

These beings were described as around 1 - 2 feet tall, big bald-heads, greenish skin and apparently not wearing any clothes. They were seen sometimes singly and at other times there were 3 of them. The location of the sightings was always in the same area. However no UFOs were seen.

One witness, Jamsari Mohamad, 24, claimed that early one morning, at 3 am, he and four other friends had spotted 3 strange beings, greenish in colour which appeared out of some bushes and crossed the road. The beings, under the street lamps, appeared human-like but very small. As they tried to approach the entities, these suddenly vanished.

A more significant UFO - humanoid association came at the height of the wave, when one strange lighted object landed at a secluded spot in Kampong Bemban Hilir on 22 May. The witness, Mohamad Fahmi, 16, claimed that he was awakened in the early morning hours when he heard the zinc roof of his house rattling. Thinking that there was a rainstorm, he peeked out through a chink in the wooden wall and beheld a bluish lighted object flying slowly over his house. He opened the back door and saw the object come closer to the ground near bushes about 20 feet away from his location.

He then saw a door open below the object. At the same time the UFO began to glow much more brightly. During this process he managed to catch a glimpse of a creature coming out of the object. Due to the bright light, the facial features of the being were not clearly discernable. But he did see its shape clearly, though only half of it. The being was described as about 1.5 feet tall, with drooping ears. The head was a bit pointed and the arms were long.

The sight of this strange being caused him to panic. Strangely he did not attempt to wake up his brother who was sleeping with him in the hall. Then he heard the sound of the door on the UFO closing again and it sounded metallic. In just a few seconds, the UFO took off silently into the sky. This case could very well be dismissed as a dream or a hoax if not for the fact that, in the morning, he told the story to his brother, and they went out to inspect the landing site. There they found several foot-prints, 0.5 cms deep, where he had seen the being walking (see photo). The prints had four toes with pointed ends or claws. [The accompanying photo was too poor to reproduce. -G.C.]

Earlier, on 18th May, several witnesses in Bintulu, Sarawak, observed a strange round object which was 4 times bigger than the size of the Moon. The object was first spotted low over the ocean. Then it started to expand and grew in size. This size change frightened the witness, and he did not wait to see the rest of the phenomenon. But on glimpsing back, he observed that the object had now begun to shrink back to its normal size. It was reddish-orange in colour.

There was a lull of reports in June, but the UFOs appeared again in July, the last month of their appearance in Malaysia for the year 1999. There were no more UFO reports till the end of the year.

COMMENTS.

As usual, after the wave, the UFO situation in Malaysia is again quiet. To see UFOs again in a significant number, we will have to wait for another 10 years! One thing which requires in-depth study is the fact that UFOs are probably related to seismic events. I have observed time and again, for the events in Malaysia, that if there are UFO sightings then there is bound to have been a slight earth tremor in the 3 month period preceding the UFO sighting. When this 1999 wave broke out, I knew very well that the tremor was coming. But when?

Timing from the last reported sighting, I predicted that the tremor should strike anytime between October to September. And finally, in September, I had the confirmation! It was a 5.5 magnitude earthquake striking the neighbouring island of Sumatra in Indonesia, and the tremor was felt as far away as the Klang Valley in Malaysia.

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A REPORTED CLOSE ENCOUNTER IN GERMANY.

From *UFO-Nachrichten*, Germany, (Jan/Feb 2001).

(Translation from German. G.C.)

Herr Helmut Chodan, member of a Frankfurt UFO research group, claims that on November 30, 1989, he received the following story in a telephoned message from a man living in Altenstadt (Hesse), but who refused to give his own name. (This man subsequently came to one of the local UFO study group's meetings, and met

Herr Helmut Chodan, but still refusing to reveal his name.)

The percipient told Herr Chodan that he is a keen amateur archeologist and user of a metal detector. He said that one day -date not given- while strolling with his metal detector in a forest near Judenwiese (Altenstadt region) he came upon a landed UFO and, standing talking

near it, three of its crew members.

Their craft was about 12m long and 4m high, of tubular or airship shape, with no detectable windows, and with "rounded ends" and of a silvery colour.

The three occupants, in clothing also of silvery hue, were about 2m high. He gave no further details of their features etc.

He addressed them in English (presumably, no doubt because he thought them *Americans?*), and asked if they had problems. They at once replied *in German*, adding that they knew many of our languages.

They confirmed that they were not from this world, but they have great underground and underwater bases here, and they explained that, in coming here (they did not say from where) they utilised the cosmic energy lines of the Universe, and travelled with them, as sailing ships would use the tides and winds. They also mentioned their ability to manipulate or transform matter.

He talked with them for three hours, but they would not let him enter their craft. They then went back into it and took off vertically "and made off towards the Moon". (He does not seem to have said how he knew they were going to the Moon! -G.C.)

He mentioned one very interesting feature about their silvery clothing. He said it "*looked as though filled with liquid*".

N.B. NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

I am greatly inclined to think that this is a genuine story, for almost all of its features seem to be identical with, or astonishingly similar to, the features of two cases reported by us in FSR years ago.

The first was the case of the American grain buyer Reinhold Schmidt, who encountered just such a craft and just such very friendly, human-like, tall people, near the Platt River in Nebraska, and when he reported the matter to officials in the nearest large town, he was promptly clapped into prison and given an unpleasant and extensive grilling for several days by Air Force Intelligence officers and/or CIA men.

The second case was that of a man named Bracciolo, who one day encountered precisely such a craft and such beings, very friendly, outside Florence in Italy.

These cases of Schmidt and Braccioli also both occurred in broad daylight but, so far as I can recall, in both these cases the percipient was permitted to enter and view their craft. G.C.■

MYSTERIOUS HUGE "ALIEN FROGMEN" IN CENTRAL ASIAN LAKES! © BY PAUL STONEHILL, Director and Founder of the Russian UFO Research Centre, California, and FSR Consultant. (P.O. Box 571951, TARZANA, CA 91357-1951)

NOTE ON PAUL STONEHILL.

[In my article *UFOs in the Soviet Waters*, in FSR 44/1 (1999), I gave an account of the book *THE SOVIET FILES: PARANORMAL ENCOUNTERS BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN* (ISBN 1-85833-858-1) by Paul Stonehill, the Ukrainian-born (Kiev) investigator who founded the Russian UFO Research Centre at Tarzana, California.

Born in 1966, and so today aged 34, Mr. Stonehill tells us that he first became filled with the desire to explore the UFO mystery when, just 8 years old (1972), he met a retired Soviet pilot who told the boy how, when flying over the Russian Arctic regions, he had once seen a disk-shaped craft that followed him and his crew so closely that finally they had opened fire on it. One year later (1973) Stonehill's parents left the USSR and took the boy to the U.S.A. and adopted their less "Russian-sounding" new surname.

In my article under reference (in FSR 44/1) I gave a summary of some of Stonehill's researches on the Soviet experience with UFOs under the seas.

NOTE: Paul Stonehill reports that he is now planning to write a book in collaboration with Philip Mantle. G.C.]

NOTES ON PAUL STONEHILL'S ARTICLE.

[On page 15 of FSR 44/1 (1999), at the close of Paul Stonehill's article on the *UFOs in the Soviet Waters*, we gave the following brief item about *another* Russian mystery - *not in the oceans, but in the lakes of Russian-controlled Central Asia!*:-

"A man named D. Povaliyayev was hang-gliding one day in the early 1990s above the town of Kavgolov in the Leningrad area. The region has many lakes, and in one

of these lakes he observed what seemed to be "*three gigantic fish*". He descended in order to get a closer view, and was able to observe "swimmers in silvery garb". He mentioned this episode in a book written by him - "*LETUCHI GOLLANDETS*" ("*THE FLYING DUTCHMAN*") - published in Russia in 1995.

In that particular area of Northern Russia there have been many UFO sightings."

FURTHER AND FULLER REPORT.

In continuation of this strange new phenomenon, "ALIEN LAKE FROGMEN", in Russian Ufology - certainly I myself had previously never heard of such a thing - I now give below a further and fuller report which Mr. Stonehill has just sent to us, and which describes weird great "alien frogmen" allegedly seen in, or reported from, several of the lakes in Soviet Central Asia, in the early 1980s, and only recently researched by him. G.C.]

PAUL STONEHILL'S NEW ARTICLE.

RUSSIAN UNDERWATER ENCOUNTERS: WHAT LURKS BENEATH THE SURFACE OF THE LAKES?

In the autumn of 1982, a Soviet Army officer, Mark Shteynberg, and a Lt. Col. Gennady Zverev, were conducting periodic training sessions of military reconnaissance divers ("frogmen") from the Turkestan and Central Asian Military Regions. The training exercises had been taking place in ISSYK KUL (Lat. 42°30N., Long. 77°30 E), a deep lake in the Transiliysk Ala Tau area, Kyrgyzia.

One day, totally unexpectedly, these officers received a visit by a very senior officer, Major-General V.