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As our readers will know, Jorge Martín of Puerto Rico, Editor of the Spanish-language magazine, *Evidencia OVNI*, is the most important Consultant that we have ever had, and here at last is a good colour photograph of him.

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EDITORIAL

A QUESTION OF "ALLERGY"?

From whatever angle one views us, we British do undoubtedly appear to be quite a strange people. Our contribution to human civilisation over the past thousand years, and our influence in making for the general welfare and betterment of mankind, have been unsurpassed - and all of it within the framework of what we have been calling a "Christian" society.

And yet, as the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, says, we are not really a very religious people. A few years ago, it may be recalled, he said that Britain **"has an allergy to religion",** and last week he has felt himself obliged to recognise that **"a tacit atheism"** now prevails here. I am sure he is entirely right.

Unquestionably the perfunctory practice of church-going has fallen off immensely, as I have been able to observe in the course of my own rather long life. But I would never have felt that the mere perfunctory church attendance could have meant much anyway. (Was it not largely a social or tribal habit?)

But it would have been a vastly different matter had one been considering a much deeper question **-the habit and practice of prayer.**

I recall that in my childhood there were often moments when one could really feel that there was in our nation a profound sense of prayer -for example as on such unforgettable occasions as when, at the close of a football match at Wembley Stadium, one had the spectacle of massed thousands singing ***Abide With Me***, with the King sitting there with his people. Who imagines that there could be anything like that now?

With regard to the matter of prayer, the mystical writers of the Russian Orthodox Church had an interesting concept -not known among us, I believe -the concept of **"prayer of the heart"** -a system of what one might call **"permanent inner prayer".** It is a great pity that our people here know nothing of such a practice.

And it might be well to recall that, in those very special **"Monthly Messages"** that have been coming for years past from the Catholic community of Medjugorje in Bosnia, there has always been an intense and steady insistence on the power and value that prayer could have for mankind **if only we humans could awaken sufficiently to perceive the reality of our own situation.**

In one particular message, as I well recall, the Lady's emphasis was on what might be brought about, what changes wrought, in our lives -even changes of climatic and environmental conditions -if only humans could grasp the meaning and the potentialities of prayer!

In Britain as it is now, we might think that we have moved a long, long way from the days when, at a football match, attended by the Monarch himself, a vast crowd would be singing ***Abide With Me!*** -and with what fervour...

Nevertheless I find myself wondering how much praying we are going to see here again, in a near future, when the crunch really starts! Were I "a betting man", I think I would feel inclined to wager pretty heavily that, before very long, **an awful lot of praying will be going on in these parts.** G.C.■

MORE UFOS SEEN AT ARECIBO RADIO OBSERVATORY: CONTACT ALREADY ? ALIEN INTERVENTION? OR SECRET GOVERNMENT EXPERIMENTS? © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of *EVIDENCIA OVNI* (Puerto Rico) AND FSR CONSULTANT. (Translation from Spanish G.C., *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 18, 1998)

We learn that the SETI Programme has started up again in Puerto Rico, with fresh private funding of $40m aimed at securing proof of extraterrestrial life.

Twenty years ago - in 1974 - from the Arecibo Radio Observatory a powerful electronic signal lasting three minutes was sent out to star-cluster M13. It gave the following details about us:-

(1) In binary code, our numbers 1 - 10.
(2) The elements. Our atomic numbers: 1,6,7,8,15 for our key elements for life - hydrogen, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, and phosphorous.
(3) The DNA. The chemical blocks of the construction of the DNA, the genetic human material.
(4) The DNA Double Helix
(5) The physical shape of man, and the human population, and a general statistical résumé of it.
(6) Our Solar System, Sun, and Planets, with the emphasis on position of our own Planet, Earth.
(7) The Arecibo Radio Telescope, scheme of its lay-out, its size, and the figures for the wave-length used in the transmissions.

Along with this new SETI initiative, to be known as PROJECT PHOENIX, production teams arrived in Puerto Rico recently from the TV *Discovery* channel, the newspaper *NEW YORK TIMES*, and *the NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICAL JOURNAL.*

In order to improve signal reception from Outer Space, a new building, a Gregorian Dome, 70 ft in diameter, weighing 75 tons, and costing $25,000,000, has been installed. This Dome, with its accompanying technical equipment, will increase the efficiency of signal reception from its present figure - namely a capacity to study 1,000 stars - to a capacity for studying some 100,000.

It is estimated that in our Galaxy, the MILKY WAY, there are about 400,000,000 stars, many of which may have planets and maybe have advanced life. The estimate is that *at least one in every 400,000 stars might have civilization.*

The well known American astronomer Dr. Jill TARTER (who was the inspiration for the leading figure-played by Jodie Foster - in the film *CONTACT*, based on Carl Sagan's book) is going to spend five years here at the Arecibo Observatory along with a team of international astronomers, one of them being the well known scientist DR. SETH SHOSTAK.

All of this is splendid news for Puerto Rico, and puts us right in the centre of the international picture!

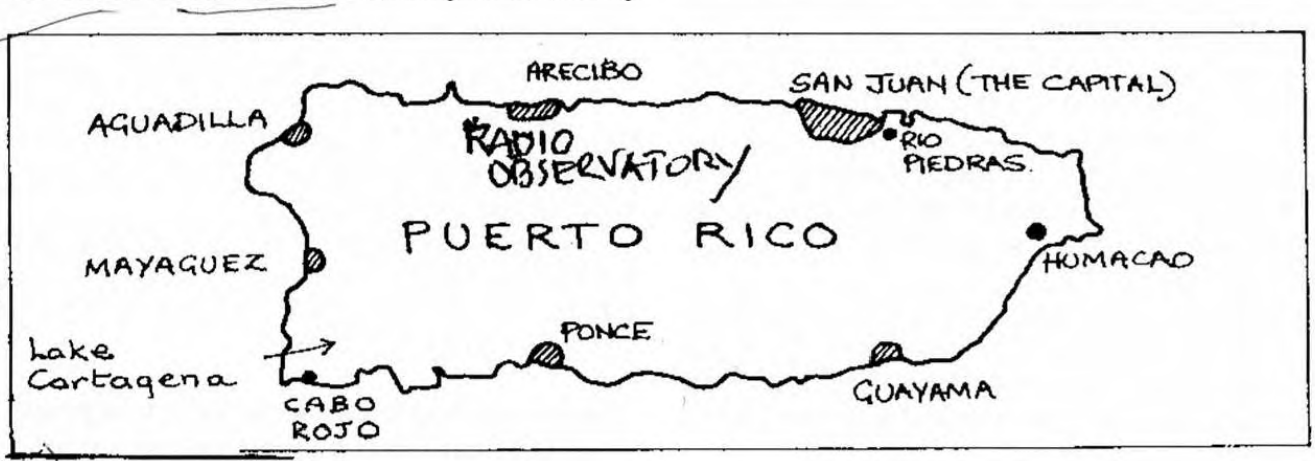
But let us now describe a series of events that are so far quite unknown to the Puerto Rico public and also to the international public, and which appear to suggest that personnel of the Arecibo Radio Observatory, and very possibly also personnel of the Security Services of the United States, might in fact *already be in touch with "somebody"* very strange indeed.

Some of these happenings to which I now refer were already mentioned in our last issue (EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 17), but here we are now going to give you more details.

CONTACT AT ARECIBO RADIO OBSERVATORY?

From the end of September 1998 onwards, the family of Sr. William Jiménez have been living as refugees from *Hurricane "George"* in a house in the Esperanza suburb, right beside the Arecibo Observatory, their own home having been badly damaged by the storm.

In the very early hours of October 9, 1998 - i.e. some 18 days after the Hurricane - the family were awakened by one of their sons who had just got back from his night-shift work and who was calling to them to come outdoors and see something enormous flying overhead. Sr. Jiménez, the father, described it to us thus:



"It was about 1.30 a.m. Our son woke us up to go out and see the great oval light - rather longer than wide, and almost rectangular - moving slowly overhead, enveloped in a yellowish glow.

"As it passed over the house we could see that it had five very powerful white lights set in the form of a cross, and in the middle of three of them was a red light and also an amber-coloured (yellowish-orange) light. There were seemingly seven *independent* lights - not necessarily forming one solid mass.

"At first there was scarcely much sound from it - just a faint, low '*bru-bru-bru*'.

"It was astounding to see such an immense thing right there so close to us, just above us. It performed a circular movement and then went off, seemingly in the direction of the Observatory, and was now making a noise like a rocket. It was bigger than the largest U.S. military cargo-planes, which are *enormous.*

"It headed off towards the West, then performed one more circle, and was finally gone".

We asked him if he thought the people at the Arecibo Radio Observatory could possibly have failed to see it? He replied that obviously they MUST HAVE done!

A SAUCER AT EL MIRADOR.

When, in one of our Thursday 9.30 p.m. *Noturno* radio programmes, we were describing this experience of the Jiménez family, calls came in from several other people living in the same area where the Observatory is and reporting things they had seen.

One of them, a Sr. Guillermo Acevedo, came and gave us a *personal account of something of enormous interest and enormous implications.*

Here is his statement, from which you will see why! It is of something that he and his wife and a group of other people, all dwelling in the Hato Viejo suburb (close to the Radio Observatory), had seen in May or June of 1994:

"It was between 2.30 and 3.00 p.m. We were visiting friends at Hato Viejo who live high up on the mountain-side. We were on the balcony of their house, looking out over an area called El Mirador on Highway No. 10 leading to Utuado, and we saw something flashing brightly in the sunshine, and it was vast, enormous. *And it was on the ground, landed, and silent!*

"It was dazzlingly bright. A few minutes later, it rose up slightly from the ground, then dipped down again, then shot away suddenly at such a speed that it could never have been from this Earth. I served in the U.S. Navy, and I've been in the biggest Navy bases, and I know of nothing that could go at such a speed as that did!

"It was shaped like a round hat - a topee - with a cupola, and a completely circular great outer rim around it. It was so dazzlingly bright that you could not say what metal it was - not even aluminium is that bright. More like nickel!

"Suddenly it tipped, and we could see, just below the rim, a sort of platform with things like rays - looking, I should say, like a lot of little steps. Before the craft departed the platform was drawn in and disappeared below the round saucer-shaped craft.

"It was a fine sunny day, and when that thing took off like a shot, there was a pretty loud explosion, like a mighty clap of thunder, and the ground where we were shook! It was like one of those explosions you hear when the sound-barrier is broken, and there was an echo after it.!"

But the greatest surprise for the whole party watching came a few moments after it had gone. Sr. Acevedo went on:

"Before that, I had never believed much in those things. But now I *know* that they exist and that they are *here, and I know they have got contact with people here. Because when that thing took off, a van was where it had been standing.*

"It was a white van, with heavily darkened windows, and it went off towards the north, as though to Arecibo. Whether bound for there or for San Juan or Mayaguez I don't know, but I do know it went off up the No. 10.

"It was totally white, seemed new, and was totally closed. No side-windows or rear window - only darkened glass, on the two front doors and on the windscreen.

"I wanted to follow that van, but my wife was nervous, and wouldn't let me..... I would like to have seen what sort of person was driving that van and what sort of relationship he had to that *thing!*"

In conclusion, Sr. Acevedo said this: "When I saw that, I couldn't help thinking that here in Puerto Rico, and especially this region around here (where the Observatory is) something very very queer is going on. People are being misled about it all. I used to think none of it was true - I didn't believe a word of it. But now, *after seeing that thing,* I'm convinced that they exist *and that they are watching us.* They are studying our actions, and we are being accompanied, all the time, by something that is not of earthly origin.

"*But what intrigues me most of all is that van.*" BECAUSE WHOEVER WAS IN THAT VAN IS CONNECTED WITH WHOEVER WAS IN THAT UFO THING. WE QUITE DEFINITELY ARE NOT ALONE, AND THERE IS SOMEONE HERE WHO IS IN CONTACT WITH THEM. THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES MUST HAVE PEOPLE HERE IN PUERTO RICO WHO ARE IN CONTACT WITH THEM!"

"Furthermore, the lady in whose house we were at Hato Viejo told us that her sons, who get home late at night, had told her that during the nights and the early hours of the mornings they have seen lights and shining objects coming down and landing at that very same spot, and had often said they wanted to go out down there to see what it was, but she never would let them go, for fear that something bad might happen to them."

Another witness with whom we talked was Señora Sylvia Acevedo, Sr. Acevedo's wife. When we asked her for her opinion about what they had seen, and about the white van, her comment was:

"IT HAS *GOT TO BE THAT* THE ALIENS HAVE SOMEONE HERE WHO IS IN CONTACT WITH THEM, OR THAT THEY THEMSELVES ARE ALREADY HERE WITH US".

LIGHT SIGNALS AND STRANGE VISITORS AT THE ARECIBO RADIO OBSERVATORY.

While we were investigating the UFO events that had happened in the Arecibo area in the course of the Hurricane, we received other very important reports. And one of these reports came to us from someone in the Puerto Rico Police and who himself lives in Hato Viejo, close to the Observatory.

As to the identity and rank of this Police Officer in question, we shall continue to keep them both strictly confidential and for obvious reasons, as you will realize when you know what he told us. For he gave us details of something very alarming that he himself had seen in October and November of 1994.

He said: "Behind my house are some mountains and the Arecibo Radio Observatory lies on the other side of those mountains.

"One night we saw a number of lights coming out of the area of the Observatory. There were lots of those lights, of laser type and of various colours. It lasted for several minutes, and we saw light beams of various shades, white, greenish, reddish.

"Then, after those lights, a big object, shaped like a cylinder suspended vertically, appeared right above the Radio Observatory. It was simply enormous, and covered in a green glow emanating from it.

"Behind it there were some immense clouds and it was hanging there beneath them. And behind the clouds you could seen an intensely bluish-white light - as bright as lightning - but it was *not lightning*, because it was constant, for spells of five to seven minutes or so at a time. Underneath the clouds all was dark.

"It was about 9.30 a.m. when that happened. The cylinder hung there for several minutes, and then suddenly it, and also the glow behind the clouds, vanished.

"There were also lights shining up from below, and without any doubt, because I live in the area and I know, those lights were coming from the area of the Radio Observatory. There were lights, beams of red light, and white flashes. There were some beams that were very fine and narrow, and there were others that were wider."

And, as he went on, he said this: "I don't have any explanation as to how such a big object - the cylinder - could remain hanging and stationary up there. I know of no machine made by man that could do that.

"To start with you think, with a thing like that, that it must be some experimenting that they are doing there at the Radio Observatory, but then after that you begin to say to yourself 'Wait a minute - yes, I *have* seen displays with laser beams and light effects .... and that wasn't anything like any of it! That was something apart.... totally different. And nor had I ever seen anything, ever, like that enormous thing that was hanging up there".

As we chatted with this Officer, we suggested to him that, on the basis of the scene and of the facts described by him it would seem that somebody of the staff of the Observatory was making some kind of luminous signals *to someone else,* and that this *someone else* - in the cylinder - was answering the signals.

His instant comment was as follows: "Yes - that is it what it seemed to be - *a communication* - and that 'somebody' was answering. That is the impression that one gets.

"Now over the course of all these years that have passed since then I've been thinking about this matter, and, like you, I have come to the conclusion that yes, they were indeed communicating, they were in some way or another each in contact with the other. That is positive and that is definite. There *is* something .... This sort of thing, these sorts of sightings, there is a lot of talk about them here." Those were his words.

OUR OWN FINAL COMMENTS.

As we said at the beginning, all this has profound implications. And why do we say this? It is because, analyzing what the eywitnesses say they have seen, it is impossible not to speculate that the Government of the United States has involved the Island of Puerto Rico in one or other of the two following scenarios:

SCENARIO NO. 1: Puerto Rico is being used as the testing-ground for trying out a new aeronautical technology capable of overcoming gravity. These new craft would be of "flying saucer type", or of triangular craft type.

SCENARIO NO.2: Puerto Rico could be being used in establishing and testing contact with beings of extraterrestrial or alien origin.... and the region of the Arecibo Radio Observatory and other adjacent areas in particular are being utilized for this purpose.

The statement made to us by the Puerto Rico Police Officer who lives near the Radio Observatory about what he had seen in 1994 when large numbers of coloured beams of light were sent out into Space after which an enormous unidentified cylindrical object lit with a greenish glow came down and remained stationary above the Radio Observatory for a few minutes would seem to indicate that such is the case.

We can only think that what happened was indeed the result of some type of communication. Which therefore implies that the Arecibo Radio Observatory has possibly succeeded in making contact with intelligences - possibly extraterrestrial ones - some time ago and, if this is so, it would be a fact of vastly transcendental importance which has been kept hidden from the public of the world.

On the other hand however, the Police Officer's account is very like the scenes of the moment of contact with alien beings in Steven Spielberg's film CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND. This might of course be mere 'coincidence', but it would seem to us to be a very curious 'coincidence.'

A few days ago, Sr. Francisco Vázquez of the Municipality of Manatí told us (quite independently of what the Police Officer had said) that he had watched a similar situation from the Esperanza Beach at Manatí one night in the summer of 1996, when he and several friends had seen a lot of bright laser-type coloured light beams, white and green, being sent up into Space from the area where the Radio Observatory is located.

It had lasted for some three minutes. After that, as it seemed in response to the lights from the Observatory, a

series of bright light beams, white and reddish-magenta, came down out of the sky towards the site of the Observatory. As Sr. Vázquez said to me "*It looked like a communication from somebody up there*".

On the other hand, what Sr. Guillermo Acevedo saw clearly implies that here among us *someone is in contact* with the crews of some of the UFOs seen over the Arecibo area.

Let us remember that the disc-shaped craft seen by him and his wife and their friends at El Mirador on Highway No. 10 *was standing on the ground* with, protruding from it, a platform with what seemed to be a flight of steps.

WHO OR WHAT USED THE STEPS? WHO WAS DRIVING THE WHITE VAN WITH DARK SMOKED WINDOWS THAT MOVED AWAY FROM THE SPOT WHEN THE SAUCER HAD LEFT?

Clearly (or so we hope) the driver must have been a human. BUT WERE THE CREW OF THE SAUCER HUMANS, OR WERE THEY ALIENS?

For the moment, the question remains unanswered and, as I have said, we cannot exclude the possibility that all of it is air and ground experiments of the U.S.A. using very, very advanced technology - possibly of an anti-gravitational nature.

But if so, well then - how could all that fit in, maybe, with what happened during HURRICANE GEORGE?

BEYOND PROJECT "PHOENIX".

Here at our publishing office of *EVIDENCIA OVNI*, we have received confidential information that the contact with beings of other worlds has already taken place.

According to our sources, whose identities we must for the time being keep confidential, both for their security and also in order to avoid reprisals against ourselves for revealing this, the world powers, and most particularly the United States, have contacts and agreements with various species of extra-terrestrial or alien beings.

Among these various species are several types of the so-called "*Greys*" and one of very human aspect but with pale and pinkish skin and fair or white - very white - hair.

It is claimed that the U.S.A. is in contact, in Puerto Rico, with this last-mentioned "human" E.T. type, and trials are going on here, in Puerto Rico, relating to contacts between the Aliens and the population of our Island.

At the same time, alien technology is being tried out and tested on our Island, *including the use of new types of craft of mixed terrestrial and alien technology, with mixed crews of aliens and terrestrials.*

There are also tests going on with *specifically extraterrestrial* types of craft which the aliens are revealing to us *but only up to a certain extent,* in accordance with various agreements already concluded. (This would account for the big triangular and circular craft recently seen over Puerto Rico, as reported by us in recent issues of this magazine - Nos. 13, 14,15,16,17).

All this would likewise account for the extraordinary activities around the Arecibo Observatory, (where some of the alien craft may actually be kept).

The type of aliens involved in this collaboration with the U.S.A. are the tall human-like "Nordics" or "Albinos", and they are now planning to let mankind know officially that they are here and have been here for quite some time.

These revelations are supposedly to be made at or around the year 2,000, and "would involve changes in how we do things on this planet". (Our source did not explain what those changes would be). Our source also indicated that there is still a situation of some distrust between the two sides.

AN EXPLANATION FOR THE HAPPENINGS DURING THE HURRICANE.

This is merely our theory, and we may not be right. But it seems to us that the demonstrations of the capacities of the alien craft during the very height of the hurricane could have been *designed* to indicate to the U.S. authorities how incredibly advanced this alien technology is which can operate in the midst of such storm conditions!

And the hurricane also gave the aliens an unequalled opportunity for further close scanning of our attitudes and behaviours in the storm.

Such then, is our outline of the facts, and it is now for you, our readers, to draw your own conclusions.■

MORE ON JILL TARTER! BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

In his foregoing article, Jorge Martín informed us that a well known woman astronomer, Dr Jill Tarter, is going to spend five years at the Arecibo Radioastronomy Observatory in Puerto Rico along with a group of other top astronomers.

I found that statement intensely interesting, because here are two more remarkable items on Dr Jill Tarter, the second of which tells us not only a lot about herself and her qualifications, but also reveals **that she "is certain that her team will soon be making contact with aliens".**

What's the betting that, in the light of the stream of reports that we have had from Jorge Martín, SUCH CONTACT HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE AND IS ON-GOING AT ARECIBO? AND IF AT ARECIBO, THEN AT MANY OTHER PLACES TOO? -G.C.

TELESCOPE TO SEARCH FOR ALIEN INTELLIGENCE. BY TIM FRIEND, *USA TODAY*, March 25th, 1999.

The world's first telescope dedicated primarily to the search for extraterrestrial intelligence will be built over the next four years and have the power to scan for signals at the edge of the universe, scientists announced Monday.

The unique radio telescope will be built by the

Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI) Institute and the University of California-Berkeley, using 500 to 1,000 inexpensive antennas 12 to 18 feet in diameter and similar to backyard satellite dishes. the antennas will be electronically coupled to form a single "radio ear" spread out over 2.5 acres, or 1 hectare. It is called the One Hectare Telescope, or 1hT.

Leo Blitz, director of the UC-Berkeley Radio Astronomy Lab, says the new telescope will cost less than $25 million and easily can be expanded by adding new antennas. **It will be located at UC-Berkeley's Hat Creek Observatory in the mountains of northern California.**

The SETI Institute is the privately funded radio astronomy group that listens for strong, single-frequency radio signals and pulsed signals that repeat. Such signals stand out markedly from the background hiss generated by different stars and natural objects in the universe. (The hissing sound you hear between radio stations is what the universe normally sounds like.)

Scientists have developed racing heartbeats on more than one occasion after picking up signals from stray or secret satellites.

SETI is based on the idea that intelligent life beyond our solar system would generate radio waves similar to those made by humans on Earth. **So far, SETI astronomers have had to rely on buying and competing for time at radio astronomy observatories such as Arecibo in Puerto Rico and the Very Large Array in New Mexico.**

Now the group will have its own permanent site, reducing operating costs and dramatically increasing the amount of time spent on searches, SETI's Jill Tarter says.

The first task of the 1hT will be to search 1,000 nearby sunlike stars, then expand outward to 100,000 and finally to 1 million suns in the Milky Way. UC-Berkeley astronomers also will use the telescope to conduct studies of pulsars and to survey stars in other galaxies. Tarter says the telescope will have capabilities beyond those available on other radio telescopes.■

Scientist Jill Tarter is certain that her team will soon be making Contact with aliens -from Daily Express, 24th April 1999.

In a laboratory high in the rainforest of Puerto Rico is a refrigerator -empty save for a bottle of champagne which has been there for more than two decades. The only event that will see it uncorked will be earth-shattering. It will be the day humankind learns that we are not alone.

A rather embarrassed NASA coughed up the funds for SETI -the project to Search for ExtraTerrestrial Intelligence -leaving a dedicated band of scientists to go it alone in their quest to detect a radio signal produced by aliens.

But SETI has had a string of recent discoveries which, says its chief scientist, Jill Tarter, indicate the champagne may well be opened rather sooner than anyone had expected.

Jill is the real-life model for Ellie Arrowway, the alien-chasing boffin played by Jodie Foster in *Contact*, a recent movie based on the late Carl Sagan's novel; the two were good friends.

At a conference in Washington last week on the origins of the universe, she spoke exclusively to the *Express*.

Jill, 55, is as glamorous as her Hollywood counterpart -tall ("Jodie, who I got to know really well, comes up to my shoulder"), blond and very elegant. She got into the "bug-eyed monster" business by accident.

"I was approached back in the seventies -I was the only person who knew how to program the old computers they were using," she says. "I got hooked on the idea that astronomers and engineers could do experiments that would answer questions that, up to then, had only been tackled by philosophers."

She adds: "My eight-year-old daughter, asked in school what her mother did, said 'Look for little green men!' "

But SETI is not about searching for alien visistors or UFOs. Two huge radio telescopes at Arecibo in Puerto Rico, and Jodrell Bank in Cheshire, scan the skies searching for a "narrow-band" radio signal.

So far SETI has searched about 400 nearby stars for intelligent signals. It works on the assumption that aliens would put a message in "code" understandable by any intelligent life form -say a "language" based on the atomic spectrum of hydrogen -the most common element in the universe.

We cannot guess what aliens might want to say to us but it is possible that we would feel compelled to reply. But we may not want to broadcast our presence to possibly predatory species. Strict international protocol is in place to govern the nature and timing of any reply.

Jill says that several dozen interesting signals have so far been discovered, though none have been confirmed as alien signals. They could be radio blasts from natural objects such as pulsars or black holes, or possibly from satellites.

Many scientists outside SETI have been sceptical, but a string of exciting discoveries show that the chances of us being alone are very small. Many researchers now believe there is a good chance that life evolved on Mars. Even if Martians turn out to be bugs, the fact is that a kind of life has turned up on the first planet where we went looking for it.

As Jill says: "Finding a second genesis in our solar system will greatly increase the chances of life being ubiquitous in the universe."

Indeed, last Thursday, it was revealed that another entire solar system had been found, 44 light years away. Three planets orbit a sun-like star called Upsilon Andromedae

Finding a solar system so close, after so little searching, shows that planets orbiting stars must be the norm -and many astromers believe that planets around most stars in the galaxy equals billions of potential homes for life.

Even if only one per cent of **those** have advanced technology, that is still 100,000 advanced civilisations in the Milky Way alone.

Jill Tarter believes that computers will finally make SETI pay off. "Our new system is five times as good as the old one. In six years we will be able to search 100,000 stars."

With similar technology, an alien civilisation 10 light years away could detect our radio broadcasts with ease. But these advances, impressive as they are, used current telescopes; what SETI wants is its own dishes in the California desert that could listen to a million stars a decade.

"Bill Gates said no to helping us, for the time being," says Jill, although she is confident that with the fast-improving technology at her disposal (the current search is a trillion times more sensitive than when SETI began) champagne corks may be popping long before she retires.

"A signal would make us realise that the differences between us and this other species were vast. I would hope that this knowledge would trivialise the differences between us humans."■

ENTITIES NEAR ARECIBO OBSERVATORY IN PUERTO RICO, © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of *EVIDENCIA OVNI* (PUERTO RICO) and FSR Consultant. (*Précis translation from Spanish. G.C., EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 20, 1999)*

[As is known, Cornell University in the USA and the N.S.F. (National Science Foundation of the USA) are collaborating at the great radio-astronomical observatory at Arecibo (Puerto Rico) in a programme allegedly (?) of experimentation relating to the Ionosphere (?).

Some of the masts and antennae used by the Observatory stand on a well drained and dry little patch in the adjacent marshy area known as the Caño Tiburónes or Cienaga Tiburónes (meaning literally, in English, "Shark Channel" and "Shark Swamp" - though I have no idea what on earth *sharks* are likely to have to do with a *marsh*! G.C.)

For Jorge Martín's most important previous report on events around the Arecibo Observatory see my translation, from *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 17, *ARE UFOs WATCHING THE U.S. RADIO-ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY AT ARECIBO ?: MAYBE CONTACT HAS ALREADY OCCURRED* ?, which we published in our last issue, FSR 44/4 -EDITOR.]



The eyewitness in this case, Señor Juan B. López, informs me that at about 5.30 pm one day in 1990 he got on his bicycle and went to the Caño Tiburónes to inspect some fish-traps which he maintained in one of the lakes in the marsh, and he was astonished to see what at first he took to be "three small children" standing among the reeds there, with their backs turned towards him.

They seemed to be less than 4ft or so in height, and to be gazing fixedly at something in the water. Drawing nearer however he saw for a certainty that these were no "lost children" as he had surmised!

They were slim of build, clad in greyish-creamy coloured tight-fitting one-piece garments, with a touch of blue about them, and they were bare-headed, without helmets. He rode on past them to his fish-traps, thoroughly puzzled as to what *children* could be doing out there in the marsh!



For comparison: Entities reported in FSR 45/2.

He returned about 45 minutes or an hour later, having seen to his traps, and there the three beings still were, standing at precisely the same spot! So he stopped, and shouted to them: *"Hi there! Are you all alone?"*

Instantaneously the three figures whipped around, "in unison, just like robots" (1), and to his great astonishment, they had red eyes, from which came as it were red beams of light, and instantly he felt himself paralyzed and rooted to the spot, and a sensation came over him, like a douche of cold water covering him from head to feet.

He went on *"And there they stood - just like triplets!* (2) They were all of the same height, with scarcely any hair - just a fine little whitish woolly fuzz (*lanita*). I'd say they were fair-skinned - of a same over-all 'greyish-strawy' sort of complexion, big red luminous eyes emitting red light.

They were thin and slim, with long arms, and heads just a bit bigger than ours, small noses and thin little mouths. Their heads were white, in a pale sort of way - a bit like albino kids you might say - yes, just like that, *albino kids.*

"I was pretty nervous. I could see that they weren't children as I'd been thinking! I was really scared, and I was trying to move, to get away from there, but my body wouldn't respond. Somehow I managed to get to my bicycle, but somehow it wouldn't work and it fell down, and I picked it up again and again I dropped it.

Then I found I could move again, so I seized the bike by the handlebars and just ran..... And then I started to hear something inside my head (3) that kept saying:- '*Don't be afraid....stop, stay.... nothing is going to happen to you!*' But of course I was in panic - I admit it — so I went on struggling against it in my mind and kept replying mentally '*No! No!*' and that I was scared and that I wasn't going to stay there."

Once he had got away, López reflected on all that had happened, and he concluded that definitely **they were not of this world and must have been extraterrestrial beings.** "Because they weren't kids, and our kids don't have eyes that shoot out beams of light. And they **weren't spirits either! They were material, solid, completely physical, but they also were doing something in the marsh".**

We asked López whether he knew that in that very same area of the Tiburónes Marsh there had already been a number of UFO-related events? He replied that - yes - he had heard reports of people seeing lights and balls of light coming down on the Marsh, but that he had never heard of such things as he himself had just seen. He added that had he heard of such happenings he assuredly never would have been going there to look at fish-traps!

But he then went on to say that he *had* heard talk about hunters and fishermen who said that, when out there on the Marsh at night, *they had suddenly found themselves face-to-face with military personnel in camouflage battle-kit who harassed them and wanted to know what they were doing there? These troops had searched their vehicles, pointed their rifles at them and told them to get out and said they couldn't be there at that time of night.*

And he went on, it is necessary to point out that there are masts and antennae there which have to do with the investigations that the Arecibo Radio-astronomical Observatory is conducting. And it is only since those masts and antennae have been there that people have been encountering these military personnel. People think the troops are guarding those masts and antennae... or watching over something that is going on there."

ANOTHER STRANGE INCIDENT.

López did not dare to return there for about three weeks. Then, in order to see to his fish-traps, he went back there with a friend in the latter's van. And at about 7.00 p.m., when they had finished seeing to the traps and collected their fish, the friend suddenly shouted: *"Look - the van's on fire!"*.

The vehicle was at some distance, and it took about 10 minutes to get back to it, to find that it was somehow illluminated as it were by a mysterious yellow light shining on it and causing the metalwork to appear to flash. Although they were unable to see where the light was coming from, it looked as though it was from inside the vehicle itself!

The friend yelled *"UFOs! Down!"* and both at once

threw themselves down and waited. And after a while the light suddenly ceased. They both got up and ran on towards the van, but his friend warned: *"Don't go near - it may still be hot!"*. So they waited for ten more minutes or so. And López continued:

"When I got in and switched on, and went into top gear, it started up straight away before I had even set foot on the accelerator. A bit later, as we rounded the bend near where the masts and the antennae are, the engine cut out momentarily, but as soon as we were out of the Marsh she was running well".

WHAT IN THE MARSH ARE THE AUTHORITIES TRYING TO HIDE ?

In due course the knowledge of what had happened leaked out, and shortly afterwards, while at his place of work in Arecibo town, two mysterious visitors arrived and harassed López, and ordered him not to speak about what he had seen. Here is his account of it to us:

"It was about two days after I had seen the three little chaps in the Marsh. It was about 12.45, and I had just got back to my work from lunch - and there were these two tall men, one about 6 ft., both well dressed, in blue and white shirts, with long sleeves, and wearing ties, and one of them wearing dark glasses.

"One of them was tall and white, and the other, also tall, was more of an olive-white complexion. Both had black hair. They came up to me at the entrance of my work-place and asked if my name was López, and I said "yes".

You could see that they were educated people. And one of them said: "Look - we've come to investigate what happend to you at the Caño Tiburónes". I said "All right, but just wait till I have clocked on and then I'll come and talk to you". So I went in and clocked on and then I came out and we went and sat down near by, on the Arecibo Recreation Plaza.

"They started plying me with lots of questions and asking me all about what had happened, until finally I asked *them* who *they* were and asked them for their identifications because their attitude towards me was very strange, very harassing - in fact I'd go so far as to say quite *hostile*.

At that they changed their tone and replied *no* - they were *not* going to identify themselves and were *not* going to answer any questions; that it was *they* who were going to do the questioning, and I was there in order to give my replies and not to ask any questions about anything. At that point I realized that they weren't what they appeared to be but were possibly Government agents.

"They were typically just like agents conducting an interrogation, with them directing the conversation and not permitting the person being questioned to express an opinion or deviate at all, ... just like a programmed interrogation. And all the time threatening me and warning me that I should not talk of what I had seen out on the marsh.

That attitude of theirs annoyed me, because they seemed to be sort of taking the line that they doubted me and were telling me I must not talk about what I had seen on the Tiburónes Marsh because folk would say I was *mad*. And therefore I was going to have to keep my mouth shut....

"On the one hand they were telling me that I hadn't seen anything, and on the other hand they were saying that they wanted to take me to the place where it had all happened.... and at the same time telling me that I must not talk about the incident or about those creatures.

They kept insisting that I go to the Marsh with them, and I said yes, but it would have to be after I had come out from my work at 4.00 p.m. They said that was alright, but when I came out at 4.00 o'clock they weren't there and they never came back".

FINAL COMMENTS

Why were these apparent Government agents insisting that López must not divulge what had happened on the Tiburónes Marsh? What did they know about what is going on? Why try to terrorize the witness?

And why does this occur in an area where Cornell University has a complex system of antennae for experimenting with the Terrestrial Ionosphere - a project that is being supervised precisely by the personnel of the Arecibo Radio Observatory - a location around which there has been verified and established, in recent years, the strange presences of UFOs and of alien beings? (See my reports on this in issues Nos. 17 and 18 of *EVIDENCIA OVNI.*)

Is it maybe because the Authorities have knowledge of this strange presence in the area.... or is it perhaps that they are in contact with those beings, whoever they are, and are attempting to conceal it from the public? Our investigation of all this is still going on.

On another hand, the type of beings seen by Sr. Juan B. López on the Tiburónes Marsh is similar to a type of being seen together with the so-called "EBAS" (in Spanish "Anomalous Biological Entities" - i.e. the "*Chupacabras*") in various parts of the Island of Puerto Rico (See *EVIDENCIA OVNI* Nos. 9 and 10) and which have also been seen by residents of the Punta Palmas section of Barceloneta - a residential area close to the Marsh, through which those entities have been seen running and plunging into the water of the mangrove swamp and disappearing (see *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 13). The canals of that mangrove in question eventually join up with the Tiburónes Marsh.

Another point to be noted is that there have been many UFO sightings right over the Punta Palma mangroves. Clearly, if we look at the picture objectively and if we analyze what I have set out above, we can say quite definitely there is no "chance" or "coincidence" about all these cases and all these happenings. For which reason we can say that something very important is going on in this region of the Island. -J.M.

NOTES BY EDITOR OF FSR.

(1) & (2): When I have had an opportunity to do a little more research in the FSR archives I will be able to show that, more than 20 or 25 years ago, when our Correspondent and Consultant in Puerto Rico was the engineer Sebastián Robiou Lamarche (who is still alive), **he sent us several reports describing precisely such creatures as these, who seemed to move about and operate in groups of three or more, standing shoulder to shoulder, and behaving "mechanically", without**

individuality, as though "bio-robots", which they no doubt are.

(3): *"I heard it in my head" or "I heard him in my head"* is something that contactees have been telling us for years past, in reports from all parts of the world.

POSTSCRIPT.

Now see, and compare the two entities seen at night in the car headlights in precisely the same region, near the Observatory, as described by Jorge Martín in his article on page 15 of our last-but-one issue, FSR 45/2. These beings are surely identical! -G.C.■

AN INTERESTING SITUATION IN PUERTO RICO!

I. HOW "OBJECTIVE" IS THE PUERTO RICO GOVERNMENT'S OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION OF THE CHUPACABRAS? © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of EVIDENCIA OVNI (Puerto Rico) and FSR Consultant.

(Translated from Spanish, G.C., EVIDENCIA OVNI No. 9, 1996)

The incidents of strange deaths of animals, attributed to "Anomalous Biological Entities" or "Chupacabras", continue to occur throughout the whole Island. A group of Government Agencies, including the Puerto Rico Department of Agriculture, the Department of Natural Resources and the State Civil Defence for the Area of Mayaguez, represented by the Division of Special Operations, have now created an investigative body, using the Department of Agriculture's laboratory at Dorado as the centre of operations to which the dead animals will be brought so that they may be 'necropsiado' as we say in Spanish and an answer be found for the many enquiries.

But unfortunately certain details seem to indicate that the investigation is already flawed, and that the whole thing springs simply from an intention to allay public opinion even though it be by means of deception. Ah yes! and while this is going on, UFOs are still being seen at the places affected by the presence of the creatures, and where the mysterious deaths of animals are occurring. Read - and judge for yourselves. -J.M.

With vast panoply and fuss the various organisations involved in this 'Task Force' have let it be known, via the media, that they have already commenced *"the most serious and most objective" investigation of the myth of the so-called "Chupacabra" aimed at explaining the mystery deaths of animals throughout the entire Island which have been attributed to the activities of a strange creature.*

The said investigation is however vitiated from the start, inasmuch as its organizers referred to what has been happening as *"the MYTH" of the "Chupacabra"*, thereby insinuating that the whole business about the mysterious creature-seen by dozens and dozens of people, and of which there are detailed sketches - is completely false.

While on the one hand they were saying that the investigation would be a totally objective one, directed at finding what is responsible for the killings, on the other hand they were saying that they would prove that what was causing the deaths of the animals were feral dogs or monkeys! In other words, they were launching an allegedly objective investigation with an already completely biased *a priori* estimate of the situation which - patently - disqualifies the entire enterprise!

But as if that were not sufficient, what has happened in the days following was ever worse. In what was a patent spectacle set up via the communication media, particularly the Television, an attempt was made to manipulate public opinion by showing an autopsy of a goat that had died in the same fashion as thousands of animals throughout the country.

Those who saw the pictures will remember how the body of the goat was shaved in order to show numerous small holes which - so the professionals running the autopsy were telling us - were "only superficial marks on the skin, not bites, and that they did not penetrate into the interior of the body of the animal".

This was stated with all the naturalness in the world, even when everyone could see for himself that they *were indeed holes going deeply into the body*. Likewise, they were mighty careful not to stick their instruments into the holes, which would have let the televiewers see how deep the wounds really were!

Clearly the aim was still to bolster up the official theory that what was responsible for the wounds was *dogs*, and that those "tiny little holes" were made by the dogs' teeth. That, gentlemen, is false, and a clear manipulation of information as was clearly visible when they showed the carcase opened up right along the body.

It was then clearly to be seen that the "tiny" holes reached right down to organs inside the animal such as its stomach and its liver, *which means that whatever penetrated down to those organs had been between four inches and six inches long. And the maximum length that a dog's or a monkey's tooth can have is one inch.*

But despite it all, the representatives of the Department of Agriculture were once more repeating that what they had seen so far indicated that possibly dogs were





The "Chupacabra" ("Goatsucker"). Sketches by Jorge Martín, based on the first-hand accounts of eyewitnesses in Puerto Rico.

responsible. Something that surprised us very much was the attitude of members of the *press*, who did not question the "mediatized" information that was being given to them. The sole exception to that attitude on the part of the press was the reporter from WAPA TV, Channel 4, Pedro Rosa Nales.

Likewise - when a common predator, like a dog or monkey or tiger, etc., bites another animal, it will leave a pair of holes on both sides of the neck or head or body. But in these present cases only two holes are seen, on one side only on the animal and not on both.

And here again - the professionals were mighty careful not to mention, in front of the cameras, the course followed by the wounds inside the animal. Is this because it was possible to observe a repetitive pattern and the journalists asked about it and compared it with what had been found in the other autopsies allegedly done by them?

In the necropsies of two rabbits that we had arranged for on the Channel 11Television, Levittown, Toa Baja, and which were carried out by Dr Carlos Soto, a veterinarian in Levittown, Toa Baja, we found the same repetitive pattern in the wounds, which were the aforesaid usual type, small holes 1/4 of an inch in diameter, in pairs, and penetrating into the animal's neck on the right side of the body only and following a straight course to the animal's cerebellum and killing it as it did so. We could also mention another feature - the mysterious perfectly circular *large* holes, that are in no way whatever compatible with dog or monkey bites.

Another anomalous detail found by us in one of the two rabbits was that, although it had a similar large round hole in the rear part of the head, when the body was opened at the front, *where there were no wounds,* it was found - unbelievably - that missing from it were its oesophagus, its trachea and some muscles.

There is no rational explanation for this, since there were no openings at all at the front, nor were there any signs of tears or incisions indicative of how those organs could have been got out. Not even the most skilful of surgeons could have done that. So - once again, we ask the question: WHAT DOG, MONKEY, OR EXOTIC BEAST COULD HAVE DONE IT? THE ANSWER IS: *NONE. IT IS TOTALLY IMPOSSIBLE.*

And yet the fact remains - the weird creatures *are* doing it. And this again is something that the authorities are incapable of explaining.

Another thing is that the members of the "Task Force" denied ever having seen any dead animal showing the big perfectly round holes - which have become another regular pattern in these cases. And that isn't true either!

Because the members of the Department of Agriculture and of the Department of Natural Resources and of the other agencies HAVE seen these wounds, *in many cases,* as we know very well. Quite clearly they won't recognize the existence of these sort of wounds because that too would knock the bottom out of their official theory as to

the cause of the deaths. And all that is very bad too.

But that's not the end of it. Both in some of the cases investigated by Dr. Carlos Soto and in some of those investigated by myself, it has been found that the blood of the animal does not coagulate, or takes a very long time to do so, and that there is also no rigor mortis, rigidity, which is quite abnormal.

Once again, if that were to be found in only one case, it would maybe pass as being just fortuitous, but when you find it in a whole lot of cases it turns into a disturbing pattern and one for which there is also no easy scientific explanation.

It is certain that, as we have seen, the Authorities are thrashing about wildly in an attempt to silence public opinion which is clamouring for serious explanations to the enigma of the killings and to the apparitions of the strange creatures.

And why is it that the Authorities are behaving like this Is it that maybe they know something about what lies behind the enigma and they are refusing to reveal it because they are of the opinion that the public is not prepared for accepting it? And maybe the UFO Phenomenon is indeed linked to the matter?

In our next issue we shall analyze certain cases which do appear to indicate precisely that.■

II. HOW THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO SAW A LARGE UFO ENTER THE SEA, AND HOW IT WAS "HUSHED UP"! © BY JORGE MARTÍN, Editor of *EVIDENCIA OVNI* (PUERTO RICO) and FSR Consultant.

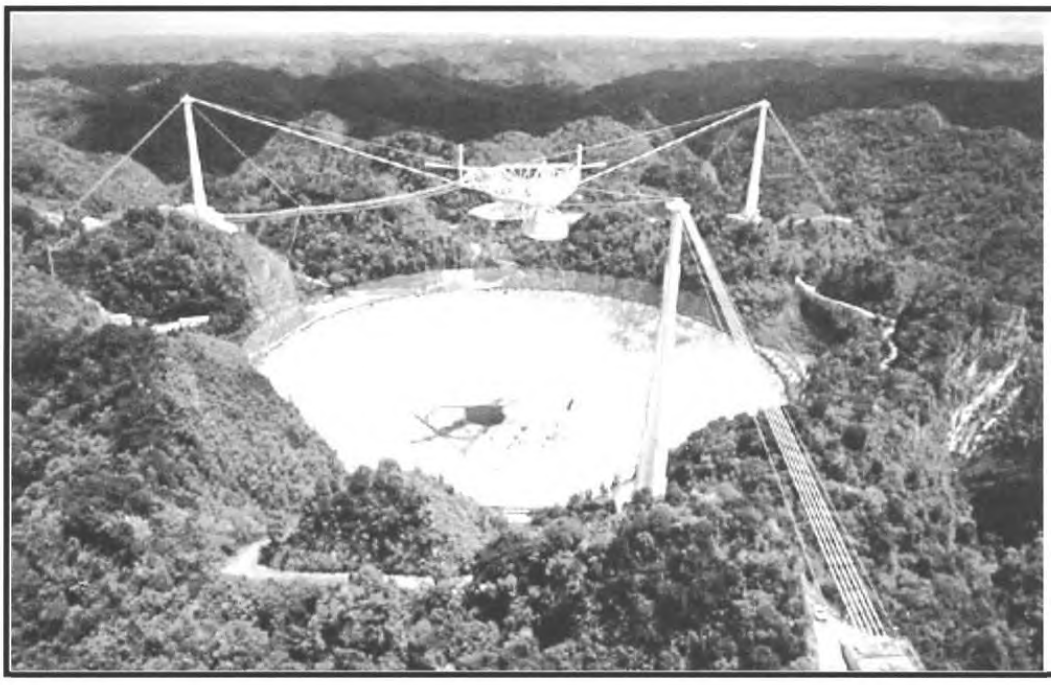
(Précis translation from Spanish. G.C., *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 17, 1998)

The United States Government is at present engaged in a project of very great importance, namely the possible transfer of the U.S. Army's Southern Command from its present base in the Panama Canal to a new position in Puerto Rico, this change being necessitated by the fact that shortly the sovereignty over the Panama Canal Zone will revert to the Panamanian Republic.

In the early hours of May 1, 1997, aboard a U.S. warship anchored off the U.S. Naval Station at Roosevelt Roads, at the eastern end of the Island of Puerto Rico, the Governor of the Island, the Honourable Sr. Pedro Roselló González, was engaged in a top secret discussion with top U.S. Naval representatives about the problems involved in such a transfer, when suddenly - around 1.00 a.m. we are told, a large brilliantly lighted UFO of disc type appeared overhead, flew around silently for a while above the ship and then plunged, also silently, into the sea. One of those personalities who were present with the Governor and witnessed this incident has informed me that it made an immense impression on the Governor and all who were there with him.

I have confirmed through another confidential channel that the incident did occur as I have related it, and that the Governor of Puerto Rico was indeed one of the witnesses. And this confidential source said this to me:

"Look Martín, I don't understand how it is that you know about this. But yes - *it did happen*. Well now - don't expect an official statement from the Governor, *because he isn't going to make one.* **If of course the U.S. Government says anything about it, well then yes, he *could* say something. Meanwhile, don't even dream of it!"**■



AERIAL VIEW OF ARECIBO OBSERVATORY.

Courtesy of the NAIC- Arecibo Observatory, a facility of the NSF...David Parker / Science Photo Library

III. A LETTER TO TIMOTHY GOOD FROM THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO.
(Supplied by the courtesy of Mr Timothy Good.)

COPY

The Governor of Puerto Rico

October 7, 1999

Mr. Timothy Good
20 Morley Court
78 The Avenue
Beckenham, Kent
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United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Good:

Thank you for the letter of September 24 in which you request that I respond to two questions regarding an "alien presence" in Puerto Rico.

I commend you for having invested so much time and energy to investigating a topic which – though fascinating – inevitably provokes scorn and even ridicule in many quarters.

Accepting your inquiry in the best of good faith, I can assure you that **nothing I have heard, read or experienced has given me any reason to believe that extraterrestrial creatures have ever visited Earth.** Please accept this as a categorical affirmation of total ignorance on the subject, because the preceding sentence is emphatically not a "craftily-worded" disclaimer designed to withhold any item or items of information.

That said, I appreciate your interest in the United States' Island of Enchantment in the Caribbean Sea, and hope you will contact me at once if your research eventually yields tangible evidence that Puerto Rico has been visited by beings from other worlds.

Sincerely,

Pedro Rosselló

Pedro Rosselló

IV. A SECOND LETTER TO TIMOTHY GOOD FROM THE GOVERNOR OF PUERTO RICO.
(Supplied by the courtesy of Mr Timothy Good.)

COPY

The Governor of Puerto Rico

November 29, 1999

Mr. Timothy Good
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United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Good:

Like its predecessor, your missive of November 17 was most welcome. My only regret is that I appear to have been unsuccessful in my earnest effort to impress upon you that I am hiding nothing that might even remotely be relevant to your research project.

So let me try again.

Never has any government official or institution directly or indirectly briefed me, or otherwise provided me with information, either on the topic of unidentified flying objects or with respect to evidence that the Earth may at some time have been visited by extraterrestrial creatures.

On one or more occasions during my incumbency, I have been aboard United States Navy vessels. On no such occasion, however, has anything transpired that could even remotely be deemed pertinent to your studies.

I do not recall whether I was aboard a Navy vessel on May 1, 1997, but I shall have my scheduler look into that and I shall be in touch with you once more as soon as we have the answer.

Although I appreciate your sharing with me a draft excerpt from your next book, it seems premature to give it my blessing because this and my forthcoming letter to you will presumably require amending that passage. Yet I do note that your quotation misspells the word **"visited"** in the sentence that concludes with the words, "...**creatures have ever visited Earth.**"

With great interest, I await the arrival of ALIEN BASE. Meanwhile, I look forward to being back in touch with you shortly.

Sincerely,

Pedro Rosselló

Pedro Rosselló

*** COMMENT BY EDITOR OF FSR.**

Do the rest of us perhaps commence to know enough by now to perceive that His Excellency Governor Rossello of Puerto Rico may quite possibly NOT have been lying about the source and home of strange craft and strange creatures that have been observed or encountered in or over his Island? -G.C.■

MORE PLANETS. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

I. EXTERNAL.

In *FSR* 45/2 mention was made of recently discovered planets outside of our own Solar System. In May of this year European astronomers using the European Southern Observatory at La Silla (Chile) announced the finding of eight more "probables" orbiting around other stars in our Galaxy, *thus taking the total so far to 43.* [For full information please see the website of the European Southern Observatory at ***http://www.eso.org/outreach/press-rel/pr-2000/pr-13-00.html***]

One of them, around a star in the Constellation of Scutum, appeared to have about 80% of the mass of our Saturn, and also to be one of the smallest of these newly found planets. Two others, a bit bigger than Saturn, were found orbiting around star No. HD83443 in the Constellation of Vela, and around star No. HD 108147 in the Constellation of Crux.

Three others are considerably larger. One of them, orbiting around star No. HD 52265, in the Constellation of Monoceros, appears to be about the same size as our Jupiter. Another, around star No. 82943 in the Constellation of Hydra is 2.2. times the size of Jupiter, while one more, orbiting around star 169830, in the Constellation of Sagittarius, is almost three times the size of Jupiter!

I recall the very interesting work, in the early 1950s, of the American astronomer Drake, who claimed to have found evidence that about 50% of the stars in our own Galaxy were spinning at far greater speeds than the other 50%. And this, he theorized, might be explicable by the fact that older stars would, in the natural course of their evolution, have developed little families of planets which would inevitably act as "brakes" and slow them down. Does it all indicate that this pioneer, Drake, was right in his theorizing?

II. "DOMESTIC".

In October 1999 there was excitement over reports that two different astronomical research teams had stated that they have evidence which seems to confirm the old tales or rumours of an enormous new "planet-like body" lying far beyond the orbit of Pluto and possibly orbiting our Solar System at a distance of 3 trillion miles (half a light year).

Discussing this, Dr. John Murray of the British Open University says he has been studying incoming comets which seem to have been ejected from the extremely remote Oort Cloud by some powerful gravitational force.

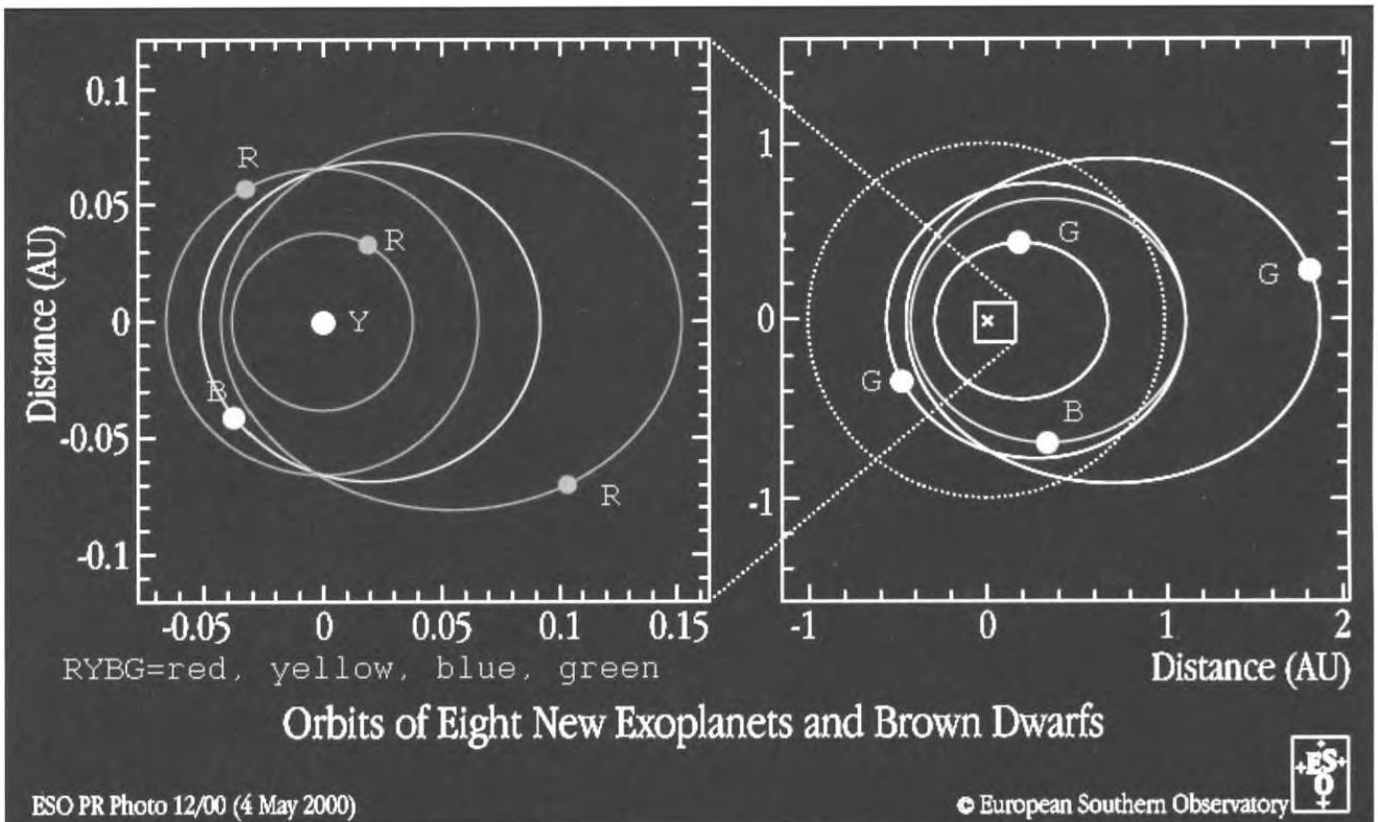
He has analysed 13 of these comets in detail, and he says: "I feel the effect is pretty conclusive. I have calculated that there is only about a one in 1,700 chance that this is in fact 'all due to chance'!"

In his report to the Royal Astronomical Society he suggested that this so-far unseen great planet is "several times the size of Jupiter". And he says a queer thing about it is that it seems to be orbiting our Sun "in the wrong direction - contrary to the orbit of all known planets.

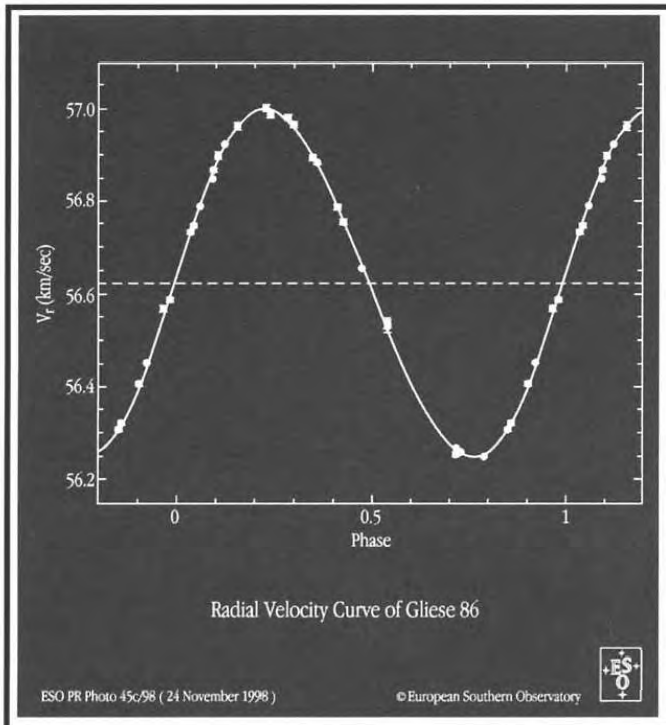
This could mean that the huge object may be a so-called *'rogue planet'* that has drifted in from very Deep Space and has been captured by the gravity of our Sun!"

Physicists John Matese, Daniel Whitmire and Patrick Whitman, all of the University of Louisiana (Lafayette), have separately arrived at similar conclusions, and their findings are to be published in a future issue of *Icarus*.

In his own part of the study Dr. John Matese says the new arrival may be a "*brown dwarf*", and he estimates its mass at three times that of Jupiter. G.C.■



ESO PR Photo 12/00 *A representation of the sizes and shapes of the orbits of the eight new planetary and brown-dwarf candidates. The colours indicate the deduced minimum masses: about one Saturn mass or less (red); between 1 and 3 Jupiter masses (green); above 10 Jupiter masses (blue). The dashed line indicates the size of the Earth's orbit (radius 150 million km).*



ESO PR Photo 45c/98 *Shows the measurements (with error bars) of the radial velocity (Vr vrs. orbital phase) of Gliese 86 with the new 1.2-m Swiss telescope and the CORALIE spectrograph at La Silla. They have been "phase-folded" with a period of 15.83 days and the diagram thus represents one revolution of the planet around the star. The fully drawn line corresponds to the best orbital solution, obtained by least-square fitting a simple two-body model (star + planet) to the data. As can be seen, the agreement is near perfect and the dispersion of the measurements around this line is very small.*

"1066 AND THE INTERNET AND ALL THAT"!

Almost a thousand years ago a warlike Scandinavian tribe who had settled in Northern France, the so-called Normans ("Norsemen"), landed in Britain and defeated our Saxon King, Harold, at Hastings in 1066.

And as soon as he had got safely and comfortably settled in here, their ruler, William of Normandy, the "Conqueror", despatched a group of officials to various areas of the country to draw up an "Inventory" of precisely what it was that William had acquired by conquering England.

The result, a few years later, was the remarkable assessment which we know as the *DOMESDAY BOOK*, completed 20 years later, in the year 1086.

Such an efficient and effective job was done by the King's Commissioners that today I am able to know that, in the little town in "Herfordscire" where I was born and where I still live, the entire place was owned by the Abbot of St. Albans, that there were a total of 1200 pigs here; 14 ploughs (vitally important "high-tech"); four shillings' worth of fish caught in a year in the three local streams; and a mill; and the population consisted of 22 villagers, 9 smallholders, 5 cottagers and 5 slaves - all ruled over by precisely *4 Frenchmen!* The total value of the place was £20 and Ten Shillings ("£20 before the Conquest in 1066"!)

It all sounds to me like pretty good accounting and stocktaking. And I feel prepared to bet that this is precisely what the INTERNET is ultimately designed for — STOCKTAKING BY THE NEW MASTERS OF THE PLANET! *(I wonder whether today Rickmansworth has got 4 Aliens running it?. G.C.*■

A DEVICE TO STOP ALIEN ABDUCTIONS?

A man named Michael Menkin, of Bellevue, Washington State, claims to have invented a special type of hat that prevents alien abductions!

The hat consists of a leather motorcycle cap modified with several layers of an anti-static material normally used to protect printed circuit boards.

Michael Menkin says his hats work as "*thought screens*". He claims that they might be 100% effective in preventing alien abductions. He says that, to achieve full protection, they should be worn at all times, even during sleep.

We thank Dean Ladds, our Glasgow "back room boffin", for sending us a CNI news report about this, based on a story in the newspaper *Las Vegas Star Ledger* of March 23, 2000, and also the text of an announcement from Michael Menkin himself which has been put out on the *Internet.*

The full text of this announcement from the inventor is as follows:

EXPERIMENTAL DEVICE TO STOP ALIEN ABDUCTION.
http//ww.Alien.Scalpel.com/device.htm

This request references reports of alien abductions as reported by Budd Hopkins, David Jacobs and Raymond Fowler. I made a device which may help people abducted by aliens as reported by the above investigators

The device works by blocking alien telepathy and mind control. I call my device a "*thought screen helmet*". My

device consists of a leather helmet lined with layers of special conductive plastic, the same material used to prevent static electricity damage to printed circuit boards.

When worn over the head, I believe the device may insulate an abductee from alien telepathic control. Its function is not proven, I realize, but a shield for blocking alien telepathic control is worth trying.

To date I have one abductee trying my device. ***He has not had any memorable alien contact for three months, so the device may work. I am still working with this person and hope to confirm its operation.***

I am trying to get other abductees to try the device to confirm its operation. My "thought screen helmet" cannot be tested in a laboratory. The only way to test it is for an abductee to wear it for a period of time and determine if the telepathic control of aliens is blocked or neutralized.

If the "thought screen helmet" works it will minimize alien activity with a person and allow that person to resist aliens. If I cannot verify the function of my current "thought screen helmet" configuration, I plan to test different materials to find one that does work.

If your organisation can put me in contact with the kind of abductee described by Jacobs and Hopkins who is interested in trying the device, I will mail it to them for free, worldwide. There are no catches. It's available to any serious abductee who wants to test it for free, anywhere in the world. Several sizes of "Thought screen helmets" are available.

If your organisation can't put me in contact with an abductee, can you post this appeal on the notice section of your website or in your newsletter?

Contact Michael Menkin by email, telephone or regular mail. Email address: Mmenkin@nwlink.com Telephone: 425-454-2355

Mailing Address: Mike Menkin, 9925 N.E. First St., #24 Bellevue, WA 98004, USA.

COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR.

In case readers may think this sort of story sounds a bit too far-fetched, I would remind them that one of our reports from Jorge Martín in Puerto Rico mentioned a very strange and interesting thing which could be related to this same matter, *for it was a suggestion that the method being employed by the U.S. Government to keep their live alien entities in secure conditions where they could not be rescued was to surround them by a special kind of powerful magnetic field!*

However, it has to be said that as far as is known from *human* research, telepathy is *not* blocked by electrostatic screening (e.g. in tests with a "Faraday Cage" -a metal enclosure completely screened to exclude electromagnetic signals).

If we take it that claimed abductees can be influenced by alien signals which are *not telepathic*, rather indeed *electromagnetic*, then the idea of the screened helmet makes some sense. G.C.■

A "TUBULAR" CRAFT PHOTOGRAPHED OVER THE MOJAVE DESERT, CALIFORNIA IN 1998. BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

Several British newspapers reported in mid-June 2000 that an Englishman, Mr. David Hastings, aged 67, and his co-pilot, David Patterson, were flying in a twin-engined *Cessna Skymaster* when they saw and photographed a cigar-shaped craft.

Mr. Hastings, who has been flying for 40 years, said: "There is no doubt in my mind that we had an encounter with a UFO, and I have got the picture to prove it. It appears to have heat coming out of it, because it was creating an air flux in the same way that you get a distorted wavy view of a road on a hot day".

The incident had happened in June 1998, when they were at 10,000 ft. above the Mojave Desert. They were on their way from New York back to the home, in San Francisco, of Mr. Patterson, a former WWII pilot, after attending a U.S. Army Air Force (Second Air Division) Convention.

Mr. Hastings, of Salthouse, Norfolk, is Chairman of the Second Air Division's memorial library here in Norwich. He said "We realize there was something heading straight for us. All of a sudden the cockpit went black as the object flew overhead, blocking out the sun."

He showed the print to U.S. Navy officers at the time, and he says: "They asked to keep the picture for a while, and when I picked it up again from them a few days ago, I asked them what they thought it was? They refused to say anything, and simply answered: "No comment".

The photo is thus two years old. He had not allowed it to be published until he was being interviewed for the June 2000 edition of *Pilot Magazine*. He said: "Quite a few airline pilots see UFOs while they are flying — but I have never heard of one being photographed like this."



Pilot David Hastings

The tubular shape, sharply cut off at both ends like a cigar, is not a frequently seen type of UFO, but there have been occasional sightings



David Hastings' photo of tubular UFO.

of them ever since the UFO phenomenon began to be discussed in 1947, some of them very large indeed, and there are a number of good photographs of them in existence. The craft in this case seems probably to have been a small one.

I vaguely recall early American reports of a huge "cigar" seen over Kansas — and allegedly described as "about ten miles long"! There are early reports of "tubulars" from Britain, from Argentina, and also from Russia, where a spectacular craft of this type was seen, by crowds of people, over Voronezh. When fighter aircraft approached, it suddenly began, like the "Cheshire Cat", to become "invisible at both ends". Then, when the Soviet fighter planes had ceased searching for it and departed, it was once more back there in position, and standing up on its tail, it shot out a burst of flame as long as itself and vanished straight up into the sky. A similar performance was once reported by us in FSR in the very early days, from Argentina. G.C.■

REPORT RELATING TO PHYSIOLOGICAL ABNORMALITIES IN ABDUCTEES.

NOTE BY EDITOR -on an article by Dr. Phillip S. Duke, PhD., © 1999, All rights reserved.

This report, of which Dr. Duke has sent me a copy, *looks extremely interesting and probably is extremely important.* Unfortunately it is far too scientific and technical for me to understand it, and I greatly doubt whether any ordinary FSR reader can do so either, so I am obliged to say that regrettably we cannot republish it or even review it in our journal.

However, I can describe the main thrust of it, which is Dr. Duke's assertion that persons reportedly abducted by aliens and seen by Dr. K. Leir appear to experience a Vitamin A deficiency, *nyctalopia (night-blindness),* despite their having diets quite sufficient in Vitamin-A.

This is therefore potentially a very important matter, and I would urge all who are interested or who think that they show signs of this deficiency *nyctalopia,* to get in touch with Dr. Duke and arrange to purchase or otherwise secure a copy of the report (3¾ pages A4).

As is to be expected, no scientific or technical body or establishment will agree to publish it. This therefore is the best that we can do to help Dr. Duke. G.C.■

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A DOCTOR SAW A CRASHED UFO AND SMALL CORPSES IN MEXICO IN 1989.

[Brief Digest from Spanish, G.C., *EVIDENCIA OVNI* No. 23 (2,000)]

Reporting to Jorge Martín, a Mexican physician named Dr. Rafael Lara Palmeros (Fig. 1) states that in 1989, near an electricity plant at Santa Rosalia, near Laguna Verde, which lies some 20-30 kms. from Jalapa, near Veracruz, Southern Mexico (19.10.N, 96. 10.W.), he and two companions, an engineer and an architect, chanced to be close eyewitnesses of a massive operation involving much military equipment, helicopters, jeeps etc. and a very large body of Mexican Army officers of high rank, along with some other officers who, fair-haired and blond, were clearly not Mexicans (and so presumably *Americans*), all assembled around a silvery-grey coloured metallic spherical craft with one large square porthole and, lying near by, two small child-sized, burnt corpses which he estimated to be about 4ft. (1m20) in height.

At one stage he and his companions seem to have got close enough to be able to peer through the square porthole, getting the impression that nothing much was to be seen inside except two seats. The skin of the two entities looked "bluish", due, the doctor thought, to the effect of their badly burned condition, their one-piece garments of metallized fabric being visibly fused with the flesh (Fig. 2).

Dr. Palmeros was wearing a white medical coat, and recognizable as perhaps a *medical man*, and the military subjected him and his friends to a close interrogation, but finally agreed to let them stay there, observing from a distance, after having first taken from them their cameras.

What greatly impressed Dr. Palmeros was the atmosphere of tremendous tension and nervousness among all the military.

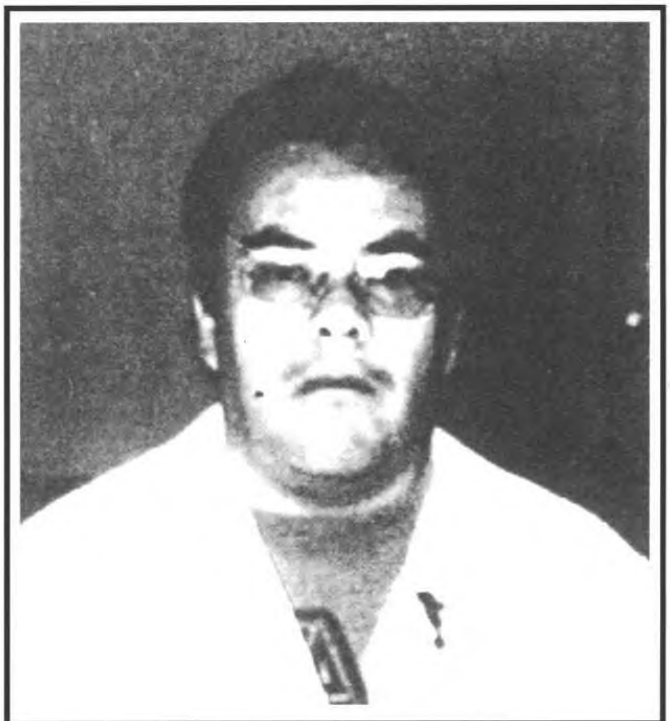


Fig. 1. The Veracruz doctor, Rafael Lara Palmeros.

THE FAKED STORY.

The story that was subsequently fed to the public via the media - the newspapers, both at regional and local levels, being very well regaled with it - was that the silvery-grey metallic sphere was of course nothing but an ordinary marine buoy that had been blown up on to the beach by the waves.

In due course the doctor discovered that the finder of the crashed sphere and corpses had been a local peasant named José Renteriá, and it seems that he had possibly pulled the two corpses out of the machine. But, quite naturally, when the doctor attempted to contact Renteriá, this gentleman - you have guessed it - had completely "disappeared" and was untraceable.

Discussing the many appearances of strange and mysterious creatures in Mexico, the doctor said that this aspect had been one of the things that interested him most, for years past.

One case that had impressed him particularly, he said, had been at a place called Ixtlalmanalco, in the Mexican Federal District, where large numbers of small animals had been killed and mutilated by large black cats of panther type.

Dr. Palmeros managed to secure casts of the prints of this big cat, and he mentions that there were people from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (Mexican Independent University) who were also investigating these panther footprints.

ANIMALS RELEASED FROM UFOS.

The doctor also reported that the local country people said they had frequently seen such panthers actually coming down out of an "aeroplane" and when he pressed them for closer details, he ascertained that the "aeroplanes" in question had in fact been long cylinders or tubes down which the animals had come! They had then done their killings, and thereafter vanished.

Dr. Palmeros said of course that in many regions, particularly around two that he mentioned, El Salto and Zapopan, lights had repeatedly been seen in the night skies over areas where there were sheep or goats or large poultry farms (Fig. 3).

Citing specific cases, he mentioned the finding of six dead bloodless fowl in Nayarit State, together with reports of a creature resembling the *"chupacabra"* so often reported from Puerto Rico, and of the intensive efforts made to track it down.

He mentioned the case of one woman, resident in that area, who had lost many of her animals, and who had once found herself face to face with a small, pale

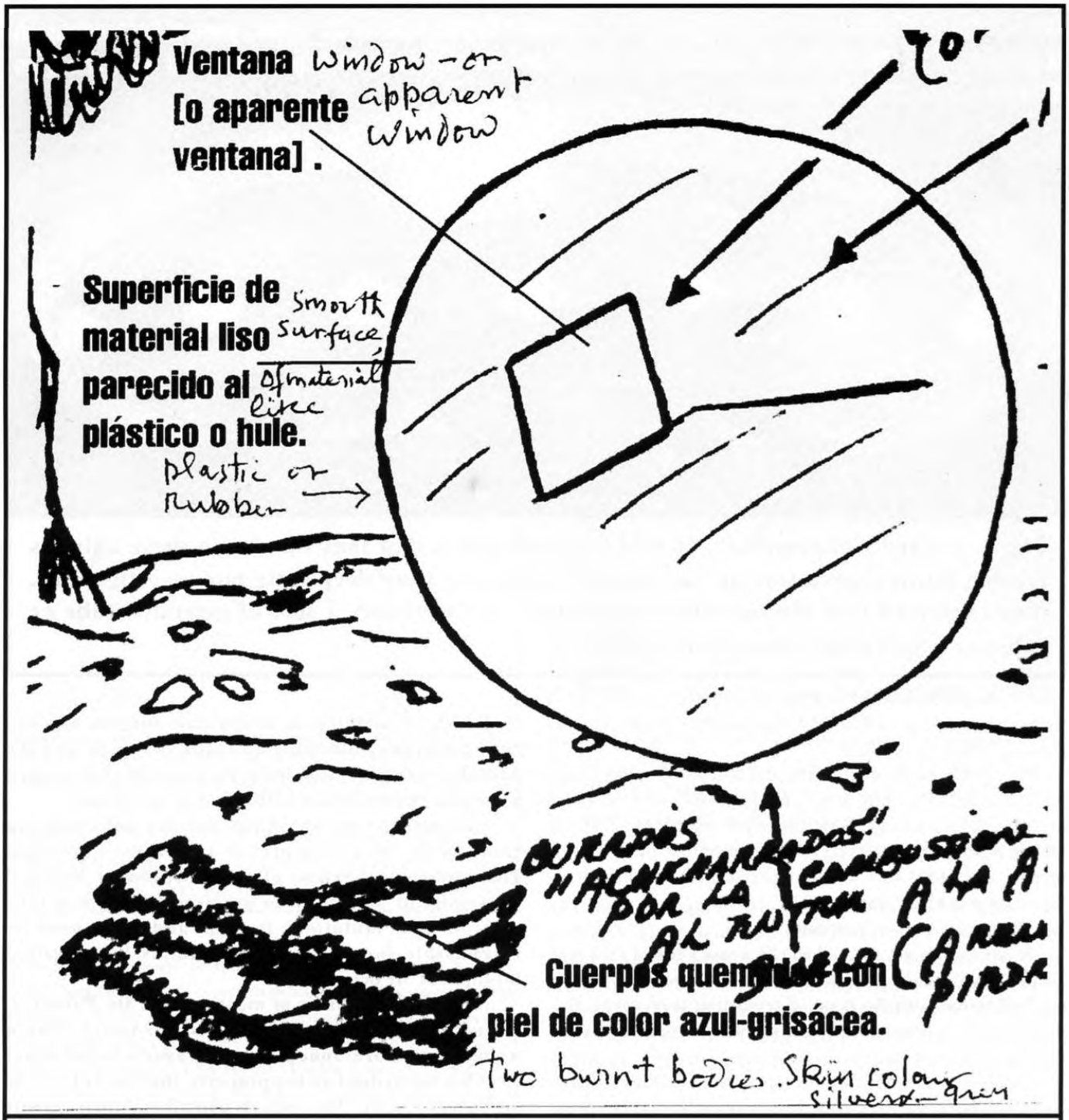


Fig. 2. The doctor's sketch of the craft and the two small burnt bodies.

yellowish-hued creature with a large head and red eyes, which had totally paralyzed her, leaving her in a terrible state of shock.

Clearly this is exactly the same small humanoid-like creature so often reported from Puerto Rico by Jorge Martín and so often in association with the animal called the *"chupacabra"*. (See sketches on page 12 of this issue.)

It is perhaps important to emphasise that this second creature, sometimes called *"albino"*, although bestial and demonic-looking, is nevertheless decidedly "human" in shape and build.

Some reports do seem to indicate that he has been seen in *association with the chupacabras.*

I have searched for evidence of what he may look like, and I think that he is (Fig. 4) as described in Jorge Martín's article, ***Impossible Animals Too!,*** as shown on page 6 of FSR 45/1.

One man, named Silva Avila, gave this account of another (and different) creature that he had seen:

"I got a side-view of him, at a distance of about 35 ft. or so, I picked up a stone and threw it at him, but missed. The animal turned and faced me, and then made off, with enormous bounds, jumping over a six-ft. wall. The thing would have been about 80 cms. in height, with a little head and short pointed ears like the ears of a bat, and shiny bright red eyes".

Silva Avila also said that the creature was covered with black hair, and had jointed legs (i.e. knees), and from its chest protruded two tiny arms, "like the forelegs of a kangaroo".

On one occasion, he said, the creature had created

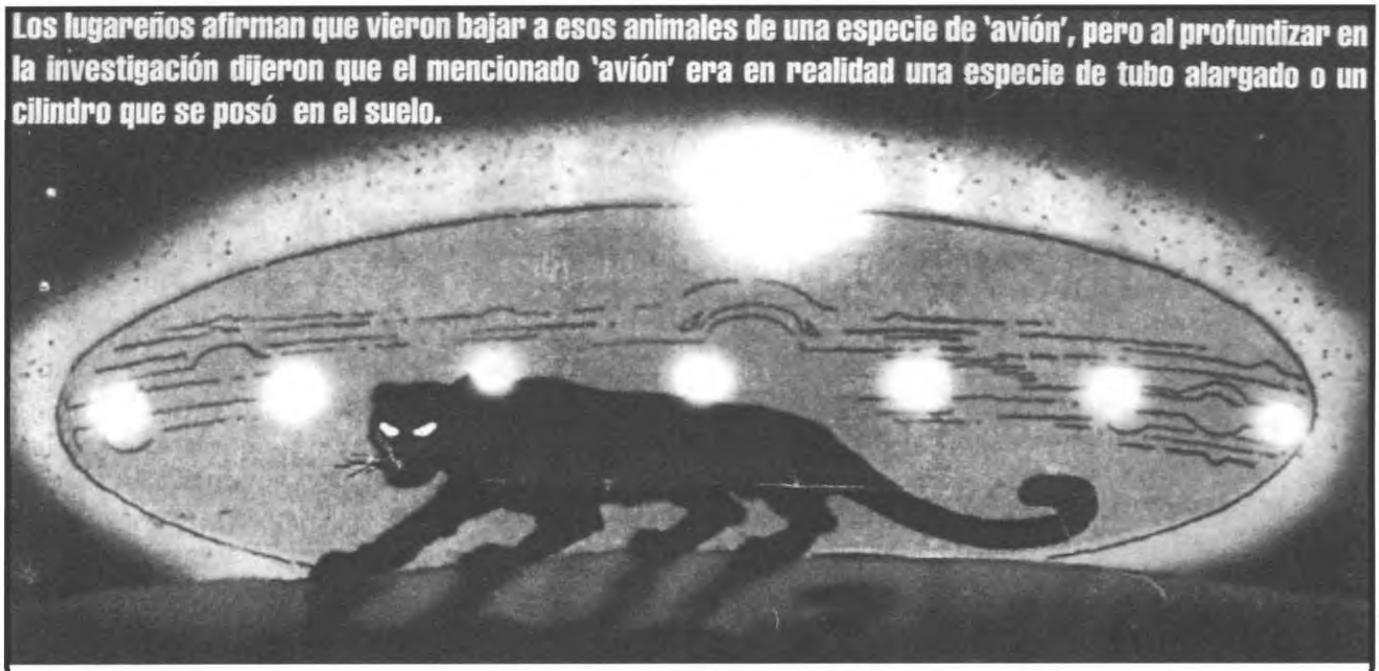


Fig. 3. (Artist's impression) The local people assert that they have seen these animals coming down from a sort of "aeroplane", but as we were deepening our investigations, they explained that the so-called "aeroplane" was in reality a sort of extended tube or cylinder which came down to the ground.

such a panic and terror that the Police had to turn out in force and had fired tear-gas at it!

Several Puerto Rico reports have described something like this -especially the "tiny arms"- but I can only find one case that resembles it as regards the *tiny arms* (but not much else). Here it is (Fig. 5), which you will find described by two boys on page 11 of FSR 45/1, though there seems to be no sign of "short, pointed bats' ears" on it!

The doctor's report continues:-

At another place, Cuatichan (Mexican Federal District) 19 fowls and 2 pigs were found dead with the usual marks on their throats. In the hope of protecting themselves, the doctor says the local folk began painting crosses or fixing crosses on their doors.

On May 9, 1996, the Archbishop of Morelia State, Alberto Suárez Inda, urged the public to remain calm and declared his own total confidence in the authorities. His statement included this:

"There are strange phenomena happening, the investigation of which is very complex, and for the solution of which every bit of our time and all our resources are needed."

Another Bishop, Antonio Camacho Díaz, of the Catholic Orthodox Church (local sect? G.C.) said he thought the creatures might be the results of some congenital defect, or maybe due to radiation!

At Los Mochis, a place in Sinaloa, a man named Benigno Cano said that he had seen a creature. It was about 90 cms. high, with long pointed teeth, red eyes, scales, and "like a dragon", and he said it had killed two ducks, a goat and several fowls.

In the State of León, at Guanajuato - a spot already known for its many UFO sightings - two boys, Jesús Barajas and Julio Bermúdez, saw a being about 1.m20 in height, with black skin and bulging eyes. It leapt with ease over a 5 metre high fence and flew away.

On May 12 of this year, a veterinary surgeon who had been performing autopsies on mutilated geese said the wounds could have been made by a gigantic bat created by genetic manipulation in the USA or in Mexico!

Next day this same line of manipulation and debunking came from investigators at the Veterinary and Zootechnological School of the Independent National University of Mexico, who declared that it was very possible that mutations in dogs and cats could be responsible for the mass of animals being killed throughout Mexico.

Another case worthy of mention, said Dr. Palmeros, had occurred in the State of Chiapas. On April 1, 1996, a woman named Sra. Julieta Calderón awoke to find about 20 of her sheep dead on her property, the San Antonio de los Sauces Ranch. The animals had all had their throats torn open - which, according to the local official version, proved that they had been attacked by dogs!

Oddly enough, of course, none of the estate's night-watchmen, nor the shepherd, nor even all the hunting dogs of the ranch, had been alerted in the slightest by the alleged pack of savage feral dogs!

According to Jesús Espinoza Ramírez, a technician of the Ministry of Agriculture, there was not the slightest possible doubt about the culprits having been dogs - a view hotly repudiated of course by Señora Calderón.

But - and this is very interesting - one of her night-watchmen, Víctor Manuel Samoaya, recalled that he had seen "an individual half a metre or so in height (i.e. less than 3 ft), naked, and very pale in colouring, looking like an *albino*, hiding in the bushes". (This looks like our Fig. 4!)

This night-watchman went on: "I thought at first that it was a child". One of his mates had tried to go after it, but without success.

The President of the Sheep Farmers' Association of Chiapas State, Sr. Ernesto Sánchez Yanini, pointed out

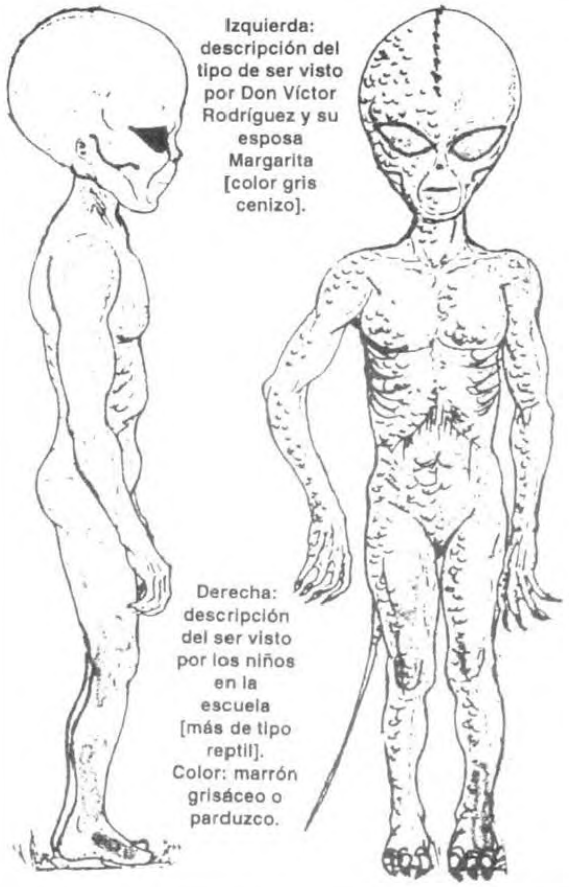


Fig. 4. Left: Sketch based on the "ashen-grey" being seen by Víctor Rodríguez and his wife.

Right: Sketch based on the account given by the children at the school -"a rather reptilian sort of being -colour greyish-brown."

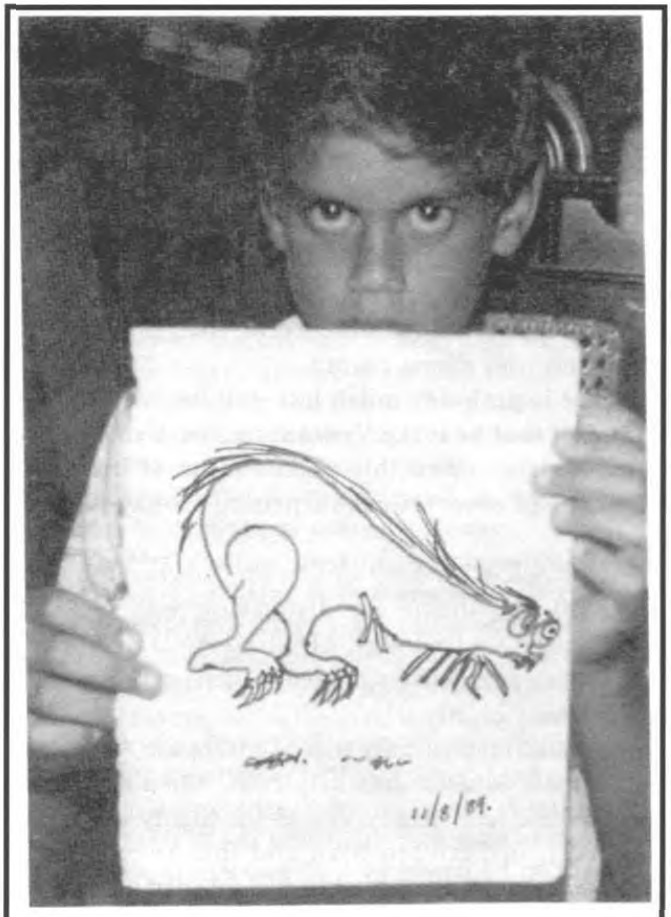


Fig. 5: Iván Cotto Cintrón shows his sketch of the "horrible thing" that he and his friend Luis saw one night at Rabanal.

that in the 20 years of his experience as a sheep farmer, never had there been cases in which so many animals had died in a single attack as was happening now - although he went on to say that he would rule out the possibility of the feral dog pack! (As Jorge Martín notes, it seems that the myopia afflicting all these official circles and governmental departments is now internationally dominant too. We will soon publish a Spanish case to *prove* this! -G.C.)

On May 1st, 1996 there were similar incidents at Tlalixcoyan (Veracruz area). Again - as always - nothing whatsoever had been heard during the night.

Next morning the bloodless and mutilated animals were found.

Sr. Pedro Hernández, owner of the animals, told Dr. Palmeros that "a sort of enormous jumping rabbit had come towards him and then vanished into the bushes. It was about 80 cms. high and dark coloured. Next day I found 3 goats and 4 fowl all totally drained of blood," said Hernández.

From the State of Jalisco came some extremely strange reports - especially from the area of Zapopan. These reports spoke also of the presence of "humanoid beings" in connection with the epidemic of mutilations.

CONCLUSIONS.

In a concluding footnote, Jorge Martín confirms that the small humanoid creature, around 3 - 4 ft high, with pallid skin like an albino, arms longer than the average in humans, and with phosphorescent reddish eyes, as described by Dr. Palmeros, is part of the overall pattern and identical with what is being seen in Puerto Rico, and, as in Puerto Rico, also seemingly linked to the *chupacabras* or EBAs as he sometimes calls them (Anomalous Biological Entities).

Likewise, just as in Puerto Rico, Dr. Palmeros in Mexico had found that wherever the little "albinos" and the chupacabras had been seen, there also many UFO sightings had taken place. And frequently too, just as in Puerto Rico, Dr. Palmeiros had found that all these phenomena were accompanied by the presence of glowing unidentified flying objects and strange globes, as well as by the accompanying unidentified military force travelling around in unmarked black helicopters most particuarly in the area of Sinaloa.

And, says Jorge Martín, nobody even knows whether these military elements seen in the region are Mexican or whether they belong to "another country". What however is certain is that these unidentified military individuals warn the local people not to talk about what they have seen.

The final conclusion of all this, says Jorge Martín, is that the findings of Dr. Lara Palmeros in Mexico are identical with his own totally independently reached findings in Puerto Rico. He says: "We are committed to serious investigation and to the search for truth. We congratulate Dr. Rafael Lara Palmero for his level of seriousness and his great professional work."■

THE CURIOUS UTTERANCES OF THE VATICAN'S MONSIGNOR CORRADO BALDUCCI, BY GORDON CREIGHTON.

This important Catholic prelate was already well known for his previous statement, some time ago, that he believed in the presence of alien intelligences interacting with Planet Earth.

What is probably much less well known however is the fact that he is the Vatican's senior Exorcist and Demonologist - and this makes some of his latest remarks and observations surprising - to say the very least!

At the *Second Ancona Ufological Congress,* on April 17, 2000, the theme for discussion was "ALIEN CIVILIZATION: BETWEEN DOUBT AND REASON", and he gave an extensive interview there, expressing his opinions very clearly.

He stated emphatically that *of course* the Aliens and their vessels do quite definitely exist. On a number of occasions he had already voiced the highly intelligent view that, in between Man and the Angels, there absolutely *must* also exist a considerable gamut - a great HIERARCHY of various other grades or levels of beings - and these might well be the "Aliens" now under discussion. From the theological point of view, he emphasised, there could be no doubt about *that.*

[Let us not forget either that in the Old Testament and other Jewish religious texts the talk is not merely of "Angels" (*Malakheem*, but also of *other* categories of celestial beings - such as *Cherubeem* and *Serapheem*. With my limited knowlege of Hebrew I have so far managed to find out very little indeed about these or any other categories of celestial beings in the old Hebrew Pantheon, and if anyone can help me on my way to learn more I would indeed be most grateful. I suspect that the old scholars and sages may have recognised even more than just these three grades of "Celestials". G.C.]

As regards acceptance of the general idea of life elsewhere in the Cosmos, the Monsignor pointed out that the saintly Italian priest Padre Pio, who was famous for his *stigmata* and for his miraculous healing of the sick, and who died only a few years ago, had always taken the existence of extraterrestrials absolutely for granted.

And, long before him, there had been - to quote just a few examples - such clerics as Cardinal Niccolo Cusano (1401-1464) who accepted the "alien" and "E.T." concepts and wrote about them. And also there had been the early Jesuit astronomer Father Angelo Secchi (1818- 1899) who wrote:

"*It is absurd to think that the other worlds around us are uninhabited deserts".*

And of course there had also been Giordano Bruno who had died at the stake for harbouring such beliefs.

When asked whether his investigation of the UFO Phenomenon was *purely personal* or had been based on official Vatican promptings, Monsignor Balducci - (not surprisingly) - hastened to emphasise that it all had all be purely personal and that there was nothing"official" about it [which can hardly be true, as we at FSR have heard, for years past, that the Vatican possesses an active department devoted to the UFO Phenomenon. Indeed - how could it possibly be *otherwise!* G.C.]

As already mentioned, this high-ranking Vatican dignitary, Monsignor Balducci, is himself recognized as the Vatican's No. One Demonologist. And yet it seems that there is not a single word in anything that he has ever said or written to indicate any knowledge whatsoever of such matters as alien rape; crossbreeding; hybridization; removal of sperm and ova; implants, or the widespread harassment of humans by UfO entities, widespread mutilations of terrestrial animals, *and ghastly human mutilations too.*

The good Monsignor cannot possibly be unaware of these aspects of the matter. So I conclude that we are obliged to attribute scant value to his statements, which look like a piece of wild window-dressing. *Or worse.*

He has blandly told us that any other intelligences are more or less certain to be higher and purer and more evolved than we are - bizarre views from a professsional exorcist surely!

One interesting assertion by the Monsignor relates to the Fatima Apparitions of 1917 and other "Marian Phenomena". He sharply rejects the view (held by quite a lot of "ufologists" - all Catholics - in both Spain and Portugal) that the Marian Appearances might themselves be part of the entire UFO Phenomenon. "*Most certainly not! "* he says. *"Our Lady can do whatever she wants and she has no need for UFOs!"*

Responding to other questions about the chief dangers today threatening mankind, Monsignor Balducci made it clear that he sees the principal danger as a nuclear war against the West, some time before the year 2030 - an attack on the United States, by either the Chinese or the Arabs. [On which I agree with him 100%. -G.C.]

The second greatest danger, he agreed, was the impact on the Earth of a large asteroid or meteorite, which most astronomers will tell you quite frankly is probably rather over-due on Earth's time-scale.

As for the effect of these statements, I feel obliged to say that the discrepancy between the Monsignor's utterances and the perceived realities of our situation as we know it after half a century of study, can only be very unfortunate, for he is helping to lull the public into a passive and trance-like acceptance of the Demons who are currently our Lords and Masters, just as all of our media are already zealously doing.

So it looks to me like a very dishonest picture that we are being given, and it seems evident that the Vatican has no more intention than any Government has to come clean, and to tell the truth about the enormous problems which loom for our species.

ON WHOSE SIDE THEN IS BALDUCCI?

Does all this not indicate that, within the Christian edifice of the Vatican there might lurk agents of another Force possessed of very, very different motivation and objectives? There are numerous disturbing indications that such might well be the case. One of these days I may decide to give an account of the amazing experiences of one of my friends which, alas, point in that direction. The details which I have given above are taken from Monsignor Balducci's statement, released earlier this summer, about the Ancona Congress.

ADDENDUM.

I am indebted to Mr. Neil Cunningham of Edinburgh and to Paola Harris for the following further information that he has been authorised to pass to us by Dr. Steven Greer MD, Director of CSETI.

Together with the researcher/journalist Paola Harris and his own cameraman Peter Sorenson, Dr. Steven Greer was invited to meet Monsignor Balducci in his home in Rome on September 23rd, the purpose being for the Monsignor to give an interview and to discuss with Dr. Greer the latter's plans for a major worldwide disclosure project regarding the UFO situation.

This ambitious project will include the filming of large numbers of military witnesses, intelligence officials, commercial pilots, scientists, and even astronauts (both American and Soviet).

These plans, which are already being put into operation, will include such witnesses from Italy as well as all the other main countries involved. Dr. Greer had just come to Italy from Britain where he has filmed various people including myself.

Enlarging further on his views, Monsignor Balducci made some further altogether sensible remarks to the party, such as:

"*Of course* there must be *something else* between us and the Angels. And if there are such other beings, they are surely more evolved than we are." "We are" says Balducci, "at the bottom of the ladder for our ability to '*see good but do evil*'. It is illogical and a bit arrogant to believe that we are the only beings in God's creation. *Since all of Christianity is based on witness-testimony, we must realize how important testimony is.* It would be a tragedy if we began to be suspicious of all the people who report that they have experienced something unusual, like seeing craft in the sky, because there *are* some very credible witnesses who have seen these and who have come forward".

The only criticism that I personally (G.C.) have ever voiced about Dr. Steven Greer has been because I often felt that he too seemed to be largely unaware of the *dark side* of the UFO Phenomenon, so I am delighted to see that this time he did not fail to put to Monsignor Balducci the all-important question of **"whether the work of the Devil was included in the UFO Phenomenon?"** But I was astounded once again to see Monsignor Balducci's reply to him which was:

"The Devil does not need UFOs to manifest. Nor are most witnesses suffering from illusions, as they have no reason to invent such things". He concluded by saying that it was both logical and desirable that "they" - the "Others" - should exist, since all that God creates gives glory to God the Creator".

Well - I have to say that I still find it all highly unsatisfactory. MONSIGNOR BALDUCCI HAS TOTALLY FAILED TO FACE UP TO THE CARDINAL AND CENTRAL PROBLEM - NAMELY THE FACT THAT WE HAVE SUCH ABUNDANT EVIDENCE THAT SO MUCH OF THE UFO ACTIVITY IS EVIL AND MALIGNANT BY ANY STANDARDS THAT WE CAN CONCEIVE OF. HE SEEMS TO THINK THAT, JUST BECAUSE - AS WE CAN SEE - THERE ARE ALIENS WHO HAVE MARVELLOUS TECHNOLOGY, THEY MUST IPSO FACTO ALSO ALL BE MORE ADVANCED THAN WE ARE, MORALLY AND SPRITUALLY!

WHAT BALDERDASH FROM BALDUCCI! DIDN'T BOTH NAZI GERMANY AND COMMIE RUSSIA HAVE PLENTY OF FIRST-RATE SCIENTISTS - AND "TECHNOLOGY" TO MATCH! G.C.■

SO IT SEEMS THAT WE ARE *NOT* DESCENDED FROM THE NEANDERTHALS! *REUTERS NEWS SERVICE*, LONDON. March 27, 2000.

Last Tuesday scientists stated that modern humans are *not* descended from the Neanderthals, *but co-existed with them* about 40,000 years ago. An analysis of DNA extracted from the ribs of a 29,000-year-old Neanderthal infant buried in a cave in southern Russia showed that it was too distinct to be related to humans. William Goodwin, of the University of Glasgow, told Reuters: "There wasn't much, if any, mixture, between Neanderthals and modern humans. Though they co-existed, we can't find any evidence of genetic material being passed from Neanderthals to modern humans".

The study, reported in the science journal *NATURE*, also supports the "Out of Africa" theory of modern human evolution - namely that modern humans evolved from a common ancestor in Africa and spread across the world around 100,000 years ago.

The bones of the Neanderthal infant were very well preserved, and came from among the last of the Neanderthals who died out about 30,000 years ago. Exactly what happened to them is a mystery. Various theories had suggested that they were either killed, or lost out to competitors, or were simply absorbed by the modern humans.

The research by Goodwin and his Swedish and Russian colleagues is also important because it verifies the findings of the first analysis of Neanderthal DNA which was made in 1997. That study of DNA, taken from the first Neanderthal skeleton found in the Feldhofer Cave in Germany in 1856, supports the theory that modern humans replaced Neanderthals.

The DNA sequence from the infant was very similar to the specimen from the Feldhofer Cave of 1856 - proving that both are genuinely Neanderthals and that there was little diversity among them, according to Goodwin.

He says: "If they had been very diverse at the DNA level they could have encompassed modern humans. The fact that these two Neanderthals are closely related and not related to modern humans implies that they don't have the diversity to encompass a modern human gene pool".

DNA comparisons also showed that different present ethnic groups do not have any links to Neanderthals. Goodwin went on: "We compared the amount of difference between the Neanderthal sequence and a group of European, African, and Asians. There is no real difference.... That suggests that they are not more closely related to either one of those races".

In a commentary on the research in *NATURE*, Matthias Hoss, of the Swiss Institute for Experimental Cancer Research, said that the two studies provide the most reliable proof so far of the authenticity of ancient DNA sequences. He said: "The similar features of the two samples argues against the idea that modern Europeans are at least partly of Neanderthal origin".■

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