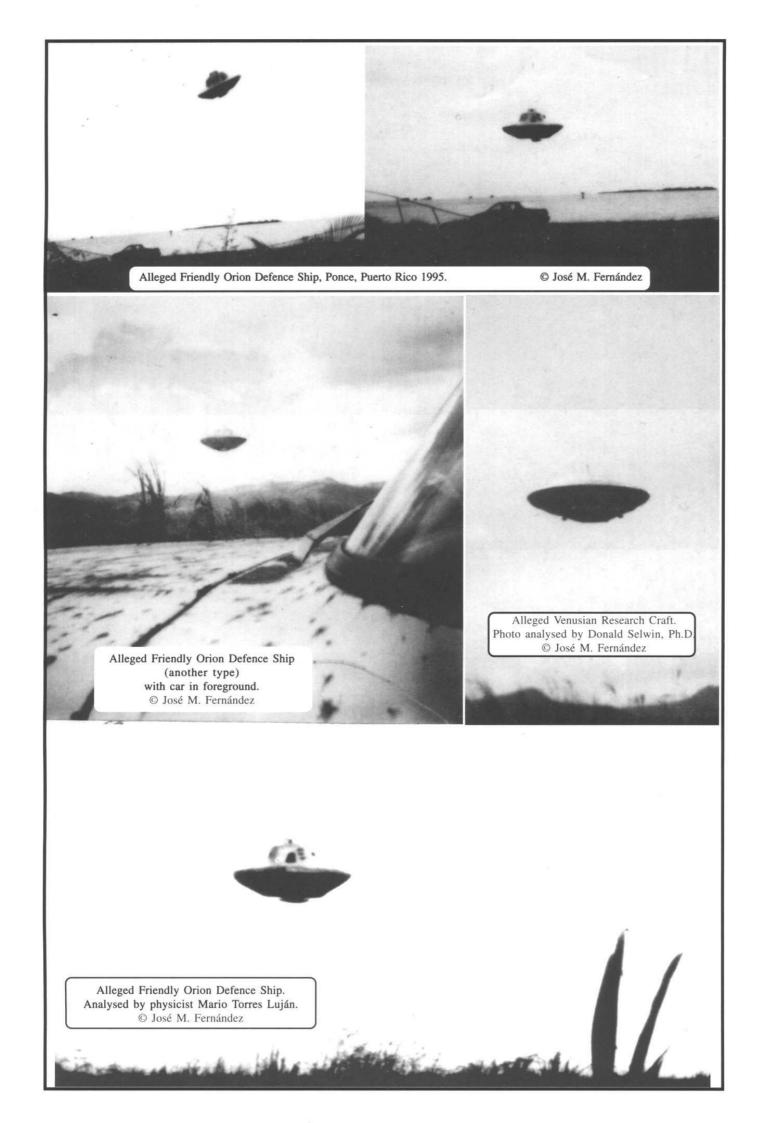
We should not expect a contactee to conform necessarily to our intellectual expectations, and many of them also exhibit personality traits that tend to make them less credible.

Case in point, Mr. Fernández proudly claims to have fathered 20 children (I met 10), and has very few qualms in expressing himself in a totally uninhibited and sometimes brash way. Because of this he often tends to put off many of those that meet him, in particular highly-educated professionals.

During my various investigations of a number of contactee cases, I have also come to the conclusion that there must be several alien groups operating on Earth, and that some of them do not have the highest of intentions for us. Some may want to replace us, and they may have a right to do so if we do not wake up to the full extent of what is going on, and begin to choose the path of cocreative participatory benevolence towards life taught in many ways by many teachers through the ages including our 'Space brothers'.

As stated before, Mr. Fernández is not naive enough to claim that we are only being visited by the friendly and respectful, and in this he is of the same basic opinion as many other contactees. I believe that the majority -but not necessarily all- of his experiences have been respectful and dignified towards him, progressively being able to remain fully conscious and conversant as his physical contacts unfolded.

Finally (even if this seems too religious to be taken "objectively" seriously by some), we cannot ignore the fact that many of the contactees with the benevolent side refer to the primacy and importance of Jesus, and/or Mother Mary, for our planet in one way or another. For example, we have modern-day permanent stigmata bearer and contactee, Giorgio Bongiovanni from Italy who on this particular point has similar views. Then, if we look carefully in the literature, we will find that some unpleasant types of abductions where inhumane treatment is given (or perceived) have been dramatically stopped by strongly and clearly invoking the spiritual protection of Jesus and his hosts or other universally recognized Angelic beings of love from other non-Christian traditions. Perhaps in order to try to truly objectively understand the UFO phenomenon a little more, we should begin by giving more credence to witness accounts and experiences as they are, and to study all angles, however personally upsetting or unpalatable. These are extremely important scientific and political matters to consider with a subject which is eventually unavoidable and here to stay, and which will have to elicit the best qualities of unbiased thought and reflection in us if we are to succeed in getting to grips with it.■





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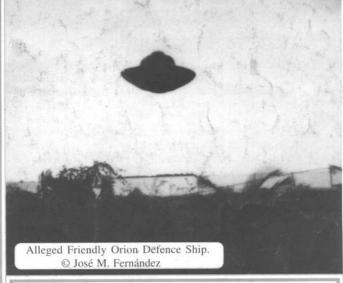
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