

Caryn Anscomb's Trickster Tales

An Exploration of Boundary Merging Between the UFO Culture, Parapsychology, and Intelligence Agencies

What started out as an investigative search for irrefutable proof of extraterrestrials and alleged crashed alien craft lead to the unearthing of an even more bizarre tale. Whilst the majority of information alleging extraterrestrial visitation remains highly speculative, what is apparent is a weird world of espionage and counter-intelligence (CI), which bleeds into an even stranger world of paranormal phenomena. There are many layers to this onion; the ET/crashed-craft tales are only the outer layer.

The Trickster

*The Trickster character has been extensively documented over the years by anthropologists, social scientists and occult writers, amongst others. Tricksters are generally associated with de-structuring, boundary crossing and the blurring of distinctions. Shape-shifting, unruly and contradictory, the Trickster is an adept at paradox. He dwells in the liminal realms – betwixt and between the conscious and unconscious mind, the rational and irrational, and haunts our dreams between sleep and waking. In his most exulted form he becomes the ‘messenger’ -- **Creator's helper, Trickster to Transformer***

Paul Radin writes, in his book *The Trickster*

Trickster is at one and the same time creator and destroyer, giver and negator, he who dupes others and who is always duped himself . . . He possesses no values, moral or social, is at the mercy of his passions and appetites, yet through his actions all values come into being. [a]

Carl Jung, in an appendix in Radin's volume, writes:

Trickster is both subhuman and superhuman, a bestial and divine being, whose most alarming characteristic is his unconsciousness. . . . He is so unconscious of himself that his body is not a unity, and his two hands fight each other.

From "Major Jesse Marcel: The Hidden Truth," by Kal Korff

In my book I publish for the first time excerpts from the military file of Jesse Marcel, excerpts which prove that although Marcel served his country honorably, he was not a credible witness and should not be considered as such. (Despite this fact, Stanton Friedman and other pro-UFO Roswell authors consider his every word to be gospel truth.)

The file is extremely incriminating, for it clearly demonstrates that Marcel had a penchant for exaggerating things while repeatedly trying to "write himself" into the history books. Ironically, Marcel's tendency to exaggerate was specifically noted in his military file by none other than the commander of the base at Roswell at that time, in a review of his performance that was signed just after the incident occurred.

Marcel claimed that he personally flew the UFO wreckage to Carswell AFB. He could not have done so, for he was never a pilot. Despite this, Marcel claimed in numerous interviews with Friedman and former National Enquirer reporter Bob Pratt that he was not only a pilot but had managed to shoot down five enemy aircraft! If so, this would have made Marcel an "ace," a distinction that certainly would have been noted in his military file. Instead, there's no record of this or even anything close, and in fact it was General Ramey who specifically noted in Marcel's file that because he was not a pilot, he would be severely limited in his career opportunities in the Air Force. It's no wonder, then, that Marcel would later "blame" Ramey for the "UFO cover-up" at Roswell.

Marcel claimed he had a bachelor's degree in physics and even named the universities he attended. However, when I checked with those institutions, I discovered that one of them he never attended, and he never finished his education at the other. Curiously, while Marcel blatantly lied to UFO researchers such as Friedman about his mythical educational background, he never dared make such false claims to the military. Indeed, in signed statements contained in Marcel's military file, he replies "none" when asked under oath if he had a college degree.

Does this tell us that Marcel knew his gullible UFO peers would never check on him anyway? Or did he even care? We don't know. [1]

TRICKSTER TALES PART ONE: UFO TALES

In 1984, the heat was turned up when Jamie Shandera, a close friend of William Moore, mysteriously received a roll of undeveloped film.

On processing, the photos revealed classified documents which were to become known as the 'MJ-12' documents. The '12' of the MJ-12 referred to twelve highly placed individuals, allegedly charged with managing an alien retrieval cover-up. The documents contain information relating to alien crashed craft, wreckage storage, military installations and scientific facilities and laboratories. The Majestic Twelve operation was allegedly created under an executive order on September 24th, 1947. The MJ panel was empowered to sequester all available evidence and data collected by the government, military and intelligence agencies pertaining to alien contact and technology.

Projects which have been dubiously linked to MJ-12 include: Project Sign, Project Grudge and Project Blue Book.

Public USAF [United States Air Forces] UFO studies were first initiated under Project Sign at the end of 1947, following widely-publicized UFO reports. Project Sign was initiated specifically at the request of General Nathan Twining, chief of the Air Force Materiel Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Sign was officially inconclusive regarding the cause of the sightings. It has been reported that according to Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, the first director of Project Blue Book, Sign's initial intelligence estimate, written in the late summer of 1948, concluded that the flying saucers were real craft, were not made by either the Russians or the United States, and were likely extraterrestrial in origin. This estimate was forwarded to the Pentagon, but subsequently ordered destroyed by General Hoyt Vandenberg, USAF Chief of Staff, due to a lack of physical proof. Vandenberg subsequently dismantled Sign.

Project Sign was succeeded at the end of 1948 by Project Grudge. Ruppelt evidently referred to the era of Project Grudge as the "dark ages" of early USAF UFO investigation. As might be expected, Grudge concluded that all UFOs were natural phenomena or other misinterpretations, although it also stated that 23 percent of the reports could not be explained. According to Ruppelt, by the end of 1951, several high-ranking, very influential USAF generals were so dissatisfied with the state of Air Force UFO investigations that they dismantled Project Grudge and replaced it with Project Blue Book in 1952.

The goal of Project Blue Book was to determine if UFOs were a potential threat to national security. Thousands of UFO reports were collected, analyzed and filed. As the result of the Condon Report, Project Blue Book was shut down in 1969. This project was the last publicly known UFO research project led by the USAF. By the time Project Blue Book ended in 1969, it had amassed some 12,618 UFO reports, and concluded that most were misidentifications of natural phenomena or conventional aircraft. A few were considered hoaxes. 701 of the reports were classified as unknown. The reports were archived and are available under the Freedom of Information Act, but names and other personal information of all witnesses have been redacted. A number of researchers postulate that only the mundane data contained within the files was handed over and released for the FOIA, and further suggest that the remaining, still highly classified documents are in the custody of one of the US Air Force's top military personnel.

Project Blue Book, at the very least, was certainly authentic.

The FBI had this to say:

"Project Blue Book: This small file relates to an Air Force program for the investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects. The Secretary of the Air Force discontinued this program in 1969."

In their UFO Fact Sheet they state that on December 17, 1969, the Secretary of the Air Force announced the termination of Project Blue Book, the Air Force program for the investigation of UFOs.

"The decision to discontinue UFO investigations was based on an evaluation of a report prepared by the University of Colorado entitled, "Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects;" a review of the University of Colorado's report by the National Academy of Sciences; past UFO studies; and Air Force experience investigating UFO reports during the past two decades.

As a result of these investigations and studies, and experience gained from investigating UFO reports since 1948, the conclusions of Project Blue Book are: (1) no UFO reported, investigated, and evaluated by the Air Force has ever given any indication of threat to our national security; (2) there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that sightings categorized as "unidentified" represent technological developments or principals beyond the range of present day scientific knowledge; and (3) there has been no evidence indicating that sightings categorized as "unidentified" are extraterrestrial vehicles." [2]

The FBI also commented on an investigation into the MJ-12 documents:

"Subject concerns an FBI inquiry into a possible unauthorized disclosure of classified information when a document marked "Top Secret" was made public. The investigation was closed after it was learned that the document was completely bogus." [3]

The JASONS

A somewhat shadowy group known collectively as The JASON Group have been implicated with MJ-12.

Although I've yet to find supporting evidence to link the JASONS with MJ-12, they are certainly worth a mention here.

The JASONS are a select group of world class scientists who conduct studies for different parts of the U.S. government. The group is referred to as the "JASON Defense Advisory Group," or simply the "JASON Group." The group was established in the 1960's to encourage a younger generation of scientists to get involved in advising the government.

For administrative purposes, JASON activities are run through the non-profit MITRE Corporation in McLean, Virginia that contracts with the defense department. Its sponsors include the Department of Defence (frequently DARPA and the U.S. Navy), the Department of Energy, and the U.S. intelligence community. [4]

The JASON page on Wikipedia explains the origins of the name:

The name "JASON" is sometimes explained as an acronym, standing either for "July-August-September-October-November", the months in which the group would typically meet; or, tongue-in-cheek, for "Junior Achiever, Somewhat Older Now." But neither explanation is right and in fact, the name is not an acronym at all. It's simply a reference to the Greek myth, Jason. The wife of one of the founders thought the name given by the defense department, Project Sunrise, was unimaginative and suggested the group be named for a hero and his search.[5]

JASON members are selected for their scientific brilliance. The members include: physicists, computer scientists, chemists, biologists, mathematicians; and all have security clearances. The JASONS also boast eleven Nobel Prize laureates.

Returning to the MAJESTIC MJ-12 MAJIC documents ...

In 1989, William Moore publicly admitted that he might not have told the complete truth about his previous UFO activities, and is currently widely suspected of being complicit in hoaxing the now infamous MJ-12 documents. Recently an SSR contact informed us that his 'insider source' had suggested that the MJ-12 documents did in fact contain some top secret information.

Moore writes:

"Part of the problem is that [redacted] has determined that the fake MJ-12 documents circulated by Rick [Doty] did actually contain some classified material. This classified material had previously been passed to the Russians."

Richard C. Doty is a former agent for the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI).

In 1985, Doty was transferred to an AFOSI post in West Germany and assigned to counter-intelligence work.

On returning to the States, he spent the last couple of years before his retirement, at Kirtland AFB.

It has been noted by several sources that William Moore was a friend and co-worker of Doty's during the 80's.

The term 'MJ Twelve' allegedly first appeared on a one-page teletype message dated Nov. 17, 1980, pertaining to UFOs which Doty allegedly provided to Moore in early 1981, four years before Shandera mysteriously received the MJ-12 roll of film. As previously mentioned, there are a number of keen observers who propose that Moore and Doty were both complicit in a hoax. However, neither Moore nor Doty have admitted that they worked together to manufacture the original group of MJ-12 documents. Doty claims that his interest in Bill Moore was simply because Moore was in correspondence with certain Soviet scientists, in regard to UFOs and possibly other matters. It has been suggested that Doty instructed Moore as to what subjects he should bring up in his letters to these scientists. If they were both complicit in a hoax, it's highly unlikely that they were working on their own. There is enough circumstantial evidence to conclude that Doty's activities, at least, were officially sanctioned.

In 1988, CIA personnel met with Col. Richard Weaver and Col. Barry Hennessey, who Doty has claimed was once his superior officer. The CIA enquired about Doty's activities.

Author George Hansen writes:

"...when I called Colonel Hennessey and inquired whether he had attended such a meeting, after a long, long, long pause, he responded with something like: "There wasn't any reason to have such a meeting." I did not press him and let the matter drop. I can only conclude that Hennessey was being intentionally misleading. Colonel Weaver later admitted to me that he had attended the meeting and was asked about Doty." [b]

Starstream Research received an email on 3rd of July, 2006, from one of participants of the 1988 meeting. This was in response to an exchange between several people discussing an article published on the SSR website. The email was sent to correct speculative and sensitive material contained within that article.

The article was later withdrawn from the website:

"The meeting you referenced with Col. Hennessey and Col. Weaver was unofficial in response to a personal request of an ex-CIA officer who had recently met with Doty and was startled by some of Doty's claims. I participated only as a friend of that ex-CIA officer.....the meeting ended amicably."

In 1994, the USAF commissioned a full report on the Roswell incident, hoping to put the matter to bed once and for all. Col. Richard Weaver was placed in charge of collating the materiel and writing the report.

The official USAF tasking was directed by the March 1, 1994, memorandum from SAF/AA:

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

1 March 1994

SUBJECT: GAO Review on Records Management Procedures Dealing with Weather Balloons, Unknown Aircraft, and Similar Crash Incidents

(GAO Code 701034) - ACTION MEMORANDUM

*References: (a) 23 Feb 94 DoDAG Memorandum, Subj. same as above
(b) 15 Feb 94 GAO Memorandum of Review Notification*

The Department of Defense and other executive branch agencies are undergoing a review by the GAO concerning whether the US government has "met its responsibility in the handling, retention, and subsequent disposition of official records concerning the investigation and reporting of air vehicle and other crash incidents similar to the reported crash of a weather balloon near Roswell, New Mexico in July 1947." To fulfill the Air Force portion of this review, addressees, as applicable, are requested to:

- (a) identify pertinent directives concerning records retention and disposition;*
- (b) identify pertinent directives concerning reporting air vehicle crashes, investigations, and wreckage/debris retention and disposition;*
- (c) identify rvly records (unclassified or classified) related to air vehicle (aircraft, lighter-than-aircraft, rocket/missile, or other) impacts or crashes in New Mexico from 20 June to 31 July 1947; identify record groups and/or other indexes associated with these records for further review; and*
- (d) Provide copies of pertinent directives (including any changes of policies on retention and disposition) and records (i.e., item c above) to SAF/AAZ. 1720 Air Force Pentagon, Washington DC 20330-1720.*

Please provide your responses (interim or final) by 14 Mar 94. Contact Col Weaver or Lt Col Butler at DSN 223-2013/1 or commercial (703) 693-201311 if there are any questions. [6]

The conclusion: the Air Force research found no indication that the incident near Roswell in 1947, involved any type of extraterrestrial craft.

James McAndrew, 1ST LT, USAFR writes in the Introduction to the report:

"As this study makes abundantly clear, the Declassification and Review Team found no evidence of any extraterrestrial craft or alien flight crew. In fact, what they did find had been declassified for more than twenty years-a shadowy, formerly Top Secret project, code-named MOGUL."

Project MOGUL resulted from two important post-World War II priorities set by the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, Henry H. "Hap" Arnold. These were to continue the cooperative wartime relationship between civilian research institutions and the military, and to maintain America's

technological superiority, especially with respect to guarding against a bolt from the blue-in other words, a devastating surprise attack.

MOGUL addressed both of these concerns. Developed partly under contract with leading scientific institutions-such as New York University (NYU), Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Columbia University, and the University of California at Los Angeles - MOGUL's objective was to develop a long-range system capable of detecting Soviet nuclear detonations and ballistic missile launches.

Army Air Forces officials assembled an expert group of military and civilian scientists to carry out the project. The group included Dr. W. Maurice Ewing of Columbia University, a preeminent geophysicist and oceanographer; Dr. Athelstan F. Spilhaus, the Director of Research at NYU who later advised five presidents on scientific and cultural matters; Dr. James Peoples, the Air Force's civilian project scientist and later editor of the Journal of Geophysical Research; Albert P. Crary, also a civilian Air Force scientist, known for significant contributions to Antarctic research; and Charles B. Moore, Project Engineer at NYU and an atmospheric physicist who pioneered the use of giant plastic research balloons still widely used today. Col. Marcellus Duffy, a respected Air Force pilot and scientific administrator, led the project. Capt. Albert C. Trakowski, a young Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduate, followed Duffy in the leadership role.

Determining whether the Soviets were testing nuclear devices was of the highest national priority; it demanded the utmost secrecy if the information gained was to be useful. When the Soviets exploded their first atomic device in August 1949, the experimental Project MOGUL was not in operation. However, the explosion was detected by a specially equipped Air Force B-29 aircraft. Accordingly, MOGUL was conducted under stringent security-secluded laboratories, code words, maximum security clearances, and strictest enforcement of need-to-know rules.

Nevertheless, while the nature of the project remained shrouded in secrecy, some of its operations obviously could not. The deployment of giant trains of balloons-over thirty research balloons and experimental sensors strung together and stretching more than 600 feet-could be neither disguised nor hidden from the public. Moreover, operational necessity required that these balloons be launched during daylight hours. It was therefore not surprising that these balloons were often mistaken for UFOs. In fact, MOGUL recovery crews often listened to broadcasts of UFO reports to assist them in their tracking operations. Additionally, the balloons were undirected, leading to such amusing events as the one reported by the New York Times in which a secret M-GIJL balloon "floated blithely over the rooftops of Flatbush causing general public excitement before it came to rest on top of a [Brooklyn] tavern."

In another episode, MOGUL balloon recovery technicians directed a B-17 bomber, which was tracking one of the tests, to buzz and scare off a curious oil rig crew that was about to "capture" a balloon train that had fallen near Roswell. The ruse worked. However, too much activity was going on for the project to remain completely hidden. A MOGUL project officer later noted, "It was like having an elephant in your backyard and hoping no one would notice."

These occurrences were typical, leading the recovery crews to describe themselves as 'Balloonatics,' due to the predicaments in which the wandering balloons sometimes placed them, but the information the balloons were attempting to obtain was vital." [7]

During a recent series of private emails, which found their way to a larger on-line list, the question of Doty's relationship with Col. Hennessey arose.

A colleague at Star Stream Research wrote to a member of the Intel community on 27th June 2006:

[To name redacted]

I want to give you the opportunity to offer your point of view re: Mr

Smith's 'evidence' that you approved of or otherwise 'authorized' the naming of John Barry Hennessey.**

** Author's note: In connection to Doty's past claims that Hennessey was/is 'Falcon' of the Aviary.

On 27th June 2006 [name redacted] replied:

It was Doty who claimed Col. Hennessey was the Falcon, and it was Doty who claimed Col. Hennessey had provided him (Doty) with UFO documents for release to the public. My opinion is that Doty personally forged these documents, that he used the Falcon name to cover his tracks, and that he had absolutely no professional or personal relationship with Col. Hennessey.

On 27 June 2006 Mr. Smith responds:

There is a set of facts as I have laid them out. [name redacted] is not disputing those facts. That there may have been some collusion between Rick [Doty] and his superiors in the Air Force is not an entirely unreasonable interpretation of those facts.

It is possible that the entire mythos of government involvement with phenomenology is entirely the work of one deformed mind. I don't think that is the most reasonable interpretation of what we know. Clearly Rick was not the only actor in the Bennewitz affair. All agree that there was at least one high level Pentagon/CI person involved. What was perpetrated on Bennewitz has since been perpetrated on the entire country, with Rick's continuing involvement. The Air Force created this monster. The CIA was left with the task of trying to clean up the mess.

Indeed.

The monster's on the loose and the Trickster is riding him!

*Author's note: The United States Army Air Forces became United States Air Force (USAF) in 1947.

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TRICKSTER TALES PART TWO: "Paranoia, suspicion and allegations abound"

The UFO arena fast became a platform for gathering and disseminating information to and from a variety of sources, and wherein the trickster runs riot. Paranoia, suspicion and allegations abound and that's just between the pro-UFO lobbyists; when Intel and parapsychology are thrown into the mix the heat reaches boiling point.

An Inner Drama

"Primitive man impresses us so strongly with his subjectivity that we should really have guessed long ago that myths refer to something psychic. His knowledge of nature is essentially the language and outer dress of an unconscious psychic process. But the very fact that this process is unconscious gives us the reason why man has thought of everything except the psyche in his attempts to explain myths. He simply didn't know that the psyche contains all images that have ever given rise to myths, and that our unconscious is an acting and suffering subject with an inner drama which primitive man rediscovers, by means of analogy, in the processes of nature both great and small."

Archetypes of The Collective Unconscious by C.G.Jung.p6

As previously mentioned in part 1, it was Col. Weaver who authorised the Air Force report on Roswell, in 1995. Rick Doty's UFO activities had already been questioned by CIA personnel during a meeting with Col. Weaver and Col. Hennessey in 1988. The report concluded that the Roswell event had been nothing more sinister than a classified project named MOGAL. No mention was made of Doty, his acquaintances, or the MJ-12 documents within the report.

An interesting facet to the UFO enigma is that the vast majority of ET related stories have originated with Air Force personnel. The Roswell incident, captured ETs, the manipulation of human DNA, covert agreements between ETs and the U.S. Government, and more recently a Project named 'SERPO'.

On 2nd November 2005, information leaked by an anonymous source claiming to be a retired senior official within the DIA (Defence Intelligence Agency) was slowly released to a large email list, through the list owner Mr. Victor Martinez. The list members are an eclectic group of people including UFO buffs, researchers, scientists, physicists and both active and retired members of the Intelligence Community. The information released contained details of an alleged military personnel exchange program with an alien race of beings from Zeta Reticuli, simply referred to as EBE (Extraterrestrial Biological Entities) or EBENs, which took place from 1965 to 1978.

Although it's not possible to prove that the anonymous source is/was in any way connected to the Air Force, a character to quickly emerge on the SERPO scene and take centre stage was none other than Richard C. Doty. And again tales of crashed craft and captured aliens act as the catalyst for the exchange program highlighted by the SERPO revelations. The information release came to an abrupt halt several months ago, but as I write, new information has just found its way to the Victor Martinez email list. [a] As I read through today's release there is at least one glaring mistake which leaps from the page. Mr. Anonymous states "... the U.S. can communicate with our 'Visitors.' The communication system is a complex, highly classified series of relay stations and satellites. The communication system is entitled, 'Echelon.' It is run by the Defense Communication Agency, and NOT the National Security Agency."

As coincidence would have it, I have recently conducted research on the Echelon System, NSA's Global Electronic Interception Network, initially instigated by an incident in connection with a high profile UFO forum with probable Intel links. The NSA Echelon System was exposed in 1988 by investigative journalist Mr. Duncan Campbell. [b] The Church Committee hearings of 1975 had previously exposed NSA's SIGNET (top secret use of communication capabilities) operations. The NSA, as far as we are aware, does in fact still head the Echelon system and Mr. 'DIA' Anonymous should surely know that the Defense Communications Agency (DCA) became the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) back in 1991.

In 1997 Col. Philip Corso's book *The Day After Roswell* was published. This was the first time that a high ranking and respected military personage had come forward with information in connection to Roswell and crashed disks. Not only that, but Col. Corso states that he witnessed the shipment of dead aliens and was later to personally handle alien artefacts. This book caused a commotion throughout the UFO community, many viewing it as a major revelation and the beginning of a disclosure process they had long awaited.

The late Col. Philip J. Corso's military history is certainly impressive. During his twenty-one-year military career, he was honoured with nineteen medals, decorations and ribbons for meritorious service. He was a key Army intelligence officer who served on General MacArthur's staff in Korea. From 1953 to 1956, Corso was given intelligence staff assignments on both the Psychological Strategy Board (PSB) and the Operations Coordinating Board (OCB). The OCB was established as an independent agency by EO 10483, September 2, 1953, to report to the NSC (National Security Council) on the development, by appropriate Executive branch agencies, of operational plans for national security policies of international import. In 1961, Corso was assigned to Research and Development (R&D) at the Pentagon, working under Lt. General Arthur Trudeau, head of Army R&D. Col. Corso retired from the army in 1963, and went on to serve Senator James Eastland and Strom Thurmond as a staff member specializing in national security.

In 1947, Corso was posted to Fort Riley, Kansas. On the afternoon of July 6th 1947, several army vehicles pulled in to Fort Riley with a shipment of cargo on route to Wright Field, Ohio. (Wright Field became Wright-Patterson AFB in 1948). The crates were offloaded and stored in one of the old veterinary buildings on the base. That evening Corso was assigned to post duty and whilst doing his security checks he made his way over to the veterinary buildings to check on Bill Brown, who was on post duty that night. According to Corso, when he got there he noticed Brown wasn't stationed at his post, as he stood wondering where Brown could be he heard a voice hiss out of the darkness "Major Corso". It was Brown, he sounded excited and told Corso that he should take a look at the crates stored in the building. Corso, after much debate with Brown agrees to take a look. One of the crates had already been opened so the lid didn't prove too troublesome to remove. As he peered into the crate the shock of what he discovered sent him into a swoon. Instead of weapons, as expected, he could make out a small-framed body suspended in an unusual thick blue liquid.

"At first I thought it was a dead child they were shipping somewhere" writes Corso "But this was no child. It was a four-foot human-shaped figure with arms, bizarre-looking six-fingered hands – I didn't see a thumb – thin legs and feet, and an oversized incandescent light bulb-shaped head that looked like it was floating over a balloon gondola for a chin." [1] Corso adds that the image of the dead alien never left his memory.

In 1961, Corso was assigned to Research and Development (R&D) at the Pentagon, working under Lt. General Arthur Trudeau. Corso was in the Trudeau's office when Trudeau pointed to a filing cabinet and said, "This has some special files, war materiel you've never seen before, that I want to put under your Foreign Technology responsibilities." [2] The General informed Corso that the filing cabinet would be transferred to Corso's office and that Corso was to decide how to deal with the contents advising Corso that he should do a little research on the Roswell files first.

According to Corso, the cabinet contained retrieved alien artifacts from the Roswell crash and he had been placed in charge of devising a way to exploit the obvious strategic value of the wreckage. The wreckage had evidently been locked away in the Army's possession from 1947 to 1961, with very few knowing about it. The few who did know were convinced that certain U.S. intelligence agencies had been infiltrated by Soviet spies and informers, and the UFO wreckage was so sensitive that no one could be trusted to deal with it. So Corso's task from 1961 to 1963, was to secretly distribute various pieces of potentially valuable wreckage to scientists and industrial bodies who were known to be trustworthy, and the human patent process would effectively mask the alien source of the technology.

In January, 1994, author and researcher Karl T. Pflock met up with Col. Corso at the International UFO Museum in Roswell, New Mexico. Corso had returned to New Mexico to refresh his memories before starting work on his memoirs. Corso had arrived at the museum before Pflock, and had a private meeting with Glenn Dennis and two others whilst waiting. Corso discussed his involvement in a project that had been set up to learn the secrets of the Roswell saucer and put them to use in national defence, and allegedly showed Dennis and the others sketches of aliens.

On Pflock's arrival the party left the museum and made their way to the alleged UFO crash sites, and debris field. On route Corso told Pflock about his interest in Roswell and said that he had played a small role in the aftermath of the affair, and that he would be including it as a minor piece in his memoirs. Pflock states that it struck him that Corso really knew very little about the Roswell incident and appeared to be trying to gather information from others in the group. Corso goes on to make some outlandish claims about an encounter he'd had with a CIA operative and how he had to read him the riot act, and had to even get a little physically aggressive with him. Unbeknown to Corso, Pflock knew the CIA station chief who Corso was referring to, from his time in the agency. Pflock knew the story was highly unlikely and wrote Corso off as another blowhard.

In 1997, Pflock was asked to review a new book publication, it happened to be *The Day After Roswell* By Col. Philip Corso. Pflock was astonished to find that instead of the expected memoirs a significant amount of information in the book pertained to Corso's personal involvement with a dead ET and retrieved alien artefacts. Much to Pflock's surprise, Senator Strom Thurmond had written a brief foreword for Corso's book. Pflock called the senator's press secretary and discovered that Corso had asked the senator to write a foreword to his memoirs *I Walked with Giants: My Career in Military*

Intelligence. According to the senator's press secretary no mention of a book on Roswell and USG cover-ups had been mentioned.

On June 5th, 1997, in a press release on the matter, Senator Thurmond states:

"I did not, and would not, pen the foreword to a book about, or containing, a suggestion that the success of the United States in the Cold War is attributable to the technology found on a crashed UFO. I do not believe in UFOs, do not believe that the United States is in possession of such a vehicle, and do not believe that there has been any government cover-up of a UFO crash.

*The outline of **I walk[ed] with Giants** provided to me by Mr. Corso indicated he was writing a book of his recollections and observations on topics such as World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnamese Conflict, intelligence, espionage, and counter-espionage operations. There was **absolutely no mention**, suggestion, or indication that any of the chapters and subjects listed dealt with Unidentified Flying Objects and government conspiracies to cover-up the existence of such a space vehicle."* [Emphasis in original release].

Senator Thurmond's foreword was promptly removed from subsequent printings of the book.

I have checked Corso's DA record, and it does show that Corso was in the places he says he was. However, without substantive evidence to back his claims up, and there is very little at this time, the fact that he was in the right locations and at the right times does not validate his claims.

In June, 1998, one month before his death, Corso filed an affidavit in the U. S. District Court for the District of Arizona -- via Citizens Against UFO Secrecy v. Department of the Army (Civil Action No. 98-0538 PHX ROS).

Corso states:

"I, [Lt.] Col. Philip J. Corso, do hereby swear, under the penalties of perjury, that the following statements are true:

That at all times hereinafter mentioned, I was a member and officer of the defendant.

That during my tenure with the defendant I was a member of President Eisenhower's National Security Council and former head of the Foreign Technology Desk at defendant's Research & Development department.

That on or about July 6, 1947, while stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, I personally observed a four-foot non-human creature with bizarre-looking four-fingered hands, thin legs and feet, and an oversized incandescent-light-bulb-shaped head. The eye sockets were oversized and almond-shaped and pointed down to its tiny nose. The creature's skull was overgrown to the point where all its facial features were arranged frontally, occupying only a small circle on the lower part of the head. There were no eyebrows or any indications of facial hair. The creature had only a tiny flat slit for a mouth and it was completely closed, resembling more of a crease or indentation between the nose and the bottom of the chinless skull than a fully functioning orifice.

That in 1961, I came into possession of what I refer to as the 'Roswell File.' This file contained field reports, medical autopsy reports and technological debris from the crash [of] an extraterrestrial vehicle in Roswell, New Mexico in 1947.

That I have personally read the medical autopsy reports which refer to the autopsy of the previously described creature that I saw in 1947 at Fort Riley, Kansas.

That said autopsy reports indicated the autopsy was performed at Walter Reed [Army] Hospital, which was under the authority of the defendant at the time of the autopsy.

That said autopsy report referred to the creature as an 'extraterrestrial biological entity.'"

The question remains: was Corso telling the truth, was he over-inflating his involvement and position, as some have claimed, or could he have been engaged in a little ongoing intelligence work, a final bit for government and country?

We might never know.

Corso, like so many UFO proponents, claims Government cover-ups of the reality of UFOs and nefarious acts perpetrated by the CIA to shut the public up and put researchers off the scent should they get too close to the truth. Shadowy cabals and secret Majestic types, all hell bent on keeping the public in the dark for their own wicked ends.

One such group often referred to in the UFO world are the AVIARY, an alleged group of high-level insiders, with CIA/military/government connections. They all have bird names (hence the AVIARY) and according to many Ufologists, when they're not trying to fry your minds with psychotronic weapons, they are out to hide ET secrets through deception and skullduggery. In fact, although the existence of MJ-12 is highly questionable, the AVIARY does 'loosely' exist and part of the above is factual. The majority do have CIA/military/government connections. But rather than a tight-knit secret cabal, they are a loose network of professionals who share a mutual interest in UFOs and parapsychology. Some are good friends and some have worked together on a variety projects researching UFO data and the paranormal.

The bird name code was the brainchild of William Moore. He and his colleague, Jaime Shandera, needed a safe means for discussing some of their more sensitive contacts when in public or over the phone. So partially tongue and cheek they settled for bird names. Virtually everyone they came in contact with, who had some form of government connection, were allocated a bird name. Many of the birds were unaware of their code names until months, if not years later. The core group of the AVIARY are fairly well known in UFO circles. These 'core' members formed the UFO Working Group, a couple having worked together on psi research and remote viewing projects, and later at NIDS (National Institute of Discovery Science).

Out of all the bird names the 'Falcon' is possibly the most mysterious, having not been clearly identified to date.

Several names have been put forward over the years as possible candidates for 'Falcon,' including:

Richard C. Dotty, USAF

Richard Helms (deceased), former DCI at CIA

Dale Graff, physicist and former director of Project STAR GATE, and Founder of The Baycliff International Psi/RV Alert Center

Col. Barry Hennessy, Director of Security, Counterintelligence and Special Program Oversight, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, Washington, D.C

Cecil B. Scott Jones, PhD, former officer with the Office of Naval Intelligence.

*"The supernatural is irrational, but it is also real. It holds enormous power. We ignore it at our peril. It operates not only on the individual psyche, but at a collective level, influencing entire cultures. If we fail to recognise the limits of our "rational" way of thinking, we can become victims of it. Parapsychology demonstrates that our thoughts, including our unconscious thoughts, are not limited to our brains. They move of their own accord and influence the physical world." **The Trickster and the Paranormal** by George Hansen p430.*

In order to collate the opening comments to this series of articles, we need to hone in on a few key individuals, whose respective legs straddle the UFO/parapsychological realms. The first notable character is Dr. C.B Scott Jones, who embodies this overlap between UFO culture, parapsychology and Intel. He is a former officer with the Office of Naval Intelligence (retiring as Commander in the US

Navy) he participated in a number contracts with the DIA over the years and from 1985 to 1991, Scott Jones was appointed as Special Assistant to Senator Claiborne Pell.

In 1985, he founded and was president of the Center for Applied Anomalous Phenomena, a non-profit educational and scientific research organization which was chartered to conduct research and analysis of anomalous phenomena. Networking with the parapsychological and UFO communities, he has worked throughout the executive branch to address issues of government support for basic parapsychological research, and to consider implications and application of these phenomena.

In 1989, Dr Jones and Senator Claiborne Pell co-founded the Human Potential Foundation. The Foundation was involved in a number of research projects, including a joint research effort with the Chinese Academy of Somatic Science in Beijing, in accelerated bone healing using Qi Gong; a sponsored symposium conducted by Russian medical scientists on psychoanalytical and psycho correction computer technologies and the translation from Chinese of the book *Collected Works on Qi Gong Science*.

A two-year program was funded by Mr. Laurance Rockefeller, culminating in an international conference "When Cosmic Cultures Meet," which was held in Washington, D.C. in May, 1995. At the conference a wide spectrum of academics with varying disciplines and interests assessed the implications, preparations and responses for a time when there is no ambiguity regarding the understanding that higher cosmic forms of intelligence and cultures are meeting.

In November, 1998, the Human Potential Foundation was dissolved and transferred to the Peace and Emergency Action Coalition for Earth, Inc (P.E.A.C.E), a non-profit highly 'spiritual' foundation promoting solutions for sustainable peace and sustainable development on a global level.

As has been noted by several researchers, Jones has access to the highest levels in government, and he associates with some of the wealthiest and most powerful people in the world. [A list of Mr. Jones' affiliations is provided in the notes to this article.] His apparent, yet unstated message to researchers was that they should not probe too deeply. In his own way he helped to fuel the paranoia within the UFO community, reinforcing the belief that the USG possessed crashed saucers, and alien artefacts. One has to wonder why someone in Jones' position would on the one hand try to disparage penetrating research, yet on the other hand fuel the hunger of information seeking researchers. Containment would be the obvious answer.

The second person of note is a colleague of Scott Jones, Col. John Alexander. He has held a long time interest in the paranormal and is the former President of the International Association for Near-Death Studies. Col. Alexander has an impressive background. He entered the US Army as a private in 1956 and by the time he retired in 1988, he was a Colonel of Infantry. During his varied career he has held key positions in special operations, intelligence, and research and development. From 1966 through to early 1969 he commanded Special Forces "A" Teams in Vietnam and Thailand. Col. Alexander also served as the military liaison to the National Research Council's panel evaluating parapsychological applications, and was Chief of the Advanced Human Technology Office of the Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM). Currently he is Executive Vice President of LEADS, Inc. and serves as a consultant to U.S. Special Operations Command.

Col. Alexander's colleague, General Albert Stubblebine, was head of INSCOM. Scott Jones has acknowledged working on a project for INSCOM. Stubblebine is another character sharing Jones' and Alexander's interests in the paranormal, and since leaving the Army has been deeply involved in paranormal areas. Stubblebine was formerly Vice President for "Intelligence Systems" of BDM and Chairman of Psi Tech, a group which has been purported to provide psychic advice to Fortune 500 companies. The majority of members being ex-military personnel who were trained in a parapsychological applications program developed at SRI International (Stanford Research Institute).

SRI has a history of mind capability research. Under contract to the U.S. Army. Programs were developed to study the implications and applications of Psi ability (Psychic potential). Around 1972, SRI initiated a program to study the phenomenon of remote viewing, originally funded by the Science Unlimited Research Foundation, and led by Dr. Harold Puthoff and Dr. Russell Targ. Their initial

success attracted the attention of the CIA and DIA who later funded in part the research under SAIC (Science Application International Corporation). The SRI/SAIC psi experiments were supervised at Langley by John McMahan, second in command under William Casey. The research aspect of the remote viewing program was transferred from SRI to SAIC in 1991.

Dale Graff, a physicist, was allegedly approached by USAF after an article Graff wrote on Soviet ESP, and was offered the position of Director of the Remote Viewing Program, at the end of Dr. Puthoff's and Dr Targ's contract with the CIA. Graff coined the name "STAR GATE" to symbolize an innovative effort in extending the range of human potential. Prior to his STAR GATE directorship he had worked as an aerospace engineer on missile and space programs, and with the DoD intelligence agencies. His technical experience includes research into advanced electromagnetic and quantum physics concepts. In 1976, he initiated U.S. Government research into the remote viewing phenomenon that eventually led to the STAR GATE program. He left the government in 1993, to pursue a writing career and to facilitate seminars on ESP, remote viewing, intuition, and precognitive dreaming.

While the CIA ended STAR GATE in 1995, remote viewing had already been successfully integrated into the Army and DoD Intelligence programs. The programs continue under various guises.

A comment made by Graff is of interest for those searching for UFO/Alien connections within the STAR GATE files, in which he surmises that the current UFO craze is a reflection of the loss of connectivity with deeper aspects of ourselves. If Graff truly believes that, it becomes a significant indication that research into psi ability was/is pointing to areas other than nuts and bolts alien technology. To add to this, it has recently come to the attention of SSR that ongoing research in the field of cognitive sciences and neurology has possibly led to a significant find: a non-endogenous signal may have been detected in the prefrontal cortex of the brain. The prefrontal cortex is the anterior part of the frontal lobes of the brain, lying in front of the motor and pre-motor areas. Divided into the lateral, orbito-frontal and medial prefrontal areas, this brain region has been implicated in planning complex cognitive behaviours, personality expression and moderating correct social behaviour. Although it is too soon to know the extent of this discovery, as it remains very hush hush, if proved correct the discovery will have a profound impact on how we view the emergence of consciousness, and if/how our conscious/subconscious minds might be influenced by an 'outside' signal. Not least, where this 'signal' might originate from.

In summing-up, any discerning researcher should notice a distinct pattern emerging out of the complex and interwoven events and players. The hypothesis proposed here is that the modern nuts and bolts UFO myth was born out of overlapping events, which include Cold War and post Cold War Counter-Intelligence, skilled masters of deception and not so skilled hoaxers. But lurking in the background is the king of paradox, the Master Trickster himself.

Conspiracy theories are rife on the Internet and nowhere more rampant than within the UFO community. Paranoia, suspicion and allegations abound and that's just between the Pro-UFO lobbyists, when Intel and parapsychology are thrown into the mix the heat reaches boiling point

The UFO arena fast became a platform for gathering and disseminating information to and from a variety of sources, and wherein the trickster runs riot. But hiding in the shadows are a bunch of folk, some highly positioned, who quietly watch the show, suspended from their webs of intrigue waiting to catch a fat juicy fly. And it's this overlap, this grey region betwixt Ufology, Intel and parapsychology that is quite probably the most enigmatic.

We (SSR) are repeatedly told by one of our sources that the UFO phenomenon can't be tracked by traditional technological means - "one has to follow the people, not the phenomenon," we're told.

NOTES:

Among the organizations with which Scot Jones has been affiliated at one time or another are:

Center For Applied Anomalous Phenomena - 6435 Shady Lane, Falls Church, VA 22042-2335. Telephone: (703) 534-2423. Scott Jones, Founder.

Human Potential Foundation - 8000 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 600., Vienna VA 22182. Telephone: (703) 761-4281; fax: (703) 761-4399. Scott Jones, President. Established in 1989. Support comes from Claiborne Pell and Laurance Rockefeller.

American Society for Psychical Research - 5 West 73rd Street, New York, NY 10023. Telephone: (212) 799-5050. Board of Trustees, then served as President.

Parapsychological Association P.O. Box 12236, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. Telephone: (919) 688-8241. This is the professional association of parapsychologists. Associate member.

Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, TX 78155-4099. Telephone: (512) 379-9216. Jones was appointed Consultant in International Relations in 1989.

Mid-Point - P.O. Box 246, 128 Main Street, So., Bridgewater, CT 06752. Telephone: (203) 354-5948. This is a small organization whose purpose is to do research with dolphins and apply the findings to other areas of endeavor. Board of Advisors.

R. F. Cross Associates, Ltd. - Alexandria, VA. [Directory assistance now has no listing for that organization]. Research director.

Kaman Tempo - 2560 Huntington Avenue, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22303. [Directory assistance now has no listing for this organization, but lists a Kaman Sciences company in Alexandria, VA.]. Jones served as a research scientist.

Atlantic University - 67th Street and Atlantic Avenue, P.O. Box 595, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Telephone: (804) 428-3588. This unaccredited university is affiliated with the Edgar Cayce Foundation. Board of Directors.

Quest Institute - P.O. Box 3265, Charlottesville, VA 22903. Telephone: (804) 295-3377. This institute sponsors educational programs in New Age areas. Board of Directors.

Scott Jones currently serves on the following Boards and Organizations:

Peace and Emergency Action Coalition for Earth, Inc. Founder, President, Board member

Wirkus Bioenergy Foundation (Bethesda, MD), Board member

The Peace and Justice Studies Association

Society for Scientific Exploration

Institute for Multi-Track Diplomacy

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Trickster Tales Part Three: A Virtual (UFO) Reality

*The world we experience is not an exact image of objective reality; it is a virtual reality, generated from sensory input filtered through theories, knowledge, emotion and associations and so on. This is not to say that nothing is real, just that we can never experience reality directly. Our natural instinct to make sense of our perceptions - the desire for order - can be so strong that the obvious can be obscured and the mundane made mysterious, magnifying the merest conjecture into astounding fact. -- Rob Irving: **Art and Artifice** [a]*

The UFO is an enigmatic current in the fabric of the 20th century, and all our explanations are signals shot into the heavens—they either fade into the stellar maw or bounce back, echoes of our own descriptions. By remaining beyond reach, by remaining absurd, the UFO attracts our hiddenmost obsessions with scientific authority, state power, and spiritual futurism—and it demarcates these obsessions far more viscerally than more normal forms of popular culture.

UFO literature, by drawing curious readers into bizarre worldviews shored up with the language of evidence, shows how our attitudes toward information structure our reality and identity. Even if the UFO is bunk, it has become modernity's great mythic mirror. The first "flying saucers" were sighted in 1947 by Kenneth Arnold, in the year that gave us the CIA and information theory, in the decade that gave us TV, the Bomb, digital computers, and LSD. The UFO is part of a package deal—a rumor of god stitched into the dark web of our military-industrial-media complex.

*Though habitually keeping a low profile, the visitors have been pretty busy since '47. The UFO and its trickster crew have crash-landed, pulled fly-bys, delivered messages of doom and gnostic salvation, sucked bovine blood, conspired with the Air Force, stolen embryos from Middle American housewives, fucked Brazilian farmers silly, and rammed anal probes into horror fiction writers. But though millions believe, and many more are cautiously credulous, the aliens remain beyond reach, in a netherworld of bad films, paperbacks, and late-night testimonies. Sightings haven't really made news since the '70s and, though Whitley Streiber's 1987 *Communion* ruled the charts, the UFO seems almost quaint in our cyberpunk world, a cosmic VW bug in the weedy back yard of modernity.*

*But the UFO has not waned so much as gone within, into the body, into the mind, into the dream of identity. Thousands of abductees, seeking to ease the psychic trauma of being dragged onto spaceships and physically abused by aliens, have solidified a sub-culture that's far more 12 Step than *Star Trek*. Conspiracy theorists weave UFOs into their insidious webs of government plots, while channeled ET info has evolved into the New Age's most speculative edge. And after years of cranky pursuits for the "nuts and bolts" that will prove the existence of material extraterrestrial spacecraft, some ufologists are turning towards a subtler engagement of the alien as radical mythic enigma.*

Erik Davis, *My Favorite Martians* [b]

In parts 1 and 2, I proposed that USAF employees have loomed large in the dissemination of UFO information. Whilst researching for corroborative information to back that assertion, I came across the work of Col. Hector Quintanilla.

In 1975, Lt. Col. Hector Quintanilla USAF wrote a manuscript titled UFOs, An Air Force Dilemma, in which he recounts his experiences during his term as Director of Project Blue Book from 1963 -1967. The work, unedited, describes in the authors own words the methodology employed by USAF in the investigation and cataloguing of UFO data from the birth of Blue Book's predecessor's, Project Sign 1947 and Project Grudge 1948, to the conclusion of Project Blue Book in 1967. The manuscript is loaded with historical data for the discerning researcher but for my purposes here I will home in on just a couple of key points.

In 1953 a scientific panel was commissioned to make an authoritative evaluation of the UFO phenomena. The panel was composed of civilian scientists holding positions outside the government and was chaired by Dr. H.P. Robertson. The panel met in Washington D.C. during January, 1953, where they received special briefings and all UFO records were made available. After three days of briefings, reviews, discussion and serious study, the panel completed its report and issued their statement:

REPORT ON UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS—17 January 1953

1. The Panel of Scientific Consultants has met to evaluate any possible threat to national security posed by Unidentified Flying Objects ("Flying Saucers"), and to make recommendations thereon. The Panel has received the evidence as presented by cognizant intelligence agencies, primarily the Air Technical Intelligence Center, and has reviewed a selection of the best documented incidents.

2. As a result of its considerations, the Panel concludes: That the evidence presented on Unidentified Flying Objects shows no indication that these phenomena constitute a direct physical threat to national security.

We firmly believe that there is no residuum of cases which indicates phenomena which are attributable to foreign artifacts capable of hostile acts, and that there is no evidence that the phenomena indicate a need for the revision of current scientific concepts.

3. In order most effectively to strengthen the national facilities for the timely recognition and the appropriate handling of true indications of hostile action, and to minimize the concomitant dangers alluded to above, the Panel recommends:

That the national security agencies take immediate steps to strip the Unidentified Flying Objects of the special status they have been given and the aura of mystery they have unfortunately acquired.

We suggest that this aim may be achieved by an integrated program designed to reassure the public of the total lack of evidence of inimical forces behind the phenomena, to train personnel to recognize and reject false indications quickly and effectively, and to strengthen regular channels for the evaluation of and prompt reaction to true indications of hostile measures.

Lt. Col Quintanilla writes:

"The panel had recommended that the national security agencies take immediate steps to strip the Unidentified Flying Objects of the special status which they had been given and to remove the aura of mystery which the project had unfortunately acquired. It was because of this recommendation that a special office was established within the OFFICE OF INFORMATION at the Air Force Secretary's level. It's [sic] primary function was to answer questions from the public and periodically, as requested, release UFO information to the Communications Media. Throughout the years, the responsibility for releasing UFO information to the public has remained with the Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Information (SAFOI) [sic]." [1]

This struck me as an interesting comment, so I decided to take a look at the AFOSI website and came across their fact sheet, which states:

In addition to the command's headquarters AFOSI has eight field investigations regions. Seven of the Regions are aligned with Air Force major commands: Region 1 with Air Force Materiel Command, Region 2 with Air Combat Command, Region 3 with Air Mobility Command, Region 4 with Air Education and Training Command, Region 5 with U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Region 6 with Pacific Air Forces, and Region 8 with Air Force Space Command.

While the regions serve the investigative needs of those aligned major commands, all AFOSI units and personnel remain independent of those commands, and their chains of command flow directly to AFOSI headquarters. Such organizational independence ensures unbiased investigations.

The single region not aligned with a major command is Region 7, the mission of which is to provide counterintelligence and security-program management for special-access programs under the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. [2]

Let's examine the last paragraph in conjunction with Lt. Col Quintanilla's statement above:

Quintanilla states:

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The Air Force fact sheet states that Region 7 provides counterintelligence under the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. So, it's of some interest to note that agents engaged in CI on behalf of AFOSI operate under the auspices of the Office of the Secretary of Air Force – the same body responsible for the dissemination of UFO information.

Lt. Col. Quintanilla goes to some lengths to counter claim USAF complicity in UFO cover-ups and I completely agree with him.

The USAF commissioned reports on UFOs were genuine investigation of reports pertaining to Anomalous Aerial Phenomena. Though I can't help but wonder why, if USAF had such a prolonged migraine with the UFO problem and were hoping to put it to rest, would a CI faction of USAF want to disseminate disinformation which further fuels public interest in the subject? Of course, this greatly depends on whether there is any official sanction for the spreading of UFO propaganda, or whether rogue elements have abused their positions, past and present, to propagate UFO related fables.

However, trying to pin the spread of disinformation and hoaxed documentation on the heads of one or two rogue agents, as some are currently wont to do, is a little naïve perhaps. I have spoken to countless people who report receiving information from a large body of USAF staff of varying rank during the early 80's, telling tales of aliens. A few of the Star Gate Remote Viewing files also appear to support USAF interest in the UFO phenomenon around this era. (See Gary Bekkum's STARpod.org articles.)

During a presentation to the MUFON convention in Las Vegas on July 1, 1989, William Moore shocked the audience with a revelation. He confessed to his part in a disinformation program aimed at the UFO community.

Moore stated:

"Disinformation is a strange and bizarre game. Those who play it are completely aware that an operation's success is dependent upon dropping false information upon a target or 'mark', in such a way that the person will accept it as truth and will repeat, and even defend it to others as if it were true. One of the key factors in any successful disinformation scheme is that it must contain some elements of truth in order to be credible. Once the information is believed, the work of

counterintelligence is complete. They can simply withdraw in the confidence that the dirty work of spreading their poisonous seeds will be done by others." [3]

In 1979, William Moore became the director of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization and through his work he became acquainted with physicist Paul Bennewitz. Bennewitz had become convinced that aliens were using electromagnetic signals to control the minds of abductees and was trying to devise a means for shielding against these signals. He advised Moore that he had detected low frequency signals emitted from UFOs. He had also managed to capture on film some anomalous lights maneuvering around a nuclear weapons storage facility at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque.

Bill Moore claims that in early September, 1980, he was approached by AFOSI agent Richard Doty. Moore states that Doty told him that he spoke for a small group of similar individuals who were uncomfortable with the government's continuing cover-up of the truth and indicated that he and his group would like to help Moore with his research. Moore states "I knew I was being recruited, but at that point I had no idea for what."

Moore claims that he soon learnt that he was expected to exchange information on Bennewitz's activities for a little insider information on UFOs, and decided to go along with it. During this time Moore further claims that he was witness to an intense disinformation campaign aimed at Bennewitz by several government agencies.

More states:

"Paul [Bennewitz] was gathering data from a variety of sources and amalgamating it with information being fed to him by a number of government people in whom, for some reason, he seemed to have an implicit and abiding faith. The story that emerged from this mélange of fact, fiction, fantasy, hearsay, hard data and government disinformation was absolutely incredible! Yet somehow, Paul believed in it and set out on a one-man crusade to tell the world that malevolent aliens from space were in league with our government to take over the planet. What had begun in 1979 as an effort to learn whether the behavior of a woman who claimed she had been abducted by UFO aliens was being influenced by some sort of radio remote control had, in the space of less than three years, blossomed into a tale which rivaled the wildest science fiction scenario anyone could possibly imagine."

The disinformation campaign aimed at Bennewitz had the desired effect. The stories had become so bizarre that people began to question Bennewitz's sanity. He became increasingly more paranoid, eventually suffering a breakdown and was hospitalized. By this point the seeds had already been implanted within the collective psyche of the UFO community. Tales of abduction, genetic engineering, mind control and alien underground bases are the focal point of Ufology today, but the mythic building blocks had already been in place since at least the early 1940s.

There is a shift in the myth making coming into play, and as a contact recently pointed out, also a shift in investigation.

The small local UFO hobby groups are dwindling, the international UFO symposiums gain momentum. Internet forums are rife and there is something a little more sinister throwing its weight around. I'm referring to the wave of Exopolitical organizations to hit the scene over the last few years. Headed by self-appointed delegates for the planet Earth presenting manifestos, these organizations harbour strong political undertones. Their objectives include setting out procedures for dealing with alien contact, making demands for congressional hearings relative to alleged Governmental cover-ups of ET visitation and making demands for the abandonment of military programs focusing on the weaponising of space.

What I find the most unpalatable aspect of these organization's assertions lies within their professing to understand the 'alien' phenomenon, and the whys and wherefores for its interaction with man. To date, there has been no veridical testimony presented to the general public to support their claims.

I have requested documented evidence.

I am still waiting.

Someone made an interesting observation on one of the UFO email threads recently, which merits a quote. The author is referring to a few key players within the Exopolitics movements:

"Xxxx (name redacted) has bought into the dark nightmarish vision, which is seriously deluded imo. The field of exopolitics is going to remain a fringe sort of thing because he, and others like xxxx and xxxx (names redacted) have become infected with a "virus" that profoundly distorts ones vision."

During a recent exchange of emails with one of our professional sources in the medical field, he shared an observation which is reflected in the above comment. That is, that there is something akin to a viral epidemic hitting the Internet community, and it's making folk ill.

Our source writes:

"...Alternate Reality gets transmuted in the Cingulate Cortex and the Para hippocampus ... Where delusions of Terrorism get mixed with delusions of Aliens. We have to medicate some patients every week who have become so scared they no longer can take care of their family, or work. They have been infected, we believe with a viral meme that is every bit as epidemiologically real as E. Coli in spinach.

Absent the growing delusional triggers...these folks would have remained healthy. Most of them actually get sick by reading certain web-pages, and when their defenses of actual reality are overwhelmed by alternate reality, interest which has become addiction, and then concern and worry, and then fear elutes with the solvent of delusion."

Our source further writes:

"The meme has existed since archetypes existed. Jung and Freud, and later Adler and Anna Freud wrote reams about them. The internet may be the interstate highway along which the spinach gets distributed from the places of infestation to the consumer in distant places."

Jung's view of the psyche is that it rests upon a substratum - the collective unconscious –a primordial suprapersonal nature which is present in every one - which can be broken into components: archetypes. The meme then is analogous to Jung's archetypal representations, resulting from the transformation of archetypes into conscious formulae. Archetypes, as opposed to their representations, are the factors which predispose particular sets of representations, or memes, to spread within a group of people and enter their conscious awareness.

But is there truly anything of substance beneath all the subterfuge which might merit genuine cause for concern?

There's plenty of conjecture put forth: black-ops military projects, big money deals in advanced technologies, psychotronic weapons, control over free energy, back-engineering of alien technology, governments out of control, aliens in control, political or personal agendas, to name the most prominent.

I'm certain a few of these scenarios, in reality, do create some of the smoke.

What of the phenomenon itself?

I have yet to speak to a contactee who can offer substantive evidence pertaining to interaction with alien biological entities from planet X-Y-Z. I have spoken to many folk who undoubtedly have encountered some form of exogenous intelligence, often with witnesses to the effect. Man has been

expressing encounters with suprahuman intelligence since he first learnt how to scribble on cave walls. The entities may have morphed into space-faring critters in shiny high-tech vehicles, but the personal encounter differs little from paranormal/metaphysical encounters recounted throughout human history, exhibiting both physical exploitation and spiritual enlightenment. One has to wonder if these entities are presenting themselves in guises understood by whatever the current mindset is, or whether the current mindset is itself giving form to something primeval in essence and conceptually 'shapeless'.

There are conceptual frameworks set in place for dealing with forms of archetypal intelligence of course, to be found within various religious and mystical, pantheistic/philosophical doctrines, perhaps more so within Shamanism, which will be discussed later in the series.

I can't help but wonder; if world governments have been trying to conceal the reality of Nuts and Bolts Alien technology and visitation for some 50 odd years, why have countries such as Russia, America, China and the UK invested time and money into parapsychological research? Wouldn't the reality of biological alien entities far exceed, in interest and finance, studies of paranormal spooky goings on?

Someone made the suggestion to me, a while back, that Intel agency backed paranormal research was a smokescreen to cover the money sunk into the unraveling of alien technology - I have to say that I disagree. There exists more evidence to support the premise that a sizable chunk of UFO tales were a smokescreen to cover technology of a more down to earth kind. It fast became a useful medium for the dissemination of an assortment of disinformation, aimed at various bodies, not least the international intelligence communities. This in conjunction with our hoaxers and latter day viral meme epidemic gives us a lovely mix!

There is a boundary merging between the ET phenomenon and ESP interest within the paranormal/quasi-scientific communities. A number of ET contactees report enhanced psychic abilities after a contact experience – echoes of the Shaman - and claim that the alien entities communicate by telepathic means. There is also, on occasion, physically observable effects of anomalous phenomena, noted both within the UFO and paranormal communities and often with multiple witnesses, which is not too easily relegated to the diagnostics of clinical psychologists.

While evidence for alien technology remains elusive, there is experiential and experimental evidence to support claims of Extra Sensory Perception. During the remote viewing programs and AMP (Anomalous Mental Phenomena) studies, conducted essentially within the United States and Russia, a paranormal reality gained recognition through empirical analysis. Its potential applications sparked the interest of the Intelligence community and later the military establishments, specifically its implementation in gaining a superior edge in psychological warfare. The paranormal world, previously ascribed to the mystic, magician, charlatan or the lunatic as some might postulate, became integrated within the special programs labs, funded by Intelligence and Military bodies.

This wasn't a first of course; Hitler's interest in the paranormal to gain an edge in warfare is well documented. The fact that the Former Soviet Union followed closely on Nazi Germany's tail, pre-dating American interest in the subject, is of considerable interest but no surprise when we take the Nazi and Communist atheistic paradigms into consideration, as opposed to a nation founded on Christian ideals, wherein paranormal interests are largely taboo.

America found herself caught with her proverbial pants down in respect to Russia's AMP research. Word filtered through the Intel grapevine that there just might be something to this research and America went about setting up her own experimental projects.

In a CIA memo titled INSTITUTES, LABORATORIES, AND CENTERS PERFORMING RESEARCH ON UNCONVENTIONAL BIOPHYSICS, PARAPSYCHOLOGY, AND PSYCHOPHYSICALOGY released under the Freedom of Information Act, a number of Soviet scientists, physicists and subjects are listed, alongside their respective institutions and keywords, dates and/or research. The earliest date noted is 1920, with the key words ESP, Mental suggestion on dogs. Other Keywords, spanning dates from 1962, up to 1974, include: Telepathy, PK, clairvoyance, biomagnetism, kirlian, dermo-optics, Skin vision and subliminal perception.

In 1952, the Department of Defense was lectured on the possible usefulness of ESP in psychological warfare. Reports gathered through various bodies continued to build momentum. Then in 1961, the reports sparked the interest of the Chief of CIA's Office of the Technical Service Division. Technical project officers contacted Stephen Abrams, then Director of the Parapsychology Laboratory at Oxford University, England. Abrams wrote a review paper in which he stated that ESP was demonstrated but not understood or controllable.

It wasn't until a decade later that a serious interest was taken, when Dr. Russell Targ and Dr. Harold Puthoff re-awakened CIA interest in parapsychological research.

In April, 1972, Dr. Targ met with CIA personnel from OSI (Office of Scientific Intelligence) and revealed that he had contacts with people who claimed to have witnessed and documented Soviet investigations into psychokinesis. Soviet films were made available to OSI for analysis. In turn, OSI contacted ORD (Office of Research and Development) who eventually sent an ORD Project Officer to visit Targ, who was now at SRI (Stanford Research Institute) to discuss research possibilities. Targ suggested that psychokinetic research could be conducted at SRI in conjunction with Dr. Puthoff.

Lab tests quickly followed. A subject, with reputed psychokinetic abilities, was discovered by Targ and Puthoff and taken to the physics department at SRI, where Dr. Hebbard had a shielded magnetometer set up for high energy particle experiments. The subject effectively disturbed the output signal and several other demonstrations of his mental abilities proved successful. The event was summarized and a report was sent to OSI and discussions were taken up with the OTS (Office of Technical Services).

In a report written for the CIA, titled: Parapsychology in Intelligence. A Personal Review And Conclusions by Dr. Kenneth A. Kress, he writes:

The Office of Technical Services took the first action. With the approval of the same manager who supported the ESP studies a decade previously, an OTS project officer contracted for a demonstration with the previously described subject at SRI. For a cost of \$874, one OTS and one ORD representative worked with Targ and Puthoff and the previously mentioned man for a few days in August, 1972. During this demonstration, the subject was asked to describe objects hidden out of sight by the CIA personnel. The subject did well. The descriptions were so startlingly accurate that the OTS and ORD representatives suggested that the work be continued and expanded. The same Director of OTS reviewed the data, approved another \$2,500 work order, and encouraged the development of a more complete research plan.

By October, 1972, I was the Project Officer. I was chosen because of my physics background to work with the physicists from SRI. The Office of Technical Service funded a \$30,000 expanded effort in parapsychology. The expanded investigation included tests of several abilities of both the original subject and a new one. Curious data began to appear; the paranormal abilities seemed individualistic: For example, one subject, by mental effort, apparently caused an increase in the temperature measured by a thermistor; the action could not be duplicated by the second subject. The second subject was able to reproduce, with impressive accuracy, information sealed inside envelopes. Under identical conditions, the first subject could reproduce nothing. Perhaps even more disturbing, repeating the same experiment with the same subject did not yield consistent results. I began to have serious feelings of being involved with a fraud.

Approximately halfway through this project, the SRI contractors were invited to review their results. After careful consideration of the security and sensitivity factors, the results were shared and discussed with selected Agency personnel during that and subsequent meetings. In February, 1973, the most recent data were reviewed; thereafter, several ORD officers showed definite interest in contributing their own expertise and office funding.

The possibility of a joint OTS/ORD program continued to develop. The Office of Research and Development sent new Project Officers to SRI during February, 1973, and the reports which were brought back convinced ORD to become involved. Interest was translated into action when ORD requested an increase in the scope of the effort and transferred funds to OTS. About this time, a third sensitive subject, Pat Price, became available at SRI, and the remote viewing experiments in which a subject describes his impressions of remote objects or locations began in earnest. The possibility that such useful abilities were real motivated all concerned to move ahead quickly.

The contract required additional management review before it could be continued or its scope increased. The initial review went from OTS and ORD to Mr. William Colby, then the DDO. On 24 April, Mr. Colby decided that the Executive Management Committee should pass judgment on this potentially sensitive project. By the middle of May, 1973, the approval request went through the Management Committee. An approval memorandum was written for the signature of the DCI, then Dr. James Schlesinger. Mr. Colby took the memorandum to the DCI a few days later. I was soon told not to increase the scope of the project and not to anticipate any follow-on in this area. The project was too sensitive and potentially embarrassing. It should be tabled. It is interesting to note that OTS was then being investigated for involvement in the Watergate affair, and that in May, 1973, the DCI issued a memorandum to all CIA employees requesting the reporting of any activities that may have been illegal and improper. As Project Officer, clearly my sense of timing had not been guided by useful paranormal abilities! [4]

SRI continued working with OSI, albeit informally, on a remote viewing experiment. One of the subjects was Pat Price, later, alongside Uri Geller and Ingo Swann, to become one of the 'infamous' names associated with remote viewing. His alleged success during the above experiment eventually led to more CIA interest and sponsorship, after several months of analysis. By this point Mr. Colby was DCI, and the new directors of OTS and ORD were enough impressed by the data to re-approach SRI and request that they propose another program.

In February, 1974, a jointly funded ORD and OTS program was begun and Dr. Kress was once again appointed the Project Officer.

Kress wrote:

The project proceeded on the premise that the phenomena existed; the objective was to develop and utilize them.

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UFO Tales Part Four: Psychic Spies

Several sources involved directly with the Remote Viewing programs, in one capacity or another, have confirmed to me that the technique is still being utilized and further developed within specialized operational military organizations.

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The ORD funds were used extensively for studies into the identification of measurable physiological and psychological characteristics of psychic individuals, and the establishment of experimental protocols for validating paranormal abilities. The OTS funds were used to evaluate the operational utility of psychic subjects.

Problems soon developed between ORD and SRI (Stanford Research Institute).

Kress writes:

“Our tasking in the basic research area proved to be more “extensive than time and funds would allow. The contractors wanted to compromise by doing all of the tasks with less completeness. The ORD scientists insisted that with such a controversial topic, fewer but more rigorous results would be of more value. The rigor of the research became a serious issue between the ORD project officers and SRI. with myself generally taking a position between the righteousness of the contractor and indignation of the researchers. Several meetings occurred over that issue.”[1a]

The relationship between ORD and SRI continued to deteriorate, exasperated further by the appointments of new Directors of ORD and OTS, neither Director having any background or experience in paranormal research. Kress requested a meeting with the new ORD Director during which the Director informed Kress that he could not accept the reality of paranormal functioning, but would follow the advice of his staff. However, the ORD Project Officers were experiencing their own uncertainties about the research and now had to contend with the skepticism of their new Director. This skepticism adversely affected the opinions of the OTS staff and support for the project diminished further.

In an attempt to ascertain whether there was any workable function to the claims coming out of SRI, the first intelligence collection operation using parapsychology was attempted. The target was the URDF-3 facility (Unidentified Research and Development Facility-3 formerly known as PNUTS). Pat Price was chosen for the experiment.

Kress writes:

“From experience it was obvious that Price produced bad data as well as good. Borrowing from classical communication theory concepts, this “noisy channel” of information could nevertheless be useful if it were characterized. An elaborate protocol was designed which would accomplish two characterization measurements. First, we needed assurance the channel was collecting useful data. I reviewed the photos of URDF-3 and chose two features which, if Price described them, would show the channel at least partially working. Referring to Figure 1a, these features were the tall crane and the four structures resembling oil well derricks. It was agreed that if Price described these structures, I would be prepared to have him sign a secrecy agreement, making him witting, and collect more relevant intelligence details. Secondly, after a working channel was thus established, a signal-to-noise or quality characterization was ‘required. This would be done by periodic tests of the channel—that is, periodically Price would be asked to describe features of URDF-3 which were known. The accuracy of these descriptions would be used to estimate the quality of the data we had no obvious way of verifying.” [1b]

The experiment began with Kress and his branch chief briefing Targ and Puthoff in a motel room. Later, back at SRI, Targ and Puthoff briefed Pat Price. Price was given only the geographic coordinates, a world atlas map marked with the approximate location of URDF-3, and informed it was a Soviet RD&E test site. During the night Price produced a drawing of a large crane which caught the attention of Kress, and although the derricks weren't mentioned the sketch of the crane was significant enough for Kress and his branch manager to make the decision to continue.

Kress and his branch manager set up a meeting with Price through Targ and Puthoff. Kress was introduced to Price as the projects sponsor. Price was asked to sign a secrecy agreement, and after further discussion Kress inquired why Price hadn't seen the four derricks at the target site. Price informed Kress that the derricks were no longer there. Since Kress's data was some four months old in wasn't in a position to argue the point. A few weeks after the meeting with Price the latest URDF-3 reconnaissance was checked. Two derricks were partially dismantled, but all four were still visible. Kress comments that most of Price's data were wrong or could not be evaluated but he did produce some amazing descriptions of buildings then under construction, spherical tank sections, and the crane.

Two analysts were consulted, one a photo interpreter, the second a nuclear analyst at Los Alamos Scientific Laboratories and both agreed that Price's description of the crane was accurate. The nuclear analyst concluded that, "One: he, the subject, actually saw it through remote viewing, or Two: he was informed what to draw by someone knowledgeable of URDF-3." [1c]

Due to the high levels of bad information mixed in with the good, the ORD officers concluded that since there were no control experiments to compare with, the positive data were likely nothing but lucky guesswork, and Kress began to doubt his own objectivity in evaluating the significance of paranormal abilities to intelligence gathering. SRI on the other hand continued to assert that the results obtained to date were highly significant.

Kress decided to engage an independent analyst to look at the data. The analysts first task was to evaluate the field of parapsychology without knowledge of the CIA data. This produced a genuine interest in paranormal functioning as a valid research area. He was then tasked with looking through the CIA data and requested to reassess his critique. His conclusion was that: "a large body of reliable experimental evidence points to the inescapable conclusion that extrasensory perception does exist as a real phenomenon, albeit characterized by rarity and lack of reliability." This gave Kress the renewed confidence he needed to proceed.

A final challenge was issued by OTS management, and Price was chosen again to perform the task. A request for suggestions was placed with the operational personnel in both OTS and the DDO.

Kress writes:

"An intriguing idea was selected from audio operational applications: the difficult and dangerous job of targeting and installing audio collection systems. A test to determine if remote viewing could help was suggested. The interiors of two foreign embassies were known to the audio teams who had made entries several years previously. Price was to visit these embassies by his remote viewing capability, locate the coderooms, and come up with information that might allow a member of the audio team to determine whether Price was likely to be of operational use in subsequent operations. Price was given operationally acceptable data such as the exterior photographs and the geographical coordinates of the embassies. [1d]

In both cases, Price correctly located the coderooms. He produced copious amounts of data, such as the location of interior doors and colors of marble stairs and fireplaces that were accurate and specific. As usual, much was also vague and incorrect. Regardless, the operations officer involved concluded, "It is my considered opinion that this technique—whatever it is—offers definite operational possibilities." [1e]

The OTS and the DDO reviewed the results and suggestions for potential follow-on activities were formulated. Since Kress was judged to be positively biased towards paranormal functioning, it was

decided that the testing and evaluation of Price should be transferred to a more pragmatic OTS operations psychologist.

The OTS psychologist chose to complete an unfinished DDO requirement from 1974, wherein several OTS engineers had volunteered to attempt remote viewing and had passed the initial remote viewing tests at SRI with some considerable successes. Kress, wanting to test the engineers further suggested the obtaining of information about a Libyan site described only by its geographic coordinates. The OTS engineers described a new construction, possibly an SA-5 missile training site. The Libyan Desk officer revealed to Kress that an agent had reported essentially the same story. A second set of Libyan geographic coordinates was passed to Price by the OTS psychologist. Price provided a report describing a guerrilla training site and a detailed sketch of the complex. Price also described an underwater sabotage training facility several hundred kilometers away, along the coast. The information was passed to the Libyan Desk, some of the data were evaluated immediately, some after ordering special reconnaissance coverage of the area which verified the information produced by Price.

Kress writes:

“The underwater sabotage training facility description was similar to a collateral agent’s report. The Libyan Desk officer quickly escalated the requirement to what was going on inside those buildings, the plans and intentions, etc. The second requirements list was passed to Pat Price. Price died of a heart attack a few days later, and the program stopped.” [1f]

At the time of writing his report Kress states that since July, 1975, there had been only modest CIA and Intelligence Community Staff interest in parapsychology. The OSI (Office of Scientific Intelligence) had completed a study about Soviet military and KGB applied parapsychology. During November, 1976, Director George Bush was made aware that official Soviets were visiting SRI and questioning Puthoff and Targ about their work in parapsychology. Mr. Bush requested a briefing on the CIA’s investigations into parapsychology, but left the Agency before making any official comment.

Kress also notes that in August, 1973, parapsychology was discussed with several members of DIA.

Kress writes:

“The DIA people were basically interested in the Soviet activities in this area and expressed considerable interest in our own fledgling results. Numerous meetings have occurred during the past several years. DIA remains interested on a low priority basis. The Army Materiel Command learned of CIA interest in the paranormal. We discovered the Army interest was generated by data which emerged from Vietnam. Apparently certain individuals called point men, who led patrols into hostile territory, had far fewer casualties from booby traps and ambushes than the average. These point men, needless to say, had a loyal following of men and, in general, greatly helped the morale of their troops under a brutal, stressful situation. The Army gave extensive physical and psychological tests to a group of unusually successful point men and came to no conclusion other than perhaps that paranormal capabilities may be the explanation! The Army was most interested in CIA results and wanted to stay closely informed.” [1g]

Kress writes that after a few follow-up meetings the Army interest went quiet and they were never heard from again.

DARPA (The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency) had displayed some initial interest in the work being carried out at SRI, but relations became strained. Kress reports that during a briefing with SRI contractors, himself, and DARPA, they endured a several-hour confrontational debate with hostile DARPA people who had been convened especially to debunk their results.

The Navy then approached SRI and provided a small amount of funding to replicate one of their earlier experiments. The results were positive. The Navy requested a repeat experiment under a different set conditions. Although an effect was observed it was not as successful as the previous experiments, and the funding was cut.

Kress writes:

“The active funding for parapsychology now has shifted to the Air Force’s Foreign Technology Division with the addition of modest testing being completed by another group at DARPA. These investigations are not yet completed, but a second phase is funded by the Air Force. The Air Force project is attempting to evaluate whether signals and communications can be sent and received by paranormal functioning. Also aircraft and missile intelligence which can be verified is being gathered and evaluated. To date the results are more consistent than those seen during the CIA research, but still they are mixed. Some simple experiments seemed very impressive and conclusive. The more complex experiments are difficult to assess.” [1h]

Kress states that the experimental observations, such as the original magnetic experiments at Stanford University, the OSI remote viewing, the OTS-coderoom experiments, and others tasked by the DOD, certainly defy explanation and goes on to further state that coincidence is not likely, and that fraud has not been discovered.

Kress concludes his report with the following:

“Past and current support of parapsychology comes from applications-oriented intelligence and military agencies. The people managing such agencies demand quick and relevant results. The intelligence and military agencies, therefore, press for results before there is sufficient experimental reproducibility or understanding of the physical mechanisms. Unless there is a major breakthrough in understanding, the situation is not likely to change as long as applications-oriented agencies are funding parapsychology. Agencies must commit long-term basic research funds and learn to confine attention to testing only abilities which at least appear reproducible enough to be used to augment other hard collection techniques (example: use parapsychology to help target hard intelligence collection techniques and determine if the take is thereby increased). Parapsychology, like other technical issues, can then rise or fall on its merits and not stumble over bureaucratic charters and conjectures proposed by people who are irrevocably on one side or the other in the controversial area.”[1i]

In an article titled CIA-Initiated Remote Viewing At Stanford University [2] Dr Hal Puthoff discusses the history of the Remote Viewing program.

Puthoff writes:

“As a result of the material being generated by both SRI and CIA remote viewers, interest in the program in government circles, especially within the intelligence community, intensified considerably and led to an ever-increasing briefing schedule. This in turn led to an ever-increasing number of clients, contracts and tasking, and therefore expansion of the program to a multi-client base, and eventually to an integrated joint-services program under single-agency (DIA) leadership. To meet the demand for the increased level of effort we first increased our professional staff by inviting Ed May to join the program in 1976, then screened and added to the program a cadre of remote viewers as consultants, and let subcontracts to increase our scope of activity.”

Further development of Remote Viewing work was directed towards assessing the threat potential of its use against the U.S.A. by adversaries. Experiments were carried out under conditions where a priori was known or could be determined in order to calculate success rates.

Puthoff notes that there were some “brilliant successes, many total failures”, the full details of which are still to be released. However, over the years the SRI team have managed to publish summaries pertaining to the overall characteristics of Remote Viewing, both in the positive and negative.

Dr Puthoff concludes his paper with the following:

“Regardless of one’s a priori position, however, an unimpassioned observer cannot help but attest to the following fact. Despite the ambiguities inherent in the type of exploration covered in these

programs, the integrated results appear to provide unequivocal evidence of a human capacity to access events remote in space and time, however falteringly, by some cognitive process not yet understood. My years of involvement as a research manager in these programs have left me with the conviction that this fact must be taken into account in any attempt to develop an unbiased picture of the structure of reality."

Dr Russell Targ offers similar conclusions when he writes:

"Hundreds of remote viewing experiments were carried out at Stanford Research Institute (SRI) from 1972 to 1986. The purpose of some of these trials was to elucidate the physical and psychological properties of psi abilities, while others were conducted to provide information for our CIA sponsor about current events in far off places. We learned that the accuracy and reliability of remote viewing was not in any way affected by distance, size, or electromagnetic shielding, and we discovered that the more exciting or demanding the task, the more likely we were to be successful. Above all, we became utterly convinced of the reality of psi abilities."[3]

An official request was issued to the Central Intelligence Agency to conduct an evaluation of the 24-year government-sponsored RV program and its potential use within the Intelligence Community. The CIA tasked the American Institutes for Research (AIR) to conduct the review of both research and operations. Their final report was released to the public on 28th November, 1995.

The 183 page report details the programs efforts and the findings are primarily split into two areas of relevance:

- 1: Research Evaluation – concentrating on evaluating the various Laboratory studies
- 2: Operational Evaluation – assessing the operational value of remote viewing for use in intelligence gathering.

The reviewers conclusions are found on page 4 of the report and reproduced here.

Research Evaluation

- *A statistically significant laboratory effort has been demonstrated in the sense that hits occur more often than chance.*
- *It is unclear whether the observed effects can unambiguously be attributed to the paranormal ability of the remote viewers as opposed to characteristics of the judges or of the target or some other characteristic of the methods used. Use of the same remote viewers, the same judge, and the same target photographs makes it impossible to identify their independent effects.*
- *Evidence has not been provided that clearly demonstrates that the causes of hits are due to the operation of paranormal phenomena; the laboratory experiments have not identified the origins or nature of the remote viewing phenomenon, if, indeed, it exists at all.*

Operational Evaluation

- *The conditions under which the remote viewing phenomenon is observed in laboratory settings do not apply in intelligence gathering situations. For example, viewers cannot be provided with feedback and targets may not display the characteristics needed to produce hits.*
- *The end users indicating that, although some accuracy was observed with regard to broad background characteristics, the remote viewing reports failed to produce the concrete, specific information valued in intelligence gathering.*

· *The information provided was inconsistent, inaccurate with regard to specifics, and required substantial subjective interpretation.*

· *In no case had the information provided ever been used to guide intelligence operations. Thus, Remote viewing failed to produce actionable intelligence.*

Conclusions

The foregoing observations provide a compelling argument against continuation of the program within the intelligence community. Even though a statistically significant effect has been observed in the laboratory, it remains unclear whether the existence of a paranormal phenomenon, remote viewing, has been demonstrated. The laboratory studies do not provide evidence regarding the origins or nature of the phenomenon, assuming it exists, nor do they address an important methodological issue of inter-judge reliability.

Further, even if it could be demonstrated unequivocally that a paranormal phenomenon occurs under the conditions present in the laboratory paradigm, these conditions have limited applicability and utility for intelligence gathering operations. For example, the nature of the remote viewing targets are vastly dissimilar, as are the specific tasks required of the remote viewers. Most importantly, the information provided by remote viewing is vague and ambiguous, making it difficult, if not impossible, for the technique to yield information of sufficient quality and accuracy of information for actionable intelligence. Thus, we conclude that continued use of remote viewing in intelligence gathering operations is not warranted. [4]

As a result of AIR's report, the CIA concluded that a statistically significant effect had been demonstrated in the laboratory, but that there was no case in which ESP had provided data that had ever been used to guide intelligence operations. The program was officially terminated as a result of these conclusions.

It's probably little surprise that there was a good degree of bitterness emanating from the long-standing researchers within the program, several raising strongly worded objections regarding AIR's methodology and conclusions. They indicated that the report was accomplished by limiting the research and operations data sets to the exclusion of significant positive findings, by purposefully not interviewing historically significant participants, and by ignoring previous DOD extensive program reviews.

Edwin May details his objections in a commentary written for The Journal of Parapsychology, 1996. [5]

A recent article written for bbc.co.uk [6] highlights the UK's MoD's interest in psychic ability.

In 2002 the MoD conducted tests to verify whether there was any truth to claims of psychic ability coming from the academic community, and if true, could there be any applied use for psychics within National Defense.

The MoD had originally attempted to recruit reputed psychics for the tests, but the psychics declined the offer, so 'novice' volunteers were recruited. In what sounds like a truly 'scientific examination', the volunteers were blindfolded and tasked with revealing the contents of sealed envelopes. The results, perhaps not too surprisingly, were not very encouraging. Only around 28% of the volunteers came anywhere near close to revealing the contents accurately.

The MoD study concluded that Remote Viewing theories had little value to the MoD in defense of the nation. [7]

This fairly archaic approach by the MoD seems a bit shabby in comparison to research being conducted elsewhere over the past 30 years. I find it difficult to believe that interest wasn't sparked earlier in the UK, considering the request for information made by the Chief of CIA's Office of the Technical Service Division way back in 1961, to Dr Stephen Abrams, then Director of the Parapsychology Laboratory at Oxford University.

Although Abrams wrote a review paper in which he stated that ESP was demonstrated but not understood or controllable, and wasn't taken up seriously in the USA until Dr. Russell Targ and Dr. Harold Puthoff re-awakened CIA interest a decade later (see Trickster Tales part 3), I'm pretty sure the request wouldn't have escaped the attention of the UK Intel community. Ok, I'm a Brit – I'm slightly biased and ever hopeful.

There has been a considerable amount of speculation on what course the military establishments did in fact take as a result of experiments at SRI. The declassified Star Gate files indicate USAF had tasked several of its own experiments with Remote Viewing, though to date the bulk of USAF files appear to be missing, or yet to be declassified.

Several sources involved directly with the Remote Viewing programs, in one capacity or another, have confirmed to me that the technique is still being utilized and further developed within specialized operational military organizations.

For further reading:

In his excellent and darkly humorous book: ***The Men Who Stare At Goats***, Jon Ronson takes up the trail of USA military funded research into psychic ability and it's potential use in the field. [8]

Some of which we'll be exploring in part 5.

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UFO Tales Part Five:

Trickster Revealed? A compromise, between honesty and lies.

In the fifth installment of the Trickster Tales intrepid investigator Caryn Anscomb returns to the UFO/Alien enigma and offers a glimpse of the man behind the shadows of the "Core Story," a tale of contact with non-human intelligence.

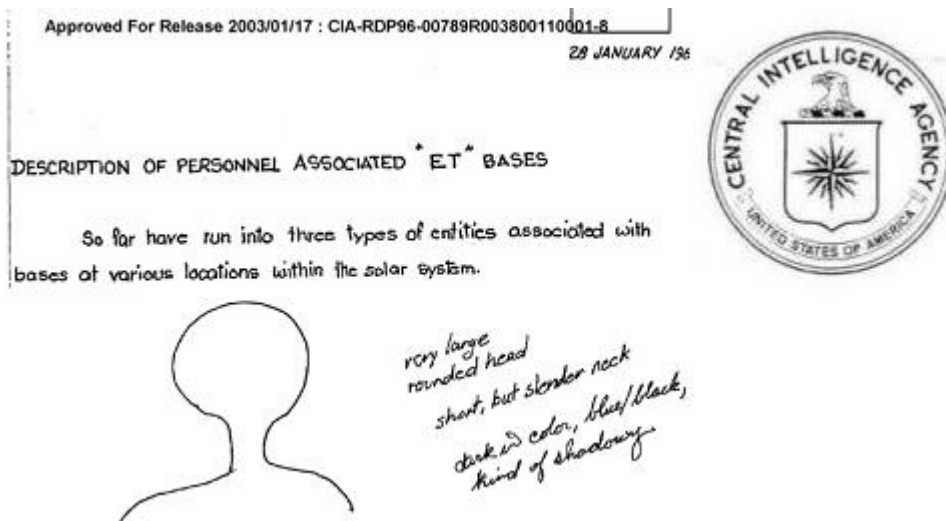


Image taken from CIA/DIA STAR GATE files

Most of what has been promulgated since the 1980s, relative to UFOs and ET, is based on the alleged attempts of several insider sources to effect a disclosure initiative. At the heart of all the noise lies something known colloquially in UFO circles as 'The Core Story'.

This Core Story has become the foundation stone of the alleged Roswell Crash data, Robert Collins' book: *Exempt from Disclosure*, the 2005, Serpo releases, to a degree the Dan Burisch story and much of the UFO folklore disseminated by Richard Doty and friends. Strip away the accumulated crud and we discover that the Core Story indicates that at some point, in our not too distant past, some form of contact was made between human military personnel and non-human intelligence.

The term 'Core Story' was allegedly invented in a Denny's Restaurant shop in the fall of 1982, during an exchange of information between three people.

One of the three participants at that meeting writes:

"It is the smallest set of elements for which the three of us at that time agreed had scientifically sound evidence. Since that time, we have briefed it dozens of times, and in the past six months the term has been expropriated by Bob Collins and Bill Ryan. Their version of Core Story bears little resemblance to our original, but of course, anyone is welcome to misuse any words, or even to exaggerate, or whatever they choose. Since I know that Bill and Bob have been briefed, I take the "New Core Story" to also be their considered judgment...and that is their right. But I do not stand behind the current usage and content."

I further asked:

"Do you believe that some form of contact has been made between humans and non-human intelligence."

Our source replied:

"Yes I most assuredly do. And I do not believe that contact has been metaphysical, or ethereal, or n-dimensional in the context of the 'Core Story.' I am silent as to those possibilities, also, however...but leave to the metaphysicians to say if that ALSO had been a form of contact. The 'contact' of which I speak I believe has been real in a traditional sensory, physics, and time & space sense. In short, what you may have seen in the original writings in 1987 of what the three inventors of the 'Core Story' said the three of us, at that time believed...We three have never changed our minds."

To add the next layer to the onion that has become the Core Story, and keeping to the basics, there were allegedly three separate meetings between USG employees and extraterrestrial entities during the 1940s, 1980s and 1990s – the next somewhat opaque layer suggests that the visitors brought with them a disturbing message for humanity.

In the 1990s, Richard Doty contacted Dan Smith and discussed, for the first time as far as Mr Smith can recall, a Core Story and disturbing message. Though, as I understand it, Doty didn't elaborate any further on the message to Mr Smith apart from stating that it was indeed, disturbing.

During a conversation with Mr Smith in the spring of 2006, I asked him why he hadn't gone directly to his DNI source to request more information on this alleged message - my logic being that if there truly were such a message it would either confirm Mr Smith's metaphysical explanations for the visitations or negate them. He stated that it wasn't necessary, although an offer to meet with ET had been made, according to Smith.

In an email sent to a small list in the fall of 2005, Dan Smith writes:

"Jack, et al,

I hesitate to interject a note of seriousness into all this frivolity, but here it is:

It has been several years since I had some phone conversations with Rick Doty, under the auspices of Ron, concerning the alleged visitation, as a result of which I played a non-trivial part in the early dissemination of the 'core story' under the guise of Beltway Throat.

Since that time I have been concerned mainly with the larger picture or the metanarrative, i.e. "Whence come we? What are we? Whither do we go?" (Paul Gaugin).

What concerns me presently is the possible connection between the core story and the metanarrative.

What I got from Rick was only a statement to the effect that a principle or possibly primary reason for the subsequent cover-up was the disturbing nature of the message brought to us by the visitors.

I would appreciate any comments or educated speculation on this possible linkage."

I wrote to Doty asking for his opinion on Mr Smith's inferences.

Doty replied:

"I don't associated [sic] my beliefs in others. I know the truth and I know that some people make up things, such as Smith's postulations. Of course, they are just postulations created by Smith based on other people's stories or events. Once you separate fact from fiction, you can see the "visitors" are not here to hurt or endanger us. However, we have no control, nor do the "visitors" of other's who visit our planet."

In Nov 2005, Doty dropped me a line to make a small admission.

Doty wrote:

Caryn: One area I have not been truthful in is abductions. I know more that [sic] I can say. Lets just leave it at that. Most people don't want to hear what I know.

Shiver me timbers!

I did want to know and wrote straight back asking for details.

I was promised a file of information, some seventeen months later and I'm still waiting. I also inquired about the 'disturbing message'.

Doty simply advised that I really wouldn't want to hear it; it was after alldisturbing!

There is a danger in these here parts of allowing oneself to become too deeply sucked into other folk's alternate realities.

These people are invariably 'overnight' experts on all things Alien and Cosmically profound. Closer inspection reveals this expertise is oft begged, borrowed and stolen from centuries old observation and philosophical ponderings, with a new twist to fit the current agenda, be that personal or otherwise.

I see a marked difference between Cultural Myth and deliberate manipulation of information to serve an agenda. Historically, Myth has served to process information and convey information from one generation to the next. The elaborations or Tall Tales ensure longevity, lest the next generation forget. Myth shapes societies, propelling them ever forward, but the ability to manipulate information, in the wrong hands, becomes a weapon against society and quickly becomes the antitheses of constructive Cultural Myth.

Towards the end of the Second World War we entered a new age, as one of my professional colleagues succinctly puts it. The 'Age of Energy' gave way to the 'Age of Information' as a means to manipulate people.

During a recent debate with Gary Bekkum, in which we were discussing some of the Trickster Tales themes, I presented the notion that we might be witnessing an 'apparent' ability for other people's alternate realities to physically impact on our own realities - not just as shadowy, informational, meme-corrupted data, but real-time, sentient entities. This wasn't being offered exclusively as explanation for the ET enigma of course, but as a possible extra facet, to an already excessively murky area, I agree.

Within eastern mysticism and western magickal systems it's fairly well accepted that thought forms can and do take on a life of their own. The mystic and magician alike purposefully manufacture what are known as Tulpas, Egrigors or Genie, which act as servitors, created individually or collectively. This might best be described as the upwelling of psychokinetic energy attached to a thought form of intent, as apposed to randomly generated PK and poltergeist type activity.

In 1972, the Toronto Society for Psychical Research conducted an experiment to produce a ghost and gave it the name Philip. Philip began to manifest, doing the usual things one expects during a séance, rapping on the table, levitating objects and such like. The recordings of the sounds produced some interesting results.

Sharon McGovern writes:

"When the peculiar quality of the rapping was analyzed, the sound print showed a buildup to the sound's peak rather than the other way around, as is normal. Philip also rapped on a metal plate specially wired to record vibrations and discourage fraud. He lifted his table about an inch and a half above the ground in front of the group and a film crew, which was caught by surprise and failed to record the event." [1]

I understand that the experiment has since been successfully reproduced by various paranormal societies and pseudo/scientific bodies.

In the December of 2005, I was invited to take part in a pilot experiment to consciously manifest UFO type activity above and around a secret rural location in the UK.

The pilot experiment was being conducted under the auspices of the *Society for Psychical Research*.

[Correction added on May 15th, 2007. Caryn Anscomb was contacted by Peter McCue, who advised that the experiment was in fact conducted under the auspices of BUFORA, not the Society for Psychical Research.]

The proposed experiment was outlined in a short article that was posted on BUFORA's (British UFO Research Association), website 2005 and forwarded to me shortly before the experiment.

[Note: The article, with commentary by Caryn Anscomb, is appended to Trickster Tales Part Five.]

As the discussion between Gary and myself developed, we pondered on how myth and thought forms might manifest as a material reality over time, specifically focusing on the MJ-12 legends. We invited one of our sources into the debate, interested to hear what he might have to offer, and once again getting onto the Viral Meme topic.

Our contact puts forward the probability that the VMI (Viral Meme Internet) is technologically driven, which includes back-door computer viruses as well as front-door information memes and viruses, and further postulates that this is being perpetrated by a cadre` inside the Intelligence-Business Community (IBC) and outside the systematic and structural IBC [Intelligence Business Community] review.

On discussing the manifestation of an MJ-12 type consortium, our contact further offered his opinion that the MJ-12, that may have been invented, is now a reality in the body of the 'VMI' IBC-driven organization.

The UFO community has been deeply penetrated by the manipulators of information, who couldn't really give a fig whether there might be any valuable data pertaining to Aliens and contact hidden behind the deafening noise. That's not their business; their business is information warfare.

A concern, which both my colleague and I share, is whether there is indeed anyone in the 'right places' taking the spooky phenomenon seriously enough. We haven't seen any truly obvious signs of that being the case. There is a level of personal interest exhibited, certainly. Professionally, an interest in how information moves, who's saying what and to whom. Any honest concern regarding the possibility that an exogenous intelligence penetrates our reality, with apparent ease and stealth? Well, if there is, our sources are in even better stealth mode than the phenomenon.

There's been much speculation of late regarding impending Disclosure.....yet again! (See the [Starpod Blog](#)) [3]

From my 'lofty' seat on the fence, I see little of magnitude coming in our direction in the foreseeable future.

The best one might hope for at this juncture is some form of compromise between honesty and lies.

CREATING UFO PHENOMENA: A PROPOSED EXPERIMENT & CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

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[Commentary by Caryn Anscomb]

EATING UFO PHENOMENA: A PROPOSED EXPERIMENT & CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS

INTRODUCTION

Could it be that we're linked with one another in a 'psychic internet', and that our collective imaginings sometimes cause people to experience hallucinations and/or paranormal physical phenomena? The products of such subconscious interaction could be purposive – they might reflect ongoing wishes and concerns. For example, if there's a widespread desire to believe that extra-terrestrial beings are visiting Earth, the psychic internet might generate phenomena suggesting that that's the case¹; and if many people have a strong desire to believe in life after death, 'evidence' suggesting post-mortem survival might be produced. But the psychic internet could be a complex mechanism rather than an all-wise 'higher mind', and some of its productions could serve no clear function or even be harmful.

If it exists, the psychic internet (or collective subconscious) could enable UFO cases to feed off themselves. For example, if a locality became known as a hot-spot for UFO activity, and if the matter received extensive publicity, the collective imaginings of members of the public could serve to engender new – and quite genuine – phenomena. The same could go for a location that acquired a reputation for being haunted. Paradoxically, then, it's possible that a spurious case could turn into a genuine one if it received sufficient publicity!

Evidence from laboratory-based parapsychological research shows that paranormal effects can be instigated deliberately (see, for example, Radin, 1997). Tyrrell (1973) refers to cases in which people have deliberately made apparitions of themselves appear to others. He states: "I have found records of 16 occasions on which this...has been tried with success, and in most cases success has been achieved on the first attempt." (p. 35). (Interestingly, he notes that on several of the recorded occasions, the agent went to sleep after concentrating his mind strongly on the percipient, and that it was then that the apparition was seen.) Tyrrell also refers to an experiment in which a Mr Kirk looked at a bright disc and tried to make a percipient see it. The percipient reportedly saw luminous clouds, which concentrated into a disc.

In the light of such reports, one might ask whether UFO experiences could be created, experimentally, in a similar way. But if the concept of the psychic internet is valid, it might be better to have multiple agents, all visualizing the same thing. If that 'strengthens' the process, the effects might go beyond the creation of short-lived sensory phenomena, and include electrical, mechanical, photographic, and biological manifestations, thereby giving a degree of physical reality to the UFO event.

PROPOSED METHOD

It's suggested that we carry out a relatively simple pilot experiment, as follows:

A target site in a rural area will be selected, with the agreement of the principal occupants. (The decision to choose a rural setting for the target site is based on ethical considerations, since a UFO event occurring in a busy area could conceivably distract people and cause an accident.)

A number of people (perhaps 15 or more) will act as agents (i.e. visualizers). Before the 'active' stage of the experiment, they will receive photographs of the site, to help them imagine it during their visualization sessions. However, they won't be told its location or the names of the occupants.

Each of the agents will be sent a script for the intended UFO event. (For example: Two large delta-shaped objects are hovering sixty feet above [a feature of the target site]... A smaller, circular, craft is emerging from one of the larger craft...It's landing on the lawn behind the house... Three entities are stepping out...They're walking over to a bush...They're taking cuttings from it... They're returning to the circular craft...It's floating up...It has left indentations on the lawn...The circular craft is now merging with the delta-shaped one from which it came... The two delta-shaped craft are now shooting off in a south-westerly direction...) The script will be illustrated with drawings.

The scripted 'action' won't be restricted to the visual modality. Sounds and/or other sensory impressions will be included.

The experiment will run for two weeks. During this period, the agents should spend at least 10-15 minutes, twice a day, imagining (as vividly as possible) the scripted scenario. This should be done in a quiet and comfortable location (e.g. lying on a bed), without distractions (TV, radio, etc.). If agents feel that it will assist their visualization, they can tape-record the script and listen to the recording during the visualization sessions. If possible, one of the visualization sessions should be carried out shortly before the agent's bedtime.

The occupants of the target site won't, of course, be shown the script – at least, not until the experiment has been completed. They will be asked to keep some basic recording equipment (a camera, camcorder, and tape-recorder) at hand for use in the event of anything unusual occurring, and to keep a diary of any anomalous incidents, strange or vivid dreams, or unusual impressions.

The results of the pilot experiment will be announced on the BUFORA website.

COMMENTS

If the occupants of the target site reported a UFO event that broadly matched the scripted scenario, critics might suggest ways in which this seemingly positive result had come about. For example, it might be suggested that one of the agents had recognized the target site from the photographs and had tipped off the occupants about the script! But on the plus side, the proposed pilot experiment should be relatively cheap and easy to carry out; and if it seemed to 'work', further experiments could be conducted, using a more rigorous methodology."

[The pilot proved unsuccessful. There were a number of unforeseen logistical problems during the two-week visualisation process, not least the synchronization of the viewers which could have been better managed.]

McCue presented his conclusions in The Paranormal Review, 2006:

"The proposed experiment was outlined in a short article (McCue, 2005) that was posted on BUFORA's website. It included an appeal for participants. But that was largely ineffective, and the majority of participants were recruited in other ways (e.g. by my e-mailing personal acquaintances and inviting them to take part). In all, 13 participants were recruited....

..A house in a rural area was chosen as a possible 'target site'...

The participants were asked to familiarize themselves with the two action sequences described in the script and to spend at least 15 minutes, twice a day, trying to imagine the events occurring. They were asked to try to will them to happen. I asked them to visualize both sections of the script during each visualization session; and I suggested that the visualization sessions could be carried out in any

suitable place of their choosing, even in bed. Regarding the second of the visualization sessions to be carried out each day, I suggested that it might help if they did it shortly before the time they normally fell asleep...

The participants were asked to carry out the twice-daily visualization sessions for a fortnight, the last day being 24th December 2005.

Outcome

I e-mailed Mr X [Target-site owner/occupant] in late December, and in addition to seeking information about any sights, sounds, etc., I asked him whether he, his wife, or any other occupants of the house, had had any unusual subjective impressions or dreams since the start of the experiment. Replying on 1st January (at which point he wouldn't have known what was in the script), he stated: "We have nothing to report in the case of unusual activity during the time span of the experiment." So far as I know, he and his wife haven't experienced any delayed effects.

Using internet search engines, I've looked for information about any recent UFO sightings in the vicinity of Mr and Mrs X's home, but I've not come upon any such reports. It's possible that sightings have gone unreported or not been publicized; but, on balance, it appears that the experiment failed to produce the intended effects.

[Given the 'after experiment' realising of strategic flaws, it would be of interest to see the experiment re-run in a more tightly controlled format.]

McCue's full article **ATTEMPTED GENERATION OF UFO PHENOMENA: A PILOT EXPERIMENT** can be found in the July, 2006, edition of **The Paranormal Review**. [2]

[There is an interesting bit of synchronicity to the above that I feel is worth a mention. The scripted visualisation for the evening sessions turned out to be a significant match to an experience I personally witnessed in 1996, in a remote location in the UK. I contacted Mr McCue after the first reading of it because I was concerned that my experience and bias might interfere with the experiment and skew the results to some extent (whether positively or negatively) and I suggested that I should perhaps withdraw from the experiment.

I was assured that the scripted scenario was purely coincidental, and after some consideration we decided to go ahead with my participation in the pilot experiment.

As an aside, for anyone looking into current experimentation on retrocausality (see physicist John Cramer's work) the above scenario 'might' be of some interest.]

LINKS:

- [1] <http://www.thecobrasnose.com/xxghost/tulpa.html>
- [2] <http://www.spr.ac.uk/index.php3?page=onlinelibrary>
- [3] <http://stargate007.blogspot.com>