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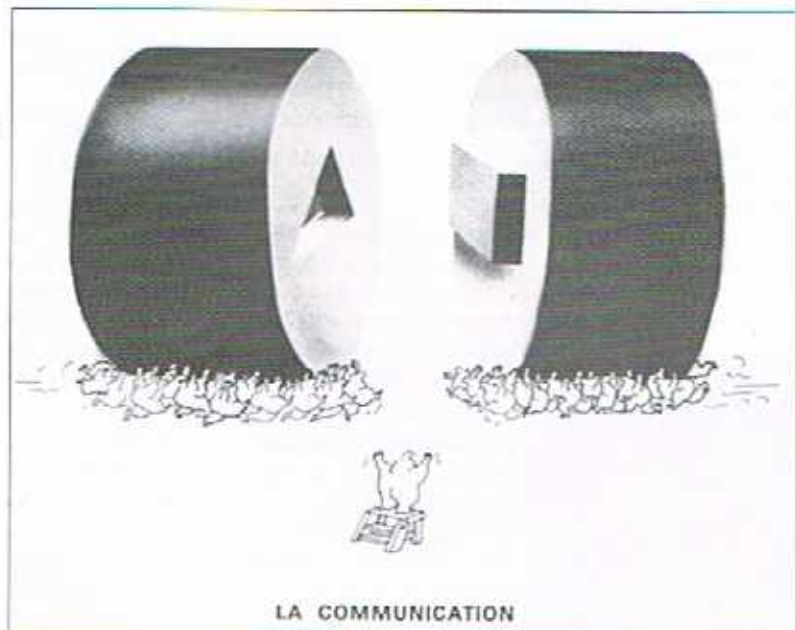
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Editorial: How do we best evaluate Alien-Human communication?

What do we know about the most significant observations of the last 60 years of alien attempts at communication with us? These alien messages lie scattered, uncollated in many old and out of print books, old publications and assorted files held worldwide. The spoken words, telepathic contact, elusive alien dialogues and identifying insignia are the fleeting symbols seen by witnesses that could one day emerge in a working data-base of alien civilisation. The majority of the most intriguing accounts are to be found translated in FSR.



If we seek insight into the bold challenge of alien to human communication, then let us consider language itself as a concept. If one uses a given set of tokens or symbols to represent ideas, feelings and objects; when one studies a foreign language for example, a word such as a noun, e.g. the symbol for tree will readily lend itself to a literal translation. Words used to translate more abstract concepts and ideas, abstract vocabulary, will overlap but **they do not share an exact equivalent centre of meaning**; they will share a **sphere of meaning**. Imagine trying to explain a different concept of time or space, using sensations and insights we have never experienced. It is highly likely that an alien humanoid with essentially different sense organs and evolutionary brain architecture and with his access to novel technology will impose huge limitations on how he chooses to construct his

own sphere of meaning around our limited symbols of knowledge with which we may wish to present him. He will perhaps readily recognise the dimensions of pure reason in mathematics and raw scientific data as advocated by those who compose intelligent signals used to attract their attention for example through SETI. Yet beyond the shared logic he may not have regard for or even conceive our deeper kinds of understanding if he recognises them at all, they may well be culturally invisible to him. It may well be that our first tentative

steps into communication with an alien perception may not be guided through conventional concepts of language alone. The legendary French researcher, the late Aime Michel often emphasised this point; **"It is only the truly irrational about them that proves to us how alien from us they are."**

What we should remember is how far removed a super-civilisation will be beyond our own. The very beings themselves may be part of the message, **contact interface units specifically manufactured for the purpose of coming to Earth**. The original source of contact could be very different from those entities who greet us. We cannot assume anything that we see approaching us from outside our reality is really what it says it is. There is good reason to entertain the possibility that certain humanoids appear to be robotic drones or projections made of ions or photons; 'molegrams' (molecular holograms) rather than living breathing entities. More important still is the fact that our minds are wide open to their manipulation, indeed something more akin to possession by these alien entities. We can be read like an open book, we can have their

thoughts rewritten into our minds, and such supreme influence can surely turn the loyalty of any negotiator, diplomat or general. Some of us have their implant technology in our bodies and have had our subconscious mind seeded with their agenda. This shocking level of disparity means they are truly omnipotent beings if we allow for our selves to be manipulated by them. Here in lies the key to the very real fears of such vigilant writers as Paul Inglesby, Salvador Freixedo, Anne Druffel and the late Gordon Creighton who urged great caution in all our communication and dealings with them. However, it is a tenet of the current editorial that when it comes to the dilemma of alien communication we need to engage in a new dialogue as a matter of urgency; the whole of human civilisation may rest on cracking what may be the greatest enigma code for our time.