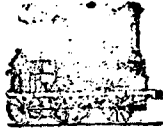


# THE DOUBLE DECEPTION "F.S.R." LONDON,

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Three large UFOs on the sea

In the late fifties, a military transport aircraft was crossing the Atlantic towards the United States. As it approached Newfoundland, the crew noticed three large glowing objects, seemingly on the surface of the ocean, and decided to get a better look. The aircraft began to circle the area and the three objects suddenly and quickly rose from the sea on an intercept course. Passengers and crew got a very good look at the craft, each of which was larger than the four-engined transport. After flying around the aircraft for several minutes, the three discs departed at high speed.

All intelligence agencies involved

The real nature and extent of intelligence agency interest in UFOs, ongoing since the late forties, is staggering. It is an effort that has encompassed all of the federal agencies, both at military and civil levels. The Air Force OSI, the Navy ONI, the FBI, the CIA, the NSA and the Army DIA have all been directly and deeply involved in the UFO situation. Investigations have been consistently classified at above top secret, where even the President has no access without demonstrating a need to know.

Intense activity of intelligence services

Upon landing at Goose Bay, Labrador, everyone on board was interrogated for several hours by military intelligence officers. They were then isolated and forced to wait while more intelligence personnel were flown in from the mainland. The passengers and crew were then interrogated once more, this time by plainclothes operatives. After this they were all flown to the Washington DC area where they were again extensively questioned by intelligence agents. They were shown albums of UFO photographs and asked to point out the type they had seen. During the different phases of the inquiry, it became evident that the military and civilian intelligence officers were well aware of the UFO phenomenon and had considerable prior information and experience with it. The important point here is that this sort of investigation was a standard effort, typical of covert efforts to research UFO reports involving the military, and was SOP ("standard operational practice") during the fifties.

At the time of this incident, Project Blue Book, the official US Air Force effort to investigate UFOs, was staffed by one officer, two non-coms, an airman and a secretary. Who were all the other intelligence officers? Why were they so very interested in a UFO report?

Project Blue Book was never more than a front, a cover designed for public relations, maintained in an effort to keep the actual UFO investigations out of the limelight. Often the officers in charge were kept ignorant of the real situation and actually believed that the UFO situation was insignificant. The exception to this was Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, an Air Force officer assigned to Project Blue Book who turned out to be so competent that he very nearly upset the applecart. Ruppelt was not content to sit back and explain away UFO incidents; he pursued them with vigour and pointedly made observations which treated the subject as worthy of serious concern. He wasn't supposed to do this. He was supposed to feed the public the continuing line of 'hoaxes, misidentifications and unbalanced individuals', while the real investigations continued behind the scenes. There is good evidence that, during the later years of his career, Ruppelt was under considerable pressure by federal authorities to retract his statements, resulting in his ill-health and early death by heart attack.

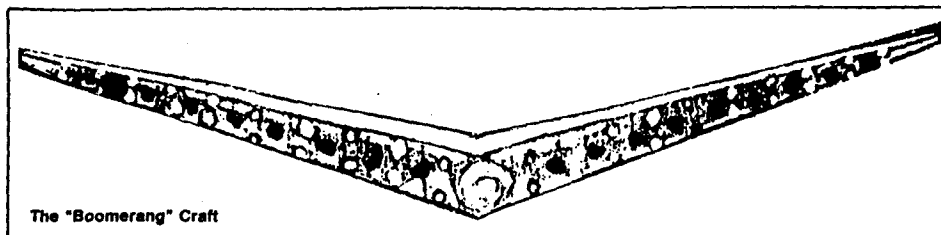
The double deception: Part one

It is this effort which comprises the first part of the double deception. The efforts of these federal intelligence agencies have been focused in three primary ways. ONE: All efforts are made to obtain as much information as possible about UFO events. This includes close monitoring and surveillance of civilian UFO groups and private investigators. TWO: All efforts are made to suppress this same information and prevent it from becoming public knowledge. This includes various means of persuasion aimed at witnesses as well as efforts to suppress media exposure. THREE: All efforts are made to provide prosaic explanations for UFO activity. This includes propaganda efforts directed chiefly through the California movie industry and also through prominent public personalities. It also includes the manufacture of alternate explanations, for example, the flights of light aircraft initiated after the appearance of the 'Westchester Wing.'

The "Mary-Celeste" with over 200 aboard

These efforts may not be as sinister and senseless as they sound. UFOs and UFO-related events are very real and can seem very threatening. There are incidents which, if fully revealed at the time of their occurrence, could very well deeply chill the American public and produce conditions which could lead to panic. I ran across such an incident in 1985. In an interview with a Navy veteran, a story emerged that even I, as an experienced investigator, found to be very sobering.

In the early seventies this man was serving aboard a ship which was part of a Caribbean task force sailing out of the Roosevelt Roos Naval Base in Puerto Rico. Early one day his ship and two others were engaged in manoeuvres several hours from their base when they began receiving an automatic SOS. Somewhere nearby a ship was in trouble and its radio operator had flipped a switch which put out an automatic, repeating SOS. The origin of the signal was determined to be just south of the Florida Keys and the three ships were ordered to proceed to the location at their



The "Boomerang" Craft

best possible speed. They were less than four hours from the signal source.

Upon their arrival they found a recreational cruise ship, dead in the water. It was identified as an Italian liner out of New York, bound for Puerto Rico. The ship was hailed with no response. Armed marines were ordered to board the craft. They found the ship to be totally empty, abandoned. Lifeboats were still in place and had not been disturbed. There were no signs of struggle and meals in the dining areas appeared to be partially eaten. Animal cages below decks were opened and empty. More than two hundred people had completely disappeared. The soldiers, visibly shaken by the incident, were returned to their troop carrier and the ship was towed to Roosevelt Roos. Aircraft were immediately dispatched to backtrack the passage of the ship in an effort to trace the missing people. They found nothing.

Once at the naval base, the ship was placed under heavy guard and the docking area was surrounded with barbed wire. Agents from the Office of Naval Investigations as well as numerous plainclothes investigators came and went from the ship for several days. Reports surfaced which seemed to indicate that there had been UFO activity in the area of the Florida Keys during the time of the incident. The owner of the ship was flown in from Italy and met with US government representatives. Shortly after this meeting the ship was towed out to sea and deliberately sunk.

The man who told me this seemed very straightforward about it and gave me the dates and names of the ships involved. He even gave names of various naval officers involved in the incident. I forwarded the taped interview to another investigator, Lucius Farish, but deleted some of the names supplied, as I had no desire to cause problems for the individuals who had been on the scene. A letter from my files explains where the tape went from there:

Route 1 — Box 220  
Plumerville, Arkansas 72127  
November 25, 1985

Dear Bob,

Thanks for your letter of November 18. Glad to have your comments on the various subjects we've been discussing. As for the Italian cruiseliner case; I thought perhaps the witness would be interested in seeing what could be obtained via FOIA. If not, would you mind if I let Barry Greenwood know about the case? He already has a good background with FOIA requests, so might be able to come up with something on this incident.

Yes — it has happened at last! —

"Thank you for sending us an application form for the subscription to FRYING SAUCER REVIEW" ...

— from a recent letter from Tokyo.

Yes, the "sunburn"/"lost time" incident(s) sound more and more interesting, so please keep me posted on any later developments. I can understand the witnesses' reluctance to undergo hypnotic regressions, but if they should change their minds, I hope you can work out something with the medical hypnotist mentioned to you by Bob Warth. Do they have any conscious memories of the "lost time" periods? How about dreams which might be significant?

Appreciate having your addendum to Part II and hope Warth will use it in PURSUIT. Looks like you will be able to stay busy writing updates regularly, if the activity continues!

I'm enclosing November UFONS for you and will look forward to any other clips you can provide. Hope to hear from you again soon.

Yours truly,

Lou Farish

#### Intensive F.B.I. activity over "boomerang"

Intelligence efforts of extremely efficient and surprisingly extensive scope continue to this day. To give an example of this, I refer to the log of my own investigative file during the 'Westchester Wing' incidents:

On Easter Sunday of 1983, I was at my father-in-law Tony's house, celebrating the holiday. After an excellent meal (all of my Italian relatives have been instructed by the devil in the culinary arts), I decided to call Phil Imbrogno, another investigator, at his home. Phil was fairly sure his phone was being tapped as a result of his investigations, and later found technical evidence that it actually was, but this thought really didn't concern me as I spent perhaps fifteen minutes conversing with him. We discussed some of the latest sightings and touched on indications of ANG (Air National Guard) and FAA (Federal Aviation Agency) interest. After hanging up, I went out to Tony's front yard, carrying a new set of binoculars that I wanted to try out. I had been in the yard less than ten minutes when a late model Volkswagen Rabbit came around a turn in the road, moving unusually slowly towards the house. I turned and focused the glasses on the car, only casually interested and more because I happened to be carrying the binoculars than anything else. Immediately the car braked to a stop, skidding slightly, and backed up into a driveway next door until it was out of sight.

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#### F.B.I number-plates traced

Now I became more interested, as I knew that the neighbours were out of state on vacation, and that this car was trespassing. I had seen a man and a woman in the car, and had noted that it carried New Hampshire plates. I immediately wrote down the numbers of the plates and asked Tony if the neighbours had any relatives from New Hampshire. Tony, who had known them for twenty years, was sure that they didn't even know anybody from that state. That did it. I walked to a position which would command a close view of the car from behind a hedge when it emerged. I decided against confronting the couple as I wasn't armed at the time, and had no idea who they were or what they were up to. I waited for several minutes for them to emerge. They finally did, moving past my position without noticing me. I confirmed the number plates, and watched curiously as they slowly cruised past Tony's house and down the street.

With the aid of a drinking partner who works as a police officer (with access to police computers), I had the number plates traced, and made a very careful check into the situation. The man and the woman both turned out to be FBI agents. In the space of less than half an hour my phone address had been determined, and two agents were on location, simply because I had discussed UFOs with another investigator who was himself under surveillance. Intelligence interest in the UFO situation is at a very intensive level. The general public is only minimally aware of this.

#### Intimidation and misinformation

The first half of the 'Double Deception' is the continuing efforts of federal intelligence agencies to investigate the UFO phenomenon at a massive and completely covert level. The efforts of these agencies do not stop at the gathering of information. Witnesses are silenced and misled, the media are convinced to look the other way, local authorities are asked to censor their statements and various creative but innane schemes are manufactured to provide explanations and mold public opinion on UFOs. Why? What do these agencies know that the public does not? What aspect of the UFO situation could be so important that efforts of this scope could be maintained at a covert level? This effort, this interest in UFO activity is far more than an attempt to learn the details of the UFO technology. The games played by federal intelligence officers are serious contests. These people are not kidding around. UFOs have the highest intelligence priority since the Manhattan Project.

One last example should serve to illustrate the extent to which federal agencies are prepared to go. During the Westchester events, not only were government pilots attempting illegal diversions, the media was being directly manipulated in an attempt to mold public perceptions of the phenomenon. The sightings of the large 'V'-shaped objects had begun in earnest in March of 1983. There had been a number of previous reports, but it was only in March that large groups of people, numbering in the hundreds, began seeing it.

#### TV programme "V"

In May of 1983, less than two months later, a new TV series began. Entitled "V" (for Visitors), it dealt with the approach of humanoid aliens to Earth who turned out to be reptilian invaders in disguise. Intrigued by the coincidence of symbolism and timing of this show, I looked further into it. What I found con-

firmed my suspicions. The screenplay for the first episode had been written in less than five weeks and production was under way before its completion. The entire show had been initiated, written and produced in less than seven weeks. The first major incidents involving the huge 'V'-shaped UFO had begun March 17th, 1983. The first showing of the 'V' series had been May 5th, 1983. From March 17th to May 5th was almost exactly seven weeks.

Happenstance is one thing, but here we face multiple coincidence. The show is named 'V'. The object reported resembles a huge 'V'. The show is about alien invaders. The object is obviously a UFO. The show is aired at the same time as the object is being seen. The show is written and produced in seven weeks and then first seen exactly seven weeks after reports of the object begin. The primary viewing audience for the TV series happens to be in the very same area as the UFO sightings! Coincidence? I don't believe that coincidence covers it. Deception is more like it. A very clear effort to mold public opinion towards the nature of UFO events unfolds here. If I didn't know better, if I had not personally investigated the sightings, if I had not actually seen the UFO myself, I would be inclined to think that the UFO itself had been manufactured by the agencies so frantically attempting to convince us of its nature. Someone wants the public to think of UFOs as invaders. Someone has an investment in that public perception.

#### Second half of the Deception: by UFOs

Surprisingly, the UFO phenomenon itself could well be co-operating in fostering that impression. The second half of the double deception involves the actions of the UFO agencies themselves. They too have acted in a deceptive manner, although their actions and modes of deception appear to be much more subtle and, to the chagrin of some, much more effective.

#### "Putting on a show"

Throughout the range of UFO events, one is impressed with the fact that UFOs are putting on a show. The intricate and convincing nature of this show has even, at times, deceived those investigators best suited to determine the real nature of UFO events. When I refer to 'those investigators best suited...', I do not mean scientists. I am not referring to established UFO groups. Nor am I referring to private investigators such as myself, though we do have an advantage. Those investigators best suited to determine the real nature of UFO events are precisely those men and women that do most of the UFO investigations: intelligence officers. Intelligence officers are trained and able to best see the phenomenon for what it really represents. Intelligence officers are serious students of the art of deception. The dictionary defines deception as the act of deceiving. To deceive is defined as to mislead by false appearance. The intelligence officer knows that the real art of deception is to attract the attention of your opponent towards what you want him to see and to distract him from what you don't want him to see. It's that simple. Complexity in deception lies entirely in the methods used to mislead. Deception is exactly what the UFO phenomenon has been doing, very successfully, especially in the last forty years.



### George Adamski

The first real evidence for this comes from the contactee scenarios acted out in the early fifties. One contactee in particular stands out in those early years. George Adamski reported meetings with entirely "human" beings, ostensibly coming to our planet in UFOs and even infiltrating our society in efforts, as Adamski was told, to help us to avoid nuclear war. Adamski's stories can and have been written off as fabrications. In the early fifties, however, before federal authorities had achieved some control of the public's perceptions of UFOs, Adamski's stories could not be so easily dismissed.

Adamski not only provided intricate details of his meetings with 'the benevolent space brothers', but he supplied numerous photographs of their various craft. It is a fact that the photographs taken by Adamski were exactly duplicated by other UFO photographs taken around the world. The similarities in these pictures were so exact that geometric projections from them precisely matched in proportionality.<sup>2</sup> Professional photographers and special effects experts in Hollywood testified that Adamski's photographs did not appear to have been faked. To top it off, Adamski's descriptions of the interiors of the UFOs were exactly matched by other witnesses throughout the world who also reported going aboard the craft.

Adamski's experiences were real. The great majority of the public who accepted UFOs in those years also accepted Adamski's stories. Suddenly, however, things began to change. Adamski had been told by his visitors that they were from Mars, Venus and Saturn. Our emerging planetary sciences soon found that life as we know it could not exist on these planets. Adamski reported being taken to the Moon and said he had been shown areas around the Moon's equator where vegetation, animal life and human settlements were abundant. Our close explorations of the Moon's surface showed such things to be non-existent.

Adamski honestly reported what he saw and experienced. At first there was abundant evidence that his experiences were genuine. Later, what he saw and honestly reported were exposed as non-factual, and Adamski became known as a hoaxster. In fact, it was Adamski himself who was hoaxed.

### The intricate game

In their use of Adamski, the agencies behind the UFO phenomenon first convinced a large sector of the American public that UFOs were real and crewed by benign and advanced humans, here to help us in our development as a peace-loving world. Once they had established this consensus, they deliberately sowed the seeds which would cause complete disbelief in all of Adamski's words.

The public (as well as many intelligence officers — Adamski's proofs were at first very convincing) was 'set up' to first believe in 'saviours from space' and then to totally repudiate that set of beliefs. The UFO phenomenon, in its use of Adamski, attempted to give us the perception that there were not, in fact, any 'saviours from space'. That impression has lasted to this day.

### Eduard Meier

There is another contactee of more recent years whose story is beginning to have an impact among the UFO buffs. Like Adamski, there is an abundance of evidence which shows that his experiences have been

real. Like Adamski, he has numerous photographs, even movies, of UFO events which have been examined by experts and declared valid. Like Adamski, there have been others involved in his experiences who corroborate his story. And, like Adamski, Eduard Meier in Switzerland seems to be totally absorbed by his contact experience, totally believing all he has been told by his alien but "human"-seeming visitors.

There are several major aspects of the information passed on to Meier by his 'alien girlfriend' who, in actuality seems to be described as more like a Chinese female intelligence operative. I would like to comment on these aspects and what they could mean in the light of what we know about the double deception. Meier was told that the aliens come from the Pleiadian star system, long a star system recognized in the occult literature as a source of mysterious power. What this probably means is that the agency behind the Meier contacts found the Pleiadian star system, with its built-in mythology, to be an attractive origin for the aliens, attractive in the sense that the average man and woman would find it romantic and easy to believe. The actual origin of Meier's visitor, considering her human features, must be a reality intimately connected with Earth itself. Only on Earth have the exacting and detailed biological conditions of evolution resulted in the human being. Only on Earth or an alternate probable Earth, would humans, as such, have been able to evolve.<sup>3</sup>

Meier was told that the Pleiadians had developed a faster-than-light drive method, and that World War III was coming in Earth's future. What this most likely means is that faster-than-light travel is impracticable (and that other means of travelling through space are available) and that World War III will never occur (although someone would like us to believe it will). Meier was told that "Pleiadians" and humans 'interbreed'. This, quite possibly, was the truth. Meier was repeatedly informed that the "Pleiadians", being on a higher moral plane, would never interfere in human affairs. This, of course, means that the "Pleiadians" are deeply involved in human affairs, and really don't want us to know about it unless we can figure it out, unless we can access their reference system. The very act of contacting Meier is an interference in human affairs, and the calculated passing of information through Meier compounds this interference. The actual levels of interference by humans of seemingly Asian features, displaying abnormally well developed psychic and parapsychical abilities could be much greater than we shall ever really know. References to such people abound throughout the legends of mankind, especially those of the Orient. Such legends are kept alive today in characters such as 'The Asp' in Little Orphan Annie, 'Kane' in the TV series 'Kung Fu' and others.

### Deception all across the board

Meier's contact demonstrates that the UFO agency is still attempting to portray its origins as "Outer Space", its intentions as benevolent, its actions as non-interventionist, and its motives as pure. In each of these messages, there is an element of deception.

Currently the phenomenon is playing a new game. People now are abducted into UFOs, experimented upon, subjected to selective amnesia by psychic/hypnotic means and returned relatively unharmed. Investigators, using hypnotic techniques, have retrieved numerous consistent stories of small grey aliens with large black, insect-like eyes who are using



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human beings in intricate biological and genetic experiments. What many of these investigators fail to see is that this is exactly what the agencies of the UFO want us to believe, at this time. As long as we see only the illusion, only the illusion will continue to exist. The real nature of the UFO phenomenon will continue to elude us.

A massive control-system

The UFO phenomenon is the current manifestation of what, down through the ages, have been presented to us as angels and demons, fairies and leprechauns, the devil and the Virgin Mary. It is a control-system, designed and used by intelligent beings as far advanced beyond ourselves as we are beyond our family pets. If your pet parakeet watches you at your personal computer, busily typing away and pausing occasionally to look at the screen, would he know what you were doing? He'd have to be one hell of an intelligent bird to figure it out.

To finally figure out what makes the UFO tick might take a whole flock of intelligent birds, working for an intelligent bird agency with lots of intelligent bird money. There's very good evidence that all those intelligent birds are at it now, Kee-Kawing back and forth, and accomplishing absolutely nothing at all.

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- (2) For the geometric projections of the Adamski "scout-ship" and of the craft photographed in Britain on February 15, 1954, by Stephen Darbishire, together with both photographs, see the following:-  
(a) *Orthographic Projections and Photos*, on page 28 of FSR 9/5 (September/October 1963).  
(b) *Ditto*, reprinted in Desmond Leslie's *Obituary for George Adamski*. In FSR 11/4 (July/August 1965).  
(c) Leonard G. Cramp's book, *Space, Gravity and The Flying Saucer*.
- (3) So far as one can judge by the last two books on Billy Meier and his cosmic saga, it looks as though he has now lost his pictures of the delectable Miss Semjase from the Pleiades (only 410 light-years). For it seems he does claim that many of his best UFO pictures have been pilfered. (Alternatively, it could simply be that he has thought it wiser not to play that particular card any more.) Away back around 1976, when researchers in Germany and Switzerland sent me two entire sets of Billy's "superb colour photos of Pleiadian space-craft," I took them at once to FSR's Photographic Consultant, Percy Hennel, who only lived a few miles from me. His comments on the Meier masterpieces were pithy and startling, but for some reason or other they do not seem to have got into FSR, which I deeply regret. Semjase's portrait (head and shoulders) appeared in each of the two sets. I thought at the time that she looked an attractive and very characteristic Central European "Alpine type" filly (brachycephalic) — with perhaps "a dash of the Slav" about her.



## DR ROBERTO PINOTTI IN INDIA

As a guest speaker at the 39th Congress of the IAF (International Astronautical Federation) held at Bangalore, India, between October 8 and 15, 1988, the Italian sociologist and FSR Consultant Dr Roberto Pinotti (C.U.N.) delivered two important papers, the first being titled ETI, SETI, AND TODAY'S PUBLIC OPINION, and the other INDO-ARYAN TRADITIONS AND HISTORY OF ASTRO-NAUTICS.

Although this is now an old and well-worn theme, the evidence available in the Sanskrit literature is abundant and highly convincing, and it is right that any student of our subject should have some acquaintance with it. (The Editor of FSR has a knowledge of Sanskrit and can read it, and can certainly agree that this very ancient and very important body of literature definitely indicates the presence in our skies of craft that were not of human origin.)

That is not, of course, to say that the phenomena observed over the ancient land of Bhārat were of "EX-TRATERRESTRIAL" origin. As FSR readers should by now all be aware, there are other and far more plausible explanations that can be adduced. And, incidentally, no people in our known past has had a better grasp of the cosmo-philosophical aspects of such matters than the Hindus.

There have been many dissertations and articles on the Indo-Aryan traditions and legends about mysterious aircraft, but Dr Pinotti's contribution is certainly the most compact and most complete that I have seen.

It may be of interest to note that the term regularly used in Sanskrit for the mystery craft (often described as "shining pearls") was VIMĀNA,<sup>1</sup> defined today in the Sanskrit-English dictionaries as "an aerial car or vehicle; a celestial chariot of the Gods".

In modern Hindi (the direct child of Sanskrit), in many of the other Sanskrit-derived Indian tongues, and also in Urdu, the word *Vimān* still survives, meaning "aeroplane", though Hindi and some of the other languages frequently also use the term *Havāi jahāz*,<sup>2</sup> literally "flying machine".

### FOOTNOTES:

- (1) विमान  
(2) हवाई जहाज़

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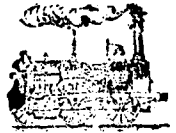
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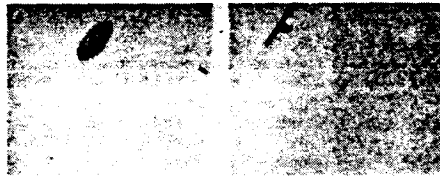
by R. Perry Collins



Two fields of research which have become more accepted in recent years are those involving psychic events and UFO-related events. They seem to be entirely separate. At first glance they seem related only by the fact that they are both unusual areas of investigation. By this it is meant that both UFO and psychic questions deal with non-ordinary realities, realities we do not experience on a daily basis. The research done on the paranormal aspects of the mind seems more acceptable to the scientific establishment, but both fields have abundant amounts of case-history evidence that open them up to investigation.

Upon examination of case-history evidence found in the UFO field, a perhaps surprising discovery can be made. There are numerous accounts of UFO incidents, especially close-encounter incidents, that involve a large interplay of psychic or paranormal mental experience. People who have had no previous experience with psychic phenomena have found themselves psychically aware and participants, too, in the world of the paranormal both during and after their first UFO experience.

Why are such effects reported? How and why are UFOs and the paranormal related? What tentative conclusions can we draw about reality from these events? To understand these questions and their answers we need some background of knowledge about both fields. Only then can we determine what role the paranormal plays in conjunction with the UFO phenomenon. To get a brief look at some overt examples of psychic/UFO interplay, these next few cases are presented. There are numerous other examples, some of which have been recounted in the present UFO literature. They all show various aspects of psychic events experienced with close UFO encounters and give us a background for the exploration of the reasons and meanings inherent in them.



Two of four photographs taken by Helio Aguiar over a beach near Piata, Brazil on April 24, 1959.

April 24, 1959 — Piata, Brazil — Helio Aguiar, a thirty-year-old accountant was riding a motorcycle when he observed a silvery, domed disc with windows, moving slowly overhead. He stopped and took three photographs of the object and was winding his camera for the fourth picture when he began to feel "a pressure in his brain," and a state of progressive confusion overtook him. He felt vaguely as if he were being ordered by someone to write something down. It was as though he were being hypnotized. He passed out. Upon awakening he found himself slumped over his cycle, a piece of paper in his hand. On it, in his own handwriting, was a message: "Put an absolute stop to all atomic tests for warlike purposes. The balance of the universe is threatened. We shall remain vigilant and ready to intervene." The photographs were developed and clearly show a detailed, domed disc hovering low over the nearby Atlantic Ocean.



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November 2, 1966 — Parkersburg, West Virginia — William Derenberger, salesman, was driving when he came upon a strange vehicle hovering just above the road. He stopped his car and was approached by a man of dark complexion dressed in what appeared to be blue vinyl shirt and pants. The man smiled at Derenberger and, although no words were spoken, the witness telepathically received a message describing another world and was told to report the meeting to authorities. Several people driving by reported seeing the man speaking to Derenberger.

September 1, 1965 — Huanaco, Peru — A foreigner to Peru who desires anonymity made the following report. Early in the morning, for no apparent reason, this man felt overcome with a strange sensation which seemed to impel him to go to a certain spot on an airstrip belonging to a large, private estate. As he arrived at the spot he saw an oval UFO descend and land very near to him. A small, human-like being with an enlarged cranium and about three feet tall, emerged from the vehicle and began making gestures or signs as if trying to communicate. The being then entered the machine which began to glow and then ascended vertically into the sky.

March 13, 1963 — Richards Bay, South Africa — Fred White, a fisherman, had seen a UFO a year before with Harry O'Dank, while night fishing near North Beach, Durban, approximately 150 miles from Richards Bay. On this night he was ashore and had just finished dinner and decided to take a stroll along the beach. It was about 10:30 p.m. While walking, he became aware of a high-pitched whining sound and saw a very bright light moving south about 200 feet above the water. It changed direction and descended to the beach, stopping about 100 feet from him. White saw it was a domed saucer and through a porthole he saw a fair-complexioned, well-built man wearing a "crash" helmet. The craft began humming and displayed a pulsating green light. It suddenly ascended into the sky, scattering sand on the beach in the process. Several years later, in September of 1966, White was hospitalized with a collapsed lung. He reported that the same man "walked into my room, pulled up a chair and repeated my name." He was wearing a glowing, pulsating wristwatch and while smiling and engaging White in conversation he reached over and touched White's arm and chest. He told White not to be alarmed and to be prepared for beneficial changes and more 'contacts.' He did not elaborate. After his visitor had left, White reported that his chest was free of pain and he was able to breathe freely. Medical examination showed his lung to be completely normal, i.e. to have been re-inflated and the hole that caused the puncture was completely healed. The doctor treating White stated: "I have never seen anything like it."

August 13, 1975 — Tucson, Arizona — Mr. Lewis (a pseudonym), thirty years old, a serviceman and preferring complete anonymity, recounts this story in several interviews with members of the Aerial Phenomenon Research Organization. After getting off work at 11:30 p.m. on August 12th, Lewis decided to drive out and watch the Perseid meteor shower of August 13th. At 12:30 he drove for fifteen minutes into the country and stopped, exiting his car to watch the sky. At 1:20 a.m. a large, dull grey metal disc 'dropped' out of the sky and

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hovered about twenty feet above the ground. To the right center of the disc a rectangular lighted window was visible. Human-shaped forms could be seen moving about inside and the object began emitting a strange buzzing sound. Lewis became frightened and got back into his car, but he could not start the engine. He remembers being very frightened at this point. The buzzing noise then stopped and he felt a calmness coming over him, "like I was floating on a cloud." The disc then began to rise into the sky and his fear returned. Now his car started and, as he began to drive for home, he noticed that his wristwatch read 2:45 a.m. Lewis was certain that he had watched the disc for no more than a few minutes and had no idea what had occurred between 1:20 and 2:45 a.m.

November 1966 — Owatonna, Minnesota — Mrs. Ralph Butler and another woman were watching the night sky, observing "little flashers," a name they used for the nocturnal lights that had become commonplace around Owatonna. Suddenly one of the lights descended rapidly and hovered a few feet above the ground near them. It had multicolored lights flickering around a disc-shaped rim. Mrs. Butler's friend fell to her knees with her head bowed, seemingly in some kind of trance. She abruptly began speaking in a strange, high-pitched voice: "What is your time cycle?," she asked. Mrs. Butler, surprised, tried to explain about days, hours, minutes. A few more seemingly trivial questions about time followed and then the other woman came out of the trance. "Boy, I'm sure glad that's over," she remarked. Later, both women came down with intense headaches whenever they tried to discuss the incident. Mrs. Butler wrote to John Keel, a UFO investigator, and for some reason did not experience a headache when he called to ask about the incident. She told him the details of the experience as well as about unusual poltergeist activity that she and her husband had noticed around their home immediately after the incident.

November 24, 1964 — New Berlin, Connecticut — Mrs. Mary Williams (a pseudonym) and her mother-in-law were staying at the older woman's house when they witnessed the landing and apparent repair of two unusual vehicles which resembled "flying saucers." Mrs. Williams had stepped out onto the porch for some fresh air at about 12:30 a.m. when she saw an unusually bright light descend rapidly from the sky. It leveled off and began moving slowly, parallel to a creek bed across the road from the house. Several cars went by as the object drifted back and forth and the drivers seemed to see the object as they, at first, slowed and then drove off at a high speed. Mrs. Williams then called her mother-in-law's attention to the object. At this point it moved in one direction along the creek bed and up the side of a nearby hill to a point later determined to be 3800 hundred feet from the witnesses. The women got a pair of binoculars and observed the object land. She also saw five or six men get out and walk about it. They were dressed in tight-fitting "diver's suits" that were darker than their skin and they seemed to be six feet or more in height. Soon, a second object arrived and landed next to the first and it, also, discharged a number of men. Both sets of men then seemed to become busy in efforts to repair the first object by moving a section out from its underside, working on it and then replacing it. They did this several times until about 5:00 a.m., when both objects rose into the air and moved off in the direction from which they had arrived. When asked why she didn't call anyone to report the incident or to get more witnesses, Mrs. Williams indicated that she felt as if the men on the hill did not wish her to do so. When the

object had first hovered near her house, she had received the distinct impression that she was being watched by several people, that they were friendly and that they only wanted to get their machine fixed and leave. She knew, by some sort of telepathic process, that they did not want her to call anyone, as they might come with guns and bother them. She stated that she was aware of the occupants' thoughts somehow and that they knew she would not call attention to their presence.

What are we dealing with here? Well, certainly the existence of a UFO reality cannot be denied — there are, on record, thousands of detailed reports of close encounters with unusual, structured and intelligently controlled vehicles crewed by beings of various natures and appearances. Physical evidence exists in abundance, including photographs, radar returns, ground traces, electromagnetic effects and even metal fragments. In most of the more extensive reports, events of a psychic nature have repeatedly surfaced.

If psychic or paranormal events interest us, and by seeking to understand them we may find a more complete awareness of ourselves, then it would be informative for us to have a clear picture of their intricate relationship with the UFO phenomenon. This is one reason why an understanding of the real nature of the UFO is attractive.

From the early fifties to the present time UFOs have been considered to be visitors from outer space. Other ways of viewing them have also become popular. UFOs represent mankind's 'collective unconscious,' relates one school of thought. They are 'psychic projections' and 'manifestations of psychokinetic energy.' Before we discuss the nature of these views let's review why the idea of UFOs as visitors from outer space has begun to fade.

One of the primary drawbacks of the extraterrestrial hypothesis for UFOs is the large magnitude and diversity of the phenomenon. There are numbers of UFO incidents on a daily basis on our planet and only about twenty percent can be fit into correlative patterns. The majority of events are unique, having characteristics of vehicle structure and occupant description that are seldom reported more than once. This large number of unique UFO incidents is a strong argument against their existence as interstellar visitors.

Carl Sagan and other scientists have shown, by mathematical deduction, it can be demonstrated that, to account for the large number of UFO incidents, especially the unique incidents implying separate origins, our galaxy would have to be literally overrun by advanced civilizations. They claim that by taking into view such factors as the number of stars in the galaxy, the probable number of such stars having planetary systems, the number of such planets where life has been initiated, the probability of civilized lifeforms, etc., it can be shown that there should be approximately ten million advanced civilizations capable of visiting Earth. Considering the vastness of our galaxy (one hundred billion stars within an area of one hundred thousand light years), each one of these civilizations would have to launch ten thousand interstellar expeditions per year for Earth to be visited only once every twelve months. UFO activity of a confirmed, investigated nature sustains itself at approximately three incidents per week. I feel, logically speaking, they cannot all be interstellar visitations.

It is this sort of reasoning that has led many researchers to the view that UFOs are manifestations of some sort of human frustration with an imperfect world. This view, however, is also difficult to maintain in light of practical considerations.

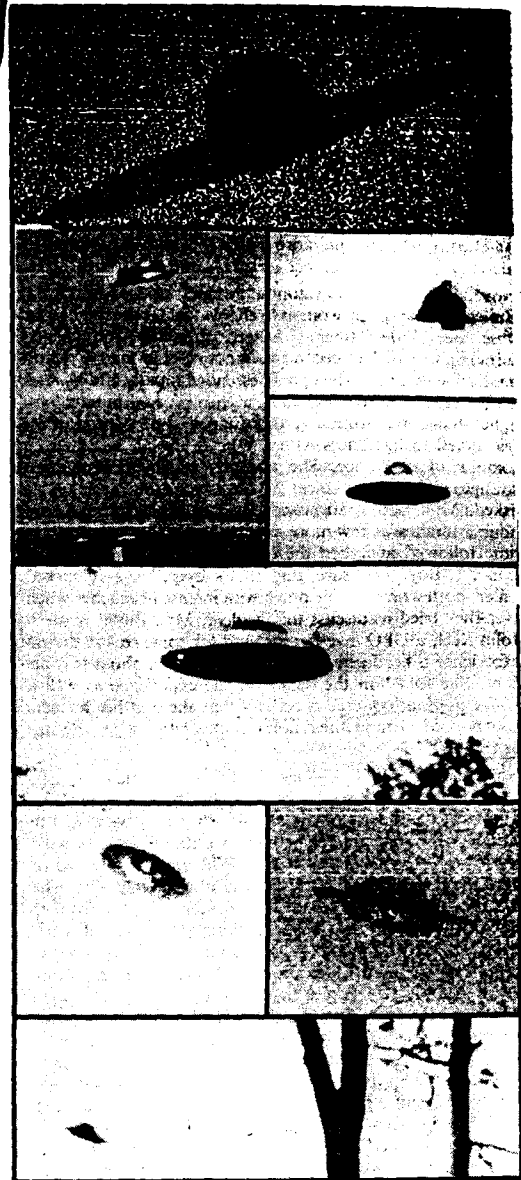
First, there is little or no evidence for the reality of such a 'collective psyche.' There is a great deal of evidence for the physical reality of UFOs. The concept of UFOs as products of the 'human unconscious' cannot explain that physical reality. If an entity called 'the collective psyche' did exist, why are there manifestations of UFOs? As a function of the human unconscious would not the manifestations be of a much more diverse and miscellaneous nature? There is evidence of a greater whole of which we are a part. This evidence seems to indicate that many paranormal events are perceived as such because of our cultural (and resultant individual) split from this whole. This concept, however, encompasses much more than a simple postulation of a 'collective human unconscious' that manifests itself through UFOs.

Another approach to the psychic explanation for UFOs involves the individual manifestations of UFO events by means of psychokinetic projections. It is well known that poltergeist phenomena take place usually in the presence of an agent, often a pre-adolescent child experiencing an unusually difficult transition into our cultural reality. It is speculated that UFO activity could be similar, the incident taking place through a psychic projection of one of the witnesses. This explanation, although more secured in reality than the 'collective psyche' view, is inadequate. While studies, especially in the USSR, show definite evidence for psychokinetic abilities in certain individuals, they are nowhere near the magnitude implied in the UFO phenomenon. To project by psychokinesis (PK) a structured, metallic vehicle that demonstrates strong electromagnetic effects and which can be photographed, seen and detected by radar is far beyond what has been observed in psychic demonstrations. Such psychic projections would imply almost limitless psychic powers inherent in individuals, powers which they use without being aware of them as such. This seems very unlikely.

From what has been observed of the UFO phenomenon over the past forty years, the most tenable hypothesis is that they represent a reality outside of our psyches, but an extremely diverse and almost inexplicable one. There seem to be two or three different groups of visitors to our planet and many others of a unique and numerous nature. The majority of cases fall into this last category, implying that our planet is being visited by various types of beings. This does not mean that they are projections of our minds. There is the possibility of alternate realities, other dimensions, other places of which we are at present totally unaware. Considering these concepts, we also notice that these "visitors" display strong psychic abilities not limited to one type or group. The psychic manifestations seem to be a common denominator in all types of close-encounter incidents. This has tremendous significance for our world and culture.

What does this common denominator suggest to our view of the paranormal? Let us consider what has been shown. UFOs seem to represent many types of intelligent visitors to our planet. They may come from many different places or realities, in fact, they must do so in order to explain their presence. There are logical considerations that point to a common mechanism or agency behind a great deal of UFO activity, but along with this there seem to be large numbers of other, more random visitors to our world. How is it that they have such easy access to the paranormal? Is it because they are technologically advanced and their psychic senses are also advanced proportionately? Or is there some other reason or reasons?

First of all, it does not seem logical that because a race of



The photographs shown on this page illustrate the variety of models of UFOs reported around the world. Each of these photos have been the subject of considerable attention and, in each case, no evidence has surfaced which would show it to have been faked. In three of these cases, evidence based on details of backgrounds in relation to shadows and time of day are extremely difficult to explain without admitting to the reality of the incidents. The high "uniqueness factor" represented by the many different types of UFOs and occupants is, surprisingly, evidence that they do not originate in 'outer space.'



intelligent beings is technologically advanced they would necessarily be psychically advanced. Our human race has made tremendous technological advances in the last two hundred years yet we are no more psychically aware now than we were in 1788. Let's look at this from a different viewpoint. Many sensitives or psychically gifted people have stated that it is their feeling that all people have psychic abilities. It seems that most people just do not have access to these abilities or do not know how to use them. Could it be that all human beings, especially the more intelligent ones, have a psychic component in their make-ups and that we earthlings, for some reason, are not fully aware of this?

There is some solid evidence in this direction. Charles Tart, a parapsychologist at the University of California, relates an experiment in which a subject was placed in a sensory deprivation environment. He was told of another subject down the hall who was to be given electrical shocks at random intervals and was asked to signify those moments when he felt, by psychic means, that the other subject was being shocked. The first man, in addition to his condition of sensory deprivation, was monitored physiologically to determine such things as heart rate, breathing rate, amount of perspiration, etc. The experiment proceeded, with the second man being shocked at random intervals and the first man pushing a button whenever he thought that the other was getting "zapped." The experiment mechanically demonstrated that the first subject's physiological response peaked noticeably each time the other testee received a shock. His conscious guesses, however, were consistently incorrect. In other words, the man knew at some level exactly when the other man was being shocked and subconsciously his body's responses expressed that knowledge, whereas at a conscious level he simply did not know when the shock occurred.

This and other similar data point to an important concept in parapsychology. The paranormal is not unusual at all. Indeed, it is normal, and for some reason most of us are not usually consciously aware that it is. For whatever reason, we are not fully whole in our awareness and therefore do not make full use of this component of our nature. There could be many reasons for this but it seems to be a fact as indicated by research in various parapsychological laboratories. If our other-worldly visitors come from cultures that do not share this psychic inhibiting factor, then use of psychic abilities would be a natural adjunct of their appearance. In case after case, this turns out to be exactly what occurs. With this in mind, we must ask ourselves an important question. What is it about our culture that inhibits our development in this direction? What is it that prevents us from making use of a natural part of our make-up, the so-called extra-sensory perceptions?

To truly appreciate how we may not be seeing the full picture in many UFO reports, we should return to the 'collective unconscious' concept and admit that there are certain signs that some sort of collective knowledge may exist, or that, at least in small groups, human beings can show evidence for unconsciously shared concepts.

There is evidence that we may, in small populations, share an unconscious consensus reality which transcends ordinary knowledge in a psychic manner. Two relatively recent experiments stand out as examples of this. A.R.G. Owen, a mathematician and parapsychologist, initiated one of these. He assembled a group of eight people who, working together, made up the story of a ghost. They gave the ghost the name of 'Phillip' and cast him as an aristocrat from the time of King Charles of England. Phillip, as the story went, had

fallen in love with a Gypsy girl. His wife found out about the affair and brought charges of witchcraft against the girl, resulting in her trial and the sentence of death. Phillip, afraid to come forth with the truth, became despondent and committed suicide. Once they had created the personality of Phillip, the group began to hold regular seances in an effort to contact his 'lost spirit.' Soon Phillip arrived on cue, began communicating to the group and produced audible raps and table tilting in full view of audio-visual equipment set up to record events.

The other example involved an experiment conducted by Alvin H. Lawson, a professor of English at California State University; John DeHerrera, an APRO investigator; and Dr. W.C. McCall of Anaheim, California. These researchers selected a screened group of eight volunteers who had read little or no UFO literature and knew almost nothing about the subject. The volunteers were separately hypnotized and asked to imagine themselves abducted by a UFO. The results were very important to any consideration of UFO abduction reports retrieved by hypnosis, and tend to show that we may all share some hidden 'UFO archetypes.' What surfaced were richly detailed accounts which conformed closely with details of supposedly 'real' abductions also brought out by hypnosis. The fact that the imaginary reports were virtually indistinguishable from actual reports has caused many investigators to take hypnotically recalled abduction reports with skepticism.

Without completely defining the real nature of UFO events, we can still perceive that psychic influence is exerted upon witnesses on a repeated basis. There have been numerous cases where this influence has been evident at a conscious level. (We may omit cases made up largely of information retrieved by hypnosis. Lawson's experiment and the inherently unreliable nature of hypnosis indicate that these cases may not be real or at least should not be taken at face value. In every UFO incident where missing memories are brought back by hypnosis, it should be noted that the missing material could very well be only a screen, a cover story planted precisely so that investigators would retrieve it and consider it real.) UFO agencies involved in interactions with humans are known to be presenting information in various ways and at different levels. Part of this presentation, (a significant part), involves the use of psychic abilities. If so, events of a psychic nature, then, are admittedly a consistent part of the UFO phenomenon and occupants of UFOs seem to possess a much greater mastery of psychic abilities than do most humans.

One alternative way of viewing psychic events is to see them not as interactions between minds or as mind over matter but as the direct influence of mind upon reality. In this sense, psychic results that seem to show telepathy, precognition, psychokinesis and other examples of psi are seen in a very different light than is currently entertained. Psychic events are generally thought of as being the result of some, as yet, unidentified mental force or energy. For instance, if a person rolling dice comes up with sevens ten times out of ten (while concentrating on rolling sevens), he is considered to be 'influencing the dice' in some unknown way. The problem with this is that the amount of energy required to actually move the dice into alignments showing sevens can be measured; it turns out that the entire electrical output of the brain is only an extremely small fraction of this measure of energy. There is no known way, no mechanism, no force, no energy that can explain how the unaided human brain could possibly affect the movement of the dice. The alternative



Three original witnesses to Marian vision of Fatima in 1916.



Other children viewing apparition at Garabandal in 1961.

theory is that he is not, in fact, influencing the dice at all but is, by force of will, moving himself into that 'series of worlds' where sevens happen to come up. This theory is much more compatible with the facts of physics and even provides a surprisingly coherent proof of the 'many universes' concept of quantum mechanics.

*Sera* This concept basically postulates that the universe is in the process of being created from moment to moment and that at each moment it branches out into many alternate 'probability states,' each existing as a reality which becomes manifest only when we actually choose to move into one or the other. There is a very secure basis for this concept in the study of small particle physics. Simply put, you face a choice of many worlds at each moment and the world of your reality is the one you choose to believe in, act upon, create and enter. As an example of this, each morning you face a choice between getting up and going to work or calling in sick and going to the beach. Before your choice, each of these probable worlds exists. Upon your choice you enter into one or the other. Your choice actually determines reality, for your movement into one or the other probability states coalesces that state into the reality of your experience.

Telepathy, perhaps, then becomes the process of moving, by will, into that world where your thoughts exactly match

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Uri Geller demonstrating metal bending at England's Stonehenge.

those of others. Precognition is the process of moving into that world where your ideas coincide with actual future events. Psychokinesis becomes the process of moving into that world where the effect you want is actually taking place. This theory presupposes an extremely intimate link between our minds and the universe, but recent research in physics leads to exactly the same conclusion. In this theory we need not find a mechanical link or causative factor, a mysterious ether or any type of unmeasurable 'mental force.' In this theory we find that the universe consists of a consciousness and we are local nodes or foci for this consciousness. In this sense, we find a ready explanation for many 'paranormal' events.

The miracles of Christ, for instance, become explainable in a straightforward manner. Christ, being unusually well aware of his real place in the universe ("I am *the* son of the father"), is easily able to move into his choice of universes, coalescing or creating that reality he desires most. As a human being endowed with an unusually great awareness and an indomitable will, he is able to move into a very wide choice of possible worlds, simply by wishing it. In his choice of possible worlds, he feeds the multitudes, walks on water and heals the sick. It should be noted that, as far as Christians can tell, he not only has moved himself into the worlds of his choice, he has also created that same world for us.

The consideration to be made here is that the choice of worlds we collectively make is the one in which we collectively live. Those individuals and groups who can and do exercise a greater choice through their greater ability likewise have a greater influence upon the collective reality. It is a fact that the agencies of the UFO phenomenon have clearly shown a much greater ability to influence reality in this manner than have we, the human race in general. The implication here is clear. Our path, our world, our history — in fact much of our reality could be a construct, largely formed by more advanced others. This construct, without a doubt, has a rationale. We are being guided in a certain direction, for a certain reason.

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