



A UFO landing on the South Downs some years ago was explained officially as due to an attempt by someone to burn a carpet.

MAIL BAG

Correspondents are asked to keep their letters short and give full name and address (not necessarily for publication). It is not always possible for the Editor to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

A sighting over Holland in 1979

Dear Sir, — Referring to articles on "Boomerangs", I should like to draw your attention to sightings that occurred here in the Netherlands, over the Dutch Air Force Base at Soesterberg (east of Utrecht) on February 3, 1979, and March 2, 1979. On the first occasion, the object was over the Dutch part of the Base, while the second was over the American section of the Base, as we have the U.S. Air Force crews here, domiciled on the Base with their families.

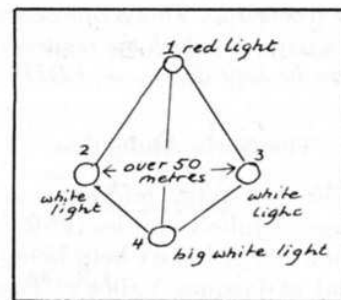
The UFO observed on both occasions had something in common with the "Boomerang" seen in the

U.S.A. (FSR 30/3.)

Both sightings were investigated for our UFO Study Group Werkgroep N.O.B.O.V.O., by members W.A. Kuiper, Dr W. de Graaff (astronomer) and duly reported in our journal *Tijdschrift Voor Ufologie*, Nos. 27 and 28, published in 1979.

I enclose a copy of the sketch which we published. The width of the UFO (between lights 2 and 3) was estimated at more than 50 metres.*

Yours faithfully,
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 Netherlands.
 April, 1985.



* But, to judge by the sketch, it seems, at least, far more reminiscent in shape of the "spinning top" which we recently reported from Brazil (FSR 29/2, pp. 10 and 11), though that one was not thought to be more than five metres wide at the most. In conclusion it seems that one can say that both the Dutch and the Brazilian objects were a great deal smaller than the "boomerang" seen by hundreds in the USA, and regarding which we shall soon give a further report. — EDITOR.

The "Crosses" over Rome

Dear Sir, — In connection with the interesting account of the "Crosses" over Rome in 1954, I recall that, years ago, I saw an article, very brief, quoting the (then) U.S. Ambassador to Italy, Clare Booth Luce, as having said that she had been a witness of this.

Yours sincerely,

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July 8, 1985.

I recall that Mrs Luce said she had seen UFOs over Rome, but do not know whether it was on this occasion. — EDITOR.

Losses in the Mails

Dear Editor, — The following issues of FSR have failed to reach me:—

29/3

29/6

30/1

30/3

As regards my material sent to you, did you ever get my letters about the deaths of Kenneth Arnold, Joan O'Connell, and Gray Barker?

Yours,

John Keel,
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N.Y. 10025-9992,
U.S.A.

June 29, 1985.

A typical state of affairs! Of the three letters, only the one about Kenneth Arnold reached us. This is one of several effective ways in which the readership of FSR can be kept down. — EDITOR.

The Soria Abduction

Dear Sir, — With reference to the drawings of Julio's entities (FSR 30/3, 30/4 and 30/5) I can't help being put in mind of Jacques Vallée's "Passport To Magonia".

Surely we have here representations of the traditional impression of that well-known figure seen in children's fairy tales — none other than the wizard Merlin himself!

What a coincidence!

Yours sincerely,

Graham Conway,
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British Columbia,
Canada.

June 30, 1985.

The Soria Case "Writing"

Dear Sir, — With reference to the "Soria Abduction", and the first message which Julio 'received very strongly', namely a 'combination of a three on top of a seven', could this point towards the Pythagorean *Tetractys*?

Yours sincerely,

Michael Scott,
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May 24, 1985.

An abstruse point indeed, concerning the Pythagorean Theory of Numbers and the properties inherent in the decad — the sum of the first four numbers, consequently the fourth triangular number. The "Great Pythagorean Oath" was sworn on the sacred Tetractys. — EDITOR.


Dear Sir, — Could there be a correlation, however tenuous, between Julio's script and the old Turkish runic alphabet?

You might possibly wish to pursue this point, if you have further examples.

I do not have the expertise, but see some vague resemblance.*

Yours sincerely,

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London, SW2.
May 28, 1985.

** Julio has only given us three symbols, so how can one formulate theories on the basis of three symbols? For example, the symbol  represents our letter "T" in the Georgian language, spoken in the Caucasus, and also in Burmese, spoken in S.E. Asia, but nobody is going to argue from this that there is any conceivable relationship between Georgian and Burmese, and there is none. As for Kōk Türki runes, I have tables showing an enormous range of varieties in the shapes of their incised scratches on the stelae in Siberia, Mongolia and Turkestan, so there are almost bound to be one or two with some slight resemblance to Julio's three symbols.*

In any case, although the Qur'an indicates that there is some sort of kinship between mankind and Jinns, is it not going a bit far to imagine any links between the chatter and the gibberish marks left by all these UFO entities and our human tongues?

We shall shortly be publishing a general review covering this subject since 1952 or thereabouts. — EDITOR.

Ahrimān

Dear Sir, — With FSR in its thirtieth year, I, too, must add my note of appreciation — having read the journal for twenty-five years myself — for such consistent high standard, and, indeed, for the courage — which often means standing almost alone — of writing unpopular ideas, including your own personal convictions or realisations, which are always very likely to beget cynicism.

Although for such a journal to be still in existence after so long indicates that the mystery is not solved, over and done with, it also tells us of its abiding prevalence. I think some pattern is emerging. For me it may have come through another door, as it were, namely from a study of the writings and thought of Rudolf Steiner, from the realization that the material world is not all that there is, and that those forces which he terms *Ahrimānic* may indeed have a hand in these affairs. I think you have also been leading up to such a view. In the interests of keeping this letter fairly short perhaps readers may be referred to previous articles and editorials of yours and the numerous clues which you have given.

Although it is of course always possible that this is not the right track, intuitively one feels that the pieces are beginning to fit rather better than they do under any other theory that we have contemplated.

Any general acceptance of these ideas by the public is, however, unlikely, and for this there are associated reasons. . . *

With very good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

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May 28, 1985.

** It may perhaps be necessary to explain that Ahrimān is the old pre-Islamic Persian name for the Dark Forces, and is therefore the equivalent of the later Arabic and Muslim term Jinns.*

Ahrimān is the Lord and Ruler of this world, and, as such, our Owner. Both the Nazarene Teacher and Paul were well aware of it, and said so! Western Man, however, has chosen to forget this awkward truth — at his own peril. — EDITOR.

World Control by the Jinns

(Translation from Spanish)

Dear Sir, — Many thanks for sending me the photocopy of the case of the cowman Liberato in Colombia and his experience with the female Jinns (FSR Vol. 23, No. 1).

*I had thought that I was the first person in the world to perceive that the Jinns are behind the "UFO Phenomenon", but am glad to see now that you had thought of it too. I must say that I find it incredible that — so far as I can see from all the many UFO books that I have read — not a single Western writer has ever referred to them!**

Yes, *poltergeists* are simply Jinns, as shown clearly in the Qur'an already 1,400 years ago.

There has been much discussion of "cross-breeding" between "extraterrestrials" (i.e. *non-humans*) and humans, and the Qur'an has a clear reference to this, in the verse which reads i.e. "And kinship was imposed, between them and the Jinns".

Surah 37, Verse
جَعَلُوا بَيْنَهُ وَبَيْنَ الْجِنَّةِ نَسَبًا

Yours sincerely,
Khaled Hamsho,
Consulting Engineer,
Al Mazra'a Al Malek Al Adel,
Bat. Hamsho & Sabbagh,
Damascus,
Syrian Arab Republic.
22 June 1985.

** People in the western countries are not particularly "well educated", though they may imagine that they are. — EDITOR.*

Alleged Rapings of Women

Dear Editor, — In your Footnote No. 3 to my *Soria Abduction, Part 1* (FSR 30/3, page 11) you observe; "It is curious that Toni Ribera does not mention ... rapes of terrestrial women".*

This is quite true. And all the more so, because I knew — and had forgotten — the four or five cases reported by Professor Hans Holzer in his book *The Ufonauts* (U.K. edition, Granada Paperbacks, 1976). Two of the women are identified by him (one presumes not by their true names?) as the American girl Shane Kurz, a telephonist in

New York State, and the Californian schoolteacher Cordelia Donovan. He also mentions the case of the 24-year-old Australian woman, Marlene Travers.

Yours sincerely,
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Sant Feliu de Codines,
Barcelona,
Spain.
April 5, 1985.

** We know of several other reports, from various countries. And of course there is always the famous episode of the "Sons of God" or Giants (Nephilim) in Chapter 6 of Genesis.*

We shall shortly be publishing an article summing up all that we have learned so far about this aspect of the subject. — EDITOR.

"Sociological" Truth

Dear Editor, — As you know, it is now many years since I resigned from my once-upon-a-time (alleged) "Papacy" in Ufology, so, recovering the clerk's right to be fallible, can I give you my fallible statement regarding our good friend Dr Hynek's facilities and computers?

Forty years of fascinating studies of UFOs have succeeded in teaching us at least one, and perhaps only one, "truth about Flying Saucers", namely the Socratic one = *we clearly know that we know nothing.*

As an example, we often found that such and such witnesses were liars. But, what if some sorts of lies belong to Ufological Truth?

I never forgot something you told me long ago (in French): "*Le Mythe est quelquefois plus vrai que la vérité*".

The *Iliad* is a great heap of tales about the Trojan War, which, however, is a historical fact. Once a Schlie-mann had chosen to believe the tales, and so discovered the *ashes* of the scientifically refuted Iliion.

I often hear or read that "most" (i.e. to be understood as "all") of the 80,000 case histories in Dr Hynek's computers are fallacies. Or, I would rather say, *ashes*. What disturbs me is that, digging up his ashes, Dr Schlie-mann "finds" one hypothesis more "ridiculous" than any other. I personally find all of them "ridiculous"! I am even inclined to believe that, the larger is the "*quantum jump*" we are

going to have to dig out, the more "ridiculous" it can be expected to be.

As you know, the fashionable hypothesis in France now about the UFOs is the so-called "*sociological*" one. According to this sociological hypothesis, every case is said to have been "explained away" as soon as the personalities of the witnesses and/or the investigators or the reporters are found to be "unreliable". That is to say, only "reliable" people can be shown incredible things. Others are forbidden to see such things. Of course, the proof that they are unreliable is that they tell incredible things. — Q.E.D.

After reading some of these "sociological demonstrations of the truth", I said (*in petto*) my own *mea culpa* for myself — when, during the 1950s, while recording the celebrated French UFO Wave of 1954, I myself rejected a whole lot of cases as ridiculous and incredible!

What a fool I was! Now, too late, I am obliged to apologize to those miraculous, once-for-ever fresh witnesses, who had never yet heard then about "flying saucers", and never yet read any book or review on UFOs or any "newspaper fantasies" about such things!

Where, today, can one hear with humility such naïve storytellers?

"Never more!" quoth the raven.

So, dear Editor, it was in this fashion that I lost my right — if any — to the Papacy. (Heaven grant that the facilities and computers will succeed in overcoming human fallibility!)

Just one more word about something else. There are at least two differences between your hooligans and ours: ours are more numerous than yours, and yours are interested in soccer; ours in nothing.*

Yours ever,
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Alpes de Haute Provence,
France.
June 5, 1985.

P.S. I always read all your editorials and articles in FSR with admiration. How active you are, it is incredible. I agree with every line you write.

** On both these points I fear we in Britain must dare to question the Papal Infallibility. — EDITOR.*