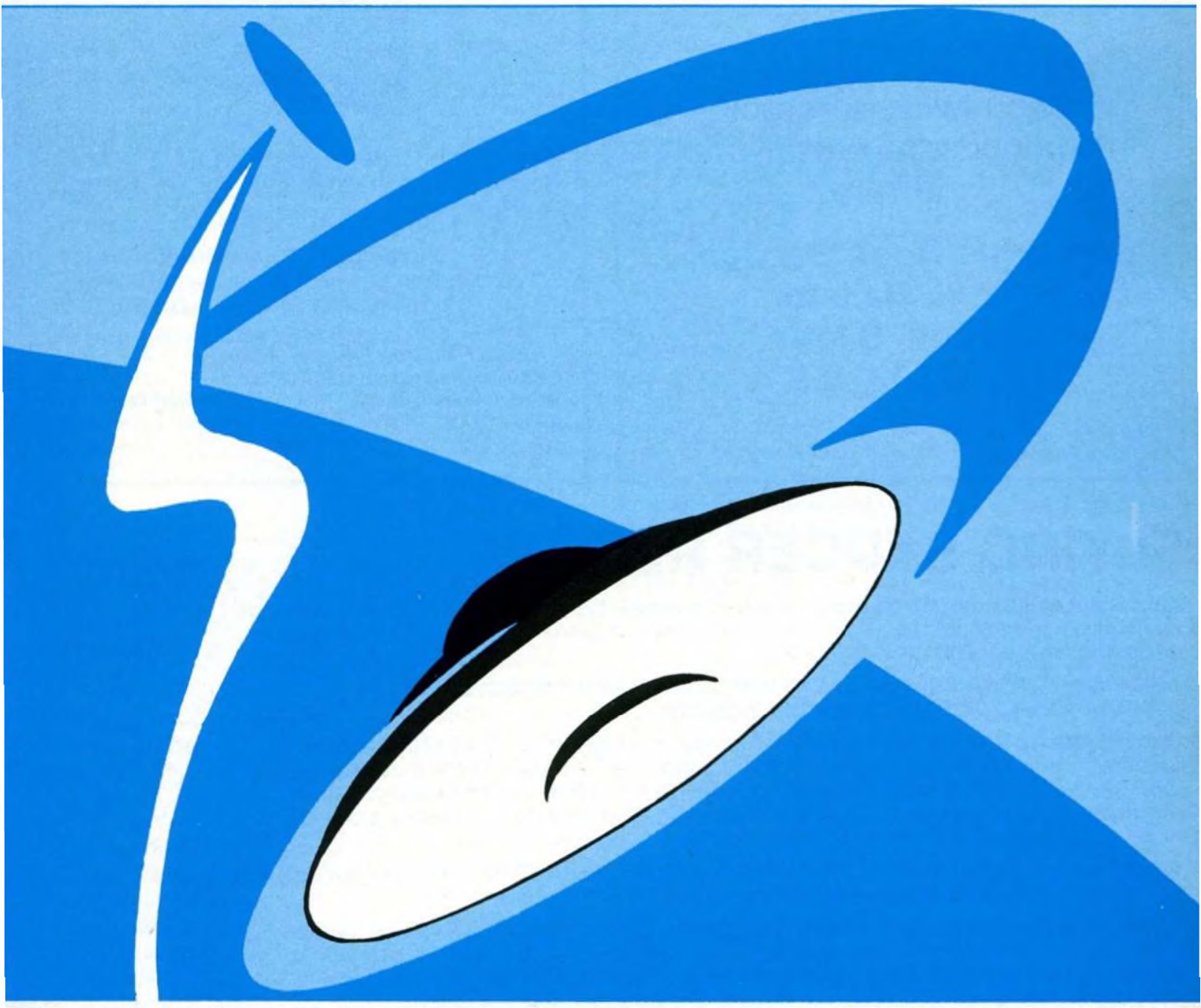
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SO WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

As we showed in our last issue of this journal, the new book, *Clear Intent,* has certainly served to "blow the lid off" the official UFO cover-up, but we must emphasise that there is nothing particularly new or startling about that, because, in the second Editorial ever published in FSR almost thirty years ago (FSR, Vol. 1, No. 2, May/June 1955), Derek Dempster had this to say:—

"Government statements on Flying Saucers have always been confusing, and the general consensus of opinion has been that officialdom was just as anxious to know the answer to the riddle as anyone else.

But last month something happened to give rise to the belief that Whitehall did in fact have the U.F.O. answer.

The Air Ministry announced that the results of a five-year probe into Flying Saucers by the Royal Air Force had been submitted to high-ranking officers but that it was never to be revealed to the public for security reasons."

So there was — and is — a cover-up. There has never been any possible doubt about that. And it is now evident that the most important secret American body controlling the public knowledge of these matters is not — as many had believed for so long — the U.S. Air Force or the C.I.A., but the N.S.A. *(National Security Agency).* And the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that the N.S.A. is in any case not subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Consequently, whether or not this Act remains on the U.S. statute books much longer (the possession of such a law is a recipe for disaster and it is difficult to visualize how any nation could hope to remain strong or even defend itself at all with such a potentially dangerous piece of legislation on its back, and you can scarcely visualize the USSR adopting such a law!) there is in our view little likelihood that much more about the UFOs will be winkled out of the U.S. Government. It has been thanks only to a lucky fluke — plus an enormous amount of hard work by the U.S. civilian investigators — that we have learned so much as we have, and we should hold ourselves fortunate. But what has already been gleaned contains some vitally important pointers and clues, to which we shall have occasion to return in our future discussions.

UFO ALERT AT A NATO BASE IN ITALY

(Translation from Italian) *Antonio Chiumiento*

The author, who lives in Pordenone in North-Eastern Italy, and therefore very near to the NATO Base mentioned in this report, has been for some years past the most active member of the Governing Board of C.U.N. (Centro Ufologico Nazionale, the Italian National UFO Research Centre) and earlier this year he became its Vice-President. The President of C.U.N. is Signore Mario Cingolani, who lives in Rome, and our old friend Dr Roberto Pinotti of Florence (Firenze) is in charge of the External Secretariat of the Group and the Documentation. Antonio Chiumiento is now also the Vice-Director of the Committee responsible for C.U.N.'s Bulletin, *the Notiziario—UFO.*

FSR 28/25, 28/6 and 29/1 have contained interesting examples of Signor Chiumiento's investigative work — the encounter with the *"Little Oriental Airman"* near San Giorgio di Nogaro, and the *"Encounter with 'Rat-Faces'"* near Gallio. — EDITOR

THE scene of this important event, which took place during the night of June 30/July 1, 1977, is the NATO Base at Aviano, one of the most important NATO centres in the north-eastern Italian zone known as TRE VENEZIE (THREE VENETIAS). Aviano, a populous town, lies at an altitude of 159 m. above sea-level, at the foot of Mount Cavallo, and on the edge of the Pordenone Plain.

By July 1st, the news of the occurrence had already spread throughout the entire Aviano region, and we received details of the matter, not only through trusty local sources but also, in a very particular fashion, through a number of indirect witnesses of the event, and especially, from a certain N.C.O. in our own (Italian) Air Force, whose name for obvious reasons we do not disclose, although full details about him are recorded in our files. On the day following the episode he collected together conversations and interviews which he had had with personnel of the NATO Base and compiled this Report of which we give a digest below.

A Flying Saucer Over the "Victor Alert" Area

On June 30, 1977, the NATO Base had been closed to air traffic as the final preparatory work was being carried out for the Air Parade due to be held on the following Sunday — namely on July 3. The episode occurred during the night of June 30 to July 1. At about 3.00 a.m. on Friday, July 1, a soldier of the United States, James Blake, noticed that, above the reserved area of the air-field and precisely above the area called "Victor Alert" where there were two military planes kept under guard in huts, there was a "light" of a remarkable size. It was stationary at a height of about 100 m. Once the Commandant of the Base had been notified, the first security detachments were rushed to the spot.

Furthermore the radar-operator of the Base — who was not on duty that night (because the airport was closed and no air traffic — either of transit or of close approach — was therefore anticipated) was called back into service. It should also be mentioned that the radar subsequently did register the presence of the UFO over the Base, but nevertheless it must be emphasised that the whole of the air-field's instruments were 'dead' for a certain period of time, and consequently it is presumed that those in the control-tower were 'dead' too.

Seen By Many

The object was observed by the large numbers of military personnel who came rushing up immediately after the sounding of the alarm. The deployment of the forces was kept at a safety distance from the area concerned, which was lit up by the "thing". The UFO was about 50 m. in diameter. It looked like a "spinning-top" or a "disc". It had a dome on its upper part, was spinning round on its own axis, and was emitting varied colourings of light, changing from white to green and then to red. Furthermore it was emitting a humming noise like the sound of a swarm of bees in flight.

The "disc" was vertically above the huts, in the so-called "Victor Alert" zone, the most strictly reserved area of the Base, and not more than a hundred metres from the ground as already stated. It remained there for about one hour.

NATO Headquarters in Brussels Informed?

Subsequent sources made it clear to us that even the NATO Headquarters in Brussels was advised of the matter during that night. However, such statements, even though confirmed for us by military personages whom we regard as the most reliable, are to be treated as entirely provisional indications and assertions and unfortunately not confirmable at an official level.

The Obligatory Explanation. And Our Dissent

Anyway, the following official declaration was, it seems, issued about the occurrence: *"The phenomenon must be attributed to a reflection of the Moon on some low clouds".*

Well, here are the factual meteorological data for the place where the sighting occurred:

1. Temperature: *(in loco):* max. 26°
   min. 15°
2. Wind Moderate, from West.
3. Sky, little cloud.
4. Humidity: about 75%.

So the minimum temperature (15°) was too high in relation to the percentage of humidity (75%)for conditions to be such as to permit the formation of clouds at such a low altitude (about 100 m.)!

As for the Moon, it must be mentioned that from about 3.00 a.m. to about 4.30 a.m. (statutory time) on July 1, 1977, it was already low on the horizon (far towards the West) and was setting. Indeed it set at 5.18 a.m. (statutory time).

Well then, it could not have been, at the time of the sighting, almost vertically above the observers!

Consequently, basing himself upon the principles of Meteorology and of Astronomy, the writer disagrees strongly with the apparent official statement.

Developments in the Inquiries

The extension of our inquiries brought to our knowledge some marginal reports about the occurrence.

On the Sunday following upon the sighting — that is to say, July 3, 1977, the day of the Air Parade — the wife of our informant, the Air Force NCO, took part in the visit to the Airfield by a party aboard a military motor-coach, in which there were several important personages and relatives of personnel serving on the Base. On this occasion the lady in question learned that certain other people had witnessed the unusual happening with the UFO. During the days following upon the sighting, even in the local town, Aviano, the report of the affair was the subject of common interest and discussion. Notwithstanding all of this, nothing about the episode was ever made public. The same lady mentioned above was approached several times by acquaintances wishing to see whether she did not know more about it. So it is in our opinion certain that an inexplicable aerial phenomenon affected the NATO Base at Aviano that night, and as proof of this there are several collateral pieces of testimony gathered by witnesses who are in no way connected with the personnel of the Base. We therefore report below what seems to be the most important among these accounts.

The "independent" Witness

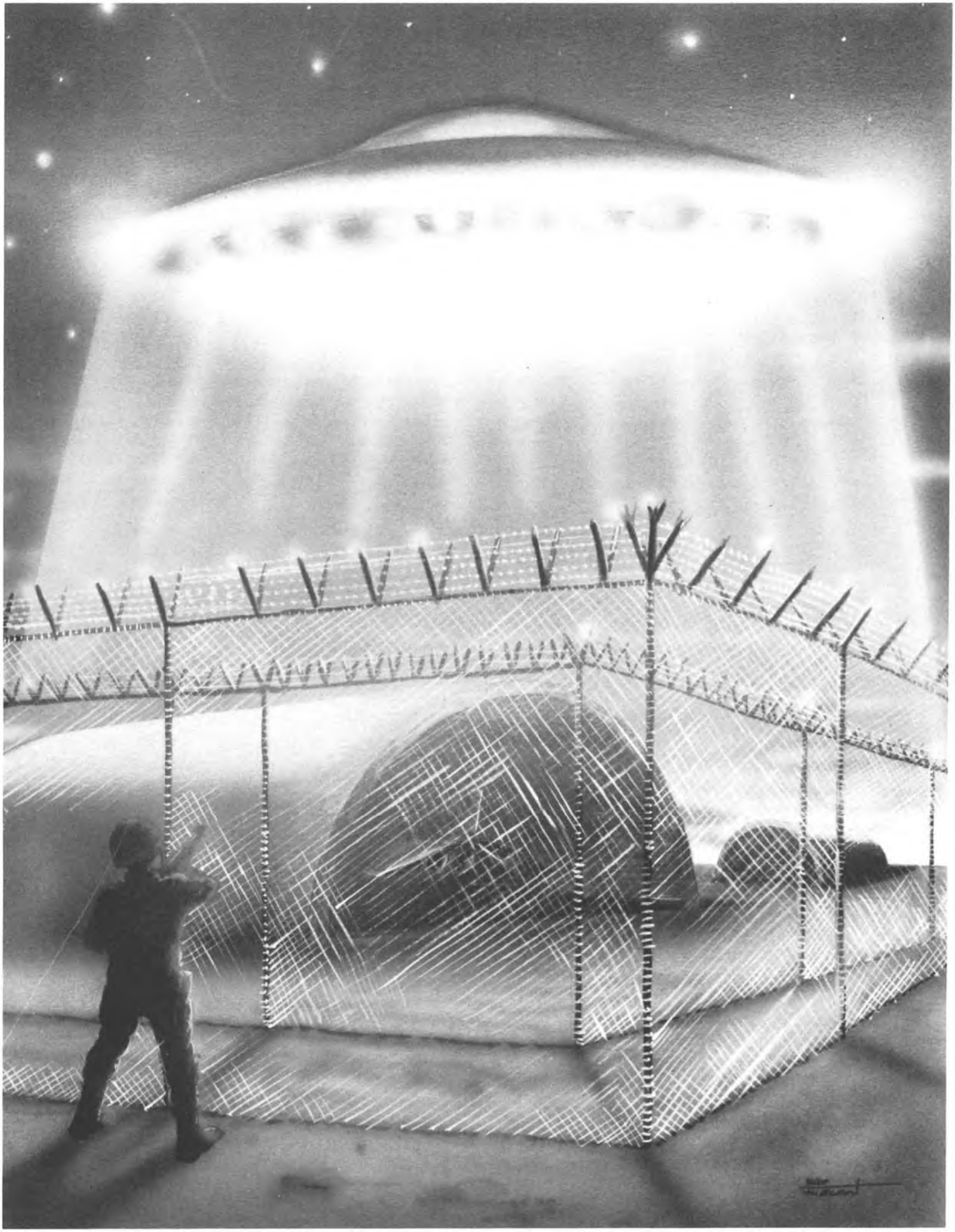
Signor Benito Manfré, born in 1940, a night-watchman by calling, was living at Castello d'Aviano (to be precise, a hamlet pertaining to Aviano) at the date of the occurrence.

On the night of June 30/July 1, 1977, he was off duty, and was therefore at home. In the middle of that night, even though his sleep is generally so deep that it can only be interrupted with difficulty, he was awakened by the intense, prolonged, and furious barking of his Belgian sheep-dog. Here, however, is a passage from his statement:

> "He barked so furiously that it made me think there was somebody out on the road, maybe some thieves. So, as a precaution, I didn't switch on the light, and went out on to the veranda of my first-floor apartment armed with my pistol. The first thing I noticed was that the airfield of the NATO Base, no more than 1½kms. as the crow flies from where I was, was completely dark. Besides which, there was nobody on the road. It had never happened to me before that I saw the Base totally and entirely without any lights, but what particularly aroused my attention was the presence of a "mass" of stationary light low down over a certain spot on the Base itself. (Note by Author: when the witness did a sketch for us, he placed the luminous "phenomenon" as observed by him above that area of the Airfield which does in fact correspond precisely to the strictly reserved zone known as "Victor Alert").
>
> "Immediately after seeing that mysterious 'jet' of light, I shouted loudly to my wife, without of course breaking off my observation, to tell her to come and see that strange 'thing'. But she shouted back, alas, that she was dreadfully drowsy and that I should therefore let her sleep on. So I remained there alone, watching that 'thing' which still looked like a glowing disc. After about five minutes or so the 'jet' of light slowly moved away from the point where it had been and, without a sound, climbing all the time as it went, passed beyond the mountains near Aviano.
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> "Ten seconds or so after the mysterious object had left the Base, the Base's lights came on again. I must also add that my dog only stopped barking when the luminous 'disc' had left the area. Finally, I must confess that I remained pretty disturbed by the episode. For that reason I didn't go back to bed at once and so, about half an hour later, I was able to note a certain amount of movement of vehicles of the American Military Police."

The E.T Hypothesis

In this episode at Aviano on July 1, 1977, we have an aerial phenomenon which — in our opinion — defies any easy explanation in terms of our present-day



science and technology. Moreover, the unidentified object in question implies the suspicion of an intelligent control or of a cybernetic equivalent, to such a degree that for the present writer it is difficult to see any sensible alternative to the hypothesis that, at the core of the UFO question there are extraterrestrial devices which are engaged in some sort of surveillance of us. *This is the hypothesis that our study of the so-called 'UFO Problem' induces us to consider the most likely within the framework of the information that we possess at the present time.* Like all scientific hypotheses, it is a working hypothesis, to be accepted or rejected only on the basis of a prolonged investigation.

The facts ascertained by us up till now do not, in any case, constitute incontestable proof of the Extraterrestrial Hypothesis.

What appears to us scientifically disappointing is that, while a great many 'ufological' indications *seem* to point in only one direction, the extraterrestrial hypothesis, the implications of that eventuality are nevertheless not given careful consideration by the scientific community with a view to forming a judgement about it, seeing that the whole question is in essence considered to be a *'paradox', unworthy of diligent attention.* In our view, these mental attitudes *vis-à-vis* the problem of the UFOs have been caused almost entirely by scientists and others who *in actual fact have never carried out any real investigations within the compass of the question on which they hold forth so resolutely.*

Hence, in our opinion, Science should stop behaving in such a fashion in regard to the 'ufological' problem.

In sum, does not a case like that of July 1, 1977, at Aviano deserve something more from the scientists than a simple shrug of the shoulders?

Note

We wish to make it clear that where we have reported the account of Benito Manfré we have been at great pains not to adulterate in any way the content of this possible UFO report. We have in effect substituted for a few adjectives and a few verbs and terms and so on employed by the witness other words and terms of *analogous meaning.* We did this in order to avoid disagreeable cacophonies or sentences or words which would be repeated with wearisome insistence, either as grammatically incorrect forms or errors in syntax. But we want to emphasise that in all this we have proceeded without changing in the least the 'genuine' content of the witness's account. — A.C.

COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR

What Antonio Chiumiento is saying in his footnote is that the country folk in Italy, like country people in many other lands, have colourful and expressive *dialects* (and may they long remain!), and that it is often necessary to reduce a passage to *standard Italian* before going on to translate it into any other language.

As regards our Author's comment on the attitude of the scientists, I wish I could say that I thought the problem was as simple as he suggests. *I suspect, however, that the truth is far more complex and far more alarming — namely that alien beings are capable of bringing powerful telepathic influences to bear upon us, and especially upon our scientific community, in order to prevent them from even thinking about the UFO Problem and what it might represent. In the final analysis, most of mankind still remains totally unaware of a terrible threat that may possibly be hanging over it because (1) mankind itself does not want to know the truth; (2) the Governments certainly do not want them to know; and (3) the aliens themselves do not want them to know either!* — G.C.



◀ **Artist's reconstruction by Ugo Furlan.**

NOTICE

Owing to an error at the printers, we find that a few copies of FSR 29/6 are defective. We shall be glad to send a replacement to any reader who reports such a defective copy.

VANISHED? — THE VALENTICH AFFAIR RE-EXAMINED

W. C. Chalker, B.Sc.

In FSR Vol. 24, No. 5 (1979) we published the author's first article on this case, *The Missing Cessna and the UFO.* Bill Chalker is a Director of UFO Research and lives at Lane Cove, New South Wales, Australia.—EDITOR.

For more than five years now, what has become known as the Valentich mystery has endured as an insoluble enigma. The crux of the mystery is just what happened to a young Australian pilot named Frederick Valentich and his 182 Cessna light aircraft — VH-DSJ *(Delta Sierra Juliet)* — during the evening of October 21st, 1978. The circumstances behind the total disappearance of both pilot and plane have since been elevated into one of the premier mysteries of aviation and for many one of the most intriguing elements of that controversy we call the UFO phenomenon.

The fact that the mystery has lasted so long is a direct result of the incredible aspects at the heart of the affair. Simply put (as the public story is familiar to most *) the young pilot, 47 minutes into what should have been a routine 69-minute flight from Moorabbin, Victoria, to King Island, reported an unidentified "aircraft" near him. From 1906 to 1912 hours Eastern Standard Time, October 21st, 1978, Frederick Valentich described to Melbourne Flight Service Unit controller, Steve Robey, what has been called a "radio encounter of a weird kind".†

The sequence of events described, in the officially released transcript of conversation (in itself an extraordinarily unprecedented action), revolved around the apparent observation of "a large aircraft" which had "a long shape", "a green light", ostensibly bright metallic lustre and four bright lights, travelling variously at high speed, approaching the Cessna, apparently hovering in a stationary manner and also "orbiting" above the plane.

At 7.12 p.m. and 28 seconds, immediately in the wake of reporting engine trouble and the object hovering on top of the plane again, Valentich uttered his final words: *"Delta Sierra Juliet,* Melbourne . . .", which were followed by some 7 seconds of transmission during which time "a long and loud metallic sound" was heard.

Assuming maintenance of his lodged flight plan, Frederick Valentich's last transmission would have ostensibly occurred when his aircraft may have been about 50 kilometres SSE of Cape Otway, or about 70 kilometres NNW of King Island. This puts it close to the reported position of "the outline of a submerged aircraft" allegedly sighted at 12.31 p.m. on November 21st, 1978 (a month later) by the pilot of a Cessna 337 from Hawk Flying Service. He located the "outline" some 77 kilometres (48 miles) north of King Island. The piot circled the area but on the second run was unable to confirm his observation. Aviation authorities dismissed the sighting because seas were rough and the water too deep (some 30 fathoms) for anything to have been seen on the sea floor from the air.



The route taken by the Cessna.

The account of the flight controller

In the absence of Valentich, we have only one other witness, albeit indirect, to this "radio encounter of a weird kind", namely Steve Robey. In the *Melbourne Herald* (December 9th, 1980), he is quoted as saying:

"Last light was about 12 or 13 minutes past seven; (Valentich) was at 4,500 feet, so he would not have been in darkness, although beneath him would have been deepening twilight."

Of his conversation with Valentich, Robey recalled:

"I think at first he was a little concerned about this other aircraft flying around him, and of course I had to assume that it was another aircraft until it developed and became a little mysterious."

"Towards the end I think he was definitely concerned for his safety; I considered that he would have had to have been a good actor to have put it all

together the way he did."

Robey, however, did not believe he talked to a disorientated pilot.

"It was as though he was looking around for this thing as he was speaking on the radio . . . a young fellow with little experience, it's getting dark, and visual reference to the ground is fading.

"In a situation like this, if this is what happened, it is understandable he is getting a little bit uptight."

"It was a kind of rushed communication . . . it was as if he was startled . . . he was definitely concerned . . . it sounded as though it was rattling him."

Robey noted of Valentich's last recorded words:

"You can tell he was concerned because he put his call sign before 'Melbourne', he was a little mixed up . . ."

"Then there was this open microphone, with just this metallic pinging sound, like someone rapidly pushing the press-to-talk button . . . It started for about 5 to 6 seconds, then broke briefly and started up again."

Analysis of the tape by Dr. Richard Haines

We are now fortunate that analyses of the taped conversation, independent of the Australian Department of Aviation, are slowly percolating into the UFO literature, through the excellent work of Dr. Richard Haines, who has long had a specialist interest in aircraft/UFO cases. He acquired a copy of the pilot's conversation from Guido Valentich, the father of the missing pilot. Guido acquired his copy direct from the Department of Aviation, who originally supplied it to him on confidential humanitarian grounds.

As far as the original tape is concerned, it was "returned to service", i.e. erased and reused by Melbourne Flight Service. Mr. A. R. Woodward, Assistant Secretary (Air Safety Investigation) further advised me that no further copies of the tape existed. This seems extraordinary given the unresolved nature of the Valentich incident, but stranger things have happened in the name of bureaucracy!

Richard Haines' initial findings — *"Results of sound spectrum analysis of the metallic noises of a tape-recorded radio transmission between Cessna VH:DSJ and the Flight Service of Melbourne, Australia"* — have now been published in the Journal of the Centre for UFO Studies. He points out that in the 17-second period of "metallic" noises, containing "36 separate bursts with fairly constant start and stop pulses bounding each one, there are no discernible patterns in time or frequency to these bursts . . ." Dr. Haines concludes that the effect was similar to that produced by rapid keying of the microphone, but he points out that control tests using the same technique were noticeably different from the original sound.

Although this is frustratingly inconclusive, other segments of the six-minute-long original tape have also been analysed by Dr. Haines and associates and hopefully their findings will be published shortly.

Dr. Haines has also written about a 400-page manuscript on the Valentich mystery. Included in the book are four hypothetical "eye-witness" accounts of what might have happened to Valentich: "pilot disorientaton/crash/death", "deliberate pilot hoax", "actual UFO in-flight abduction", and "military weapons test". From what Dr. Haines has told me about the manuscript, I sincerely hope it finds a publisher. Many people have conducted investigations into the Valentich mystery, but few have been as thorough and exhaustive as Dr. Haines. Paul Norman, of the Victorian UFO Research Society, has also doggedly pursued the trail of clues in this extraordinary mystery, unearthing a number of interesting details.

Although hardly definitive, but certainly highly readable, *"The Devil's Meridian"*, by Australian journalists Kevin Killey and Gary Lester, gives a broad insight into the magnitude of the mystery. The book makes a somewhat strained attempt to liken (God forbid) Bass Strait to the infamous "Bermuda Triangle". Other provocative mysteries (some seemingly involving UFOs) litter the history of Bass Strait trafficking, but these are beyond the scope of this article. Instead I refer you, for example to a cautious reading of *"The Devil's Meridian"* or, for a summary of these aspects, to my own entry in R. Story's *"The Encyclopedia of UFOs":* "Valentich-Bass Strait (Australia) Affair".

The Government Report

During May, 1982, the Bureau of Air Safety Investigation, operating within the Australian Department of Aviation, released a Government report on the incident. That report — an Aircraft Accident Investigation Summary Report, reference No. V116/783/1047 — was made available "only to parties having a bona fide interest in the occurrence".

The official report does not resolve the mystery. Indeed, it is alarming what it does not address. Apart from supplying basic facts and the tape transcript, it gave the following extraordinary items:

"Location of occurrence: not known",

"Time: not known",

"Degree of injury: presumed fatal",

"Opinion as to cause: The reason for the disappearance of the aircraft has not been determined."

Apart from a very early attempt to suggest that Frederick Valentich may have been flying upside down, totally disorientated, with lighthouse lights producing his perception of an "unidentified aircraft", the Australian Department of Aviation has never officially addressed the question of what Valentich may have been observing prior to his disappearance. I have tried to extract from the Department their opinions, but results have been far from satisfactory.

At first the then Assistant Secretary (Air Safety Investigation), Mr. G. V. Hughes, advised me that he was not clear as to what was meant by my expression, ". . . the stimulus of Valentich's apparent UFO observation . . ." "However, a great deal of consideration has been given to what Mr. Valentich might have been looking at when he described his observations. A considerable number of suggestions have been put forward by persons inside and outside this Department. All have been examined. The Department is not aware of any other official body having undertaken such an investigation into this occurrence," Mr. Hughes said.

However, when it came to an official investigation of a possible UFO connection, a veritable bureaucratic "Catch-22" loomed large.

Mr. Hughes advised me, "As you correctly state . . ., the RAAF (Royal Australian Air Force) is responsible for the investigation of reports concerning 'UFO' sightings, and liaison was established with the RAAF on these aspects of the investigation. The decision as to whether or not the 'UFO' report is to be investigated rests with the RAAF and not with this Department".

The Royal Australian Air Force Files

At that time I was fortunately in a position to have been given officially sanctioned, direct access to the RAAF UFO files in Canberra. During 1982 over four separate visits, totalling six days, I was able to examine what was ostensibly the entirety of the official UFO files held by the Directorate of Air Force Intelligence (DAFI). There was no extant documentation on the Valentich incident in the RAAF files I examined. The Intelligence Liaison Officer — DAFI explained to me that the RAAF did not investigate the affair because they were not asked to by the Department of Aviation! The RAAF saw it as more appropriately in the domain of an "air accident/air safety" enquiry. The ILO-DAFI also volunteered that he felt pilot disorientation was the explanation for what happened to Valentich, but indicated that this was only a personal assessment of publicly available data.

The Department of Aviation's Files

In November, 1982, I was finally given official permission to examine the Department of Aviation UFO files, but was specifically denied access to the Valentich files on the grounds that they were Air Accident Investigation files and not UFO files. Mr. Hughes of Air Safety elaborated to me, as follows:

"The file concerning this occurrence is no more or less restricted than any other accident investigation file.

"As a signatory to the International Convention on Civil Aviation, we subscribe to the Standards and Recommended Practices contained in Annex 13 to the Convention, in respect of aircraft accident investigation, specifically, when it is considered that the disclosure of records, for purposes other than accident prevention, might have an adverse effect on the availability of information in that or any future investigation, such records are considered privileged."

While in Melbourne examining the Aviation Department's UFO files, I was able to have a lengthy discussion on the Valentich affair with Mr. A. Woodward, the signatory on the official Aircraft Accident Investigation Summary Report. He largely reiterated the official Department line, emphasising that they were treating the matter as only an "air accident" investigation. He dwelt on a long list of prosaic explanations ranging from disorientation, suicide, to the unlikely prospect of the plane being struck by a meteorite, but conceded that the affair was still unresolved.

Some pretty bizarre prosaic explanations have been offered up to account for the Valentich mystery.

The theories of the "anti-UFO school"

Some of the more grandiose, if not the most improbable of these expositions, are those given by "anti-UFO crusader" Harley Klauer, a retired radio engineer, resident at Seaford, Victoria. With obvious open-mindedness he has been quoted as saying, "UFOs — bah! You should call them third encounters of the absurd kind — psychotic drivel".

In *"People"* (Australia) magazine, September 3, 1980, Klauer initially offered two explanations of what happened to Valentich. His first option has the pilot being brought down by drug-runners, not UFOs. The second has the plane being "zapped" by an electrical discharge from a UFO-look-alike lenticular cloud.

Klauer contended that drug-smugglers used Bass Strait to bring drugs into Australia, suggesting they used big helium-filled baloons, with nylon fishing lines, from which the drugs could be hung, floating two or three miles above the water, towed by a power boat. If apprehended the felons could cut the line. The evidence then floats away. Klauer suggests an invisible nylon line in just such an operation could have struck the wing of Valentich's Cessna. The balloon becomes the UFO and the line would have pulled down the aircraft out of control, in much the same way barrage balloons acted in World War Two. After the plane crash, Klauer contends the power boat crew located the wreckage by radar, picked it up or made sure that anything floating sank without trace!!

Klauer, in his second option, points out that on the

same evening of Valentich's disappearance, at sunset, from Seaforth, he saw in the south-west, a line of lenticular-type clouds, stretching right away into the horizon and going towards Cape Otway — Valentich's last land call. Klauer suggests that Valentich could have fallen victim to a sudden electrical discharge from one of these clouds!!

The photographs by Roy Manifold

Later, in *"On Parade"* (Summer/Christmas, 1981/82), Harley Klauer had clearly thought more deeply on the whole affair. Gone were the drug-smugglers. Now he had the evidence of a series of photos taken of the sunset view at Cape Otway, on October 21, 1978, by one Roy Manifold, who, according to Klauer, had "by a staggering fluke caught the actual explosion of the (Valentich) aircraft on film". One of the Manifold photos shows a strange shape, cloud, smoke, or whatever, above the water. A previous photo in the series shows what appears to be something in the water beneath the position of the "aerial artifact". Some researchers speculated that the photo series showed a UFO coming out of the water — indeed, perhaps the same UFO that they feel swallowed up Valentich. Klauer, of course, sees it differently and goes on to conclude from an analysis of the photos that the plane wreckage is located about 11 kilometres south-west of Cape Otway Lighthouse. To explain why the plane was photographed exploding, Klauer suggests either a spark from a loose or frayed engine lead, igniting petrol fumes, *or,* you might have guessed it by now, electrical discharge from those sinister lenticular clouds he claims were lurking off Cape Otway, lying in wait for the unsuspecting aircraft!!

There are a few *minor* problems for Klauer's theories. For starters, the Manifold photo series were taken of the sunset off Cape Otway, which occurred at 6.43 p.m. Valentich reported Cape Otway at 7.00 p.m. — 17 minutes after Manifold's photos were taken! Valentich's last transmission occurred at 7.14 p.m., some 29 minutes after Klauer has his aircraft exploding!! As for Klauer's stormy discharging lenticular clouds, the weather conditions at Cape Otway at about the time of the incident were clear, with 35 kilometer visibility, calm winds, temperature 17 degrees centigrade and smooth seas!

Incidentally the Manifold photos were analysed by the Ground Saucer Watch computer enhancement technique, which concluded rather unashamedly that "the images represent a bona fide unknown flying object, of moderate dimensions, apparently surrounded by a cloud-like vapour/exhaust residue"!!

Aviation mysteries have a strange habit of coming back to haunt us, sometimes literally (if John Fuller's *"The Ghost of Flight 401"* and *"The Airmen who would not Die"* are of any validity), but more often than not, prosaically. Events originally surrounded in evocative mystery may, many years later, be resolved in prosaic terms that are usually rooted in tragedy. A chance discovery in the years to come may lay the whole mystery to rest.

Indeed the Valentich mystery has, at various intervals over the last five years, been given new leases of life with the chance discovery of various pieces of debris in Bass Strait. But on every occasion, be it metal strips, cylinders and the like, prosaic explanations have prevailed.

Cessna wreckage allegedly found

However, if Ron Cameron's story develops to full fruition, we may have more than mere bits of prosaic debris, rather, we could have a UFO "retrieval" story with a difference.

In December, 1982, and January, 1983, newspaper headlines such as "UFO Plane Finding" and "Missing Plane Puzzle 'solved'", were to be seen. The stories all revolved around the claim made by Mr. Ron Cameron, an independent film producer working on a Valentich documentary, that he had been approached by two divers who told him they had found the wreckage of Valentich's aircraft, then missing for over four years.

Cameron told me that the two divers related to him a story of having stumbled across two aircraft during a salvage search for a boat that had gone down in the area. These two aircraft ostensibly had prosaic causes for their watery fate, but the divers were encouraged to look further for the missing Valentich plane. Within two weeks, they claimed, the Cessna was found. In all it seems that four light aircraft were found lying within relatively short distances of each other in a boomerang pattern, near ridges on the sea-bed off Cape Otway!

The divers claimed that they had 16 photos of the plane wreck and offered them to Cameron along with the plane's position, for $10,000. Cameron baulked at this offer in the absence of any authentication, but tried to continue negotiations along lines more consistent with his own terms. The divers showed him five photos which allegedly featured a Cessna, with correct identification marks, largely intact, but a bend in the fuselage. In response to a query from Cameron, the divers claimed that there was no body inside the plane.

The news of a $10,000 Valentich plane offer got back to Guido Valentich, who was understandably upset. He was quoted in the *Sydney "Sun"* of January 11th, 1983, as saying:

"It is disappointing that these people (the divers) try to sell such things when they haven't got the dignity or the courtesy to come along and show them to me:

"It indicates they are so cold-hearted that they don't care about people's feelings."

Plans for salvage

Meanwhile, a salvage operation was contemplated. The Department of Aviation contacted Cameron, stating that they had to be involved, in view of the fact that the aircraft was still the subject of an open air accident investigation, but insisted on a low profile. A meeting was arranged, but in the wake of more publicity, the DoA shied away, ostensibly fearing a media circus. The divers too backed away from Cameron, after they felt that statements he had made on radio suggested that they might have been lying. Cameron claims he assured the divers he had uttered no such innuendo, but eventually the two divers, predictably some would say, "became scarce", to the extent that Cameron has now lost contact with them both. One has apparently joined the Coast Guard in California as a diver. The other still seems to be resident in Victoria, Australia, but Cameron has been unable to contact him again, despite locating relations. There the story rested near enough to oblivion.

Cameron moved on to concern himself with yet another major mystery, again featuring a bizarre disappearance, namely that of Azaria Chamberlain — the baby who disappeared at Ayers Rock, Central Australia, and whose mother was subsequently convicted of her murder, despite the absence of a body. This time, Cameron says he is involved with others planning a feature film on the whole affair.

More recently, Cameron tells me he is attempting to resurrect the idea of attempting to salvage the Valentich aircraft.

My initial reaction to all this is one of scepticism, but it is necessary that we wait to see what develops. It is unfortunate that such a situation imposes still further hardships on the Valentich family. If it is within the power of anyone to solve the mystery, surely they must be morally obliged to do so.

A medium claims contact

Perhaps sadly and yet inevitably, the Valentich mystery has attracted the fringe element, some ostensibly well meaning, but since some of these claims contradict each other, the Valentich family must bear the brunt of further, perhaps, unnecessary invasions on their private attempts to cope with the disappearance of their son.

At this point there enters one Colin Amery, variously described as clairvoyant, occultist, author, and eccentric (!!). He lives now in New Zealand, where in recent elections he stood for Parliament. He polled 79 votes. Back in April, 1979, as leader of a Dunedin-based psychic group, Amery claimed contact had been made with Valentich during a séance.

Captured by space beings

During an alleged eight-minute "conversation" via Amery as a "channel", Valentich is said to have told the séance that he was safe, but no longer had a physical body. He is claimed to have said: *"I am in light. I can move to wherever I need to be"*. "Valentich/Amery" also alleged that more than 60 seconds of the missing pilot's radio transcript had been suppressed and withheld from the public. Further still, Amery has Valentich saying that he has been taken by a community in Space, that there were people who had come to do certain work and they needed his skill. They were not from Earth, but from a place in the Galaxy he could not locate. And another account has him working with people from Ursa Major, the Great Bear Constellation. Finally, asked if there were others with him, Amery has Valentich replying: "Yes, many people with technical skills have been chosen to help, and these people are my colleagues. They come from the planet Earth."

"Hollow-Earth" theory

One month later, Amery was convinced that Valentich had been kidnapped by "Ufonauts", but taken to "an inner, or hollow-Earth, colony under the Tasman Sea".

Amery was quoted by *"The Australian"* newspaper (May 30th, 1979) as saying; "They're survivors of an earlier civilisation which was destroyed. They've only been coming up lately because they're worried about what we're doing to this planet. This time they've taken someone quite openly — and there's no need for anyone to panic. They're obviously quite friendly, and communications I've had with Frederick suggest that he is not unhappy with his present situation".

Mercifully, this story seems to have slipped into oblivion, where it perhaps belonged in the first place.

The impressions of an American medium

During July, 1979, Guido Valentich co-operated with Boston-based psychic, Ron Halteri, about whom I know little more than was claimed in newspaper reports, namely that he was "a qualified psychic consultant and ESP teacher, with what he claims is 'a vast experience of UFOs'". Perhaps some readers may be able to enlighten us further about Mr. Halteri's background.

The Melbourne *"Truth"* newspaper of July 28th, 1979, attributes to Guido the following account of

Halteri's experiment in an aircraft Valentich frequently used:

"Mr. Halteri climbed into the cockpit and immediately said he was getting strong feelings from the plane. He began talking about what happened to Frederick that night.

"He said Frederick had first encountered a white mist or cloud. And then there were blue and white lights, from a fleet of UFOs in a V-formation. Frederick's plane went in through the entrance of one of the saucers, where he was met by two humanoid aliens.

"One of them was a doctor, and the other a technician. They were smaller than humans, and one had an instrument in its hand. It began waving the instrument across Frederick's face, and was getting telepathic information on him.

"Frederick wasn't experiencing any trouble, while this was happening. It was as if a miracle was happening to his mind."

Guido was sceptical about this information but stated, "I don't want to ignore anything that could lead me to my son. I just don't know . . ."

Woman medium predicts Valentich return

During the latter half of 1979, a Newcastle (New South Wales) housewife, Mrs. Beryl Smith, briefly ascended to psychic stardom, when the *"Daily Mirror"*, one of Sydney's afternoon daily newspapers, gave considerable prominence to her alleged predictive skills. Prior to this blaze of publicity she was credited with successful predictions, made at public meetings in Newcastle, of various major events including the Westgate Bridge disaster (major Melbourne bridge which collapsed during construction killing many workers), President Kennedy's assassination (hasn't every psychic), the Aberfan mine disaster, the Watergate scandal, the Indian cholera plague, the sacking of Australian Prime Minister Gough Whitlam, Cyclone Tracey (which devastated Darwin) and the Granville Train Disaster (major fatal rail accident in Sydney).

Journalist John Pinkney, who writes extensively on UFOs and paranormal subjects, said in the *"Daily Mirror"* on August 24, 1979: "Before long, there will be some remarkable new developments in the Valentich case. I will be first to break the story." In retrospect it is unclear what the "remarkable new developments" were, however, perhaps Pinkney was talking about his blockbusting two-page spread in the *"Mirror"* three days later (August 27) which was headlined:

"He's alive, says the amazing Mrs. Smith.
'UFO KIDNAP PILOT WILL RETURN'
Captured in space-ship by aliens."

John Pinkney goes on to describe Mrs. Smith's psychic skills, concluding "Beryl Smith to be the most dazzling gifted seer" he has met. He attributed to Mrs. Smith the prediction that "missing pilot Frederick Valentich will return before Christmas (that is December, 1979! — B.C.) — 'in a different form' — with world-shattering news about UFO". Mrs. Smith said to Pinkney, "When Frederick returns it will be to a shelly beach on an island. He will give the world an intricate description of what he saw".

Well, the fact is, Valentich, himself or "in a different form", did not return by Christmas, 1979, and for that matter, has not done so for any Christmas since then.

Beryl Smith went on to predict that during 1980, Australia would be struck by a number of earthquakes, all along the eastern seaboard, and a number of other equally dramatic events. She saw Prime Minister Fraser resigning due to ill-health and the Labour Party coming to power led by Bob Hawke, during 1980. She predicted that an aircraft would crash into one of Sydney's tallest buildings. None of these events occurred! Sure Mr. Fraser was plagued by illness, but he was defeated at the ballot box in early 1983, in an election that finally did bring Bob Hawke to power, two years after Beryl Smith's predicted date. This is not the place for an in-depth review of the accuracy of Mrs. Smith's predictive skills. The main point is that her prediction central to the subject of this article, namely the return of Valentich, did not come to pass.

John Pinkney went on to produce a best-selling book, called *"Alien Honeycomb — The First Solid Evidence for UFOs"*. Unfortunately for him, the "honeycomb" turned out to be made of fibreglass!! Undaunted, he now writes a weekly paranormal column — *"The Pinkney Report"* — in the Australian *"People"* magazine.

Another psychic says Valentich "planned it"

Quentin Fogarty, one of the principal witnesses to the famous New Zealand UFO sightings of December 31st, 1978, describes, in his own book on those events, *"Let's Hope They're Friendly"* (Angus & Robertson, 1982), another "psychic experiment", undertaken in an attempt to resolve the Valentich mystery.

Acting on recommendations from Dr. Allen Hynek, Director of the American Centre for UFO Studies, Quentin Fogarty got Guido Valentich to supply a U.S. psychic, Pat Gagliardo, with some personal effects of his missing son. Dr. Hynek subsequently told Fogarty that Mrs. Gagliardo's findings were disturbing and placed a completely different light on the affair.

After handing Frederick's effects, Mrs. Gagliardo reported she did not feel any "alien contact", nor did she receive any impressions of the plane being in the water. Fogarty quotes Mrs. Gagliardo as saying, "I felt that Fred Valentich had planned this episode. My feeling was that the plane had safely landed on land and has been camouflaged. I feel it is in an area not far from the water's edge. It is between a grove of

large trees with pastures on the east and west. My impressions lie mostly with King Island and Tasmania."

With Guido Valentich's co-operation, Quentin Fogarty continued the experiment personally in the U.S., with Mrs. Gagliardo. This second session provided a locality on the north-west corner of Tasmania, on a property known as Woolnorth Station, near Montagu.

Following subsequent Australian rumours, that Valentich had been seen working at a service station (gas station) in Tasmania, Pat Gagliardo alleged she had recently "felt" a service station had featured in her "impressions" about Valentich.

Eventually in February, 1981, Fogarty and a friend went to the indicated locality. As it turned out, Woolnorth Station was a large area, and no one knew of any information that would suggest a light aircraft had landed there back on October 21st, 1978. The possibility was not ruled out, but there was no evidence for it. Fogarty, however, states, "I was struck by the fact that the physical features of the area corresponded accurately with what Mrs. Gagliardo had told me, but I soon realised that it would take an enormous search, involving many people, to cover the huge property. We left Woolnorth, disappointed that the task was proving too formidable for our limited time and resources". No definite confirmation was forthcoming and none has occurred to this date.

Opinion of contactee Bill Herrmann

Even a so-called UFO "abductee" — that largely recent and peculiar manifestation of UFO weirdness — has also claimed a Valentich connection. Bill Herrmann of Charleston, Carolina, whose "experiences" are described in *"UFO Contact from Reticuli"* by Wendelle Stevens, alleges that during his second abduction (!) the "aliens" told him, "the pilot (Valentich) of the aircraft is safe . . . with our "network" . . . at his own desire and wish. It is up to him to decide his return".

Jim Lorenzen of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organisation (APRO) asked me to assist in an experiment to test the possibility raised by Herrmann that he might have been able to meet Valentich during his own future "abductions". Although decidedly sceptical, I contacted Guido Valentich, who supplied a list of confidential details. I then framed questions to correspond to these details and passed them on to Jim Lorenzen. Herrmann, however, backed away from his "UFO abduction" experiences, allegedly partly due to family pressure (he might have not come back, you see!) and partly due to his apparently growing conviction that "evil forces" were involved. As a result the "experiment" never took place.

Enigma unsolved

It is evident that the Valentich affair is punctuated with haunting, or rather more appropriately, taunting clues, that set us off in all sorts of conflicting directions. Did a UFO abduct Valentich? Did Valentich contrive the whole affair, or are other prosaic explanations involved? A multitude of various lines of enquiry radiate out in all sorts of directions. Most take us away from the facts of the matter, namely that no trace of pilot or plane have yet been found.

My basic sentiments are admirably echoed in Quentin Fogarty's final words about his own brief flirtation with the Valentich mystery:

"No trace of Valentich or his aircraft has been found and until some concrete evidence turns up, the Valentich family must wait, trying to come to terms with Frederick's mysterious disappearance.

"For their sake, I hope that the final chapter to the story will one day be written and that, whatever the outcome, it will finally bring them some peace and comfort."

Delta Sierra Juliet — where are you?

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THE FAMOUS SALANDIN SIGHTING

Reference was made on page 9 of FSR No. 29/5 to the "classic" case of Flight-Lieutenant J. R. Salandin, which was Editor Derek Dempster's lead-story in FSR's very first issue, Vol. 1, No. 1, of Spring 1955, and because so many of our younger, newer, readers will not be familiar with it, we now reprint it below, precisely as it appeared in our pages almost thirty years ago. ***(Moreover, there is an interesting new tail-piece to it, which we shall add.)***

LET'S TALK SPACE
WEEKEND PILOT IN NEAR COLLISION WITH FLYING SAUCER

IF Flight-Lieutenant J. R. Salandin, a week-end pilot of No. 604, County of Middlesex Squadron, Royal Auxiliary Air Force, had not been sceptical about Flying Saucers before his near-collision with one last October (1954), the Air Ministry might have had one of the first authentic ciné records ever taken and been closer to solving the riddle of the unidentified flying objects than ever before.

Reporting for duty after lunch on October 14, 1954, Jimmy Salandin climbed into a *Meteor Mk. 8* jet fighter and at 4.15 took off from North Weald, Essex.

The sky was blue and cloudless, and as he climbed in a southerly direction towards the Thames Estuary he spotted two *Meteors* in formation high above him leaving vapour trails behind them.

As his aircraft climbed, Salandin kept his eyes on the two fighters and every now and then checked his instruments and position.

The altimeter was reading just over 16,000 ft. and Southend was just looming up beneath him when he saw two circular objects streaking between the two *Meteors,* travelling in the opposite direction.

He watched them until they reached nine o'clock high — a position high on his port beam — when they disappeared beyond his range of vision. Reporting the incident later, Salandin said: "One was silvery and the other gold in colour."

But the shock was yet to come. When he turned to look through his windscreen he was horrified to see another object coming straight for him at his own level.

"The thing had a bun-shaped top, a flange like two saucers in the middle, and a bun underneath", he said, describing it later. "It was silvery in colour and could not have been far off because it overlapped my windscreen."

A *Meteor* fighter's 37-ft. span wings just fill the windscreen at 150 yards.

As it closed in, the object changed direction and passed Salandin on his port side.

"It was travelling at a tremendous speed", he reported, and added: "I was so shaken I had to fly around quietly for about ten minutes to recover. I told Control over the R/T (radio/telephone) what had happened."

What gripes Jimmy Salandin now is that he did not press his camera-gun button. "The thing was right in my sights", he says wistfully. "Next time, I'll be on the ball."



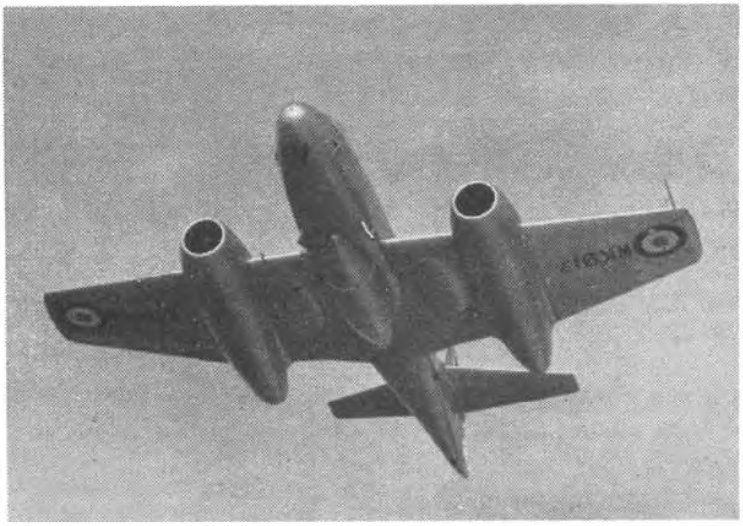
Such, then, was the exciting aerial close encounter with which FSR's first Editor, Derek Dempster (himself a former Royal Air Force pilot, who knew Salandin) kicked off, on page 2, immediately after his Editorial, in the very first number of our now famous journal. (As we all know, we have had the solemn word of Officialdom, many times repeated during these thirty years, that "flying saucers" ***do not exist.*** **But FSR still exists, and during these thirty years, how many good journals have we not seen go to the wall and vanish without trace —** ***journals devoted, all of them,*** **to** ***subjects that do exist!)***

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And now for our delicious little tail-piece.

The Salandin case is of course well known and it has its place in the annals of British Ufology, but we had never thought that we might one day hear echoes of it.

However, as chance decreed, I was recently invited



At 150 yards the 37-foot-span wings of the Meteor fill the windscreen

by the House of Lords All-Party UFO Study Group to speak to them (for the second time), and the date had been set for November 8, 1983. After a pleasant afternoon and evening at the Lords, followed by dinner with our very kind hosts the Earl and Countess of Clancarty, my wife and I were making our way homewards by the Metropolitan Railway from Baker Street station when, through stepping into a coach just as the doors were closing, I found myself whisked away and separated from my wife. She managed to catch the following train and rejoin me further down the line. In the meantime however she had run into another passenger who, through a mix-up, was also in some trouble, because, as he explained, it was now very late at night and a bit foggy, and *his* poor wife was now awaiting him, in their car, at a station on another branch-line. My wife said that there would be no problem, as we would ferry him over to the station where his wife was.

When in due course Mrs. Creighton caught up with me, she introduced me to her travelling companion, Mr ————, who lives not far from us in the County of Buckinghamshire. During our brief run with him to the other station, I did something that is decidedly unusual for me. I do not normally talk about UFOs even to my friends, and certainly not to complete strangers. But I thought that it would be fun this time to see what the reaction of this average member of the public would be if I were to tell him, quite casually, that there were Peers of the Realm who take an interest in our taboo and non-existent subject! So I told him I had just addressed a House of Lords group on "Flying Saucers." To my vast surprise, he simply commented that "flying saucers" were nothing new to him . . . *"because I was a member of the same Squadron as Jimmy Salandin!"*

So we talked briefly of that famous sighting, and I told him that we had published the story in FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, and I asked him whether he knew this, and whether he had by any chance ever heard of our journal?



Flt.-Lt. J. R. Salandin

House of Lords

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"OH YES!", he replied. "WE KNEW ALL ABOUT FLYING SAUCER REVIEW! YOU WERE THE PEOPLE THAT WE WERE ALWAYS WARNED THAT WE MUST KEEP AWAY FROM!"

I do not feel at liberty to divulge the name of Jimmy Salandin's former colleague, for I did not request or secure his permission to do so. His name and address must therefore remain in my files. But is it not an interesting little story, and one that speaks volumes? I am sure that many will share my view that it is well worth putting on record. (And, by the way, if time and space permit, there are many other significant little titbits and anecdotes like this that we would like to put on record here too.) — G.C.

BOOK REVIEW

John A. Keel

Mute Evidence by Daniel Kagan and Ian Summers. (Bantam Books, New York, 1984; 502 pages. $4.95.) This is a book that *had* to be written. Unfortunately, it should have been written by somebody else. Bantam Books, a major paperback publisher in the U.S., allegedly spent almost $100,000 on this amateurish mishmash that uses the animal-mutilation mystery as a springboard for libel and slander. Dr. Leo Sprinkle, Tom Adams and many others prominent in American Ufology are brutally and often pointlessly attacked in an astonishing display of arrogance by two totally inexperienced and uninformed authors. This book will become to the mutilation hunters what the *Condon Report* has been to the UFO investigators.

Phenomenon not new

Animal mutilations is hardly a new subject. It was a wave of mutilations 2,500 years ago that led Zoroaster into his pioneering studies of demons and angels. In that wonderfully puzzling year of 1905, according to Charles Fort, a wave of mysterious mutilations of domestic animals swept Great Britain. The late Ivan T. Sanderson, a zoologist by trade, and myself, a gadfly by avocation, began to encounter strange mutilations in the mid-1960s in the north-eastern United States. While lecturing in tandem in the state of Pennsylvania, we were approached by doctors of veterinarian medicine who soberly asked us if we knew who — or what — was slaughtering cows and horses in pastoral farm fields. In the years that followed, we both examined literally hundreds of victims of this phenomenon. On several occasions, the animals had been slaughtered while in their stalls in barns! Some seemed to have been garroted. A fine red line around their necks suggested that a noose of piano wire had killed them. Most baffling of all, the other animals in the barn had not made a sound. Normally, just the smell of blood would cause them to create a bellowing ruckus as they tried to kick down their stalls.

The Keel/Sanderson Investigations

By the late 1960s, Ivan and I had received "mute" (mutilation) reports from Georgia to Maine, mostly through Ivan's network of zoologists and anthropologists and my UFO investigators network. Both of us had contacts within many police departments, also. Very, very few of these cases appeared in newspapers. Journalists did not regard the seemingly random deaths of farm animals as news. However, the farmers of Pennsylvannia became so irate that they formed an organisation to hunt down the mutilators in 1968-69. By 1973, mutilation reports were coming in from as far south as the island of Puerto Rico. I might point out that 1973 was also the year of an artificial beef shortage in the U.S., and many farmers were wantonly destroying their cattle in an effort to drive beef prices up. Cattle-rustling, always a problem in the U.S., became more acute, too. The usual technique was to drive huge trucks to isolated parts of a cattle ranch, load them with purloined bovines and drive them to distant slaughter-houses. The rustlers always left plenty of footprints, tyre tracks and other evidence of their chicanery. *The animal-mutilators, on the other hand, left no evidence at all. They killed the animal in its home field, sometimes only yards from the house where the owner and his family were sleeping!* Another distressing feature was the mutilator's penchant for removing the animal's tongue and sex organs. This, of course, led some police departments to theorise that cultists . . . devil worshippers and the like . . . were the culprits.

In the fall of 1973, the U.S. had one of its biggest and most famous UFO waves. There were landings and contacts galore and hundreds of sightings from every state. The U.S. press began to report some of these things, then war broke out in the Middle East and UFOs were quickly abandoned. But the sightings and landings continued into 1974 without the benefit of press coverage. Animal-mutilations also increased spectacularly. Now they began to spread slowly, systematically westward.

Small local weekly newspapers began to print "mute" reports in the Mid-west but the major dailies ignored them. I was intrigued to discover that, like our wandering Big-foot reports, the mutilators seemed to follow certain highways as they traversed states so that it was *possible to predict where they would appear next.* In 1974, I wrote a newspaper column on the "mute" mystery and it was published in over 200 major daily newspapers. Many featured it on their front

pages or editorial pages. Within two weeks I had received over 3,000 letters from rural residents who wanted to tell me about the previously unreported animal losses they had suffered. Sadly, Ivan Sanderson had died in 1973. My own health was fragile at that time, so I had to limit my field investigations. And most of the UFO buffs had defensively decided that animal-mutilations were not even remotely connected with UFOs, so they refused to be bothered.

But the mutilations continued to build up. In 1975, it was a nation-wide phenomenon although the press still avoided it. Within the next year there would be only a couple of obscure magazine articles, one write-up in *Newsweek,* and one five-minute item on a network newscast. Hardly a deluge of publicity. Yet rumours of mutilations spread from coast to coast and a wide variety of hoaxters, publicity-seekers and weirdly motivated eccentrics began to appear. A young man in the Mid-west achieved considerable notoriety with his claims of being a "UFO expert" and animal-mutilation investigator until he was finally returned to his berth at an insane asylum. Two criminals imprisoned in Minnesota almost convinced veteran Fortean Jerome Clark that they had first-hand knowledge of the sinister cult that was conducting the mutilations. Clark was instrumental in having them moved to a smaller prison so he could interview them at greater length. They promptly tried to escape . . . which had been their plan all along.

When the mutilators moved into real cattle country . . . Texas, Colorado, Montana, etc., all hell broke loose. Cattle ranchers organised and demanded that the U.S. Government should intervene. A famous rock-and-roll musician-turned-author . . . one Ed Sanders . . . visited mutilation country and became convinced that the Government was, in fact, behind the whole thing. In an article in the girlie magazine *Oui,* he claimed animals were being mutilated after being exposed to various Top-Secret chemicals and gases.

The Helicopters and "M.I.Bs"

As investigation techniques improved and became more thorough, some fascinating new elements appeared. Mysterious helicopters and strange flying lights were often sighted in "mute" areas. Strange men in robes or black suits were common visitors to such areas. Slowly, most of the hardcore believers in benevolent extraterrestrials began to mumble that there was a link . . . or many links . . . between UFOs and the "mutes". A Texan Fortean, Tom Adams, painstakingly established a "Mute" Network of veterinarians, police officers and concerned ranchers. Around 1977, he began a newsletter, *Stigmata,* devoted to mute reports. A former F.B.I. agent named Rommel was given a Government grant to solve the mystery. He quickly decided that all those animals from Maine to New Mexico had died natural deaths or had been victims of predators!

In many, many ways the whole affair resembled the UFO furore and even had essentially the same cast of characters. It also cast a pall of terror over many parts of the United States. If there had been only 100 mutilations over the ten-year span (1966-1976) in every state, that would have meant there had been a total of 5,000 altogether. Some of the mutilation "experts" were claiming as many as 10,000 cases in a single year. An unlikely figure which is endlessly challenged by Kagan and Summers. After 1977, the mutilation wave subsided. It is probable that more and more natural deaths were mistakenly being reported as "mute" cases.

Canada too

A rash of remarkable mutilations took place in north-western Canada in 1980, and they were the subject of a very intense investigation by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Like U.S. lawmen, they first believed they were dealing with some fiendish cult. But as the weirder aspects became clear, the RCMP became very secretive.

Enter "The Authorities", Kagan and Summers

It was in 1980, long after the "mute" wave had faded, that two New Yorkers promoted the book contract for *Mute Evidence.* Ian Summers was a Madison Avenue Art Director and science-fiction buff . . . co-author of the satirical *Barlowe's Guide to Extraterrestrials.* Daniel Kagan had had a checkered career ranging from rock-singer to poet. The pair toured the U.S in 1980 at Bantam's expense, and then Kagan composed a huge manuscript of over 1,000 pages.

As the foregoing should make abundantly clear, the mutilation situation deserves a carefully researched history by an author — or authors — trained in psychology, forensic medicine and with a vivid sense of the history of their own times, particularly the 1966-76 period. What we have in *Mute Evidence* is, however, a rambling, undisciplined excursion by two naive novices into a special world that requires special training and understanding. Visiting the areas long after the fact, they shifted their focus to the eccentrics and when doors were closed to them because they behaved, as one of their victims put it, "like New York smartasses", they were quicker than even Phil Klass or James Randi to accuse people of lying or worse. The result is a book that becomes so plodding that few will ever get through it. Those few will be treated to an absolutely hilarious closing chapter (though the authors didn't intend it that way). We wonder why someone at Bantam Books did not recognise the obvious fact that the manuscript required heavy, professional editing and should have been boiled down to 250-300 pages at the most. Instead, they tried the old ploy of waffling

about the book in the copy on the front and back covers. We are promised that here is: "Finally, the incredible truth behind the wave of death that shocked the nation". The Kagan-Summers truth is that it was all swamp-gas. On the back cover it is stated: ". . . the exciting true story of two courageous journalists who broke through the network of secrecy and deception to uncover the shocking truth behind the cattle-mutilations mystery. And they leave us with one chilling question . . . will human beings be the next victims?" Actually, the book ends with a cumbersome and boring sentence comparing the modern rancher with "a terrified Pleistocene man cowering in a hole in the ground during a thunderstorm". Hardly flattering. I imagine that the few copies of this book that are actually sold will end up in certain small out-buildings all over the American West where they will be systematically destroyed by the ranchers page-by-page.

POSTSCRIPT

In 1984, police departments throughout the United States were dealing with so-called "serial murderers" who travelled widely, killing and mutilating people. One man, Henry Lucas, confessed to slaughtering over 300 people . . . mostly young women. Others were apprehended after killing at least 25-30 people, usually in sex-related crimes. Most of these murderers claimed to belong to a Satanic cult of some sort. In June, 1984, a teenaged boy in Long Island, N.Y., a known devil-worshipper, killed another boy and gouged out his eye. Hundreds of unsolved murders throughout the country indicate that other serial murderers are still loose. Many of the bodies are discovered decapitated and the heads are never found.

THE ABDUCTION AT JARDIM ALVORADA: INVESTIGATION UNDER HYPNOTIC TIME-REGRESSION

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GENERAL DATA

Study of a UFO abduction involving sexual relations and dialogue with the crew of a UFO. Investigation made under hypnotic time-regression.

DATE: Friday, April 13, 1979 — Saturday, April 14, 1979.
TIME: 2330 hrs. April 13 — 0130 hrs. April 14.
PLACE: *JARDIM ALVORADA, a suburb of City of Maringá, Southern Brazil (23 26 S. 52 02 W.).*

WITNESSES:

Primary: Jocelino de Mattos (21 years old)* and Roberto Carlos de Mattos (13 years old) — his brother.
Secondary: Maria Rosa de Mattos — mother. Antonio de Jesus de Mattos — another brother.
Tertiary: Neuza de Mattos — sister. Alvaro Loureiro — brother-in-law.
Occasional: Marilena de Mattos — wife.

(*) All other witnesses are mentioned in relation to Jocelino de Mattos, the principal witness. The order of mentioning the witnesses refers to their involvement with the craft. An occasional witness is Jocelino's wife, who did not see the UFO, but she is one of the most important witnesses because of her contribution to this research, since she is always in contact with the main protagonist of the abduction — her husband.

Introduction

The Jardim Alvorada affair is an unusual case because of it strangeness. It occurred in 1979, a relatively poor year for UFOs in Brazil. This case will show us much more than we already know about UFO abductions. It is, in fact, one of the numerous cases involving *sexual contact,* and it has some resemblance to the case of Antônio Villas-Boas which also occurred in Brazil, about twenty years ago. But the Jardim Alvorada affair is far more interesting, and not only contains the episode of the sexual relations, but it also points up the interest of alien civilisations in our genetic reproduction.

An extraterrestrial, one of the crew, speaking to the main witness Jocelino, told him something that only a person very familiar with our planet and all its nations could know. The crew of the craft introduced themselves as a sort of 'team for research and study of Earth and of human civilisations' — something that they called 'UNITY AGRIPO'. We, the investigators of the case, do not know what this could be, but we do agree with the most recent discoveries and developments in the procedure of hypnotic time-regression (HR), and since almost 70% of the details of this case were extracted from Jocelino's mind and his brother's mind by means of HR, we accept the veracity of this case.

We would mention that the two brothers were induced to enter the craft by, it seems, a kind of hypnosis produced by the light from the craft and also the sounds from the craft.

CPDV has presented this case at about 30 UFO symposia in Brazil from 1981 up to the present date.

The Narrative of Jocelino's Conscious Recollections

Jocelino de Mattos and his brother Roberto Carlos de Mattos were 21 and 13 years old respectively at the time of the occurrence on April 13, 1979. They were returning home at the time from the house of a sister who was herself not involved with the UFO. They had gone to her house to watch TV there. In Brazil that day, Friday, April 13, is regarded as a religious date, and they had gone there to watch a Catholic ceremony that was to be shown on the TV. However, it was announced that it would not start until very late, so they had decided to return home. In addition, Friday the 13th is regarded, all over the world, as a 'superstitious day'. (This of course had nothing whatever to do with the case, but it was used by the local press to make fun of the affair. Such treatment by the press was in part responsible for the witnesses' fear of ridicule, and their fear of UFO investigators.)

Their humble dwelling lies beside the Maringá—Astorga road, in the suburb of Jardim Alvorada, a part of the town that is generally quite thickly populated — though not in this particular area involved. And as they walked along, the brothers began to feel that they were being followed by a strange star.

The first to notice the presence of the strange bright star was Roberto, the younger one, who called his brother's attention to the object. It looked spherical, a bright yellow to white star, moving variously in a trajectory above them. It was not moving at any great speed, and was silent, making no sound. The night was a little bit cold, and the TV was showing the Catholic ceremony and consequently, that day being a day with religious and superstitious connotations, there was almost nobody out on the streets, and they were the only witnesses to the UFO at that particular moment. Had the case simply been an ordinary night-time sighting, it is probable that the two brothers would have remained the only witnesses. But as the UFO was landing, some minutes later, it greatly increased its brilliance and brightness and other people had their attention drawn to it and corroborative reports of the same case, at exactly the same date and hour, were later collected. Two people who were coming home from a party happened to have a Nikkon camera with them and, seeing the UFO, took a series of three photos of it, at 400 ASA with normal exposure. (The pictures show a bright spherical object crossing the sky inside some clouds, and in front of the Moon.)

A security guard and his son also saw the same object while they were at a secondary school near by. Their report is curious, because they record having seen the same UFO twice: once, at about 2345 hrs. (probably as it was landing) and then again at about 0115 hrs. (probably when the craft was returning our witness Jocelino) they saw it disappearing into the dark sky. A local pastor, well known and respected in Maringá City, also saw the UFO when coming out from his church. There are also other reports, all of them similar.

The home of the boys' sister was situated about 800-1,000 metres from where they and their mother live. (They have no father.)

They first caught sight of the UFO when they were about 300 m. from the sister's house — almost half-way. At that precise point they should have turned towards their right to go to their own home. At that corner there is a kind of ravine, with long grass about a metre high, and to reach their house they would have to go down along this ravine.

At that precise moment they began to hear a strange sound and, as they themselves describe it, felt themselves as it were being hypnotized by something. Their entire nervous and circulatory systems appear to have been out of control, and their legs had suddenly grown weak.

These sensations continued until, a few minutes later, they both fell down just below a massive tree — the only tree in the area. This tree was standing in the middle of a piece of ploughed land beside the road.

As the feeling of 'being followed' had grown upon them, they felt not only as it were 'hypnotized' but also had the feeling of being 'emotionally' drained.

All their organic functions seemed strange. This is a general part of the pattern that in many UFO cases (not necessarily abductions) the witness feels that his body is behaving differently from the normal.

In almost all the cases studied, the witnesses have started with a sensation of loss of weight and lack of control of the circulatory and nervous systems. In some cases, as in this affair at Jardim Alvorada, the witnesses feel as though they have been doped, almost as though they have been hypnotized. We have concluded that this 'doping' or 'hypnosis' was produced by the bright light from the UFO and possibly also by the faint sound emitted by it. It is therefore not beyond the bounds of speculation to conclude that some extraterrestrial or alien entity, inside or driving the craft, is responsible for this 'hypnosis'. It is also probable that, in addition to the effect of the light and the sound, there were maybe also other factors employed by the entities in producing the 'hypnosis', as we feel that the witnesses would already have been under study by them, so that we can only conclude that the abduction was a positive and planned happening.

The Narrative

In Jocelino's own words, we now report his narrative as given to us by him (conscious) during our interview with him on December 12, 1980.

"I was going home with my brother Roberto on the night of April 13, 1979, at about 2330 hrs., having come from our sister's house, where we had gone to see the TV programme of the Catholic midnight ceremony. As we were going along the road, my brother drew my attention to a strange star, which astonished him. He kept looking at the star, and I told him it was only a star and that he didn't need to be afraid of it.

But as we continued on walking along the road the star looked as though it was following us, and this astonished me too. Then I asked Roberto what he thought it could be, and of course he didn't know. He just went on saying that it was a star!

When we reached the corner where we have to turn right to go to our home, we felt a strange sensation. It seemed as if we were hypnotized. My blood started to run wildly in my veins, and I began to get nervous — more than normal. I'm not a person that is easily frightened!

So, as were were turning the corner, we felt hypnotized. I don't know why, but we then began to walk — instead of towards our home — towards the tree in the middle of the nearby field. I didn't *want* to go in that direction, but something *obliged* me and my brother to go that way. And it was difficult to walk over that field, because it had been ploughed and was already prepared for planting. So we walked with great difficulty, and when we were immediately below the tree (it was a very big one) we both fell down to the ground. The strange object, a star, as I thought, was by then about 10 or 15 metres from us, and about two or three metres from the ground. It was floating silently, and that's all I can remember, except that I heard a kind of voice that said (among other things that I don't remember, or didn't understand — things like dialogue or similar) — I heard a voice that said something like *"The job is not ended; we will come back or we will intervene".*

I don't know how I heard that voice, but I remember it as in a dream, a strange dream. My head felt strange, and I couldn't think of anything. I think I was dreaming, but I don't know . . .

Some time later we woke up with difficulty, and the star was not there. I said something to my brother, and as neither one of us could walk by himself, I first helped Roberto to wake up, and then he helped me too. We held each other up, and so we walked together towards our house. I think we took a long time to get there, it seemed so far, it seemed we would never reach it. It was very very difficult, and we were covered with mud from the field.

Also, I was feeling a strange and sudden hunger. It was very strange, I had never felt like that before.

We still could not stand properly, our legs were so weak. We were also trembling and astonished. In our heads we could hear a strange sound "echoing", as if we had been inside something that produced a great deal of sound. Something told me that we had been in some strange situation, but that I would be better soon.

Some minutes later, we reached our home, and as we were just about to open the door, something happened, and our legs became even weaker. We suddenly both fell down, breaking the door in our attempts to open it. My mother and brothers were at home already, waiting for us. They knew we had gone to our sister's place and that we would be back late. But we were in fact so late that they, obviously, had become nervous and worried. Hearing the noise when we broke the door in, they ran towards us and helped us to our feet. Standing there, we explained to them what had happened. At first they would not believe it, but later they went outside with me and I pointed out the object, the star, to them, which was still there. They could then see with their own eyes what we had seen. So they could not doubt our story.

As we were standing there looking up at the star hovering silently above the big tree, about 300-350 metres from us, I started telling my fam-

ily what had happened to us. Maybe, I felt, they wouldn't believe me, but at least we would have a chance if we explained everything and they could also see the star for themselves.

As I started to tell my family, it looked as though the object was 'observing us'. Then, suddenly, my brother and I felt a shock, an impact caused by a kind of ray that came from the craft. That ray was so strong that it hurled us both to the ground. My mother, sister and other brother were, however, not touched. They suffered no effects from that strange 'ray'.

I don't know exactly what happened while we lay there on the ground, faces downwards, but it seems as if we had been electrified, as if the shock had been an electric shock. My family, especially my mother, all told me later that, when they touched either of us, if felt as though we were electrified, or something like that.

It is also curious that we didn't feel the sensation of electricity. We didn't feel electrified in any way, but we couldn't move even a finger. We seemed like stone, without any movement. My mother also told me later that, when she tried to help us stand up, or tried to touch us, she felt that it was impossible to move us; we were frozen, but "not cold". Before that electric discharge, that ray, hit us, we had been standing, though with some difficulty, on our own legs. And then suddenly we saw the ray — it was like we used to see at the cinema, a definite straight-line ray, white and very bright. We don't understand why the ray didn't affect any of the rest of the family also, besides me and my brother.

About ten minutes or so later, at the most, we were again able to stand up, and were talking to the family. We had not been able to stand up until the star had gone.

A strange light could be seen around our bodies. My family could see it, but it faded as rapidly as the star departed. It was also strange that the star was pulsating and this light around our bodies was also pulsating simultaneously with the star as it was moving away. And when it had gone, there was no longer any light around our bodies, so then we were able to stand up, and go into the house. My mother prepared a simple meal for us, and we ate hungrily. I had never felt so hungry as that before.

Then a sister of ours who lives with my brother-in-law in a house close by, went to the Police and told them, and a police-car went to the place where we had fallen down under the tree. I don't know what, if anything, they found. And that is all I can say. If I remember more, then I'll telephone you."

Some Considerations and Observations

It is important to emphasise that Jocelino de Mattos is a simple man who expresses himself in a simple way, so we have tried to translate it as closely as we could.

What we had intended at first was to give only a part of Jocelino's narrative, namely this first part taken from him *consciously* in a simple interview. Neither Jocelino nor his brother had at first paid much attention to the importance of this experience of theirs and, of course, at the first interview we had with them, it is natural that they would not remember all the details of what had occurred more than a year before.

But we continued to interview Jocelino and Roberto, and the whole family, and, long before we started the hypnosis, a friendship had been struck up between our investigative team and them. They had confidence in our investigation, and, consequently, trust in us.

And, as our interviews continued, it was very interesting to see how gradually we were coming to know more and more of the details. But we must emphasise that, throughout, Jocelino and his brother never changed their story. They kept telling us almost precisely the same story, except for the details which they would gradually be remembering and which had been missed at the previous interviews.

In this Report, as space is limited, we are not going to give the full verbatim account, which is very lengthy. We will only mention details if they are very important and necessary, in these additional observations which follow.

In the subsequent interviews with us (tape-recorded) Jocelino tells us how he first saw the 'star', and how it was when they both fell down under the big tree. It is interesting to note that, if the craft or 'star' was about 10-15 metres from them, then they could, of course, clearly see details of it and ought to have been able to give us a description while conscious. *But that did not happen.* Neither Jocelino nor his brother (less involved in the case) could give us any description either of the time when they were walking towards the tree (when they were probably quite conscious) or when they were not conscious, or when they were semi-conscious.

So we think it is a fact that they were already hypnotized when they first started to see the UFO, in which case, they were already not conscious when walking towards the tree, the site of the abduction. And, if they were unconscious at this time, then it would not be recalled consciously, but only subconsciously. The two affirmatives are correct: they did not remember the occasion consciously. And

they only remembered it and gave the details of it under hypnosis by us.

Once they were hypnotized, it was not difficult to obtain a full description of the craft, and this will appear in the hypnotic-regression part of our Report.

We have no doubt that the original hypnosis — or whatever it was — that was utilized by the entities had facilitated the abduction of the brothers. It was also proved, during the hypnotic time-regression, that they heard some words or sentences which had been spoken not when they were lying under the tree but — as in a dream — when inside the craft.

Another interesting part of the narrative of Jocelino relates to the moment when they were both hit by what could be a kind of ray (a phenomenon known as 'solid light', or, better still, 'limited light', among Brazilian ufologists). This ray, as we concluded, was really very powerful indeed and capable of knocking them to the ground. Also, it was 'electrical', something unknown to them, and that they could not feel — all they knew was that they could not move.

Another curious and notable thing is that their family were actually able to feel that they were 'electrified', and got a shock from it when touching them.

It is highly probable that up to the moment when they were struck by this ray, the brothers did indeed still remember exactly everything that had happened to them, and that the purpose of the ray was therefore to terminate the abduction phase and cause them to forget what had happened.

In our sessions of HR we tried to find out whether the brothers could remember what they had been thinking at the time when they were coming back home after the presumed abduction, but this proved impossible, because both were unable to speak. We think this was probably due to their extremely nervous state at the moment, which made it impossible for their minds to work properly.

What they remembered and attributed to dreaming as they lay under the big tree was in reality very far from dreaming. They were able to recall some of the things that occurred inside the craft, as we shall shortly see. But we have reason to believe that they were already hypnotized as soon as they first saw the UFO, or 'star', and were then induced to go over in the direction of the big tree where they and the craft would not be observed.

All this took about 15 minutes, so it would have been about midnight when they were caused to fall down, and some seconds would have passed while they were unconscious. The whole episode occurred — as we shall show — between midnight and about 0130 on April 14, as was verified in our HR.

After it was all over, they were only able to stand with difficulty, the one helping the other, and they walked home in a state very near consciousness but not full consciousness. Between the big tree and their house they remembered some of what had occurred, and what they now were remembering was known to, or heard by, the aliens, who were still watching them, and who did not want the information to be transmitted to others. So, when the brothers reached the house and, a few moments later, started talking about what had happened to them, they were instantly 'reprimanded' by the aliens with the 'electrical discharge', so as to make them forget. But on the other hand other explanations can also be derived from a study of the hypnotic narrative. It is important to mention that, throughout, whether conscious or unconsciously (i.e. under HR) both Jocelino and Roberto have always talked of the UFO as 'a star'. It is important too to bear in mind that their educational level is very low.

In our investigations, whether with HR or not, we have tried to get the witnesses to compare things seen in the UFO, or the UFO itself, with things that they are used to seeing in their everyday life. As Jocelino de Mattos has worked for a long time building houses, and particularly in electrical work (he is an electrician or 'linesman') he is quite used to domestic equipment and can compare these things with things seen inside the UFO.

Roberto is only an apprentice, but in the same line of work, and is also used to the same things. A more detailed account of this aspect will follow.

There are many other observations which we might make and considerations that we might evaluate in connection with the narrative given by Jocelino, but we regard these which we have just mentioned as the most essential for an understanding of this case.

The Hypnotic Time-Regression Procedure

Right from the moment that we had started to interview the two brothers and their family, we began to suspect that they had spent some period of time which they could not remember. As is seen in their own story as just given, the missing period began when they both fell down under the big tree, and it ended when they could stand up again and return home. This 'missing time' was not less than an hour, and not more than two hours, so it provided the motive for our subsequent hypnosis sessions. As the brothers and the family did not contradict our view that their lack of knowledge of that missing period must be due to interference by the 'star' or by some alien beings, they themselves began to be curious as to what might have happened. And we tried to incite their curiosity, but

without making any statements ourselves or putting any ideas into their heads prior to the HR. We took great care about this, as we did not want their imaginations or any wrong or fanciful and nonsensical ideas of what might have happened to interfere with the HR. We simply explained to the family, and especially to the two brothers, the possibility that they might have had a closer involvement with the UFO than they thought, and that they were not remembering it. We also explained to them what HR is, and its uses in UFO investigations as well as in other fields.

It was very easy to obtain their consent to helping with our investigation. As soon as Jocelino and his wife (who was always present at the interviews) began to give fuller considerations to the importance of the case and began to forget about the problems created for them by the local press, they agreed to the Hypnotic Regression, it being understood that the family would be present at all the sessions.

We agreed about the family being present, as this would give them all more trust in the objectives of our research.

Almost everything augured well for our investigation, and we were very confident in the correctness of our suspicion that they had been involved with a UFO. So it was a very interesting and exciting moment for our Group when the family agreed to the HR. Our Group, at that time called The Unidentified Flying Objects Theoretical Studies and Researches Organization (OPETOVNI in Portuguese) had some 30 to 40 members, and was fully active, working in all fields relating to UFOs and treating the subject scientifically and methodically.

The hypnotist who assists our Group is Dr Oswaldo Alves, who is an M.D. living in a city near Maringá. He was accustomed to working in several aspects of hypnosis, including time-regression. He knew all the details of the present case, and was present in almost all of our interviews (about ten) with the brothers and the family, assisting us with his trained medical skills and advice. The hypnosis sessions were held in his house, and even during the first session he felt that he had obtained success. He proved to be completely right, and this applied to the subsequent sessions too.

Our first hypnosis session was held in January 1981, and the others followed on Fridays, at weekly intervals. All the sessions were tape-recorded, and after translation they now form part of a book (not yet published) to be called *The Jardim Alvorada Affair — The Cosmic Connection,* by A. J. Gevaerd.

Because of problems encountered with the translation of the HR narrative of Jocelino, especially with regard to time and language, we are including in this Report a fully detailed narrative in Portuguese, obtained in the second hypnosis session.

The results of the first hypnosis session are very much less detailed and will be in English, in order to give you an estimate of what happened inside the craft.

The first session was merely an 'introduction' to our subsequent investigation under HR, but its results were very good. We give it below, in Jocelino's own words.

NOTE

In the first session, the investigation directed Jocelino to search his mind and produce the missing details. The investigators assisted him with this, without interfering or suggesting answers, but just letting him speak for himself.

In the second and following sessions, the investigation had to be carried through to its completion and the investigator studied in detail all the questions and answers, the latter all being set down in Jocelino's own words.

Consequently the second session, given here in Portuguese, is about 20 times as long as the first one given in English.

The First Session of Time-Regression

The first session of hypnotic time-regression took place in January 1981.

PRESENT WERE: The hypnotist, Dr Oswaldo Alves, M.D.
The Investigator, Sr. A. J. Gevaerd
Investigator's Assistants: Sr. A. J. Junquerira, Sr. M. Hanke
Sr. Jocelino de Mattos and Mattos Family

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Abbreviations:
OA — Dr Oswaldo Alves, hypnotist.
JM — Sr. Jocelino de Mattos, eyewitness.

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OA — Jocelino, do you recall that Friday, that Saint's Day Friday of 1979?
JM — Yes.
OA — Where are you on this Saint's Day Friday of 1979, about 8 p.m.? (*the hypnotist suggested that JM review the year of 1979, before asking him about the exact day).
JM — I'm going to my sister's house.
OA — Do you remember what day of the month that was?
JM — I think it is 16th; isn't it?
OA — I'm not sure, but it doesn't matter. You are going to the house of your sister, aren't you?

JM — Yes.
OA — Didn't you go to Mass?
JM — No, I went to see the Mass on the TV (at midnight).
OA — Where does your sister live?
JM — She lives on Dona Leonor Held Street.
OA — Are you alone?
JM — Yes, alone.
OA — At this present moment, are you watching TV? Did you arrive there?
JM — Yes.
OA — What's the programme you are watching?
JM — I'm not watching programmes now. I'm talking to some friends, parents of my brother-in-law that live at the back of the house.
OA — Oh yes, and the Mass will be what time?
JM — Midnight.
OA — Well, you're still at your sister's house? Until what time did you stay there?
JM — Until 11 p.m.; approximately 11 p.m., and then we came home.
OA — With whom?
JM — I and my brother, Roberto Carlos; my youngest brother.
OA — And Roberto Carlos was also there?
JM — Yes.
OA — Well, let's start from this moment, 11 p.m. You are in the house of your sister.
JM — Yes.
OA — You are leaving there now.
JM — Yes.
OA — Who else walked with you?
JM — Only the two of us.
OA — Nobody else?
JM — Nobody.
OA — It's about 11:05 (23:05). Where are you now?
JM — Walking down . . . let me remember . . .
OA — Follow the street and describe your trip.

JM — At that moment, we are walking down the street, just some metres behind my sister's house, because it is more illuminated there and easier to walk. We continued walking down that street until we reached Dona Leonor Held Street.

From that point, we go into another street to the end and in front of that is another.

We are following the street, the street that takes us to Ariovaldo Moreno High School. At this moment my young brother became nervous. Some metres ahead he said to me: "Look up there." Then I saw a 'star'. I saw it and I began to feel bad. I started to feel bad; sick.

I wasn't afraid because I have never been afraid in my life. Then we walked further and the 'star' continued following us, in a straight line in the sky; parallel.

When we got to the end of the street we came to a corner, and we would have turned that corner to go home, and at that moment we started turning right, round the corner. Something started pulling us, attracting us to the 'star'. (In all Jocelino's narrative, he called the UFO a star). "Then we fought against that sensation of attraction.

We fought. Then I found I couldn't, and suddenly we started to walk, and walk. . . . It seemed as if we were walking very slowly, and then were walking very fast.

My heartbeat started to accelerate — rapidly.

I felt my body chilling, something bad; it was the same with my legs, in all my body — a bad sensation.

We continued walking. It seemed that it was impossible for us to think of anything else. The only objective was to reach the 'star', the place where the 'star' was. We fought. We fought against going in that direction. When we arrived there we fell down to the ground. We stayed in that position, facing downwards, for about 2 minutes, and after this time somebody came and caught us (but only Jocelino entered the craft; he thought that he was with his brother) and took us up to a height. We were taken 'floating' to that height. Somebody took us to the 'star', a 'big star'. I saw that, and I don't know exactly how I felt myself. I don't know if I was afraid or not, or if I was surprised, astonished, to see that. Perhaps I was astonished to see something so incredible in front of me.

Then a door opened, at the side, and I went in.

Then there were two men in the doorway. One of them came in front of me and looked at me very attentively. He took up an object which I didn't recognise, touched the object to my arm; my left arm, and gesticulated to me asking me to get inside. From that point, we walked on a little bit and we arrived in another room, "full of computers", and there was a kind of "command display on a table" and it had some "different lights" that I did not recognise and I cannot explain. (It is interesting to note the fact that Jocelino wasn't used to sophisticated technology, and that he tried to give us an idea of what he thought it was he saw inside the 'command room').

Then, after that they took me from there to another room. It was "full of motors". These kind of motors were things that I had never seen. It seemed that they were not hot and there was no noise. The 'motors' were conic or something like that. Then they took me to a room where there were some photographs

similar to those of Earth. I could see that the photographs were fixed on the wall in a kind of video-tape; a TV screen, or something like it. Those photographs did not move; they were static. I could not distinguish it very well.
Then we arrived in another room. This room was full of equipment like hospital equipment. It was a 'medical room'. They asked me to lie down and as I did so, they examined me. Then, after this examination, they collected sperm — semen — in a small amount — and then they made me sit down on a kind of table. They put some instruments in my head and they spoke among themselves in a language that I did not understand. I don't know what language that was. It was impossible to understand.
Then ... he stopped speaking for some minutes, and the hypnotist tried to make him less disturbed, and then he was able to continue talking:—

OA — O.K. You are seeing everything, so describe to us all that you are seeing, with no constraint, no problems. O.K.?

JM — Yes, sir, but it scares me so much.
Then, I sat down in that 'medical room'. After some minutes, a woman arrived in the room. She touched me. She caressed me and it excited me; then we started to make love.
After (the relations) she stopped and told me: "Perhaps the seed will come alive". (Perhaps the relations were successful.) I did not understand anything.
After it, she went out of the room and through another door. They then spoke between themselves, some words that I didn't understand, and they told me 'in thought' (telepathy) that — what I could understand — *they were for peace and that their objective was to study, to understand, the Earth.*
They spoke to me (telepathically) *about life, the conflicts and the wars and I really thought they were for peace; that they were peaceful people, friends.*
Then they told me (telepathically): "We think it's time to leave you". They took me by my arm and we went back the same way we had walked to get to that place, until we arrived at the door. I jumped to the ground together with them, and they went 'floating' ahead to where they could catch me. I felt myself paralysed; totally unable to move.
They made me lie down — they laid me — on the ground, exactly the way I was before they caught me, Then I came to my senses.

COMMENTS BY INVESTIGATOR

As the foregoing 'unconscious narrative' shows, Jocelino was frightened by the episode which he had just re-lived. It is difficult to keep one's self-control when one is faced with such extraordinary things as Flying Saucers.

And, of course, it is all the more difficult for a very simple man, like Jocelino, who has never seen or known anything like that before. We members of CPDV concluded, in our investigation of this case, that everything reported in the affair really is true and that Jocelino and Roberto were indeed involved in an extraterrestrial abduction. The HR procedure showed us also the other side of the reality, the effects produced on Jocelino and Roberto by some sort of hypnosis operated by the brightness and the sound of the UFO and possibly also by the action of the entities themselves. *We have no doubt therefore that, at the present time the two brothers are still being observed by entities, which sometimes prevent Jocelino from saying what he wants to say.*

For a long time now, Jocelino and Roberto have lived with a sense of shame about the affair, *vis-à-vis* their family and their friends. They live silently now, talk little, and don't participate in the life of the community. They continue to work regularly, since the press no longer interferes with questions about what they saw.

When we first talked to them (it was almost a year after the event when we started the HR), we felt they were both still quite disturbed — especially Jocelino — and seeking help from somewhere to explain what it was that had happened to them.

Gradually we became good friends with them, and this friendship, based on trust, was established between the family and all the members of our Group. (Later, however, this good relationship would disappear, because of certain individuals who were not satisfied with our Group's research work, and preferred to conduct the investigation for themselves. In this they displayed their own ignorance and lack of knowledge of this case, because Jocelino himself was not a bit pleased with this decision on the part of those who wanted to prejudice our study.)

An important point to note is that Jocelino proved to be easy to hypnotize. And another important point is that he willingly accepted our conditions, namely that the information recovered from him under hypnosis should all be withheld from him until all the hypnosis sessions were over, so that he would not consciously know what the picture was until the end.

In our hypnotic investigations, there was only one moment when Jocelino showed signs of being disturbed. This was when he showed alarm when describing his sexual relations with the woman while in

the 'medical room' of the craft. There were two particular reasons for this alarm: firstly, he knew that his wife was present in the room and listening to the HR. He himself had of course wanted his wife and family to be there at the time of the HR in order to make him feel confident and unconcerned about the procedure. And we had agreed with him on this. for we realized it would make it all much easier if he had more trust in the investigation and in us. In fact, we do not think the HR would have been successful had he not had his family present. But, as he was telling the story and came to the sexual involvement, it was inevitable that he should become nervous with his wife in the room. (She understood the situation very well indeed, and made no problems.)

The second factor that caused him to be disturbed was of course the sheer strangeness of these moments that he was re-living.

The Collection of Semen

One of the most difficult passages in the whole story for him was the collection of sperm (semen). This took place while he was being examined by the entities in the 'medical room', prior to the sexual relations with the woman. Using a tube, similar to a rubber tube, the entities proceeded to take from him a small amount of sperm. They did this by introducing his penis into the tube and extracting the sperm with a special machine. He felt almost nothing, apart from fear. After they had got the sperm into the tube, they put it into a special plastic package very similar to our cellophane, he said.

Let us now examine this question of the semen, and why they took the sample prior to his having the sexual contact. It is obvious that the entities were looking for a human specimen who would prove ideal for their 'extraterrestrial genetic experiments', and, as between Jocelino (21 years old at the time) and Roberto (13 years old at the time) clearly they found Jocelino better for their purpose. It is not difficult to conclude that the sample of semen had been taken beforehand in order to examine it and see whether it was good or not, and whether he was suitable for the proposed sexual contact. The entities had 'analyzed him' simply in order to make sure that he was 'a good specimen', and that his seed could 'come alive' and fertilize a possible ET female, and that, from this involvement, a child (half-human, half-ET) could be born.

Conclusion

This present Report, our No. 02/82, is only a summarized account of the Jardim Alvorada affair. If this translation does not satisfy, we can supply a copy of the Portuguese-language version* of the case. We ask that the source and the name of the author be given in all possible publications.

A.J.G.
Co-ordinator, CPDV

*FSR has a copy of this full Portuguese text (33 foolscap pages).

THE CASE OF DIONISIO LLANCA IN ARGENTINA

To our very great surprise we have just received our first piece of mail from Argentina since the recent War (apart from one or two minor items that came to us via Brazil). This piece of mail is the Argentine UFO journal *UFO Press,* No.19, Year VI (January-March 1984), and in it we are berated because, so they now tell us, the case of Dioniso Llanca is *fraudulent!* As readers will recall, our former Editor Charles Bowen had used my lengthy translations of the Argentine press reports on this case as his lead-story in FSR 26/4 (1980), and presumably he did this because he thought the story bore the ring of truth.

They now want to know why we have not printed their negative findings. *The simple and brief answer to their complaint is that we have not received them!*

Nothing has reached me from Argentina since Charles Bowen was suddenly incapacitated by illness and I was obliged to assume this unwelcome additional burden. And there was certainly nothing whatsoever about this case in the box of "material in hand" that was passed on to me by Mr Bowen.

Readers must know by now that we are not particularly starry-eyed about the UFOs or their occupants. We therefore hold no particular brief for or against Dionisio Llanca or any other abductee. *No doubt our former Editor chose to run the story because he thought that — with such a whole lot of doctors and psychiatrists involved in testing and examining Dionisio Llanca in the hospital — the case looked very genuine indeed!*

Now, it seems, the man is found a fraud. And all those doctors and psychiatrists are shown to be fools. (My own impression at the time, as I recall it, when I translated the documents ten years ago, was the Dionisio was "not at all bright", with a very low intellectual and educational level. It is therefore amazing that this young fellow who allegedly had no interests in life beyond his local football team and his current girl-friend, should have turned out to be such a skilful and imaginative liar,

capable of fooling so many doctors! And it makes one begin to wonder about the professional abilities of the medical men down there in Argentina!)

If the Argentine investigators will now send us their material, we shall certainly print it. Though it will not be surprising if other reports reaching us from that country in future are viewed with some suspicion here.

A word of general warning may also not be out of place. Recent developments and revelations in the United States have shown that a good many "debunkings" and "unmaskings" of spectacular UFO cases from past years were in fact themselves careful fabrications, engineered often with great expenditure of money and energy, and backed by the most powerful governmental agencies in the land. Many, many people are still engaged in this work, everywhere. And with good reason. For they have an awful lot at stake.

It may be that Argentina is now one of those areas of the world where all evidence for the UFO infestation is being sedulously expunged.

Of one thing we may be sure, and that is that such a silence policy is bound to meet with widespread approval and please almost everyone. It will please the Governments. It will please the overwhelming majority of the public. And — we may be sure of this — it will not fail to please at least certain of our 'Cosmic Visitors' too! — G.C.

A HUGE UFO OVER ALABAMA

From APRO BULLETIN, VOL. 2, NO. 32 published by the World's oldest existing UFO Research Organization, AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH ORGANIZATION, INC. of Tucson, Arizona, to whom, and to Mr and Mrs Lorenzen, we are indebted for this quite remarkable report. — EDITOR

THE following case is the result of a lead furnished to APRO by Bob Gribble of Phenomena Research Hot Line, and follow-up and investigation was completed by Field Investigator Ed O. Brown. The name of the witness and some identifying names of the exact location have been changed to protect the principal, as requested.

Mrs Pat Norris, 28, lives with her husband, Carl, and three children in a suburb of Mobile, Alabama. On the evening of February 3, 1983, she had visited a friend in Mobile and when the friend's husband arrived from work, Mrs Norris left and headed home on Highway 90. She had turned off the Highway and when about 90 minutes' ride from her home she heard an explosion. At this point, her car began to vibrate and continued to do so, making it difficult for her to steer. She negotiated another turn off the road she was on, brought the car to a halt, opened the car door and leaned out and down and looked to ascertain if the transmission could have been causing the trouble. It had not.

Object seen

Mrs Norris continued driving and the vibrating stopped. She executed another turn onto another road and saw that the woods ahead were brilliantly illuminated. At first she thought that there was a helicopter search in progress because of the lights and was very frightened. She again stopped the car, and at this point sighted a huge object about half a mile west of her. She now feels the explosion she had heard earlier was the object coming down over a clay and gravel pit in the vicinity.

The thing was huge — later estimated to be 7 to 8

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stories (70 to 80 feet) high and "six telephone poles" (210 feet) wide, and appeared to be moving toward her at 4-5 miles per hour. The evening had been clear and cool and she had driven with the car windows closed. After the explosion, she noted a "chopping wind, a high-pitched sound and a roaring sound" as well as the vibration. She particularly noted the "whipping of the wind — like a tornado".

Fear gone

When the object reached a point fairly close it stopped and all of the noise stopped. It was completely silent and Mrs Norris lost all of the fear she had felt before. She then got out of the car to get a better look. She strained to take in every detail — feeling like a child with "unbelievable happiness".

Mr Norris said that although Pat told him of her sighting after it happened, he didn't realise how important it was to her until she started checking books out of the local library pertaining to UFOs and "related subjects".

She estimates the time duration of the sighting as five minutes. As the craft appeared Mrs Norris' attention was drawn to a top deck, with a long window which she estimates at 53 feet, and through which she viewed 20 to 30 persons, apparently oblivious of her presence, walking about as if they were changing shift. The wall behind them was curved and white. There were no instruments. The people did not give the appearance of looking out. The beings were pale skinned, dressed in white one-piece suits. She judged them to be about our height, five feet ten inches, quite slender but with chests larger than ours, the top of the head more prominent, no hair, and having the lower half only of ears similar to our own. She noted nothing out of the ordinary about the eyes. What did draw her attention was the great grace of their movements. The atmosphere seemed "sterile".

Details observed

Below this top deck window was an opaque window. The area around it was all white. This window was in sections and was inset. The glass was tinted.

Below the centre of the craft a door was closing from right to left. (See Fig. 1.) And she looked onto a "street" that was dark as if made of asphalt or possibly concrete. Off to the side of the "street" was tubular rectangular equipment. All across the craft she saw rivets and portholes. She said she could see the portholes "inside out" as she peered into the craft. She saw some construction that included "huge I beams like they put ships together with and beams holding the glass in there". The bottom side was tiered upwards. The construction reminded her of a ship or submarine. She said it seemed possible, very likely, it could have been constructed on Earth.

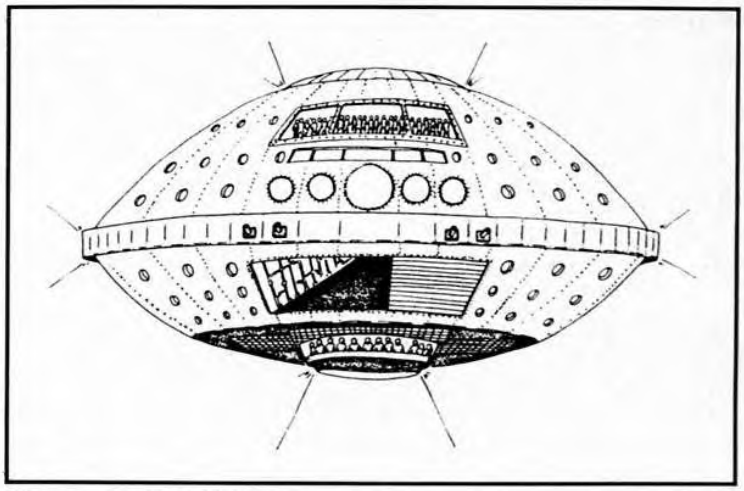


Figure 1: Front View.

The very bottom of the craft was formed into a cross made with one foot square mirrors and an observation deck hung down and around the bottom with beings in it. In this case, unlike the top deck, the people were peering out, while overhead she heard a very low pitched but clearly audible (almost like a growl) "announcing" coming from the area of the observation deck now closest to her.

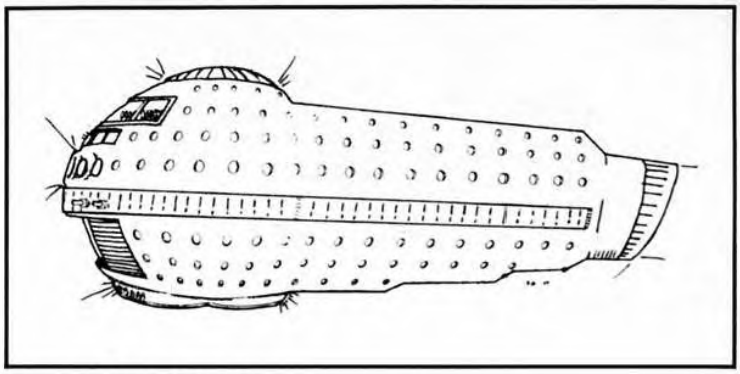


Figure 2: Side View.

Mrs Norris said she believes they didn't realise she was there until directly over her position.

As drawn, she saw four pipes projecting six to eight feet out from the craft set in three or four foot square boxes. They had a hollow flange on the end like a tank cannon and she believes "it looked like a weapon".

The craft took a southerly turn as it went on from where she was parked. She said it was staying in the wooded area and did not cross Highway 90 again. Possibly, it was doubling back towards Irvington and Pascagoula. It lit up the wooded area, and all beneath it as it moved on off. It had white spotlights and to the side blue and red lights that intermingled, pointing up to the clouds and then down to Earth.

She told Mr Brown she had prayed she might have such a sighting. She had extensive dream material both prior to and after the February 4 incident. The late dreams contain a detailed physical examination and scan of her emotions, which we expect to present later, when prepared.

After the object was out of sight, Pat continued on home, arriving at 1:10am.



"Two illustrious cosmic beards with but a single thought."
Dr. J. Allen Hynek and Antonio Ribera at the Third National Conference of the Italian Ufological Centre (C.U.N.) at Genoa, May 4-6, 1984. (Photo Grifol)

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Correspondence is invited from our readers, but they are asked to keep their letters short. Unless letters give the sender's full name and address (not necessarily for publication) they cannot be considered. The Editor would like to remind correspondents that it is not always possible to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

Great Circles in the Cornfields

Dear Sir, — The 'Cosmic Hedgehogs' who made the circles in Dogleg Field (FSR Vol. 29, No. 6, p. 25) have a fine sense of mathematical proportion.

The diameter of the small circles (162 inches) is precisely 3.333333333333 recurring, or exactly one-third of the distance (5,400 inches) between the large circle and the four smaller ones.

The diameter of the small circle divides into the diameter of the large circle, giving 3.148148148. Which is virtually *"Pi"* — 3.14159265 etc.

It is amazing to obtain such accuracy when measuring areas of flattened barley. One might not be wrong in assuming that, had one been allowed to run a tape around the object responsible, the ratio would have turned out to be *"Pi"* precisely. Just as Adamski's *"lampshades"* happened to have been constructed entirely on the *Classical Golden Mean*, or *Fibonacci Series of Numbers.*

Hedgehogs and lampshade-makers seem to have something in common.

Yours,
Desmond Leslie,
Castle Leslie,
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The "Clockwise Swirl"

Dear Sir, — I was intrigued to see in Vol. 29, No. 6 of your excellent FSR the photos of the "white holes" or "nests" in the wheatfields, and the comment that similar "nests" were found at Tully in Queensland.

It was stated that the "swirl" of the reeds at Tully was *"anti-clockwise"*. However, as the enclosed photo from the Tully site shows, that is not so, for the "swirl" there is *clockwise*, the same as in England. Only a small point,* but I thought I would draw it to your attention.

Yours sincerely,
D. S. Hack,
RMB 120,
Boyup Brook,
Western Australia, 6244.

**Not "a small point" at all, but a very interesting and maybe important one, for which we are grateful. Can our Australian researcher-colleagues please comment and investigate how this apparently false story about the "anti-clockwise" pattern of the "swirl" of the alleged "UFO nests" in Queensland crept into the literature? Was it maybe just a good joke with which to regale the "Pommies"?*

And, incidentally, what about the old tales of the Australian bath-water "running out the other way?" I could kick myself, because I was in Australia for four months. There was a fearful drought on in N.S.W., with bush-fires everywhere, and though — despite being a mere "Pommie" — I did remember to take a bath occasionally when I could find any water in the tap, I'm darned if I could ever remember to watch and see for myself how that water ran out! — EDITOR.

CNIFO Catalogue of Humanoids in Spain and Portugal

Dear Sir, — With reference to your book review on this Catalogue (FSR Vol. 29, No. 6, page 23), I have a reasonable knowledge of Portuguese, and would like to offer to have a go at translating it.

For ten years I held the position of National Chairman of *Contact (U.K.)*, and have been a subscriber to FSR for over twenty years.

Yours sincerely,
F. W. Passey,
59d Windmill Road,
Headington, Oxford.
October 11, 1984

A most rare and welcome offer of help, of which we would certainly like to avail ourselves in future. As regards the Portuguese Catalogue, alas, we find that we were poorly informed. It seems that it has already been translated for Dr. Hynek's Center for UFO Studies by the indefatigable Richard W. Heiden! — EDITOR.

"The Bankruptcy of G.E.P.A.N."

Dear Sir, — I was very pleased to receive FSR Vol. 28, No. 5, containing my article on G.E.P.A.N.

Unfortunately, however, I am afraid I must ask you to rectify a few misapprehensions about me. I have never been "attached" to N.A.S.A., be it officially or unofficially, nor was I sent to the United States by the C.N.R.S. (French National Centre for Scientific Research), nor have I ever been a C.N.R.S. representative here. The simple fact of the matter being that I resigned from my position as Chargé of Research at C.N.R.S. on July 1, 1983, and made a purely private decision to leave France and come to live here in the United States.

Yours sincerely,
John F. Gille,
P.O. Box 58231,
Houston, Texas, 77258,
U.S.A.,
August 27, 1984

A Tribute from New Zealand

Dear Sir, — As a librarian familiar with the literature available on UFOs, I would like to say that I appreciate the quality of the material you publish, and I look forward to reading future issues of your journal.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. R. H. O'Neil,
19 Berwick Street,
St. Albans, Christchurch,
New Zealand.
July 5, 1984

"FSR is no longer about Flying Saucers"

Dear Sir, — I have been taking FSR since January 1977, but when my last paid subscription runs out, I shall not renew it. Let me say that I am very interested in unidentified objects in the sky. I am not interested in what people dream about under hypnosis. The *Flying Saucer Review* is no longer about flying saucers,* it is about dreams. Let me say you shud now call the magazine *"Adventures Under Hypnotism"*, or *"The Dream Review"*.

I do not wish to spend my money on such nonsens as *"Do Abductees Fit into a Certain Patten? Some Reflections and Findings about an Intriguing Phenomenon."*

Yours disappointed,
D. Blenkinsop,
13 Napier Street,
Middlesbrough,
Cleveland, Yorks, TS5 6AQ.
October 15, 1984

**A lot of people will be delighted to hear this. Fortunately for our correspondent, there is a splendid plethora of magazines about "unidentified objects in the sky", and we predict that, as more and more becomes known about the world-wide cover-up on UFOs, there will be more and more frantic publicity to increase the readership of such journals as well as those dealing generally with "lights in the sky", psychological theories that "it's all in your mind!", piezo-electricity, birth trauma effects, and so on. — EDITOR.*

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