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A WARNING: "DON'T FORGET TO TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT FSR!"

FSR was launched in 1955 on a capital of just £100, and in the early decades we often issued the above announcement to our subscribers. I stopped using it some years ago because, quite patently, scarcely anyone had ever heeded it.

Throughout all these years our situation has always been most precarious, mouth-to-mouth recommendation being our only apparent recourse in the absence of the funds that would be needed for advertising. And in the last year or so approaches have been made to quite a number of very well-placed and well-heeled folk who, had they the inclination, could very easily have helped to make our situation more secure, but there has never been the slightest response from any of them.

Furthermore, the current general "blackout" against FSR and myself - i.e. the total ban on any reference to FSR or myself anywhere in the printed media, and the complete exclusion of FSR and myself from any TV or radio programme, has now lasted for sixteen years. Consequently the younger generation in the U.K. has not only no knowledge of our existence, but also no way of ever obtaining such knowledge. **This is, of course, the purpose of the ban.**

Yet, paradoxically enough, FSR has never before had such a great accumulation of truly startling material, and ready to print! Some of it looks like real dynamite. No wonder, then, that we have a ban. (And -no doubt about it- we do see the ban as being, in a sense, quite a compliment to us and to my claim that we aim to tell the truth.)

Nevertheless, unless something can be done, by somebody, to cause FSR's readership to expand, we can expect to sink without trace -within a year or so at the most. It remains to be seen therefore whether some of our friends can do something to get new readers for us.

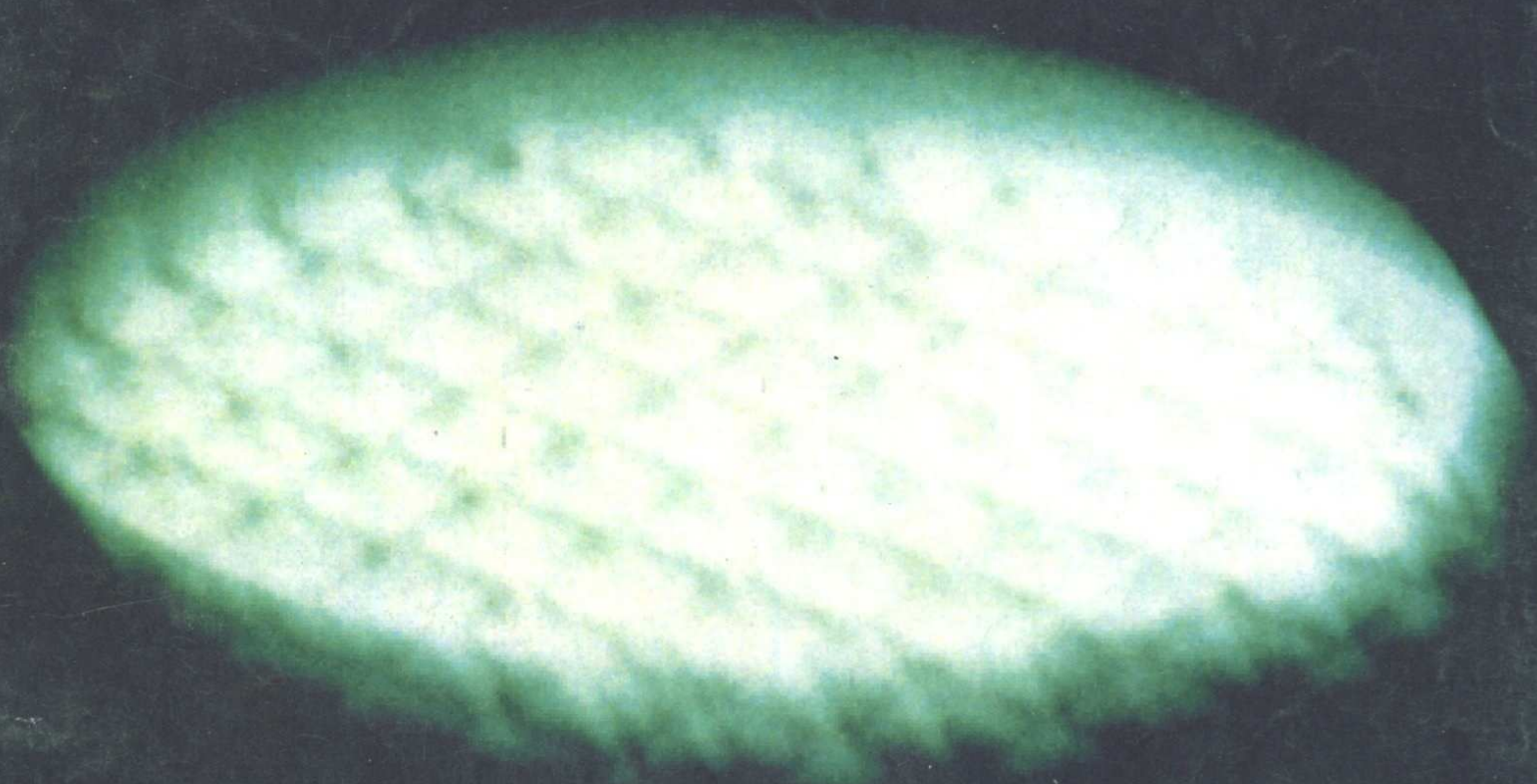
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EDITORIAL

SOME FURTHER THOUGHTS ON COLONEL CORSO'S BOOK.

No sooner had FSR 43/1 been sent out than I began to realise how absurd it would be if we believed that what this American officer is now telling us is "**the whole truth**".

Quite patently, the vast array of technical advances made by the USA in the past 50 years, and now neatly explained away as "due to back-engineering on the Roswell Crash", could not in fact possibly have been achieved merely through "back-engineering"!

The next step towards perception of the truth came when, on further reflection, I realised that the American Government may well be starting to feel great embarrassment at the sheer wealth of this new technology. So, perhaps they begin to feel the need for a good excuse to "explain" it all. They dare not state plainly and clearly that they have "Alien helpers". (**And, indeed, you can be pretty sure that the particular bunch of Aliens who are in control at present here would never permit any terrestrial government, or any spokesman of any such government, to admit the Alien presence here.**) **THAT ALIEN PRESENCE IS TO CONTINUE TO BE CONCEALED, JUST AS IT HAS BEEN CONCEALED FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS PAST.**

The best way out of the problem therefore is to start telling us it is simply "all due to Roswell", and to hope that this "revelation" will satisfy our curiosity for a while.

The final logical deduction that we have to make is of course that, if we humans are indeed receiving technology from someone else, then the only possible reason must be that we are useful and are ourselves involved, willynilly, in some sort of war or struggle -**AN INTER-ALIEN CONFLICT, NO DOUBT FOR CONTROL OF US AND THIS PLANET.** And in FSR 43/1 we have already indicated, in the main report from Puerto Rico, that such is indeed the case, and that over the island of Puerto Rico, an Associate State linked to the USA, one sort of "flying saucer" has actually been seen fighting against another sort of "flying saucer". And one of those two types of "flying saucer" is being attacked or pursued by American aircraft, while the other type is **not!**

With that, we can perhaps rest our case, and pause for breath...

NOTE: I stated clearly in my comments on Colonel Corso in FSR 43/1 that, not being a scientist myself or even scientifically "slightly knowledgeable", I might get some details wrong. And it seems that I was obviously wrong in including **microwave technology** in the so-called Roswell Harvest.

As George Wingfield points out, "microwaves were known about and used for many years prior to 1947, though the actual application of microwave technology to the making of **microwave ovens** is a more recent development".

[Precisely! And, in this connection, do our U.S. readers not recall the highly interesting case of the scoutmaster Sonny Desvergers who -very early in the UFO Era- got his face and cap singed by microwaves when he found himself right underneath a big hovering UFO in a palmetto grove in the Florida Everglades! G.C. ■]

DOUBT CAST ON AUTHENTICITY OF FERNÁNDEZ UFO PHOTOS.

We have recently heard from Jorge Martín in Puerto Rico, to the effect that, from personal acquaintance and knowledge of the matter, in his opinion the photos published on pages 25 and 26 of the last FSR, volume 43/1, and attributed to José M. Fernández, should be regarded with great suspicion. G.C. ■

PROFILE: PROFESSOR ARCHIE E. ROY.

For readers will have noted that, commencing with our last issue (FSR 43/1), we have a very distinguished British Scientist who has consented to be listed as a Special Consultant to FSR.

This is Archie E. Roy, Professor Emeritus of Astronomy in the University of Glasgow, and (what is most remarkable!) a Vice-President of the SPR, the British Society for Psychical Research. So far as I know, he is currently the only British scientist in the field of Astrophysics and Astronomy who even dares to let it be known that he also possesses an expert knowledge of parapsychology and psychical research!

He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, of the British Royal Astronomical Society, and of the British Interplanetary Society. He is also a member of the Society for Psychical Research, London, and of the Scottish Society for Psychical Research, being immediate Past-President of the former, and Current President of the latter.

A member of the International Astronomical Union (which recently honoured him by naming an asteroid after him!), he has also been elected a member of the European Academy of Arts, Science and the Humanities.

He conducts research in astrodynamics, celestial mechanics, archeo-astronomy, psychical research and neural networks. He has published 18 books, six of them novels, some 70 scientific papers, and scores of articles.

Several of his books have been published in the USA, France, Russia, Italy and India.

In a varied career he has travelled widely and lectured in many countries, directed Advanced Scientific Institutes for NATO, edited journals and newspapers, and investigated haunted houses and haunted people.

He also has a very great interest in, and enormous knowledge about, such matters as crop circles, psychic materialisations and mediumship, and evidence of reincarnation, and he has something that is very rare indeed, **-namely the guts to admit his interest in and his knowledge of these matters.**

His last book, *The Archives of the Mind* (SNU Publications 1996, ISBN 0-902036-13-0) was reviewed for us in FSR 42/4 by our consultant Professor Ivor Grattan-Guinness, himself known world-wide as an expert in all these fields pertaining to the "paranormal". G.C.■

THE U.S. AIR FORCE, ANTI-GRAVITATION, AND UFOs. © By DR. PIERRE GUÉRIN.

(Specially written for *Lumières Dans La Nuit* and for *Flying Saucer Review*.)

(Translated from author's original French text by Gordon Creighton.)

[Literally within less than a week after I had jotted down my revised thoughts on Roswell and Colonel Philip Corso (see Editorial), I was amazed to receive the following astonishing document from FSR's old friend and ally, Dr. Pierre Guérin, one of France's most distinguished astronomers, for many years actively engaged at the Pic du Midi Observatory in the Pyrenees and at the famous Institut d'Astrophysique de Paris.

In view of his eminence in his profession and his great knowledge and experience, I would suggest that we take very careful note of what Dr. Guérin now has to say.

Dr. Guérin tells me that the article is appearing *not only in Lumières Dans La Nuit*, but also on the French Internet, and he has expressed the hope that FSR may be able to get my translation of it onto the English-language Internet too. G.C.]

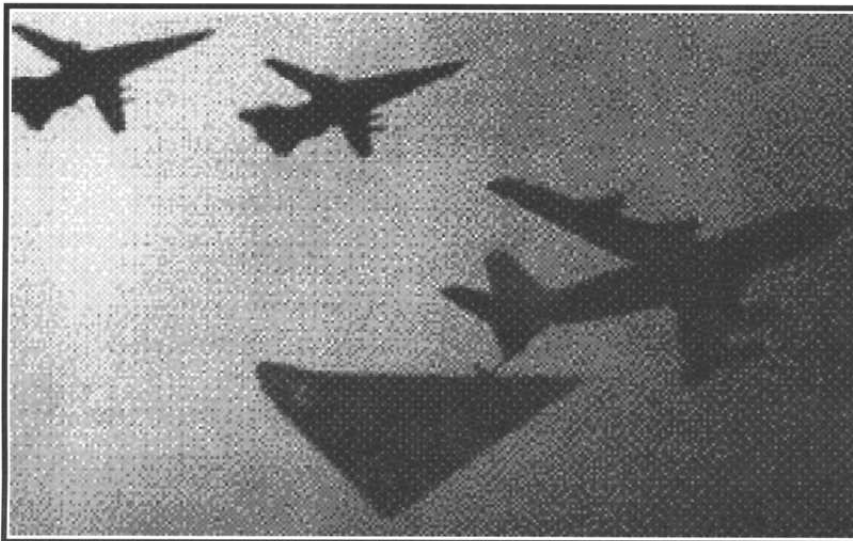
As we all know, "Area 51" (otherwise called Groom Lake, in Nevada) is the most famous of the ultra-secret military bases of the United States.

Its existence is not officially recognized. The security perimeter around it has recently again been enlarged with a view to discouraging the efforts of curiosity-seekers equipped with binoculars or super-telescopic lenses who might be hoping to see UFOs flying there.

And in fact eyewitnesses have indeed, at night, seen strange luminous and silent craft flying there and executing trajectories that could not be the trajectories of aeroplanes.

We know of several cases of people who have apparently been subjected to brainwashing before they could go out from Groom Lake. In particular we will cite the cases of an RAF pilot who was in Nevada for training, and who inadvertently landed on the Groom Lake Base, and of an electrical engineer (Bob Lazar) who had been engaged to work there temporarily in secret Air Force hangars situated in the same zone.

Lazar, conscious of the absurdity of certain recollections that he had retained from his time there, stated that he had been ordered to work on repairing a



This photo was reportedly taken in central Australia, and supposedly shows the "Aurora" mystery aircraft, in the company of a tanker aircraft (KC-130?) and escorting fighters, which look very much like F-111 Aardvarks.

This photo is now believed to be a fake although the Aurora part is allegedly real.

UFO that had been recovered, and that as working equipment they had given him an ordinary electronic voltmeter without furnishing him with any sensible explanation, and that he had been able to have, and carry around with him, with impunity, a piece of the heavy transuranian Element 115 (unknown on Earth) serving as a base for the craft's anti-gravitational (?) engine.

Such sorts of scarcely credible assertions unfortunately managed to fool a few naive ufologists but, above all, they also served to ridicule Ufology in the eyes of sensible people and - more particularly - to discredit the rumours about the repairing of recovered UFOs at Groom Lake or the manufacture there of copies of UFOs, which doubtless was the purpose intended.

It is worth noting that Lazar remembers having had to drink liquids and to submit to sessions of hypnosis when he was working at Groom Lake.

As for the R.A.F. pilot, he was kept at the Base for several days, and when he came out he had amnesia and could no longer even remember his own name!

INFORMATION TRICKLING OUT IN DROPLETS.

That this Base does exist, nobody can deny, and for good reason. And matters have now reached the stage that, from time to time, in specialized journalistic circles, certain reports on the activities carried on there even appear **officially**. Firstly, it is recognized that they are developing the hypersonic aircraft of the future there.

They state explicitly that these planes will be at least 15 years ahead of those already existing elsewhere in the world, and that the details of their performance will not be divulged before that same number of years have elapsed.

Nevertheless a few secrets have leaked out about **one** of these aircraft - **AURORA**, said to attain **Mach 8** in the stratosphere.

The American authorities have recently laid on an 'Open Day' - assuredly of course not at Groom Lake itself, but on the Nellis Base, which surrounds it - in order to show to a selected public - certain of these aircraft, grounded, but assuredly not the most futuristic ones!

(One may wonder whether this operation was not just another means of 'defusing' the rumours about the presence of UFOs at Groom Lake or at other U.S. bases?)

The aircraft displayed were filmed by a team of

reporters from French Television (FRANCE 2).

Seen in profile, the machines shown could vaguely evoke the idea of "flying saucers", but they weren't "flying saucers". It was more a question of "flying wings".

However fast these machines may be, they still behave - at any rate until proof to the contrary is forthcoming - in accordance with the classic laws of physics, although it has already been suggested (*Aviation Week and Space Technology*, March 9, 1992) that the **B-2** was using an anti-gravitational system when flying at high altitudes.

In any case, these aircraft aren't copies of UFOs. There is no indication that they can hover silently or zigzag at supersonic speed without producing any shock-wave. Numerous people have seen **AURORA** flying in the sky over the American South-West. This aircraft seems to be driven by ramjets. It has been said that it "richochets along on the air", no doubt because it leaves behind it a string of little condensations and emits a pulsed roar.

Assuredly its conception derives from a state-of-the-art technology that is indeed far in advance of what exists elsewhere, but there is no evidence to prove that the **AURORA** is equipped with an antigravitational system and even less reason still to indicate that it could perform hypothetical spatio-temporal 'short-cuts' such as the UFOs seem to know how to do.

Yet, nevertheless, among the reports, true or false, that trickle out into industrial and political circles about secret American research in the realm of flying machines, **there are some that speak specifically of the study of flight by antigravitational means.** (For a very long time past there have been ufologists who, though having no proof of it, have suggested this type of propulsion for the UFOs, for it could account for certain aspects of their movement).

In his book *Les Etrangers de l'Espace** (The Strangers from Space) Donald Keyhoe reported that, at the beginning of the 1960s, a certain "**PROGRAMME G**" had been started up in the United States, mobilizing 7 aeronautical firms and 21 American and foreign universities - including the celebrated M.I.T., with a view to the discovery and the exploitation of the principle of Antigravity.

According to Keyhoe, in 1966, it had to be admitted

that this research had still not been successful. But that they have not ceased and that they have even made progress is what we learn from an article in the very serious British review, JANE'S DEFENCE WEEKLY, which specializes in questions of defence and armaments around the world. I cannot do better than to quote some passages from this article from the review's issue of June 10, 1995:

"Technicians who dabble in the interpretation of visions do not always get it right. Take this example from a specialist US aviation magazine in 1956:

"We're already working with equipment to cancel out gravity", Lawrence D. Bell, founder of the company that bears his name, was quoted as saying.

Bell, apparently, was not the only one working in this field. others said to be seeking to master this arcane 'science' included the Glenn L. Martin Company, Convair, Lear, and Sperry Gyroscope.

Within a few years, so we were assured, aircraft, cars, submarines, and power stations would all be driven by this radical new propulsion technology. Sadly, it was not to be".

The rest of the article passes in review of the various accomplishments in the realm of American futuristic aircraft derived from "black projects" (i.e. projects financed from funds free of any parliamentary control). In its conclusion, the article tackles more specifically the question of the very secret activities that are carried on at Groom Lake:-

BEYOND 2001

*Groom Lake, Nevada, is the epicentre of classified USAF research into **Stealth** and other exotic aerospace technologies. Several years after the collapse of the Soviet threat, activity and investment at this remote, highly secret air base (so secret that its presence is, **as yet**, unacknowledged by the U.S. Government) is still on the increase.*

While research into less sensitive technologies (such as two-dimensional thrust-vectoring and advanced short take-off and vertical landing, ASTOVL) are pursued in the open at nearby Edwards AFB in California, Groom Lake is set to hang onto its secrets. The USAF's recent confiscation of 1600 hectares of public land bordering the facility is consistent with the Pentagon's desire to maintain its lead in quantum leap technologies -some of which, according to well qualified observers in and around the Nevada area, defy current thinking into the predicted direction of aerospace engineering.

That aerospace companies continue to look at highly radical alternative air vehicle concepts is evidence of the ongoing quest for breakthrough designs.

Glimpses into this world are rare, but provide some insight into likely 21st century research activity. The 1990 unclassified "Electric Propulsion Study" (a quest for an anti-gravity propulsion system by another name) conducted by the USA's Science Application International Corp on behalf of USAF's (then) Astronautics Laboratory at Edwards AFB, shows that

USAF's visionaries are still being given free rein.

Until recently, BAe also provided internal resources for its own anti-gravity studies, and even went so far as to outline this thinking with artists' concepts -a case of Lawrence Bell's vision not being so wide of the mark after all.

Before he died, Ben Rich, who headed Lockheed's Skunk Works from 1975 to 1991, was quoted as saying: "We have some new things. We are not stagnating. What we are doing is updating ourselves, without advertising. There are some new programmes, and there are certain things -some of them 20 or 30 years old- that are still breakthroughs and appropriate to keep quiet about. Other people don't have them yet".

Thirty years from now, we may still not know the half of what is currently being tested in and around Groom Lake. -JDW.

As one can see, this text refers very clearly to certain entirely new research that represents "a leap into the unknown". This research, launched with the help of big American industrial firms (plus, according to Keyhoe, several universities), is said to be directed in particular at "antigravitational propulsion" (baptised as "electrical propulsion" -and we shall soon see why) and is said to have commenced soon after the end of World War II.

According to the text, this research would have quite rapidly yielded some results which are still kept completely secret, and are unknown to other countries, without our being told clearly whether antigravity properly called has yet been mastered, and whether or not certain of the machines tested at Groom Lake are already utilising this method of propulsion -but there is independent suggestion of this in the descriptions given by eyewitnesses positioned around the Base, and to whom we have referred above.

Obviously there is no mention in the article of the allegation made by certain American ufologists dubbed as "the Lunatic Fringe", such as John Lear, according to whom aliens are said to be occupying underground laboratories in the Groom Lake Base, and allegedly are giving the American Military scientific and technical help in exchange for silence about the mutilations of animals and the abduction of humans.

It is all going on as if there is under way a progressive preparation of American and world opinion for the announcement of major advances -and obviously of purely terrestrial origin- in aerospace science and technology, carried out in the greatest secrecy by the USA (and possibly Great Britain) over the past 30 years or more. Antigravity, it is indicated, would be at the core of this research.

PRESENT DAY PHYSICS KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT ANTI-GRAVITY.

Until now such revelations have scarcely ever triggered off any waves in the realm of theoretical physics, and shortly you will understand why this is so. On the other hand, there is good reason to think that they might be taken seriously in Intelligence circles, but I fear that the latter do not perceive the extremely grave implications

that follow from it.

For matters aren't as simple as they might appear, and these revelations need to be examined from a critical point of view that, it seems to me, has scarcely been taken into account until now.

The problem which is posed is this: Is it realistic to believe that, via the distribution of countless sums of dollars to feed planned ultra-secret research, the discovery of the theoretical physics of antigravity (not to speak of its practical application) could be achieved in any reasonable period, starting out from the fundamental basics of our terrestrial science, **without the rest of the scientific community knowing about it, and, above all, without the appearance of any prior signs of a crisis in physics obliging us to modify or enlarge those basics? I insist that the answer is NO. And here is why:-**

Far too often people confuse fundamental physics and applied physics (the latter leading to industrial applications).

This confusion carries with it the risk of leading too many responsible politicians and Military to cite the example of, say, the Manhattan Project, in support of the idea that, simply by "going all out" on a project, the Americans are capable of achieving a decisive breakthrough within a reasonable period of time, **and yet still keep all the research secret.**

Well now, the Manhattan project was in fact merely a **technological** project to build the atomic bomb. Certainly it was indeed gigantic for that period, but in no way whatsoever did it call into question the very foundations of theoretical physics. Quite to the contrary, it was entirely founded on them and, more precisely, on the **theoretical** principle of the equivalence of mass and energy ($E = mc^2$) which derives from Einstein's Restricted Relativity, added to which was the **experimental** fact of the chain-reaction of neutrons in a critical mass of uranium or plutonium, discovered already as early as 1939 and known to all atomic physicists from the start of World War II onwards.

If there **was** a secret, it was initially the secret of the nature of the project itself. After that, it was the secret of the techniques to be developed in order to achieve it: the separation of the uranium isotopes, the manufacture of the plutonium, the experimental determination of the critical mass (which cost the lives of several researchers who died from radiation, etc).

It was possible to keep such a technological piece of research as that secret for a period -which was in any case only limited -by maintaining all the different branches of it so compartmentalised that only those who had conceived the project knew what the final objective was.

BUT, on the contrary, the development of a system of antigravitational propulsion would imply that its theoretical bases have already been discovered!

At the present time the theoretical bases are completely unknown to terrestrial physicists (even though some may suspect that they do know what they are) for the simple reason that they apparently do not derive from the bases of our own established

physics, and at first sight seem to contradict them.

In the three-dimensional model of Space (which is the visible Universe in which we live) "gravity" -which Newton called "the force of attraction" of masses of matter -is inherently present in these masses which, in the modern framework of General Relativity, actually bend the "geodetics" of Space-Time (i.e. the trajectories of the mass bodies) as though a "force" were being applied to these bodies.

All matter attracts other matter in this fashion, deforming Space-Time, and today we know that even antimatter, in our universe, is attractive, and not repulsive, as at one time was thought.

General Relativity is evidently not the last word in science, even if up till now it has been confirmed with great precision by numerous consequences that one can deduce from it. It is possible that tomorrow certain experimental tests may produce a set-back for it. But we aren't at that point.

Moreover, quite a number of variations of the theory have now been proposed, still within the framework of a Universe of three dimensions. None of them has prevailed over the rest so far, but in any case all of them retain this fundamental property of the gravitational effect being **inherent in mass**. Moreover, the new attempts at the modelisation of spatial complexes with a Universe of several "leaves" (such as Dr Jean-Pierre Petit's idea of **twin universes** which would permit the discovery of spatio-temporal short-cuts for travelling in space) still retain this fundamental property of gravity.

So -at first sight- gravity does not seem at present likely to be cancelled out by any means whatsoever in the present state of our best established theoretical knowledge, unless it were possible to cancel out mass itself, which is nonsense. In fact, however, certain physicists do suspect that there may be a way out which would amount to considering gravitation as a consequence of electromagnetism, and not as a separate force on its own. Whence comes the idea that certain electromagnetic devices would enable weight (i.e. attraction) to be nullified without, of course, nullifying mass. (Maybe this explains why the journalists who talk about the Air Force's secret projects always mention "research on electrogravity".)

Among the known attempts made in this direction by certain university researchers, some have turned out to be mathematically erroneous. Others are not open to the same charge, but under no circumstances can they lay claim of being a structured scientific theory analogous to Relativity or to the Quantum Theory:

At the very most (Puthoff, Haisch) they are exploratory perspectives that are more qualitative than mathematically established, and still totally unsuited for experimental exploration, and even less for an industrial one.

NO TRUE THEORY OF ANTIGRAVITATIONAL EFFECT OF AN ELECTROMAGNETIC NATURE HAS YET, TO THIS DAY, BEEN DEVELOPED OR PUBLISHED WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY OF THEORETICAL PHYSICISTS.

Such -in short- is the present state of the knowledge of the academic community of the world on this matter.

Nevertheless, it is worth noting that an experimental plan, and an experiment, are said to have been carried out in 1992 by Podkletnov and Vuorinen of the Tampere University in Finland. **These two authors are said to have produced an antigravitic effect yielding a 2% reduction in weight of objects placed above a core of superconductive ceramic in rapid rotation.** (New Scientist, Sept 21, 1996).

No explanatory theory for the phenomenon was furnished by the authors who, curiously enough, were refused publication of their paper in the Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics, despite the contrary judgement of the three referees commissioned to examine it. Podkletnov is said to have claimed that he was subjected to pressure not to divulge anything before a patent for commercial exploitation had been issued.

THEORETICAL PHYSICS AND MILITARY RESEARCH.

Just as Nuclear Physics is not a chapter in chemistry, but **transcends** chemistry, so the physics of tomorrow will transcend General Relativity (or the improved theory that in the near future will replace it). Maybe a so-called "unitary theory" will finally be worked out which will reconcile gravitation and quantum mechanics, and will be the prelude to a new scientific revolution opening the way to the electromagnetic concept of antigravitation.

At present this concept remains outside of the classic bases of the physics that is taught, and is not truly on the agenda in the institutes of theoretical physics.

Such a revolution, of importance at least equal to the importance of General Relativity or Quantum Mechanics, could not take place in some university's theoretical physics laboratory without being known throughout the entire world, because all the specialists in these matters know each other personally, exchange ideas, publish their papers, and meet each other at international congresses.

This is the very condition required for their creativity. To impose secrecy on those of them who would get contracts with the Armed Forces would be both prejudicial to that creativity, and totally unrealistic.

The research worker in theoretical physics does his job with paper, a pencil, his intuitive sense, and his mastery of his mathematical tools, and also - nowadays- a computer for testing numerically the results derived from his models. He has to let his ideas ripen slowly and freely. And the minute he finds something he has to tell about it.

As one of my colleagues said to me one day: "It is more difficult to confine a theoretician to his office than antimatter to a bottle!"

THEORETICAL RESEARCH CANNOT BE PLANNED WITHIN THE RESTRICTING FRAMEWORK OF A SECRET MILITARY PROJECT. IT IS "ANTIPODEAN" TO THAT! NEITHER RELATIVITY NOR QUANTUM PHYSICS WAS DISCOVERED BY CONTRACT.

BY WAY OF CONCLUSION.

I have no knowledge whatsoever of what is going on at Groom Lake. I have no idea whatsoever whether "Little Greys" are installed as bosses in underground levels of the Base. I have no idea whatsoever whether the Americans are repairing recovered flying saucers there, or whether they are themselves building them in entirety there. I have no idea whether they are contenting themselves with testing military material there of a very advanced technology calling for an exotic physics. **BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, WHAT I THINK I CAN AFFIRM IS THIS:-**

EITHER: The snatches of information that the American Air Force permits to filter out regarding the research on antigravity that they are allegedly pursuing there are **disinformation (and this cannot be excluded** in view of the analysis that I have just given above).

But then **-why** this disinformation? Several answers come to mind. The most immediate one is that they simply are trying to mislead those who are trying so hard to know the truth about the Air Force's secret projects.

OR: The Air Force or the Pentagon **really are** carrying on at Groom Lake (and no doubt at other sites too) ultra-secret research on antigravity -a "major leap into the unknown", and one that in practical fact is totally unknown to the entire scientific community of the whole world.

Such an ignorance on the part of the world's scientists implies that this research is proceeding **in a closed circuit**, devoid of any exchange whatsoever with the other physicists of the entire world. The very fact that, despite this handicap, they could have arrived -(in a record short time!)- at the creation of a new kind of physics that permits us to conceive of -or even to start embarking on -the construction of **revolutionary antigravitational flying machines** -why, that would be to fly right in the face of the method by which our own terrestrial science has always proceeded right from the very beginning of its existence.

Such a result, then would imply that the US Air Force has managed to "leap-frog" ahead, and possess access to theoretical information other than what is provided by the known fundamental terrestrial physics.

SUCH INFORMATION, THEREFORE, WOULD NECESSARILY HAVE TO BE OF A NON-TERRESTRIAL ORIGIN.

Some will, of course, at once think of the crashed craft at Roswell, but personally I find it scarcely possible to believe it. For the mere analysis and study of one machine, whether damaged in an accident or not, can hardly enable one to grasp the basic physics of its operation when those physics aren't even within the framework of any known theory -as was certainly the case back in 1947!

ONE IS CONSEQUENTLY LED RATHER TO VISUALISE THAT ACTUAL EXCHANGES HAVE TAKEN PLACE WITH THE POSSESSORS OF A MORE ADVANCED SCIENCE.

AND THEN ONE FINDS ONESELF CONTEMPLATING THE CATASTROPHIC SCENARIO

PAINTED BY JOHN LEAR.

SUCH A STATE OF AFFAIRS WOULD, OF COURSE, HAVE TO BE TOTALLY INADMISSIBLE, AND IT WOULD JUSTIFY THE EXCEPTIONAL SECRECY IN WHICH THE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES HAVE WRAPPED GROOM LAKE.

YES -EXCEPTIONAL, I SAY. FOR, AS FAR AS I KNOW, THEY NEVER DRUGGED AND HYPNOTISED THE ENGINEERS WHO WORKED ON THE MANHATTAN PROJECT WHEN THEY WERE QUITTING THEIR PLACE OF WORK!

Well, there it is. Everyone will decide according to his own preference. AS FOR ME, -I'VE MADE MY DECISION, AS YOU WILL HAVE GUESSED. But I do admit that I am not able to base it on any decisive argument. I MERELY STATE THAT, WHATEVER REPLY THEY GIVE US, THEY ARE DECEIVING US. BUT WE'VE GOT USED TO THAT NOW. EVER SINCE THE UFO BUSINESS STARTED!

ADDITIONAL NOTE.

It is amusing to note that, in his enthralling book, *Revelations*, Jacques Vallée, who himself lives in California, and knows the whole story of ufology right throughout and has investigated the "Lunatic Fringe" in order to denounce their credulity and the fashion in which they are being manipulated, does himself supply -(not intentionally, of course)- some arguments, even if not decisive ones, in support of the thesis that there is non-human technology at work at Groom Lake!

For in fact he admits, very objectively, that things have been seen flying over that Base "which it would be very difficult to differentiate from real saucers" -things which in fact are the cause of the reports referring to "spectacular sightings similar to the movements of true saucers".

obviously, of course, in his view those were merely craft of "an advanced terrestrial technology".

Supposing these telecontrolled "drones" come in several sizes, from little mobile discoidal platforms, almost totally silent and one metre wide, full of sophisticated electronics and with immense manoeuvrability, up to larger aerial reconnaissance craft as much as several metres wide, some fitted with searchlights and some not. (It could have been a craft of this type that allegedly landed in December 1980 near an

Anglo-American base at Bentwaters (i.e. Rendlesham).

That "UFO", it seems, was already expected by the military authorities who, before the landing, had already deployed troops from the Base to proceed to the landing-site, as though in order to test the troops' reactions (a plausible enough interpretation that I won't contest.).

But, just as Vallée (anxious to ridicule those who believe in the existence of a great subterranean base, peopled with aliens, underneath Groom Lake) puts to such folk the question: "WHO COLLECTS THE GARBAGE?", I will return the ball to him, and put to him a question that is possibly far more embarrassing, namely:-

"WITH WHAT POWER SOURCE AND WHAT MODE OF PROPULSION CAN THOSE 'SILENT DRONES' THAT YOU DESCRIBE TO US BE FLYING?"

Rocket engines are always noisy, require a heavy load of fuel, solid or liquid, if the flight is to be of any duration.

Propulsion by **rotary turbine** (for lift) can be almost silent if the power source is electrical, and it would account for the faint hum of the objects. But as it is a flying machine, the weight-power relationship for the batteries producing that energy would be prohibitive, and the same is also true for a nuclear reactor.

Finally, propulsion by MHD (magnetohydrodynamics) -which would account for the objects' luminosity at night and for their performance, would require even more electricity, and would presume the problem of controlled fusion to have been resolved -which, in these closing years of this century, twenty years after the Bentwaters affair, it still isn't!

SO THEN HOW CAN THE FAKE UFOs AT GROOM LAKE AND ELSEWHERE FLY IF THEY AREN'T USING A TECHNOLOGY BASED ON ANOTHER KIND OF PHYSICS?

I'm waiting for Vallée to give me the answer. Maybe, of course, there is one! But I confess that I haven't found it yet...

EDITOR'S NOTE.

I have all Donald Keyhoe's books, but put away in storage, and I can't access them easily, so I am unable to suggest which of the books it is that has been rendered into French as "Les Etrangers de l'Espace." G.C. ■

"PROFESSOR X": THE MYSTERY SOLVED

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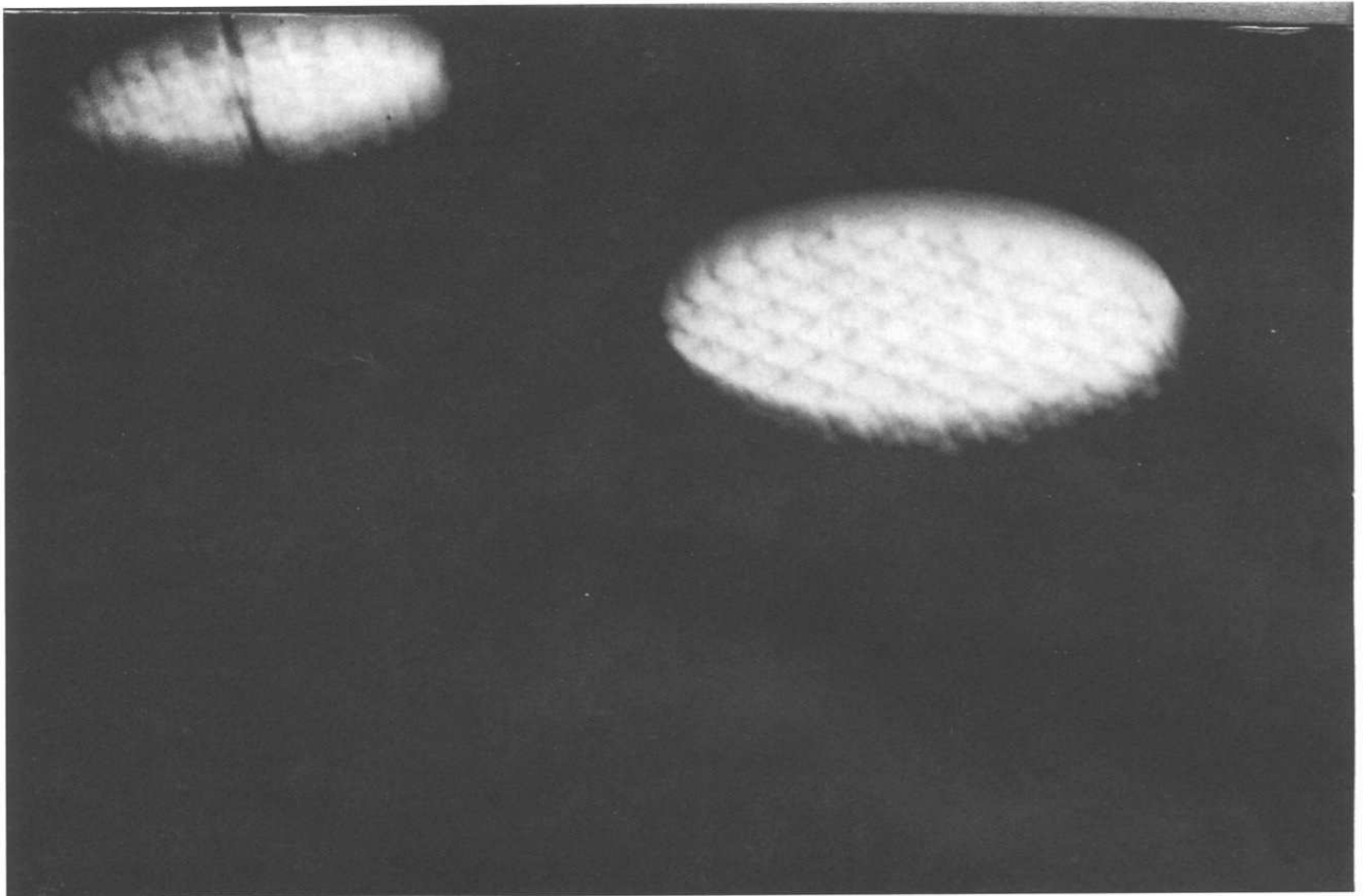
Co-Author with George Adamski, of *FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED* (1953); one of the Founding Fathers of FSR (1955); and an FSR Consultant today.

[FOREWORD BY GORDON CREIGHTON]

As I have never ceased to remind our subscribers, FSR still has a mass of valuable old material on our files that is waiting to be processed and prepared for publication (no light job!), and if our subscribers will always remember to tell all their friends about us and enrol them as

readers then the nearer will be the day when we can add more pages to the journal and dig more frequently into that valuable stockpile.

The article by Desmond Leslie which I give below was received by FSR so long ago as October 1989. The general "climate" then with regard to such



**Professor X's Photo shown in black-and-white. Originally in colour,
as also reproduced on the front cover of this issue.**

"Contactees" as George Adamski was very different from what it is now. In those days Adamski was still the object of much abuse and ridicule, Leslie's name was always linked with Adamski's and it was thought perhaps to be wiser to "bide our time" a bit until things changed.

During the last year or so this change has indeed begun to take place. A great deal of evidence is now surfacing which shows that Adamski and so many of the early "Contactees" who claimed to have encountered *benevolent and seemingly noble beings of completely 'human' build and appearance were not lying.*

In the meantime Timothy Good's new book, *ALIEN BASE*, has just been published, and it will present a considerable number of cases of that very type, many of them culled straight from the archives of FSR. I conclude therefore that now is the right moment to bring up the story of this outstanding British astronomer, Dr. Percy Wilkins, and his photograph of two Ufos! And in my possession now is not only a print *but also the negative.*
EDITOR]

**"PROFESSOR X",
By Desmond Leslie.**

Professor Percy Wilkins, FRAS, the most eminent lunar astronomer of our time, will be remembered as the 'guru' of Patrick Moore. Nobody, however, realized that Wilkins was also the famous "Professor X" who had had an early CE-III while out for a nice, quiet country walk and had managed to take an amazing photo!

Those who have read my re-edited and enlarged reprint of *FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED* (1970) may recall that it contained a statement by me to the effect that a well-known astronomer had secured a UFO photo. I did not however, at that time, yet know exactly who the famous astronomer was, and I said in the book, quite wrongly, that I understood him to be an American.

One can well understand why - in the 1950s - and indeed still today - a top-ranking astronomer who has had such an experience would want to conceal his identity in order to escape the barrage of ridicule from his "liberal-minded" colleagues. Like their own earlier "incarnations" who "knew" that the Earth did not go round the Sun, and would burn anyone who said it did, the astronomers "knew" that there are no such things as UFOs or, indeed, any form of intelligence higher than their own, and would gladly roast anyone who dared to show otherwise.

Patrick Moore himself told me the story, but, at the time, quite rightly refused to discuss the identity of "Professor X." He did however - rather cunningly - introduce me to Professor Wilkins, leaving me, perhaps, to figure out the connection. I failed to do so. I'm afraid it didn't occur to me at the time.

On another, subsequent, occasion, when I again met Dr. Wilkins and lunched with him for what would prove to be the last time, he gave me some of the many drawings that he had made of the Moon when using the largest reflecting telescope in France. He was particularly interested in the *Crater Gassendi*, in which he told me he had more than once observed very large moving objects - some of them luminous.

Wilkins also believed that he had noticed huge tunnels, - and even shafts - in that crater's rim. Perhaps he was mistaken? Perhaps not. But surely we now have enough close-up views of the Moon, taken by various orbiters, to get a better look at *Gassendi* (and the *Blair Cuspids*!) so as to be able to see what really is there (though of course no doubt the "moving lights" would have long ago departed.)

Then, towards the end of our meal, Professor Wilkins gave me the 35 mm. slide of the photo reproduced here. I studied it in amazement. Never before had I heard of UFOs with this curious gridlike appearance, although I am assured that indeed others similar have been sighted.

"Where on earth did you get *this* I asked him. He grinned and replied: "One of my family took it....*you keep it!*"

I must be thicker than I thought not to have "twigged" that he himself was the "one of my family" in question. A perfectly true statement nevertheless. Quite clever.

I said: "That streaky effect suggests that they were rising rapidly? Or else the camera was shaking?"

"They were rising rapidly", he said, offering me a glass of wine. And he said no more about it.

He was then quite amusing about the likely reaction of his astronomer-colleagues should he publish all his findings. But we agreed that even Socrates and Descartes would have scoffed at the idea of sending live pictures through the air (though Bacon didn't!) and that young Einstein, as a lad, would have found it rather improbable.

We ended up by agreeing that the elusive 'truth', whatever it turned out to be, would doubtless be many times more bizarre than anything that anyone could imagine. 'Black Holes' and 'silicon chips' had not then arrived on the scene. Nor had any science-fiction writer, no matter how '*far-out*', even conceived of them. Beside 'Black Holes' and 'computer viruses', strange attractors - not to mention 'Sierpinski carpets' (I can't wait to lay mine), and 'Menger Sponges' (no smart bathroom complete without one), good old-fashioned 'UFOs' appear as down-to-earth as stage-coaches!

As I endeavoured to show in our book ***FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED*** (1953), saucers seem to have been coming down to Earth since prehistoric times, but today they are regarded as "inadmissible evidence", and nobody really wants to know about them except cheerful loonies like the people who founded FSR (of whom I am proud to have been one!) - which just soldiers on, regardless of our many betters who "know better".

Unfortunately Professor Wilkins died soon after our last meeting. There were still so many questions that I had wanted to ask him. But it was only recently (remember that this letter was written to me in 1989. G.C.) that Patrick Moore actually told me, (with one eyebrow in full right ascension, the other at apogee) that "Professor 'X'" had been Dr. Wilkins. Wilkins, it seems, had come

across these two landed saucers while out for a country stroll, and saw them both take off, and managed to photograph them.

A FOOTNOTE BY EDITOR OF FLYING SAUCER REVIEW : ABOUT DR. WILKINS AND PATRICK MOORE

Right up until the day when the American astronauts touched down on "Our Luminary" (July 21, 1969) the very best book on the subject, in any language, was THE MOON, by Dr. H.P. Wilkins FRAS, and Patrick Moore FRAS (published in London by Faber and Faber in 1955).

And, incidentally, has anyone seen any good new book about our Moon since that one?

And has anyone seen any evidence that anyone has been back to the Moon since July 21, 1969?

If not, then isn't this total silence about the Moon surely *rather queer*? Wasn't there plenty of talk in those days about how we'd soon be running excursion trips to the Moon? So doesn't it strike anybody as rather odd that so little is ever even *said* about the Moon nowadays?

Well now - for what it is worth - why not take another look at the statements made by one-time US. Army Command-Sergeant-Major Robert Dean, formerly of the Staff of the Supreme NATO Headquarters in Europe, who claims to had constant access to NATO's secret UFO FILES. (See SFR 39/3, Pages 1-7, And FSR 39/4, Page 23).

For Bob Dean has made it perfectly clear that the reason why nobody has yet been back to visit our Moon is that the Americans were very firmly "warned off" in 1969!

There are - so Bob Dean says - already no less than FOUR ALIEN SPECIES who have Bases on our Moon!

And one of those species is, in appearance, totally indistinguishable from us!

If this be true, then what a headache it must be for our Governments!

Finally, I ought of course to mention that this top-notch British astronomer Dr. Percy Wilkins FRAS was a reader of FSR, and he wrote an excellent book, MYSTERIES OF TIME AND SPACE. He contributed three special articles to FSR: *Known and the Unknown* (in FSR 3/5); *The Planet Mars: A World-Famous Astronomer discusses the Controversial 'Canals'* (in FSR 3/4), and *Unidentified Flying Objects* (in FSR 3/6. He was the founder of the International Lunar Astronomers' Society. FSR also published (although I have not yet located it) Dr. Wilkins' account of how, when travelling in an air-liner near Mt. Vesuvius, he saw a flying saucer hanging motionless just inside the lip of that volcano's crater. (You can imagine that one does not try anything like that unless one has got *very good instruments!* ■

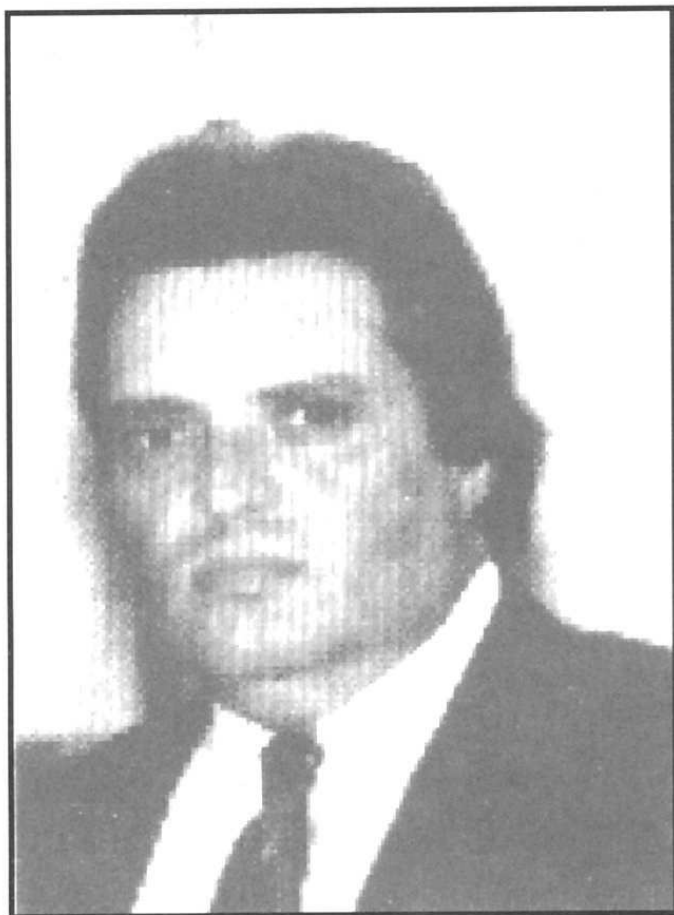
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I. A STRANGE CREATURE PHOTOGRAPHED IN THE PUERTO RICO NATIONAL FOREST OF EL YUNQUE (EASTERN END OF PUERTO RICO ISLAND).

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Jorge Martín.

Without being aware of it at the time, in March 1993, during a trip to the beautiful mountain and forest area of Puerto Rico's CARIBBEAN NATIONAL PARK (known familiarly to the Puerto Ricans as "EL YUNQUE" - the ancient Indian name. G.C.), two young men from the Municipal Region of Bayamón, Nelson Berríos and Joaquín Ruiz, took a number of photographs of a strange being of humanoid appearance, lurking behind a rock. Could this not perhaps have been one of the many, many mystery creatures that have been seen and reported from this area of the island of Puerto Rico over a long, long period reaching right back into the past?

They had made their way up to a waterfall known as La Mina Cascada, with the intention of having a dip in the two large pools there below the Falls. Nelson Berríos had his camera, so Ruiz began taking some snaps with it, of themselves and of the place. But next day, when they called to pick up their developed film, they were astounded to hear from the technician who had developed it that several of the seven or eight photos that Ruiz had taken showed an entity, in precisely the same spot, peering

out from behind the rock. They say "We had the impression that it might have been hiding there in order to escape being shown up by our 'flash.'"

As Joaquín Ruiz explained, "I saw nothing. I was absorbed in watching and photographing some young folk who were splashing about in the pools. The thing in the photo seems to have been about the size of a child, bald-headed, with oval-shaped eyes, pretty deeply set, and wrinkled sort of features, as though old."

AND ANOTHER CASE.

But Ruiz then went on to describe to us another, and previous, incident that he and some friends had experienced, also in the Yunque.

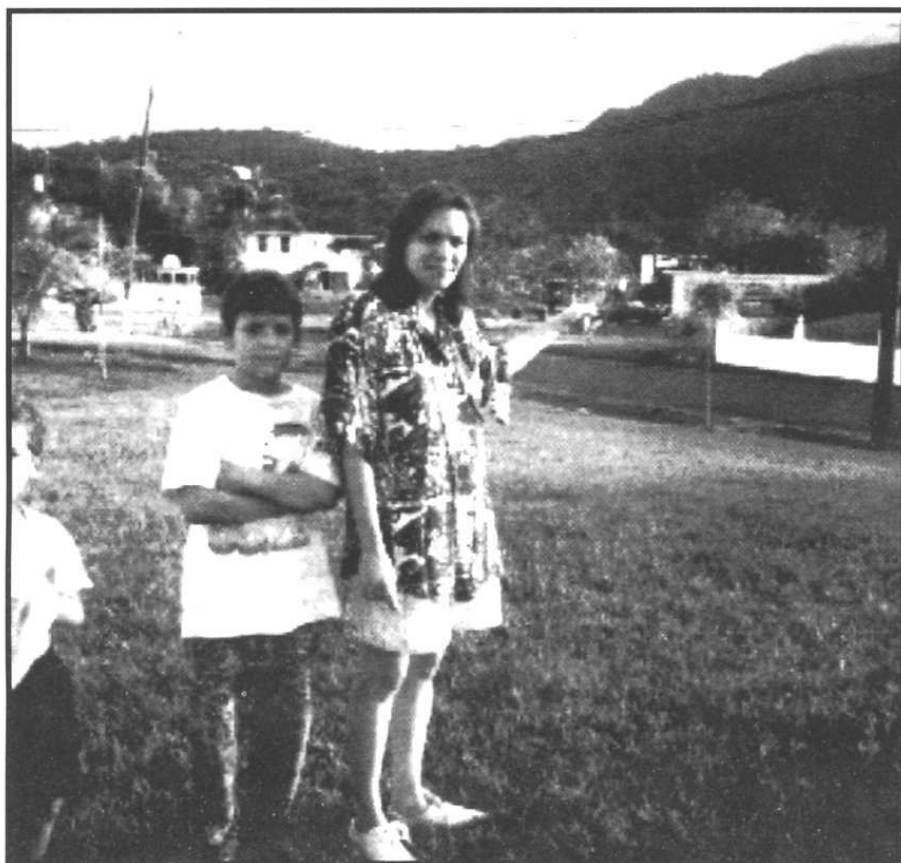
As he described it: "It was some time back. We were camping up there, not far from the main El Yunque peak, when we saw lights shooting about very fast from side to side and, as it seemed, joining up from time to time, some of them light-coloured, white, and some red. They were round, and, as I say, joining up at times and shooting fast from one side to the other. It looked as though they were actually coming out of the mountains! We were scared - I must admit. And we did a lot of imagining about what it all might be. But definitely they were something weird...."

When we asked them what they thought the thing photographed by them might have been, Nelson Berríos answered:

**Tiene una rara pelusilla sobre
su cráneo y ojos hundidos.**



**Entity with deep-set eyes and
fluffy, down-like hair.**



Sra Collazo and her two sons. She points to the road where the two entities were strolling.

"In my opinion, that's *not from here*. It's not from here, because if it had been a person, we would have *seen* him. And people have long been saying that strange things are happening in the Yunque and that UFOs and suchlike are being seen there. I'd say that they are *HERE, with us*, and that we're not alone. That is a fact. They are here. Although the U.S. Federal authorities tell us that they are not here, the fact of the matter is that they *ARE HERE*. They are there in the Yunque, and in many parts of Puerto Rico, even though the Authorities want to cover it up."

A THIRD CASE.

Then Nelson Berríos went on to describe yet another previous experience that he, along with many other people, had had - years ago - at a place called Cataño, also in the Yunque.

"About 20 years ago, something was also seen at Cataño. A flying saucer!. A round thing, with lots of lights all round it that kept flashing on and off. It was at about 5 or 6 o'clock in the evening, and the thing had come down from up around the Cataño Spillway. The authorities said later that it had been a helicopter. But a helicopter isn't round, doesn't have so many brilliant lights all around it, and doesn't fly round and round like that did! It came down over an area beyond the Buchanan Basin, where there's a big mangrove swamp."

FOUR PHOTOS ORIGINALLY.

The two young men told us that originally they had had *four photos* showing the mystery creature, at first peering from behind the rock, and then, successively, in several movements, rising up, and then going down behind the rock again as though intent on hiding.

Unfortunately, not long after they had taken the photos, somebody broke into Nelson Berríos's van, in which he kept a valise containing the negatives and the prints, and stole the valise. The identity of the thief is of course unknown.

[But, most fortunately, we at EVIDENCIA OVNI already had the one print that Nelson Berríos had requested the photo lab technician to send to us, so we are able to include this photo in this article.]

Although a bit unclear, this photo that we have is unquestionably highly interesting, for at least it permits us to see that, for example, it is certainly no "head of a monkey" nor is it "the head of a normal human being," for, as Joaquín Ruiz had told us, it does show what seems to be a rugged or furrowed face, deep-set eyes under a prominent brow, a very tiny nose, and what looks like straw-coloured hair swept back on the top of the head.

AND TWO MORE EARLIER CASES.

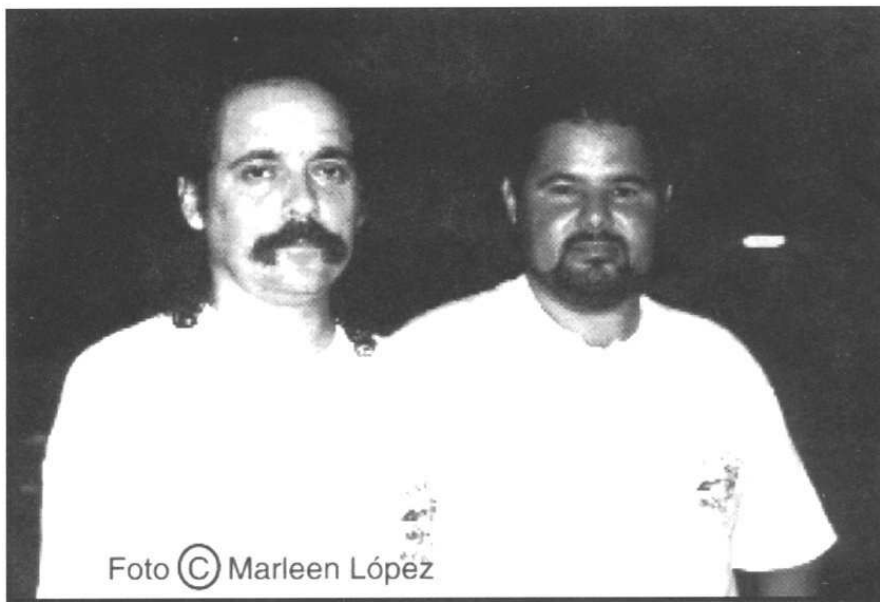
The creature's face reminds us, moreover, of two other cases in which similar humanoid beings had already been seen in the area of El Yunque.

The first of these two cases was the one when, at 5 pm one evening in August 1992, near the junction with Highway No. 191, close to the Colinas del Yunque Housing Settlement, a number of people - adults and children - encountered two humanoid beings about 4ft high, calmly walking along the road. Señora Soraya Collazo, and her three sons, Saudi, Didier, and Gabriel, and a daughter, all testified to the encounter. The two beings were, it seems, very similar to what is shown in the photograph.

Moreover, these four children - plus several of their friends and playmates - actually followed the two entities on their bicycles, for quite a few minutes! Then, finally, the little humanoids turned off the road into the thick woodland and vanished, and the children broke off



Artist's sketch of the two entities seen by her.



Joaquim Ruiz and Nelson Berríos.

their pursuit and turned back!

We interviewed Señora Collazo and all of her children - *each one separately*. They all stated that the entities had greyish-green coloured skin, rather large heads, dark almond-shaped eyes rather deeply set, and noses that were scarcely detectable. Their mouths were thin slits, without lips, and, just like the thing in the photo taken by Ruiz and Berríos, their hair looked as though light brown-creamy coloured, and swept upwards, as in what is called the "punk hair-do".

The second other earlier case, which we will now describe, was that of two policemen* and their wives, who also met two entities.

It was during the last days of February 1991, and at about 3.00 o'clock in the early morning, just by the car-park next to the Forestry Service's booth where they sell souvenir photos and maps of the Yunque. (This booth stands just in front of the swimming-pool beside the 191 Highway).

Of the Police party, we interviewed Officer Luis Torres and his wife Margarita, who live at San Isidro, in the Municipal Area of Canóvanas.

They had been with a group of friends, visiting the Yunque, and at 3.00am as stated, they were astounded to see two extraordinarily strange beings a short distance from them, walking down the main road.

They described the entities as about 3 1/2 ft. high, with big heads and huge dark eyes, slender in build, and with long arms. They were dressed in what looked like "ninja-type costumes", as they are called in Puerto Rico. (That is to say, like leotards, such as are used in exercises and gymnastics). Sr. Torres said these garments covered the entire body except for the face and the hands.

Although it is true that the two beings mentioned in this case may not seem entirely to resemble what is shown in the Ruiz/Berríos photo or what was seen by Señora Soraya Collazo and her family, we make a point of mentioning it here because these two entities seen by the Policemen and their wives ran away down a mountain path to precisely that same waterfall, La Mina, where Ruiz and Berríos

had taken the photos of *their* entity!

Well now - is all this "mere coincidence"? The only thing that WE can say about it is that such a lot of "coincidences" have certainly set *us* to some furious thinking! Don't our readers agree?

N.B. Very interestingly, the type of creature shown in the Ruiz/Berríos photo greatly resembles humanoid types of beings that have been seen IN COLLABORATION WITH THE 'CHUPACABRAS' at various places on the Island of Puerto Rico.

Another "coincidence"? **DON'T YOU BELIEVE IT!**

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

* This case of the two entities seen in February 1991 by the policemen and their wives will sound familiar, as we have already published another account of it, with the same sketch of the two entities. (See Magdalena del Amo-Freixedo's report PUERTO RICO: AN AREA OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL EXPERIMENTATION?, in FSR 39/1 (Spring 1994) ■



The two entities seen by Sr. Luis Torres and his wife and friends.

II. MORE ALIEN ENTITIES PHOTOGRAPHED IN THE MOUNTAIN/FOREST AREA OF EL YUNQUE (EASTERN END OF PUERTO RICO ISLAND).

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In my Special Issue (1996) on El Yunque, as our Bosque Nacional del Caribe (Caribbean National Forest) is popularly called, I gave the story, with pictures, of two men named Nelson Berriós and Joaquín Ruiz who, while on a stroll in the Yunque, took a photograph - unwittingly - of a strange humanoid being. The picture shows an entity, apparently small, peering from behind a rock. It had "more or less human features" - but quite strange too and indeed a bit grotesque. The skin colouring was apparently of a pale pinkish hue, the mouth small, the nose scarcely detectable, the eyes deep-set and dark, beneath a very projecting brow. The head, almost triangular in shape, seemed to be topped by fuzzy or "downy" cream-coloured hair swept up and back in a sort of "punk" style.

The two young men themselves had seen nothing at the spot (which was close by a waterfall known as La Mina Cascada). They only became aware of it later when informed by the laboratory technician who developed the roll of film. He told them that they had got a mysterious entity on four of their pictures.

For centuries past, as I have previously emphasised, the Yunque has been a region where all manner of mysterious events and situations have occurred: mysterious beings, anomalous creatures and entities seen; strange phenomena, seemingly, of Time and Space, etc; plus of course sightings of UFOs and of their alien or 'extraterrestrial' occupants of various types.

After our publication of that article, on pages 22 - 25 of *EVIDENCIA OVNI*, Special Series No. 1 (1996), I received a letter from a Señor José Benítez, resident in the municipal region of Bayamón, informing me that he

too had photos, taken by himself, in the Yunque, of what seemed to be alien entities. He wanted us to look at the photos and give him our opinion as to what they were.

So we arranged for a meeting place, and there he showed us two photos that were very, very interesting. Although the features were all small, owing to the distance involved, what they showed were clearly beings very much resembling what we already know as the "Little Greys".

One of the pictures clearly shows a being with a large head, what seem to be two big black eyes, and a skin of a light greyish-green hue, and clad in a creamy-whitish tight-fitting garment covering the whole body.

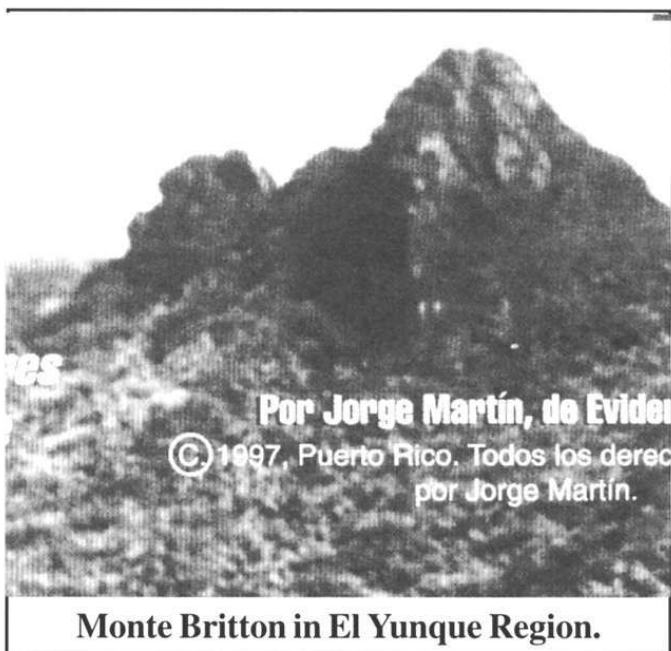
In a second picture could be seen two figures of similar beings at the same spot, but this time with one of them standing and gazing downwards towards the other, whose head is just emerging from behind the shrubbery.

Here is Benítez's account of how he came to take the photos:

"'SOMEONE' OR 'SOMETHING' WAS FOLLOWING US." "About 4 1/2 years ago (1992 or so) I was going up into the Yunque with my fiancée (now my wife) and I asked one of the Forestry workers which was the best route to take up the Monte Britton Peak, and he explained to me how to go, and then, as we were leaving and thanking him, he added: "And watch out for the little green men!" ("Ten cuidado con los hombrecitos verdes!")

"I gave him a look, and he smiled, and turned and walked away.

"So we took the path indicated towards the Monte Britton, and when we were already near the Peak, we began to have the feeling that someone was following us. We looked back, but could see nobody. We carried on and



we continued to hear footsteps - just as though something or someone was stepping on the dry leaves. You could hear dry branches being broken - that sort of thing. And we kept looking around and about, but could see nobody. *Nobody*, and yet we had that very strong feeling of a *presence* a very strange sort of sensation.

"Then my fiancée said: 'OK, but there's somebody or something there alright! Point the camera at the path and take a few snaps, so that when we develop them we might perhaps see what it was!' So I turned round at once and took a few pictures pointing at where we heard the sounds coming from, and where we felt that the thing was. "And then what happened?", I asked? "Well, after that we carried on up to the spot they call 'El Castellito'.

(The Little Castle), which is a little tower on top of the Monte Britton, and we stayed up there for a few minutes. Then, as it was getting a bit late -already about 5.00 or 5.30 pm, and as there was a bit of mist building up, and it had already taken us between an hour and 1½ hours to get up there, we didn't want to get caught out by the darkness, so we had to start thinking immediately about going back down again.

"Then a tall man and his wife and a small boy arrived. Saying nothing, they too went on to the little tower, and then started off at once downhill again. So I said to my fiancée, 'come on, let's go down now too, to have some company on the way, and not feel we are alone.'

"But, as we were starting down, we kept looking for them everywhere on the path, **but there absolutely wasn't anybody there!** That struck us very much, and ever since then I've been asking myself all the time, **what can possibly have happened to those people!**

"We decided not to return by the path on which we had come up, as it would have delayed us even more, so we went down by the road that runs down on the other side.

"And, as we were going down the road, we met two men - one a white man and one a black man - who were *jogging*, in sporting gear - shorts, and tennis shoes. We asked them what would be our quickest route back to the car-park, since it was now already quite dark. And they told us to carry on a bit further and then we would find the entrance into a path not much used by anybody but that would be the quickest for us. So we did that.

"So we carried on down that path, and then once more we began to get that same feeling that 'somebody' or 'something' was following us. We looked back, and around us, but could see nobody.

"By the time we got to our car it was quite dark".

I asked: "How did you realize what was on the photos?"

"Well - when we had got them developed, we noticed that there was a greyish figure among the bushes. Two of the photos were of the same spot, and we saw that in one of them the figure was standing behind a tree, looking towards the camera, while in the other photo it was looking downwards towards another figure that was coming out of the shrubbery.

"That was physical-undeniable - proof that there had been somebody there!"

"It wasn't just because of what other people had told me about what went on in El Yunque. It was that I myself

was already curious when I went up there. I hadn't of course been *expecting* it - but the photos *proved* that *we had been right* in our feeling that we were being watched. *I had just had my own experience, for myself!"*

I asked: "And what were your feelings when you saw what was on the photos?"

- "Well - as I've said - that was for me an *explanation* for what is going on up there in the Yunque. It makes an even greater impact on me because of what that Forestry man had said to me about the '*little green men*'! *Definitely that Forest Services chap seemed to know what I might encounter on the mountain trail!"*

ANOTHER ENCOUNTER AT LOS PICACHOS.

"But - Benítez went on - "*That wasn't the only time that it had happened to us there!* Incredible as it may sound, something similar befell us a few months later - and once more it was while we were making our way up to the Monte Britton area - but further up, near the area they call Los Picachos ["The Peaks". G.C.]

"It was about seven months later, There was myself, Myrna again (she is now my wife), her father and her mother, and a little niece of Myrna's. We had gone up there once more, and it would have been at about the same time of the day - a little after 5.00 pm. This time our objective was to go right up to the top of the main peak of El Yunque itself. My plan was to go up as far as that and again to come back down by the road and not by the track by which we had gone up, because of course that would have taken us too long.

"So we had got to a certain area, and once again it was already starting to get dark. There were two paths, one going to the left and the other to the right, and we made a mistake and took the latter. (Our correct course would have been to take the other.)

"And, as we were descending, we noticed torn strips of orange-coloured plastic lying on the ground, bearing the words (in black), in English, WARNING, RADIOACTIVE. They were strips of plastic such as the Police use for marking off a no-go area. The strips were torn in pieces, but you could still read what it said.

"That interested me greatly, but I hurried on, because my mother-in-law was very anxious. It was getting dark, and she was very scared of the dark.

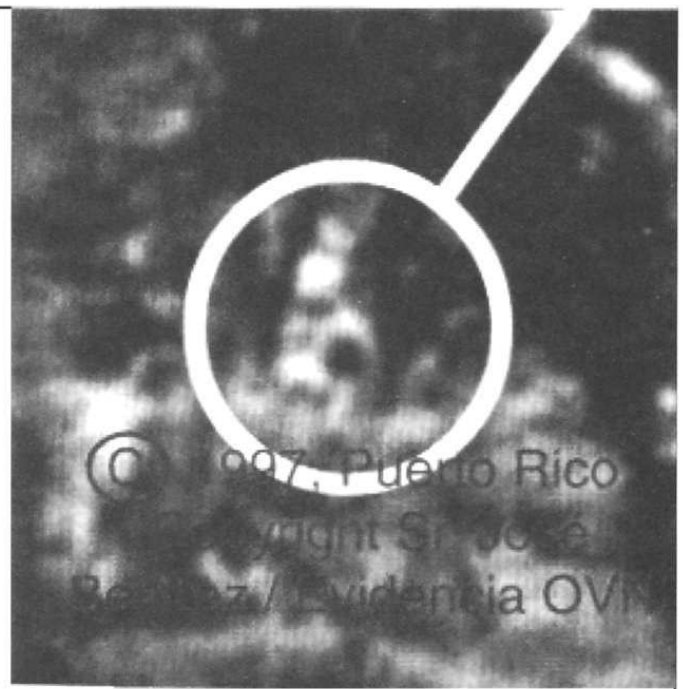
"I had got a bit ahead, and my wife came running to catch up with me. Then we soon came to a place where there was a sort of round "lookout point". But there was now quite a lot of mistiness round about, so we could not see far.

"Then I began to hear, coming through the mist, a noise like the sound of an aircraft, though of course with that mist I couldn't see a thing. Myrna's father said the soil there was '*oily*', *though I myself did not notice that.*

"Anyway we were soon past that and further down. My mother-in-law, terribly nervous, and her husband were ahead of us. It was getting darker and darker. I glanced to one side of the track and found myself looking at the face of a being. It was a grey creature with a large head and big, dark eyes. *I saw it, but I said nothing*, for my wife Myrna was constantly urging me on to catch up with her parents who were in headlong flight ahead of us. I'd



Photograph No. 2



Enlargement of Photograph No. 2

got my camera with me, but I didn't stop to try to photograph the thing because, if I did, Myrna might become aware of it, and would be put into a terrible state of nerves.

"The thing had no hair on its head. The eyes were black and elongated. The head was big and wide at the top, and had a small fine, pointed chin. *And - another strange fact - I had the feeling as though someone was going past me at a tremendous speed. I could hear the noise, and the sound of the rustling branches.* But, such was the state of our nerves now that I was no longer glancing to the sides at all. On these paths the ground is pretty uneven, and you can easily twist an ankle."

Then I asked Benítez this:

"Benítez, you say that you had seen the greyish entity observing you from the bushes beside you and that you also felt *something passing, something moving parallel to yourselves along the track*. Was that sense of 'something passing' compatible with the idea of there being *just one* such person or one animal moving along, or was it *maybe the sensation of several?*"

Benítez answered: "*Oh no! It would have been several.* In fact, some time later, I was talking again to my father-in-law, and he revealed to me something of which I had had absolutely no knowledge: You remember I said that I had pushed ahead and my fiancée caught up with me? Well now - what I had not known was that my father-in-law had TOLD her to catch up with me BECAUSE HE HIMSELF WAS SEEING THOSE BEINGS ALL AROUND THEM AND THERE WERE A LOT OF THEM!

"It was at that point too that my mother-in-law had touched the little niece on the shoulder and had urged me to seek a way out of that path!

"*They hadn't told me any of these details until then!*"

I asked: "And what was your feeling about his description?"

"He described to me beings similar to those in the

photos that we had taken at the Monte Britton Peak. He said they had big heads, the upper part of the cranium being wider than the lower part, and that they were grey, and were walking very fast. *In fact they weren't walking - what they were doing was running. And he saw that there were lots of them! He has not wanted to say anything about it publicly, out of fear of possible reprisals..*"

I asked: "Reprisals by whom?" He answered: "Well - from the *Government*, maybe... Because it's something that is perfectly evident. First of all I was with my fiancée, and I got these photos. Then I went again, with her and her family, and they too had this sort of contact. *Those beings weren't human. We aren't the only beings in the Universe.*"

It has already been stated that this type of incident has been happening in the Yunque - that this sort of thing has been going on there for years! Other people have also given their testimony. *And there has been an attempt to hush it all up.* It is something that lots of people in the Government are trying to deny. *It's a question of trying to wipe out the truth about what is happening. We are talking about a Forest that is under the jurisdiction of the Federal Authorities (USA) - not the Puerto Rican authorities.* My father-in-law has fears about why it is that those entities are there, and about the authorities' knowledge of that fact. *He says he would not dare to make any public statement about all this.*"

Then I asked him: "What effect has the reality of the presence of those beings in the Yunque had on the way you and your wife see things and regard life? Has it changed your way of looking at things?"

He answered: "Yes, indeed, we are conscious of the fact that these beings really are here with us. But - as to how we both regard life, I would say that it hasn't affected us much, because we have just continued to carry on, as before, our usual way of existence. We are not going to tie our minds down to only thinking about what the entities

are doing here and what they are going to do with us humans, or what sort of experiments they might be planning to do, or why they are observing us. Because to spend one's entire time thinking about *that*, without getting any answers, could only mean constant and daily frustration. So, yes, I prefer to rationalize the experience and to not go into it all too deeply".

I said: "From what both you and your father-in-law say, it seems that there were a whole lot of these creatures around you at that time. Had they wanted to, they could have injured you or captured you, but nevertheless, it didn't happen. What are your thoughts about *that*?"

Benítez replied: "Yes - well - it does look as though they were simply *watching us*, though for what reason I cannot say. But it *was* quite evident, and we saw them quite close to us. Nor do I know it was that they *let us* see them. But they *are there* alright! Of that we no longer have any doubt whatsoever."

To conclude, Benítez said: "So far as we are concerned, it is evident that it is *extraterrestrial beings* that are up there in the Yunque, and maybe they are using that area for making a study of us. Clearly they are *not* humans. They do have limbs just like us, but their skin is different. They have no hair, and their skulls are differently shaped - very like ours, but bigger, and also differently shaped".

CONCLUDING COMMENTS BY JORGE MARTÍN.

Sr. José Benítez struck us as a very sound and responsible gentleman. And when we made enquiries we received many fine comments about him. He is not a person who is seeking either publicity or economic gain, and his sole intent in contacting us has been to make a *disinterested contribution* to the serious study of the UFO/Alien manifestations in Puerto Rico and to get an analysis done of what it is that appeared in his photos.

Regarding the photos themselves, we will say this: as a sequel to the investigations that we ourselves have carried out, it appears that what he has said about how he obtained them is *true*. Consequently, so far, we consider the

material to be apparently *genuine*.

Indeed, we already do have *numerous accounts*, from other eyewitnesses, including tourists, policemen, and employees of the Federal Forestry Service in El Yunque, who have also had encounters with "Grey type" entities on that very same track on Monte Britton and at other places in the Forest. In all the cases the behaviour of the entities has been similar to what José Benítez describes: the beings display a very great *curiosity* about humans, approaching them closely, but always maintaining great caution and circumspection. Their movements, as described by all these eyewitnesses, are agile and rapid, just as described by Benítez and by his father-in-law.

In conclusion, we would exhort anyone who possesses similar evidence of the alien presence in the Yunque or elsewhere in Puerto Rico - photos or videos of UFOs or of entities - to get in touch with us at CEDICOP (The Puerto Rico Centre of Scientific Investigations of Ufology and of the Paranormal) so that we may probe such evidence and carry out a professional analysis of it. Please telephone us on:

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FOOTNOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

In the autumn of 1997, in a British TV programme on *The Paranormal* (either in the *Strange but True* series of Michael Aspel or in the series presented by Carol Vorderman) viewers will have seen a photograph taken recently in England, that allegedly shows several very, very similar (although taller) slender grey entities standing watching from a distance, on waste or marshy or inaccessible land. If anyone remembers the programme, and can give me any details about that photograph and about the person who took it, will they please very kindly contact me? G.C. ■

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CLEAR INTENT?

By Gordon Creighton.

I. MALSTROM U.S. AIR FORCE BASE, MONTANA, 1966 - 1967 - 1975

By the period of the 1960/1970s, the United States of America had more than 2,000 missile sites spread across their territory, at all of which there were rockets, housed deep in their concrete 'silos' and targeted on their likely objectives, most of which were undoubtedly located in the USSR.

One of the key-spots in this defence system was the Malmstrom Air Force Base, in the north-western U.S. State of Montana, with a total of 20 LCFs (launch-control facilities) containing Minuteman missiles. These Minuteman sites were alphabetically coded, "L-1", "K-1", "E-1", and so on, and of course were distributed over quite a large area for obvious reasons of increased security. The 'air-zone' above and around these missile-sites was designated as a 'no-go-area' for any aircraft.

One of these missile-sites, located in the so-called Judith Gap region just south of the town of Lewiston, Montana, was labelled "K-7", and, on a day in the early spring of 1966 it was the scene of such surprising happenings that would provide plenty of food for thought.

Two of the officers there had just relieved an earlier shift in the underground launch-control area for the evening. As they were running through the routine of monitoring the missile-facility's instruments, alarms started to sound, and it seems that **all of the ten missiles housed in that particular facility had simultaneously "developed a problem"!**

A quick check at each of the launching-sites there revealed that not a single one of the ten missiles could be launched, seemingly owing to a fault in every one of their control and guidance systems - truly an unusual situation indeed, seeing that, in a Minuteman missile, its most protected portion, not surprisingly, was its guidance-system! And here were all ten of them failing!

And, to cap it all, while all this was going on, the Personnel on duty above ground were simultaneously registering sightings of UFOs overhead!

The following year, 1967, (during the week of March 20) came another event to alarm the officialdom at Malmstrom Air Force Base. **For once again, an entire flight of ten missiles were showing 'problems'. And simultaneously a UFO was in the vicinity. (Confirmed by radar).**

Jet fighters were sent up after the UFO, but the results of their pursuit - if known - have at any rate never been published.

Subsequent enquiries about this case were met with silence. The next date that we have is November 1975 (Nov. 7, 8 and 9) when, according to the NORAD Region's records, there was another curious fact - there had begun - all through 1974 and 1975 - a wave of strange reports of low-flying UFOs and of mysterious animal-mutilations all through the Western States, from Minnesota to

Wisconsin, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Montana, South Dakota, Colorado, Texas, Arizona, and California. (This was of course the start of the Cattle Mutilations Phenomenon).

On the final day of the 'flap' at Malmstrom, November 7, 1975, remote-control electronic sensors triggered off an alarm, indicating that site-security was being violated. Underground, in the launch-control area, the two officers on duty noted the alarm-signal, but there happened at the time to be no television-surveillance in operation on the surface at the Base, so there is no known record of any UFO sighting overhead at that time.

In cases of such alarm as this, the regular procedure was to call for a missile-security helicopter to check out the area and also to send out a SAT (**Sabotage Alert Team**) of four men to proceed to the site affected.

The SAT team duly drove out towards the "K-7" site, and, when about a mile away from it, they saw that there was a tremendous orange, glowing object right above the site. The thing, as they reported to Base, was **"as big as a football field"**, and was illuminating the entire area around **"K-7"**.

When ordered to approach more closely and to continue on towards the "K-7" site, the SAT team, terrified, refused to do so. Meanwhile, they observed the huge UFO to be starting to rise up higher, and when it was at around 1,000ft, it was estimated, NORAD picked it up on their own radar.

Two F-106 jet interceptors were sent up from Great Falls, Montana. The UFO vanished from NORAD's radar at 200,00 ft. The pilots of the two F-106 jets had never managed to get a visual sighting of it.

Targeting teams and computer specialists rushed to the site to check out the "K-7" missile and - specifically - to examine the computer in its war-head, which controls the targeting of the missile. **To their astonishment they found that the target-numbers on the tape had been changed!**

The re-entry vehicle was then taken out of the silo and brought back to the Base. EVENTUALLY THE ENTIRE MISSILE WAS REPLACED. (1)

II. WOODBRIDGE AND BENTWATERS U.S. AIR BASES (SUFFOLK, ENGLAND), DECEMBER 25-30, 1980

The next development that I have been able to trace was of course the mysterious series of episodes now known generally as the RENDLESHAM FOREST CASE. It soon leaked out that UFOs had been seen over this eastern region of England during the last five nights of December 1980, and a first book about it appeared in Britain in 1984. (2) but it was not until 1987 that a much fuller account came, written by Larry Warren, one of the U.S. Air Force personnel (Air Force Police) who had actually been on the spot at the time and had been a personal eyewitness of **what had happened in the night**

in Rendlesham Forest, when, allegedly, a mysterious machine came down, and strange transparent or semi-transparent little alien entities were seen busying themselves around it - "floating off the ground", and, allegedly - meeting some of the American officers from the Base, seemingly as though by pre-arrangement! Among the many theories aired, are the suggestions that the craft had some sort of mechanical difficulties and needed assistance (there was even talk of an aircraft being urgently flown in, during that same night, from another U.S. Base in Germany, and allegedly bringing spare parts or something of the sort!) **If this is true then we have here one more piece of evidence of collaboration between the USA and one particular species of Aliens.** If so, then what are we to make of the claim that the beams of light, or beams of energy, directed down from the UFO on to the stockpile of nuclear weapons, **had inactivated all the war-heads so that these had to be changed?**

(Apparently from Larry Warren's book, *LEFT AT EAST GATE* (3), we are to believe that the stockpile of nuclear missiles held in the Bentwaters/Woodbridge complex, both these RAF fields being at that time in use by the Americans, was the largest stockpile anywhere in the world outside the USA - "enough to blow up half of Britain" - as someone has said - and it has even been claimed that there was far more of it there than there ought to have been according to the intergovernmental agreement between USA and Britain! **However it must be firmly held in mind that this sort of talk is only rumour, and may very well be malicious fabrication, and part of the everlasting campaign that is always going on, and that is aimed at weakening both USA and Britain by putting their two peoples against each other.**

III. THE UKRAINE (Southern part of the USSR), OCTOBER 1983..

From the Russian Ufology Research Centre in California, (4) run by Paul Stonehill (U.S. citizen, Russian-born) and also from several other sources, we have received the following remarkable report, secured among the mass of UFO-related material that has seeped out of Russia since the demise of the USSR:-

THE STATEMENT BY COLONEL BORIS SOKOLOV.

According to a Russian Air Force Officer, Colonel Boris Sokolov (now retired) who is today in touch with various foreign investigators in the USA and elsewhere, **he was himself one of the top Russian Air Force officials to whom, by virtue of a decree issued by the Soviet Ministry of Defence in 1980, all units of the Soviet Armed Forces were obliged to submit reports on any UFO case or UFO evidence coming to their notice.**

Sokolov says that the material seen by him included 40 cases in which Soviet pilots had encountered UFOs in the air. He says: "Initially, the order was for the pilots to pursue them and fire on them. When the UFO made off, the pilot then had to follow it, and consequently lost control of his aircraft, and so crashed. The UFOs were

expert in leading them on in this way. On three occasions pilots crashed, and on two of these occasions they were killed. After that, new orders were issued to pilots that, on sighting a UFO, they should change course and give it a wide berth."

Sokolov also says that the USSR had a total of 30 advanced, sophisticated radar stations for tracking the UFOs, which were regarded as a decided danger. On October 5, 1983, he says, he had to rush down from Moscow to an intercontinental Soviet missile base in the Ukraine where, on the previous day, from 4.00 p.m. until 8.00 p.m., a UFO had remained stationary near the base **and had affected the firing mechanisms of the missiles, changing them to the state of "READY TO FIRE".!**

While, fortunately, none of the missiles in question had actually got launched, **the event aroused such deep concern that, in 1989, in an article published in the Soviet Military Review, the Soviet Government were calling for an exchange of information with the West on UFOs, "since otherwise a nuclear war triggered off by accident will be unavoidable."**

Sokolov also said that he has a collection of over 400 important cases in which Soviet Defence Forces fired on UFOs and the UFOs at once made off.

IV. HOUSE OF LORDS, WESTMINSTER. HANSARD WRITTEN ANSWERS, OCT. 97. *Thursday, 23rd October, 1997.*

Highpoint Prison.

Lord Hill-Norton asked Her Majesty's Government:

Whether staff at Highpoint Prison in Suffolk received instructions to prepare for a possible evacuation of the prison at some time between 25 and 30 December 1980, and if so, why these instructions were issued.

Lord Williams of Mostyn:

I regret to advise the noble Lord that I am unable to answer his question, as records for Highpoint Prison relating to the period concerned are no longer available. The governor's journal is the record in which a written note is made of significant events concerning the establishment on a daily basis. It has not proved possible to locate that journal.

Thursday, 28th October, 1997.

RAF Bentwaters and Woodbridge: Nuclear Weapons Allegations.

Lord Hill-Norton asked Her Majesty's Government:

Whether the allegations contained in the recently published book *Left at East Gate*, to the effect that nuclear weapons were stored at RAF Bentwaters and RAF Woodbridge, in violation of UK/US treaty obligations, are true.

Lord Gilbert:

It has always been the policy of this and previous governments neither to confirm nor to deny where nuclear weapons are located, either in the UK or elsewhere, in the past or at present time. Such information would be withheld under exemption 1 of the Code of Practice on Access to Government Information.

Lord Hill-Norton asked Her Majesty's Government:

Whether they are aware of reports from the United States Air Force Personnel that nuclear weapons stored in the Weapons Storage Area at RAF Woodbridge were struck by light beams fired from an unidentified craft seen over the base in the period 25-30 December 1980, and if so, what action was subsequently taken.

Lord Gilbert:

There is no evidence to suggest that the Ministry of Defence received any such reports.

Lord Hill-Norton asked Her Majesty's Government:

What information they have on the suicide of the United States security policeman from the 81st Security Police Squadron who took his life at RAF Bentwaters in January 1981, and whether they will detail the involvement of the British police, Coroner's Office, and any other authorities involved.

Lord Gilbert:

MoD has no information concerning the alleged suicide. Investigations into such occurrences are carried out by the US Forces.

Lord Hill-Norton asked Her Majesty's Government:

What information they have on the medical problems experienced by various United States Air Force Personnel based at RAF Bentwaters and RAF Woodbridge, which stemmed from their involvement in the so-called Rendlesham Forest incident in December 1980.

Lord Gilbert:

Information on medical matters relating to US personnel is a matter for the US authorities.

V. REACTION IN THE BRITISH MEDIA

I would imagine that even the simplest of souls would be capable of perceiving that all this is sheer dynamite! And yet (though I hasten to add that I may be wrong and there may have been other local comment or reaction), all that I can say is that nothing else has come my way from the British press or any part of the British media except for the following solitary brief report:-

VI. UFO ATTACKED OUR NUKES.

Britain's former military supremo is asking the Government to investigate whether aliens fired LASER BEAMS at our nuclear arsenal.

Admiral of the Fleet Hill-Norton, retired chief of the defence staff, wants the probe to be launched into the sighting of a UFO hovering over RAF Woodbridge in Suffolk. He has now tabled questions to the Ministry of Defence asking whether nuclear weapons stored at Woodbridge were struck by light beams fired from an unidentified craft.

He claims that US air force personnel who saw the "attack" filed reports which are being covered up by the MoD.

He said: "The Ministry has doggedly denied that anything untoward happened, and I simply don't believe them." Defence minister Lord Gilbert refused to confirm or deny whether the base was equipped with nuclear missiles.

He added: "There is no evidence to suggest that the Ministry of Defence received any such reports."

The mysterious sighting happened in December 1980 and was picked up on RAF radar. Phantom jets were scrambled and pilots reported intense, bright lights in the sky.

VI. CONCLUSIONS?

One might instantly jump to the panicky conclusion that all this proves without any doubt that there is somebody "out there" who wants to bring about World War III here. Such may in the end be proven to be the case, but on further reflection, one will note that in none of these cases did any missile, apparently, get fired. The Ukrainian story admittedly does look pretty alarming at first sight but no missile got released there either, and let us not forget that, not so many years afterwards, the menacing Soviet Colossus collapsed. Maybe the Aliens simply wanted to wake us up by giving us a fright?

We are always told that the Soviet collapse was due to the far superior power and wealth and manufacturing and scientific abilities of the other Colossus - the American one. **BUT WAS IT? As the report from Colonel Sokolov tells us, the Ukrainian episode struck great fear into the minds of the Russian leaders. So, for all we know as yet, these acts of interference in our squabbings, by Aliens, may very well have been a very, very important factor in bringing about peace. (Remember President Reagan's several enigmatic public statements about "outside influences," and his reported discussions of the UFO problem with Gorbachev?)**

So, while I admit that I envisage that there is indeed an enormous threat to the existence and the survival of our species from certain non-terrestrial (or other-dimensional?) creatures, I don't think we can yet say for certain that the cases given above prove that they have been trying to push us into war as some folk believe.

Remember too that, for many years past, we have also been receiving - and publishing reports from both the USA and this country about the frequent visits by UFOs to our atomic plants, **which might indeed simply be part of an ongoing system of surveillance.**

If "Others" display an apparent concern for the state

of our Planet and for its ecology, **let us remember that this doesn't necessarily indicate BENEVOLENCE TOWARDS US. They most probably have their OWN INTERESTS AND OWN AGENDA in mind!**

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THE REPORTED DISCOVERY OF A "BURIED UFO" IN ESTONIA.

By Gordon Creighton. (Translation from Spanish and Russian, G.C.)

In the very first issue (1994) of his review EVIDENCIA OVNI, our Puertorican friend and Consultant Jorge Martín published a translation of the following weird story, which he had received from the American (Russian-born) investigator Paul Stonehill who runs the RUSSIAN UFOLOGY RESEARCH CENTRE (5700 Etiwanda St., Tarzana, California 91356).

The report concerns Estonia, one of the three small Baltic states that had a brief taste of independence after the Russian Revolution of 1917, only to be temporarily gobbled up again by Stalin when he saw his opportunity on the outbreak of World War II. (Today they are all free again and anxiously waiting to join the European Union.)

As you study this very queer account, which seems to date from the 1980s, when the Soviets still ruled Estonia, remember the equally weird report about strange great metallic cauldron - or globe-shaped objects, buried or half-buried in the snowbound wastes of Yakutia (Far North-Eastern Siberia), which I published early last year (*Mysterious "Power-Plants" in Siberia*). (See FSR 42/1). EDITOR

The report indicates that, at about a depth of 3m. below the surface of the ground, on a collective farm near Tallin, the Capital of Estonia, workmen who were digging out a shaft for a well had struck a mysterious great metallic body which was believed to be of "alien origin" - possibly a "flying saucer", or "some sort of device for interstellar communications" (sic.) The report said that individuals who had tried to dig the thing out had shortly afterwards died in mysterious circumstances, and that others who had gone to Moscow carrying some samples of water from the site of the excavation had "suffered paralysis". Also that a piece of the alleged UFO had been prised off and then confiscated by the Russian Military "because they knew it was part of an object from another world."

Paul Stonehill had reported that, so far as could be ascertained, the truth was that in 1984 Soviet Academician

Nikolai Nikolayevich Sochevanov, a specialist in geology and minerology, was visited by a friend of his - an Estonian inventor - who brought a piece of dense silvery metallic material, and the following story:

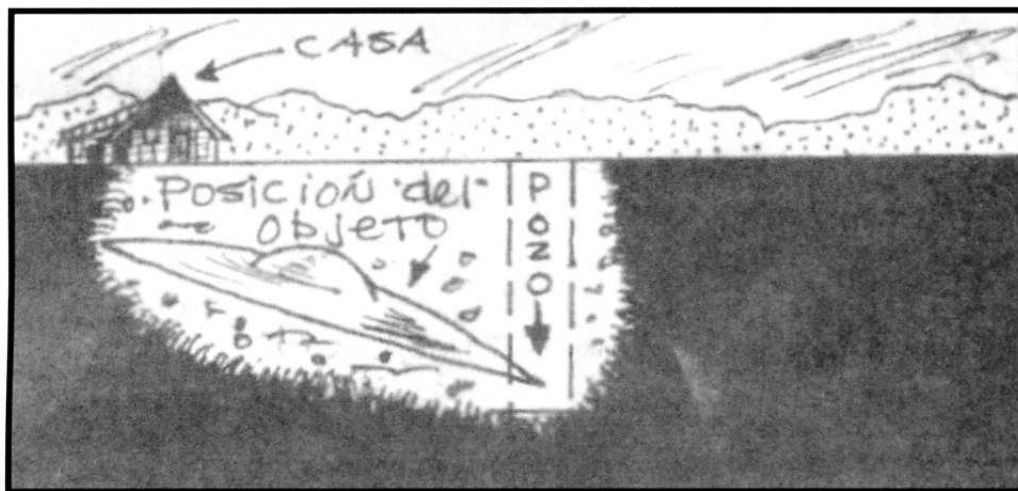
"On a collective farm just outside Tallin, a well was being dug and at a depth of some 3 metres or so the workers hit upon something metallic and very solid, and on digging deeper, they came upon the rim of a metallic plate sticking out from the wall of the well. The thickness of the metal at that spot was only 2 cms, but even so the drill could not penetrate the metal.

"A compressor was brought along, and, using a pneumatic drill, the workers were able to break off a piece of the metal plate, and the piece was sent off to Tallin, where two institutions both made an analysis of it - but arrived at contradicting results! One institute said the metal was a complicated alloy, while the other one said it was simply cast-iron!

"The Estonians requested Sochevanov to have it analyzed in the leading laboratories of Moscow, so a number of smaller fragments were cut from the piece with diamond saws (two of which were damaged in the process). According to the V.I.A.M. (United Institute of Aviation Materials - VSYESOYUZNIY INSTITUT AVIATIONIKH MATERIALOV) it was established, in the testing, that the sample of mystery metal had a microsolidity varying between 330 and 1,500 kg/mm.

"In appearance the metal was dense and hard, of a silvery colour. Its specific gravity was 6.3 to 6.6. The various laboratories which did these tests on the small fragments were: the Moscow Institute of Physical Engineering, the United Institute for Raw Mineral Materials, and the VIAM mentioned above, plus several other laboratories.

"According to Sochevanov, the leading Soviet scientists "had no doubt whatever as regards the extraterrestrial origin of the artifact". Among these scientists were Professor Mitin,



Sketch showing position of disc and 3-metre deep well shaft beside it.

Russia's top expert in metallurgical powders, and Soviet Academician Kishkin who, after seeing the VIAM's tests, said:

"The use of such alloys is unknown in Aviation Technology. Alloying of this kind must be very resistant to heat, and possess the correct resistance to withstand being boiled in acid mixtures of any concentration whatsoever!"

"Kishkin also assured Sochevanov that neither the leading Soviet laboratories, nor those of the USA or Japan or Germany, could produce such an alloy, and it had been subjected in the Moscow laboratories to the most elaborate tests, and the scientists were in agreement on one thing: **the metal was not of terrestrial origin, nor was it part of a meteorite.**

"On seeing these findings, Sochevanov at once went to Estonia, and, while there, made use of his knowledge in the field of dowsing (on which many Russians are particularly keen. G.C.) And he arrived at certain conclusions about the mystery object lying buried in Estonia. Here are his conclusions:

1. Definitely there is an object buried in the ground there, **producing a powerful anomalous zone.**
2. The diameter of the object would be approximately 15 metres, and it would weigh 200 tons.
3. Its shape is seemingly discoidal, thinner towards its edges. The central portion of it is some 4 metres (13 ft.) high, and the body of it is lying roughly horizontally in the ground, with an inclination of some 35 degrees.
4. One-third of the body of the object is located very close to a house, and the part of it that is closest to the surface is at a depth of from 3 to 4 metres, and at its deepest point it is down to around 15 metres (47ft.).

"Sochevanov sent a full report to the Military and Industrial Commission of the Council of Ministers of the (then existing) Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

"The minute that his findings reached them, there was an immediate reaction. All publication of any information about the matter was forbidden, and a further, more detailed, report was called for. Such a further report was made, and this fuller report then went to the USSR Academy of Sciences. "From there the Report was passed on to the Geological Institute of Estonia, which issued orders for the object to be excavated - it was not revealed **by whom** - but it seems that no funds were available. "a year passed, and still nothing had happened. A company, under the name of VOLNA, assumed charge of the work of excavating, but all sorts of enormous mistakes were made and,

in the end, nothing was extracted! So at present the object still remains buried beneath the Estonian collective farm".

NOTE BY THE EDITOR OF FSR: THE ORIGINAL RUSSIAN REPORT ON THE "TALLIN CASE".

Only a few weeks after I had made my translation of the above account from Spanish, I had the marvellous good luck to

find that, among a quantity of Russian ufological publications that our colleague George Wingfield had brought back from Russia a few years ago (many of which I had not yet had the time to sift through) I actually had the original Russia text! (This is in issue No. 1 of the Soviet journal ANOMALIYA, i.e. ANOMALY, of 1992.) Checking through it I satisfied myself that the Spanish version issued by Jorge Martín is a good and accurate one, most probably made from the American version that is circulating, so there is no need for me to give a fresh rendering from the Russian. The author of this Russian version is Nikolai Sochevanov - which agrees with what we know already - and he is described as a Member of the Russian Academy of Science and Culture, and also the President of the Russian Interdepartmental Commission on Problems Pertaining to Dowsing. (So it is easy to see how Sochevanov has arrived at his very precise conclusions about the dimensions of the buried object, namely by dowsing!)

SUMMING UP.

There is one final point which I think should be emphasised. We do not know of course whether the object did finally get excavated by the Soviets before Estonia became independent, and we can be pretty sure that we shall never learn any more about it, even from a free Estonian government. The idea that excavation can have been delayed owing to a lack of funds would be quite ridiculous in a country like the USSR. If their scientists really did believe all this, then it would have been dug up like a shot!

But on the other hand, the problem of coping with such an object once it had been dug out, and, above all the immense problem of keeping everything totally secret, may very likely have induced the Soviet authorities to "let the sleeping dog lie", for, after all, it could not be safer anywhere than still down there in the ground.

And, in fact, it so happens that in the past few months I have heard or read several times statements or suggestions that already in the United States the American Government has been faced with precisely the same problem, and has preferred to bury at least one enormous UFO right there where it had crashed, rather than risk the results of the affair getting to the public. Once safely underground and out of sight the boffins and officials could utter sighs of relief and take their time to think about it. After all, the thing is not lost. It can always be dug up again when all the conditions are right!

In just the same fashion, but of course **purely for their better preservation**, we have often re-buried precious pavements and other relics of Roman Britain. ■

THE STORY OF MONSIEUR AND MADAME C.

© By CLAUDE RAFFY (France), FSR Consultant.

(Translation from French. G.C.)

[Our new French Correspondent and Consultant, Claude Raffy, has had a most interesting life and career, and has been active in UFO research in Europe and South America for many years.

Born in Marseilles and having had his higher formal education in Religion and Philosophy, he had the great good fortune, early in life, to know - and to be greatly influenced by — our much-loved former Consultant, the late Aimé Michel, a French scientist of great distinction, and one of the three or four first French people to interest themselves in “our subject”. Claude Raffy says: “Michel was the first who convinced me that if we are to try to understand the UFO Phenomenon **there is no substitute for work in the field.**”

Claude Raffy was one of the last people to see and talk with Aimé before the latter left our world.

Raffy went to the USA and later to Brazil (and, interestingly, mostly to the Brazilian North-East, Recife, Pernambuco State, and Ceará, where I had my diplomatic posting in the period from 1948 to 1952.) He married a Brazilian lady. Later he travelled widely not only in Brazil, but throughout Spanish-speaking South America, and then later, South Africa, and Western Europe.

He will shortly be bringing out his own UFO book. Title: *UFOs - Myth or Reality*. EDITOR]

I give below the extraordinary account of a French married couple whom I have interviewed at length, and whose good faith I feel sure is to be trusted.

Monsieur C- is a financial expert with the Law Courts, while Madame C- is a university professor. Not surprisingly, therefore, it is not at present possible to reveal their identities.

Monsieur C-'s story goes back to when he was 12 years old. That was when he had what he feels was his **first contact**. He was in his parents' home, when some irresistible force obliged him to step out into the garden. As he did so, he observed a craft, with five or six portholes, passing overhead, travelling at the speed of a Solex power-assisted bicycle.*

EIGHTEEN YEARS LATER.

During the 1970s, 18 years later, he and his wife were out camping in the famous and spectacular Gorge de Verdon (Alpes de Haute Provence, South-East France). The time was about 10.p.m., and they were already lying down inside their tent when they heard a high-pitched noise which grew stronger and stronger and which they described as like the sound of a tuning fork being dropped.

Once again Monsieur C- felt an irresistible urge to step out and investigate, and he remembers that the thought crossed his mind that the noise outside had somehow been attracted by their isotherm mattresses which seemed to be of aluminium. But before he could respond to this urge to get up and see what was happening

outside, both he and his wife became physically paralysed. They lay there pinned to the ground, staring up fixedly at the tent pole, unable to wrench their eyes away from it.

I asked them whether they had been able to see each other, and they replied that during the period in question each had lost the awareness of the other's presence, and they had been unable to see each other. They estimate that they were unconscious for about two hours.

The next day, both of them had violent headaches. When they did finally get up and go outside the tent, Monsieur C- noted that there were strange traces stretching over a distance across the rocks for a distance of two kilometres — and what was even more remarkable was that his wife's sleeping-bag was covered with a silicon-like substance. She decided to wash it off, and it did in fact wash off. Now it must be explained that, as a special precaution, Madame C-, not being desirous of becoming pregnant at that time, had taken a double dose of her contraceptives.

Despite that, several weeks after this extraordinary “watershed event” in their lives, she discovered that she was indeed pregnant, and, as the dates fitted exactly neither she nor he husband had any doubts about it.

Madame C- decided forthwith that she would have an abortion. When she was examined, nothing abnormal was discovered and the pregnancy was established, and again it seemed conclusive that the date corresponded exactly to the “event”. The medics could not understand why, since everything seemed normal, the couple still stuck to their decision to have the abortion, which they did. At the hospital something strange about her **had** been found. Her blood was “Group ‘O’ Positive” and there were certain “anomalies” about her which the hospital would **never agree to discuss with her.** Only some years later did she insist on getting an explanation from the hospital, but they replied “By now the records of your case have been destroyed.”

STRANGE CHANGES.

After that fateful event, everything started to change rapidly, particularly their own behaviour patterns. Madame C- suddenly felt a yen to study **Astrology**, and completed an entire course of it in three weeks, and then started to teach it! As for Monsieur C-, the financial expert learned to play the flute! He also developed a very strong interest in **mysticism**, and started lecturing on the Gospel teachings of St. Paul.

Madame C- also discovered that she could now **predict coming events**, such as **deaths**, and found that she was able to make contact with those who had passed on.

ASTRAL TRAVEL.

Monsieur C- started taking astral trips and seeing very strange things. Being of a legal cast of mind, he felt obliged to take note of all landmarks encountered during

his astral journeys, and he made a point always of returning later, in a normal state, to the spot, and checking that the landmarks which he had seen were there.

INSIDE A UFO.

During one of these astral trips he discovered and entered a UFO. He saw the tripod imprint left there in the snow.

"BODY FUSION."

But the most extraordinary of all these experiences was his contact with a **white being** with an elongated head. This being came up to him and approached so close that their chests touched, and promptly the two bodies "fused", and Monsieur C- experienced yet another vision and found he could now "**understand everything**".

The "**white being**" was clad in pearly grey clothing, was 1 m. 72 cms. in height, and was **asexual** — though "more male than female". It had a very large forehead and eyes like electric lights, and a look that was so penetrating that Monsieur C-'s gaze was held in thrall by it.

At the moment when their two chests touched, said Monsieur C-, he visualized their two hearts joining as one.

"FLASHES OF UNDERSTANDING."

From his first "experience", at the age of 12, onwards, Monsieur C- had "flashes of understanding" very frequently - up to as many as three or four a day at times, but most often when he was in a relaxed condition, and this state of affairs continued for eight years, after which they ceased. As an example - on one occasion he had a "flash" of the Japanese fish in his aquarium spawning baby fish, and the very next day the thing happened.

A more serious example was when he "saw" his son in an accident. Four days later the boy was indeed involved in an accident.

TYPES OF BEINGS ENCOUNTERED.

Monsieur C- explained to me that during his "astral travels" he came across different kinds of beings **and that they were not all benevolent.**

"SENSING MALEVOLENCE."

He recalls how on occasions he would hold his breath and "sense" the malevolent aspects of certain beings, and he explains how they have tried to **influence** him. For example, one day he was approached by a being about 1m.20 in height, somewhat of the "Grey" type, with, however, the difference that in the case of this one its skin was dried and orange-coloured. It was very thin, with a big head and virtually no mouth, and, as he told me, "with a very unfriendly look".

He also described how in his "astral travels" he had come across "**perturbing sights**", such as, for example, "big bubbling puddles of red liquid" about 3m x 3m in size, in which he could perceive "dismembered arms and legs moving in an independent fashion".

ESTIMATE OF MONSIEUR C-

In conclusion I would say that I found Monsieur C- very serene and calm. He spoke with great ease and facility. His story flowed easily with little or no hesitation. His wife, on the other hand, is still visibly perturbed by the experiences that she had, and this can be well understood. Even today she still cannot endure the light of a dentist's lamp shining into her eyes.

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

* I understand that a "**solex**" bicycle was a power-assisted bicycle with a small motor on the rear wheel, such as we also used to have in England. "**Solex**" was the brand name of the French machine. Its speed was about 35 kms per hour. ■

A WATCH AS A KEEPSAKE!

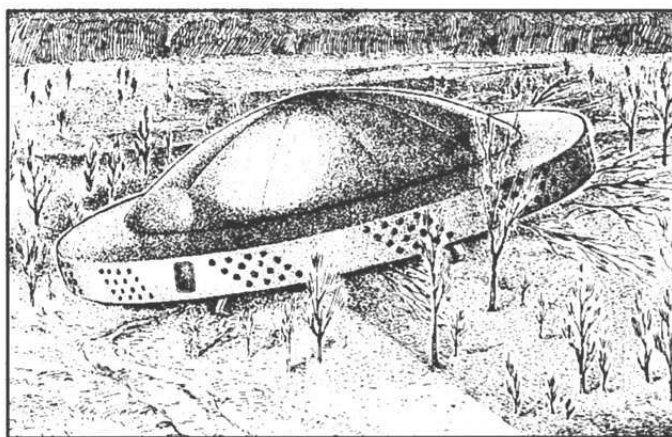
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By Evgeniy Chernikov (Russia).

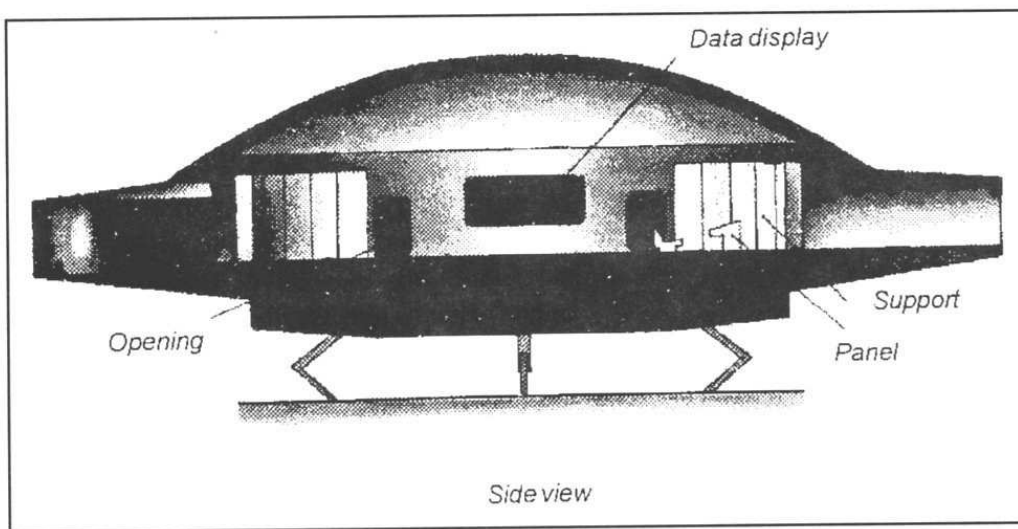
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That night, on November 2, 1989, it suddenly grew cold. Oleg K. and Nikolai B., two first-class drivers, were heading their **KAMAZ** truck towards Moscow from Archangel. Somewhere near the Yemtsa Station Oleg had to make a detour along a dirt road. As the truck was making another turn, the headlights suddenly picked out the silhouette of some huge structure to the right of the road.

"....When we drove up closer", Oleg said, "*I saw a big object, which our headlights caused to gleam with a metallic lustre. When we were still some 25-30 metres away from the object **our diesel stalled*** and the truck, after coasting a few more metres, came to a halt. However, our headlights, powered by the battery, were*



still on. I asked Nikolai to remain inside the truck and watch, while I got out of the cabin and decided to go up closer to the object and have a good look at it. But as soon as I passed the truck's bonnet, I felt a resistance of the air, which grew with every step I took. My body



went limp, and I realised that after a few more steps I wouldn't be able to move."

Oleg then turned back and tried to approach the object from another side. He was treading carefully now, pausing after every step, and again sensing the air become increasingly viscous. Finally, when he had managed to come as close as 10 - 12 metres to the object, he paused by the roadside and began carefully scrutinizing the object. He concluded that it was unlike any earthly vehicle he had seen before.

What he saw in front of him was a huge disk, 35 - 40 metres in diameter, topped by a spherical dome with nothing on it. There were some dark holes along the perimeter of the disk, which Oleg at first mistook for windows. Two supports protruded from the disk's bottom. The far-off part of the disk was slightly uplifted and rested on several birch trees. The object looked dark and deserted.

How had the object come to be deep in the *taiga*, in the middle of the night? What for? perhaps there had been an accident and someone was in need of help. Those questions sped through Oleg's mind, and almost immediately a red broken line began to flicker right in the air within the reach of his outstretched arm. The line then formed a transparent square with rounded corners. Inside the screen a short text appeared in red. Though Oleg failed to remember the exact wording, the meaning of the text boiled down to a request for an "open fire."

Back in the truck, Oleg picked up a box of safety matches and a bottle of technical-grade alcohol and returned to the spot where he had just stood. This time his steps were light, and he felt no resistance at all. He gathered a heap of dry leaves, poured some alcohol over them, and lighted them. When he raised his eyes from the fire, he saw that an opening had appeared in the object's body and a corridor led into it. A bluish light flickered at the end of the corridor.

A few moments later Oleg saw some vague dark sack-like "mass" slip out of the opening, approach the fire, pause for an instant and then move away, carrying the matchbox. Aware now that he was witnessing an event he might never be able to see again, Oleg made up his mind to see what would follow. He felt he would like to come closer and get a better look at the object. Immediately there appeared another text on the screen, inviting him inside. After a moment's hesitation, he decided to come right up to the object.

The first thing he noticed were the circular openings, about 300 millimetres in diameter, that he had earlier mistaken for windows. Some 300 - 350 mm inside the openings there were light-grey bars. He also managed to examine one of the supports that the vehicle rested on. The support consisted of two parts connected by a centrally located hinge joint. Both parts were channel-type sections, with the lower part obviously insertable into the upper part. There was a clearly visible bay in the body's bottom for retracting the supports. To get some idea of the material of the object, Oleg decided to touch it. The part nearest to him was a rod extending to the ground. It was a smooth round tube some 50 mm wide, which felt cold and metallic.

Once inside the craft, Oleg walked along the corridor

towards the flickering light and "...felt that I was walking along a smooth metal floor: It occurred to me that the walls around me were not just a decorative covering, but that they supported something, attached to them on the other side: some kind of a reinforcement was clearly evident in them".

Oleg had to walk seven or eight metres along the corridor and then reached a large hall, some 20 m in diameter, with another five entrances along its perimeter. The hall's domed ceiling was emitting a blue light, soft and dispersed. Oleg stopped dead at the entrance.

"... To my right, about a metre and a half away from the wall, there was an oval panel with lots of switches and lamps on it. All of the lamps were flat and rectangular; and were evidently meant to be depressed, since some of them protruded above the panel's surface, while others were flush with it."

Oleg went on to describe a long straight sofa standing behind the panel and a circular slit in the floor, fringing its central part. The slit led Oleg to consider the central part of the floor to be turnable to secure the required positioning of the panel in front of one of several stands along the perimeter of the hall. On the stands Oleg noticed lamps like those on the panel, and many of them were blinking.

"... As I looked around me, certain questions occurred to me, and I immediately received answers to them on the screen. But then I realized that in my head I was hearing the answers even before I was able to read them on the screen. Some of the answers were accompanied by a showing of the devices I was interested in, in operation.

"I was told the craft was, in fact, a landing module that flew on the electromagnetic field principle. I was also informed that they were studying our planet, which they needed as a springboard for a leap into the future. Asked whether they had anything to do with Bigfoot, they gave a positive answer and added that they were constantly watching him. I wanted to leave them something as a keepsake. But when I took off my watch meaning to put it on the floor, I was promptly told that there was nothing they needed.... So I returned to the road, to the very place where I had been standing a few minutes earlier. In a matter of seconds I saw the belt girdling the dome start turning from right to left. Some 30 seconds later the dome started rotating in the opposite direction, and a glow appeared around it. As the speed of rotation increased, the glow enveloped almost the entire craft and soon turned it into a fireball."

Oleg noted that the rotation of the craft's parts and the glowing were absolutely soundless. For a few seconds Oleg's attention was diverted from the craft, but the crackling of the trees, as they straightened out, turned his attention back to the craft. Oleg saw the fireball sway and begin a slow lift-off, then accelerate abruptly, and soar upwards soon to be lost in the star-studded sky.

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

This certainly reads like a very authentic story. The only thing that worries me about it is that, from all the information that we have ever gleaned over so many years, it seems that **UFOs do not stop diesel engines - only petrol-using internal combustion engines!**

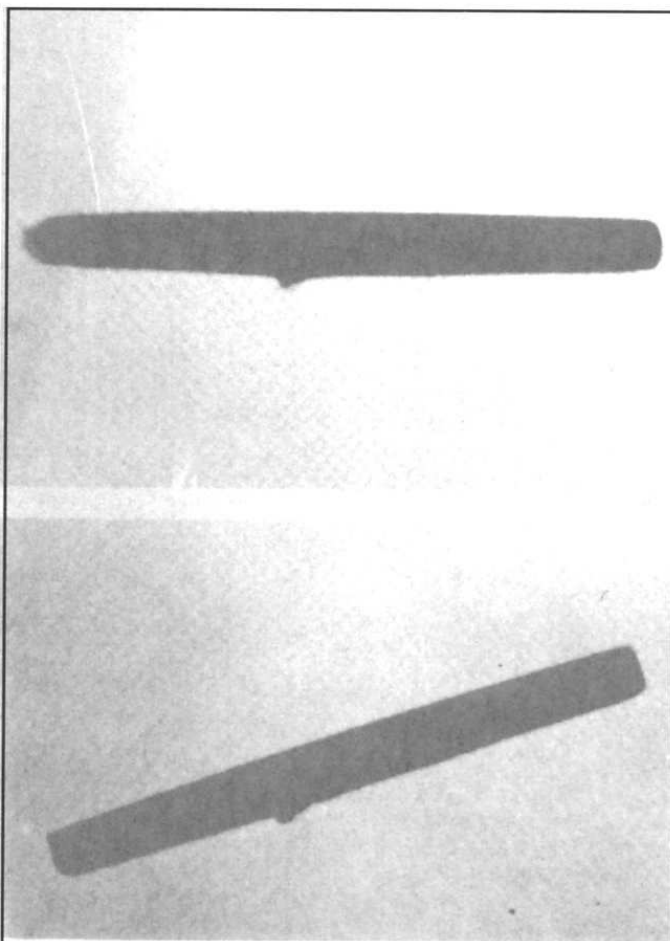
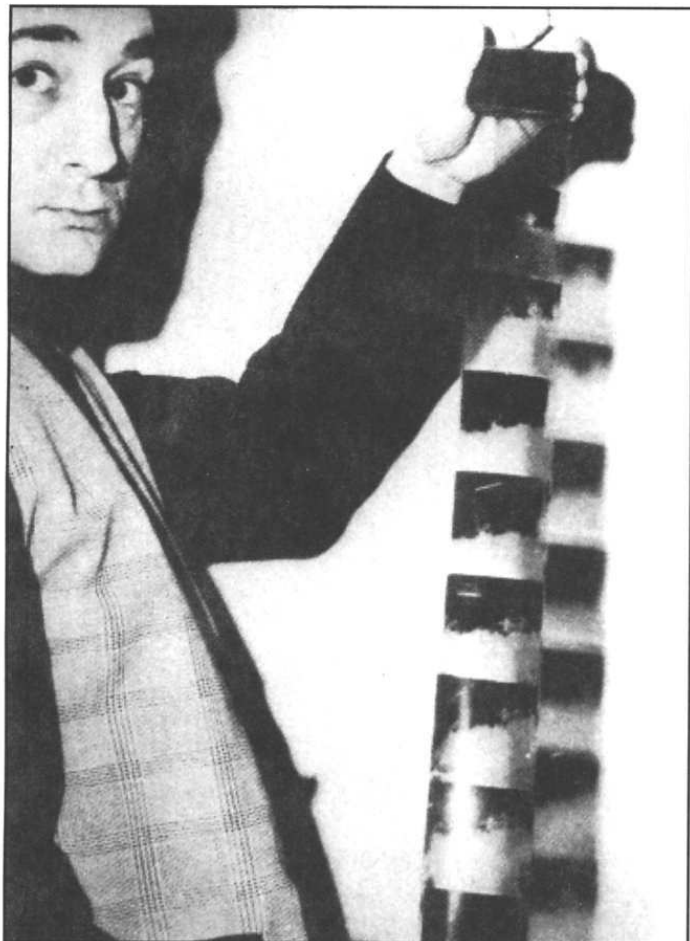
However, the author does say that his *headlights*, battery-powered, continued to work, and *that* certainly agrees with what we have heard in "diesel cases".

Have our readers anything of interest to record regarding UFO effects on diesel vehicles? G.C. ■

UNEXPLAINED PHOTOGRAPHS DEPARTMENT.

Can any of our readers identify these photographs now in FSR's archives?

In a letter dated October 12th, 1993, the Spanish UFO investigator J.J. Benítez sent them to us, with a statement that they had been taken in Cumberland on July 3rd, 1967 by a Mr Joseph L. Ferriere. It seems that Timothy Good was able to throw some light, but said that Ferriere was not British, but American. We have never heard any more after that. Can anyone today help with any details? Is the man displaying the film Mr Ferriere himself? G.C.■



STOP PRESS!

We have received letters, both dated June 22nd 1998, from Mr Jason LeSpardo Dost of Los Angeles, and from Dr Arnold L. Lettieri, Jr, Ph.D., Communications Director of the Pear Laboratory of Princeton University, N.J., and both complaining of an incorrect statement made about Dr Robert G. Jahn, Director of the Pear Laboratory, on page 2 of my editorial in FSR volume 43/1 (Spring 1998).

I am at this moment just recovering from a bout of the current summer 'flu, and this present issue of FSR is just about to go to the printers.

I have just commenced to look into the matter, and find it quite complicated, since it seems that I am not the only party who has issued an incorrect statement about Dr Jahn, and I find it not at all clear yet as to who perpetrated the initial error.

However, I apologise unreservedly to Princeton University, to Dr Jahn, and also to anyone else who considers that they have been wronged or misrepresented. It will be some time before the next-but-one issue of FSR is out, but it will give me plenty of opportunity for looking into this matter, and for issuing a further statement as to how the claimed errors came about. - Gordon Creighton, Editor of *Flying Saucer Review*, July 15th 1998.■

For those not familiar with Professor Jahn and the work of the Pear Laboratory, here is a brief outline:

Originally out of curiosity about some anomalous results given to him by a student, Jahn (otherwise a rocket engineer) embarked on a long, rigorous, painstaking study to investigate the possible ability of the human mind to influence the behaviour of machines and physical systems involving inherent randomness, such as electronic counters driven by white noise from a diode, or cascades of balls falling between pegs

He has accumulated a vast database of his results, many of which are highly statistically significant, and demonstrate that some people can indeed influence physical systems solely by their thoughts, wishes or intentions.

The work of Professor Jahn was the subject of the 5th in the series " The Heretics " broadcast by BBC2 a few years ago. I recently watched this tape again, and I must say I was very impressed, indeed moved by the sincerity, doggedness, open-mindedness, and modesty of Professor Jahn. -Philip Creighton.

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