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#### **NEWSLETTER**

# Wright-Patterson AFB Sighting – July 1991 By Cathy Richards and Connie McNichols MUFON of Ohio

On or about July 15, 1991 the witness, a twelve year old boy at the time, and his father stepped outside of their temporary living quarters at WPAFB to view a meteor shower. As they turned the corner of the building to get away from a light that would interfere with viewing the meteor shower, they observed a craft hovering just below tree branch level at about 15 feet. The craft was shaped like two pie plates with the middle lit up with multiple lights (blue, green, white, red) that rotated left to right. The craft made no sound. They both observed it for about 3 minutes until it shot upwards at seeming mach-plus speed. To this day his father, who was standing beside him, totally denies what they both saw.

This is what the witness has to say:

"This event made me a believer in this phenomenon called UFO's. I am a military brat. Back in 1991 my family and I were staying in the temporary living quarters while we found a house at Wright Patterson Air Force Base. One particular night my father and I wanted to go outside and look for meteors. A known meteor storm was going to be visible for our area, so we decided to go outside. It was about 10 PM at night. My mother threw her back out so she stayed inside.

"We went outside and next to the recreation building right next to a tree. There was a disc shaped object hovering right about the big oak tree. The brilliance of colors and changing of colors was amazing, I couldn't believe my eyes. My father who is [was] a high ranking officer stood there with me... The whole time I couldn't keep my eyes off of it. In my opinion I really feel the lights were trying to communicate with me, or that is how it seems. And then to

this day, would make me believe I witnessed a stationary object accelerate from 0 to it looked like a blur in an arc motion to space. This was amazing.

"My mother remembers me running inside and telling her all about it. My father still works for black project programs, so I brought it up to him again recently with my wife. He said, "What we saw was a blimp." Impossible! It makes me upset that my father can say that, knowing we saw a disc object...I really do not care if anyone else believes me. I know the truth, and since have read and looked at everything with a different eye."

After conducting a personal interview with the witness, we concluded that that what they saw was an unidentified craft because the witness lived on air force bases all his life and is familiar with known aircraft types. Not before and not since has he ever seen anything like this. He feels so strongly about what he saw that he finally had to report the event after all these years.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 12131

## Guernsey County, Ohio Sighting – September 2007

By Cathy Richards and Connie McNichols
MUFON of Ohio

As the witness told his story:

"I am a horse breeder/farmer living in a rural area on the edge of some uninhabited woodland. I am also a mechanic on a part time basis working out of my own shop here on my small farm. This is the first time in my life that I have witnessed anything like this. My wife is a computer engineer with a master's degree.

"I was out feeding horses on my tractor at about 9:45 pm on about September 15th of 2007. My tractor had a faulty headlight switch at the time, which caused the headlights to blink on and off until I wiggled the switch to keep them lit. I was proceeding south on my dirt road from the barn toward pastures when I was fiddling with the lights to get them working. I then noticed two large bright lights to my right (due south west from me). They were blinking steady and were stationary above the tree line. I stopped the tractor and shut off the head lights to see what it was, and the lights on the object stopped blinking and remained lit steady. I did not have any idea what it was as I have never seen any thing like it before.

"I watched it for a few minutes when it started moving towards the north very slowly. When it moved forward the lights started blinking slowly on and off again, then it would stop and the lights would remain lit steady. There was no noise, totally silent and it seemed to be 100 to 500 feet away, and just above the tree tops. It would hover silently with these two large bright lights spaced apart like a cars headlights, very large in diameter and very bright, and then [it] would move slowly with the two lights blinking on and off until it stopped and hovered again and the lights again would stay lit steady until it moved again. It did this as it slowly moved due north until it was no longer visible due to the trees blocking my view.

"As it passed it blocked out the stars behind it and appeared to be a long cylinder probably at least as long as a Jumbo Jet. I called to my wife and two kids to come look but they were afraid to come out of the house. I too was a little afraid for unknown reasons as I do not scare too easily. But all I could do was sit and watch. This event lasted about 30 minutes from start to finish, and the unidentified object traveled about 2 to 3 miles before I could no longer see it."

Through my [Cathy] interview with the witness I am convinced that he observed an unknown flying object. He is a farmer and who knows his property and surroundings well. He also is sure that object was NOT a blimp or any type of conventional aircraft. The object he observed made no sound and he watched it stop and move, stop and move, until he could not see it anymore. I did not interview the witness in person because he said he did not have any pictures or video, so there was nothing more to add to his report, thus justifying a personal visit.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 14752

# Dayton, Ohio Sighting – August 2008 By Cathy Richards and Connie McNichols MUFON of Ohio

On August 26, 2008 the witness, a 51 year old male, observed several lights from his home in the direction of the Dayton Airport. He lives in Vandalia, Ohio. These lights

went left to right: white, yellow / blue / red / white, yellow /blue / red / white, yellow. He had several sightings of the same lights in this same area. He believes the lights to be craft that are disc, oval, and square/rectangular shaped. These craft would group up and then split up and become stationary. He has reported two other similar sightings to MUFON: Case #12258 and Case #12382. He has had five sightings of these lights in August and September, 2008.

I conducted a personal interview with the witness and he has lived in this area for at least 15 years. He has never seen anything like this before. His mother is a witness also but she was afraid to talk to us. He has trouble sleeping and his window faces were the lights first were located. He then became very curious as to what these lights were. Because of his curiosity he has had several sightings and observed the crafts/lights on several occasions and for long periods of time. The facts of the sighting are not consistent with meteors, satellites, missiles, etc.

This is what the witness has to say:

"I was going to bed just before 12:00 AM on Monday, August 25, 2008 when I noticed blue and red lights over the Dayton International Airport out my bedroom window. I assumed [it] a plane and continued to make my bed and get undressed. When I had done this, taking about 1 minute, I noticed the lights again in the same spot out my window. A plane would have moved out of sight by this time so I was a little intrigued. I grabbed my binoculars (Bushnell 7-12x30 Field at 7x 300ft./1000yds.) and took a look...I saw a craft situated just east of the airport that had blue, red, and white-yellowish lights at a stationary spot in the sky. Not being a trained observer, I can roughly guess it was at an altitude of around 1000 ft. I would estimate its size as roughly 3/4 the length of a Boeing 747. I can only make this estimate based on decades of seeing planes come and go at this airfield.

"I watched a couple of minutes through the binoculars and then got right up to my window and looked around the sky with the binoculars to see if I could spot anything else. I saw an apparently similar craft above the first one by maybe 100-200 feet between the airport and the first craft. After a couple of seconds this second craft rose what appeared to be straight up and out of sight. It was now about 12:10 AM.

"I immediately went to my mother's bedroom and opened the door to see if she was still awake. She was not, so I decided to go outside the house alone. Standing in my front yard I immediately spotted the first craft I had noticed in the same site. I then scanned the sky with unaided eye and noticed a craft to the northwest of the airport. It had the same light configuration as the other two. I observed these two craft with and without binoculars for about 10 minutes and then went back to my bedroom. I positioned a chair in my bedroom so I could sit and observe the first craft I had noticed. I sat and watched it for about 1/2 an hour. This

object did make some small changes in altitude and position during the time I observed it. The lights on it seemed to be steady except that occasionally the white-yellowish ones seemed to blink.

"I then decided to go back outside for another look. The first craft was in approximately the same position but the second one seemed to be moving farther away in the northwestern sky. I went back in after about 10 minutes and laid down on my bed, getting up about every 10 to 15 minutes to check on the first craft out my window. The craft in the northwestern sky was obstructed from view out this window by trees.

"My mom got up at about 2:30 AM to use the bathroom. While I was waiting for her to come out, I looked out my bedroom window and noticed the first craft was now gone. I scanned the sky with the binoculars and at approximately the same spot where the first craft had been but very much higher in altitude...I saw what looked like a large rectangular object with it's long side faced toward me and tilted forward so I could see it's top. It was covered in yellowish lights, somewhat like a skyscraper at night with the lights on inside. I caught my mom on her way back to her bedroom and told her about what I was seeing. We both went out on the front lawn and neither one of us could locate any unusual lights in the sky. They were gone.

"The sky conditions on this night were what I would call moderately clear. I could see bright stars and the planets without any difficulty, but the sky was not 'filled' with stars like it is on a very clear night...I could just barely make out some shadowy solid mass the lights were attached to, but could not really discern it's shape. From the configuration of the lights I guessed that it was probably disk or oval shaped.

"I would say the location of the first craft I saw east of the airport would be approximately above the village of Ginghamsburg, Ohio just next to the airport on the east and the craft in the northwestern sky would be approximately over West Milton, Ohio. I would think 'night people' (police, etc.) of the town I live in would had to have seen what I saw."

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 12225 (Witness generated color computer graphics of the objects are included with the CMS version of this report.)

#### New Albany, Ohio – January 21, 2009 By Connie McNichols and Cathy Richards MUFON of Ohio

At approximately 7:30 PM EST on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 the witness stated that she was at home in her living room watching a movie with her two children. As she looked out the third story apartment window (which is very large) and she noticed a commercial airliner traveling east to

west in the northern sky about 45-50 degrees above horizon. Then she noticed a blinking light below it by several hundred feet, traveling the same direction as if it was "keeping pace" with the airliner.

This light suddenly stopped and quickly turned to the south east in her direction. It approached very quickly then slowed down as it got closer to her apartment building. It almost stopped about 10 - 20 feet outside her window but above her (so it would have been 40 - 50 feet above the ground below). The witness was able to view this light clearly, now apparently a solid craft, to see that it was triangle in shape. It was about the size of a large car with 3 blinking lights, one red and two white at at the three points but underneath. She could see that the object had a very smooth black surface, and as she looked underneath there appeared a grey/black mist with a cloud like swirls.

The witness said she became very nervous and began to describe what she was seeing out loud so as to confirm to herself that what she was seeing was real and to remember it. She watched as it flew slowly over her building moving south east. The total duration of this sighting lasted approximately 6 minutes. She was so overwhelmed at what she had seen she said she had a headache for two hours after. The object did not affect the lights in the apartment, but she immediately tried to call her mother on the phone and it had no dial tone for 5 minutes.

Jennifer is convinced that what she seen is from "someplace" else. She also told me that two nights before this sighting that she had a vivid dream about seeing a triangular shaped object with beings inside.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 15050

# Vinton, Ohio Sighting – September 10, 2004 By Connie McNichols and Cathy Richards MUFON of Ohio

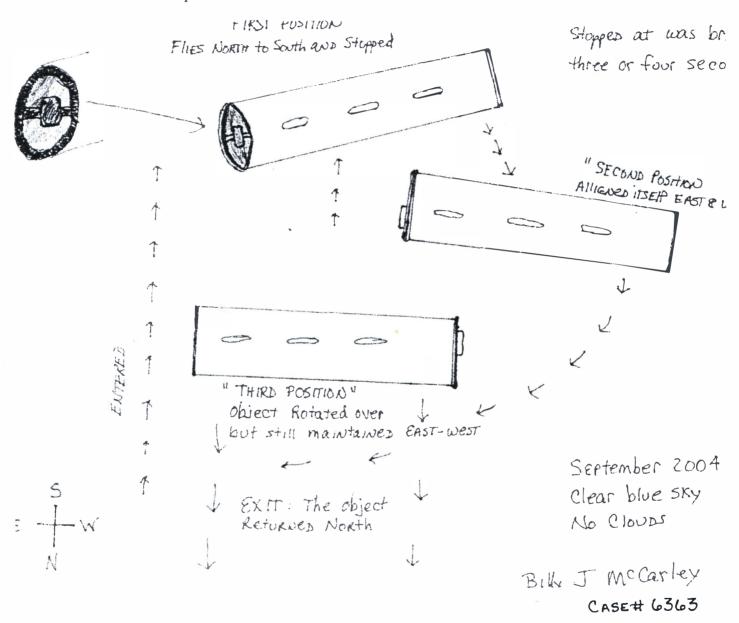
The witness stated that he was doing yard work when he stopped for a rest. He lay back across his picnic table when a motion in the sky caught his attention. In the north (not southeast as he stated in his report to MUFON) he saw a cylinder shaped metallic object with blunt ends the color of brushed nickel. The size he described as a semi-truck (about 60 feet) and about 800 feet off the ground. He could not estimate the distance it was from him, but the object was close enough to see that it had no lights but it had 4 curved panels approximately 12 inches x 12 inches along the side of its smooth body. When it turned he could see a black box like protrusion on its end with pipes coming out of its side (see his drawing). There was no exhaust. There was no sound as it quickly flew south turning left then right as it flew from his view in seconds. The total duration of this sighting was no more than 15 seconds.

The witness was articulate and very sure of what he observed although it was for only seconds. He was positive that it was not any type of conventional aircraft. I believe this man to be a credible observer and honest. He just wanted to tell someone what he saw and ask if anyone else saw it. The reasons why I feel that it cannot be identified is:

- A. Not a plane. It had no wings or appendages, and no sound
- B. Not a kite . Not the shape of a kite. No sound.

- C. Not a blimp. No sound and its speed was much faster than a blimp can go.
- D. The witness observed it close enough that he knew it not be anything has ever saw.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 6363



Movements of the Vinton, Ohio UFO

# Trumbull County, Ohio – June 15, 1982 By Cassandra Klesch MUFON of Ohio

The witness, his wife and their two young daughters were driving on Route 422 in Trumbull County in a lot of traffic when the witness and his wife saw an object that looked like a wing about 200 feet in the sky. It was approximately 9 PM on a typical summer night. The wing had a window facing straight out in center front so he could see a glow like that from an incandescent light, a figure and a console. The witness said the surface had a military like graphite color, seams and rivets. There was no rudder. Orange lights were evenly spaced around object. There was no noise. He feels it was about the size of a football field.

The witnesses did get out of the car. The object was observed for 10-15 minutes and then it started to move away toward North Country Club Drive in Warren. The witnesses couldn't follow it any longer.

The witness felt no one else saw this object. The witness and his wife didn't get too excited. Object was considered to be government craft.

There were no airplanes in the area. He said it was not a blimp.

The witness is a high school graduate and has technical knowledge of radar. He is a project engineer and attended trade school. He wears glasses and has good hearing. His birthday is January 19, 1949.

This is the story as the witness told it:

"While driving through a main intersection in the city of Warren with my wife and two young daughters, we saw a bright white spotlight shinning on an abandoned building to the left side of the street. The spotlight was moving around randomly and then crossed over to the right side of the street. At first I thought it was from a helicopter and out of curiosity I stopped the car and pulled over to the curb. After the spotlight was turned off, I could see a very large flying wing hovering just above the trees on a side street to my left. Once my eyes became adjusted to the light. I could see that the craft had no vertical surfaces and had orange lights around the perimeter of the wing. I could see a large window area in the center area with a grid like window [on] an old WWII bomber and a consol with a silhouette of a person moving around inside. There was incandescent like lighting in the cockpit area. The structure was flat black with a rough surface like graphite with rivets clearly visible on its seams.

"I could see the spotlight on the bottom center in a ball like socket. The craft was silent and made no sounds. After about five or six minutes, it started to slowly turn towards the north and fly off in that direction. It took about three minutes to pass overhead and I would estimate the size to be about 300 to 400 feet with a thickness or height of about 15 to 20 feet. I tried to follow the craft in my car but got stopped in traffic. I thought it would be on the news but nothing was ever said about the craft. I thought it might be an experimental lighter than air craft. I have reported this to different agencies over the years but never got a response. This was not just a light in the sky; this was something close and very visible. I served as a radar technician in the Army and I know how to identify aircraft. All though this occurred quite a while ago, I can still see it in my mind."

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 15658

# Hamilton County Sighting - October 10, 2008 Witness Comments Prepared by Connie Nichols and Cathy Richards

I was driving my girlfriend back home after we saw a movie and had coffee at a Starbucks. It was around 9:30 PM on Friday October 10<sup>th</sup>. I was on Hershel Avenue in Hyde Park when I looked ahead and noticed three orange and red balls of fire in the sky. Then I saw another one trailing the first three. I said to my girlfriend, "What is that up in the sky?" She replied, "That is odd." Then another one came over the car followed by yet another moving from the east to the west at a good clip and I'd say about 15 thousand feet in the sky.

I stopped the car in the road as nobody was behind us. There were a few cars coming from the other direction but they just went on past. We got out of the car and looked up and saw more of these balls of fire pass over my car. There was no noise so they couldn't be an airplane or a helicopter. We got back into the car and drove to her apartment which is less than a mile from where we saw the lights. As we drove west we could still see the lights in the sky going due west but and as we got to her apartment the lights disappeared in sky or they were out of sight.

The lights had followed each other. There may have been a cluster of three or four but then there were several in succession. They headed off to the west but then curved off to the northwest before going out of sight. We both go out of the car and went towards the street looking into the eastern sky and saw one more coming right at us that was not as bright in color. It was the same thing we saw on Hershel Avenue. As we both watched the red glow started to fade as it got closer to us. As it passed by in the southeastern sky almost right in front of it disappeared from sight. Again there was no sound.

Two people were walking down the street and I asked them if they saw anything in the sky. They listened to our story but said they never seen anything. My girlfriend and I went into her apartment and made some phone calls to local TV

news stations but nobody had reported anything of that nature to the stations. Then we called the local newspaper and had no luck. We called Lunken Airport but we didn't call the tower just a local airline that said they hadn't had any reports of unusual sightings in the sky. On Saturday, October 11th I checked the local TV news, the newspaper and the internet but there was nothing about the sightings.

When I got to work on Monday one of my employees said they were driving home last night on Interstate 71 going northbound when they saw an object that looked like what I saw. He said the object was red or orange looked like a ball in the sky; it went straight down and disappeared. He had his son in the car and his son saw the same thing. To say the least, they were chocked.

#### **Investigator Comments**

On January 9, 2009 I had over a ½ hour telephone interview with this witness where he recounted his sighting. He told essentially the same story that is described above. The duration of time from first spotting the objects until they were out of his view was approximately 10 to 12 minutes.

The witness said the next day he talked with a coworker who said that while he was driving on I-71 he also saw a red/orange ball that went straight down and disappeared from view. I called this witness who stated that while traveling on I-275 (the Cincinnati outer belt). October 11, 2008 at about 9:00 - 9:15 PM he said that he was going east bound and at the exit for Route 74 he saw in the east a stationary orange light which then began to fly off to the west. As he was scanning the sky he saw he saw a second bright orange light in the north east sky. He described it as round, 3/4 the size of the full moon, about 800 - 1,000 feet from him and 60 - 70 feet off the ground. As it was hovering he pulled his car off the road and rolled his window down to hear if there was any sound, which there was not. He continued watching it for over 10 minutes, then it flew straight down behind a hill out of view. He then continued home.

Investigator Comments: I do not think that what was seen by these two men was a meteor shower for the following reasons: 1. Meteors do not hover, 2. Meteors do not move at very slow speeds, 3. These same objects were seen for 10-15 minute duration, 4. They were traveling in a single file pattern, then grouping together, and 5. Their trajectory was east to west, with a turn to north.

The witness was believable, serious, calm observer. He was certain of what he saw and only desires that someone else saw it also.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 13006

#### Messages to MUFON of Ohio

#### **Scott Corrales**

This message from Scott was in response to his having received our recently published report entitled "Multiple Phenomena on Colorado Ranch" that re-printed articles by the same title from the July 1978 through January 1979 issues of the APRO Bulletin.

From: Scott Corrales [mailto:lornis1@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 04, 2009 3:12 PM
To: Jones, William E (Columbus)

Hi Bill -

I wanted to thank you for the latest issue of the MUFON of Ohio documents (and thanks for including me in your distribution as well!) -- the APRO report on the Colorado Ranch is probably the single most interesting UFO/high strangeness/paranormal document I've read in three or four years, and as chance would have it, it's also an event that occurred in the '70s, the era that interests me the most in ufology. The recent over-emphasis on Roswell and strongarming information from the U.S. government has made me pull away from the field almost entirely, but its material like this report that you've so kindly provided that keeps me interested.

All the best to you and the members of MUFON of Ohio, and if you're planning on reprinting it or any other old APRO reports, please do keep me in mind!

Your friend,

Scott

From: "Jones, William E (Columbus)"
Sent: Mar 4, 2009 3:14 PM
To: Scott Corrales <lornis1@earthlink.net>
Subject: RE: From Scott Corrales

Scott:

Have you read the Kelleher/Knapp book on the Utah ranch? The cases seem very similar.

Bill

Hi Bill -

Yes I did! Twice, actually. I've heard Kelleher's interview on Coast to Coast two or three times, and it's truly amazing. This is what attracted me to UFOs in the first place: the high strangeness aspect of it all. I think that the 3rd paragraph of your letter at the start of the APRO report sums it up: these things aren't nuts and bolts. It would be nice if they were,

then we'd be living in a science-fiction scenario. But the fact of the matter is that it's all much more subtle than the human mind can figure out...or face.

Scott

### Phyllis Budinger MUFON of Ohio Board of Directors

Hi All,

Thought you might be interested. John Greenewald created a page on his Black Vault website for me to archive my UFO related laboratory analyses. So far there are five, though I sent a few more this weekend. I have to add about 40 more. This site will be continuously updated as analyses are finished. Some will not be included because of their sensitive nature. Hopefully, they will be of value to serious ufologists. The website is:

 $http://www.theblackvault.com/wiki/index.php/Category:Phyllis\_B udinger\_Collection$ 

Best Regards,

Phyllis Budinger

#### Beckie Minshall MidOhio Research Associates, Inc., Retired

From: dandjgarrett@gmail.com To: rminshall@comcast.net

Sent: Tue, 10 Mar 2009 23:09:03 +0000 (UTC)

Subject: Trinidad rancher finds mutilated cow

Hi Becky,

I thought you might be interested in this article. It is still happening!

Jill

Story:

Trinidad rancher finds mutilated cow

Killing is similar to thousands of other cases in North America in which cattle have been found mutilated under unusual circumstances.

A cattle Trinidad Colorado rancher made a horrific and mysterious discovery Sunday, March 8, 2009, when he found the carcass of one of his cattle that was missing its udders and other female parts.

Mike Duran, 49, said Monday that after the cow had been missing for two days, he went to look for it in a pasture where he runs cattle a mile west of the town of Weston near

Colorado 12.

"I last saw her Friday. She's an older cow so I thought she may have died.

"On Sunday, I spotted her near the (Purgatoire) river bottom and went and looked at her. She was on her side and it looked a little odd. "When I took a closer look I saw that her udders had been removed." Duran said.

The cow had its udders cleanly cut off with no blood on or around the carcass, Duran said.

"It was a perfect circle almost like a laser cut," he said. "It's not like a knife. It seemed to be cut and sealed at the same time," he said.

No one is sure what killed the cow on a pasture near the Purgatoire River, but Trinidad rancher Mike Duran said he definitely finds the death unusual.

For more of this story, click on or type the URL below:

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#### William Montgomery MUFON of Ohio

Greetings! An associate of mine...who has contacts with an Air Force individual at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base...asked this AF individual about retrieved crash material alleged to have been sent there. The AF guy acknowledged that yes, they had possession, but there had been so much adverse publicity about this matter and "Hanger 18" that the retrieved material had been sent up to Alaska, a place which would not generate so much publicity.

I have not read about this "Alaska connection" anywhere. What about you? Do you know of any other sources stating such a thing to give this account more credibility?

MUFON of Ohio Response: No, as the director, I haven't. Is there anyone out there who has? Please let us know and we will print your response in the next newsletter.

#### **NOTES**

#### Video and Photo Analysis

Per James Carrion, MUFON's International Director, if you come across a photograph or video during and investigation that needs analysis you can request assistance from Marc D'Antonio at <a href="mailto:info@fxmodles.com">info@fxmodles.com</a>.

#### Mystery Stalks the Prairie by Roberta Donovan and Keith Wolverton

This classic out-of-print book can be found at <a href="http://www.nidsci.org/articles/wolverton\_contents.php">http://www.nidsci.org/articles/wolverton\_contents.php</a>. It was one of the first studies of the cattle mutilation phenomena.

#### Spain Declassifies UFO Crash Report

Fragments of an unidentified flying object fell down on the territory of Spain in 1965. The USA took them for the debris of the Soviet Vostok booster rocket and asked for adequate documents and materials from the USSR, which they subsequently received. Now Spain has declassified the US report about the incident.

It goes about report No. T67 94769, which contains eyewitnesses' account of flashes of light which appeared in the sky on December 6, 1965, and about the finding of 14 units of one or several space objects of unknown origin in Badajoz and Sevilla.

The fragments were found scattered on the territory of 100 kilometers. As soon as reports about the incident appeared in the local press, the US Embassy in Madrid sent a note to then-leader of Spain, Francisco Franco, with a request to send the file to the USA. Franco complied with the request in return to the information about the results of the research.

Vicente Juan Ballester Olmos, an investigator on the case and the only officially known person, who had access to all materials of the case, said in an interview with *El Mundo* newspaper that the report would soon be published on the internet.

The US-based Battelle Memorial Institute presented the 300-page report about the examination of five metallic bodies of space origin in June 1967. The front page of the report indicated that it was a top secret document prepared exclusively for the government of Spain. The document excluded any opportunity of declassification and said that its content posed a threat to the national security of the United States of America.

Even the renowned Roswell case, which investigates the UFO crash in the USA in 1947 and contains the alien autopsy report, did not have such a high level of secrecy.

Report No. T67 94769 substantiates the existence of ufology. However, none of the five reports pertaining to the crashes of UFOs in Spain in 1965 confirmed the extraterrestrial origin of the fragments, Olmos said.

"If the defense ministry does not declassify the documents about possible contacts with UFOs, it means that the conclusions that were made did not favor that version. The found fragments were the parts of the USSR's Vostok booster rocket in this particular case," said Vicente Olmos, who was the only civil person to participate in the declassification of the case between 1990 and 1999.

He said that the Soviet Union announced the last launch of its Vostok rocket on March 18, 1965. According to this version, the fragments, which fell down on the territory of Spain, could not be the parts of a booster rocket.

As a matter of fact, Olmos said, the USSR was conducting secret launches of the booster rocket. One of those secret launches was performed December 3, 1965. "They launched the rocket with a satellite on board in the direction of the Moon. The launch was not successful, and the fragments of the SL-6 rocket (Vostok) crashed on the territory of Spain," Vicente Olmos said.

The report contains the detailed description of 14 objects, including a five-kilo metal sphere 40 centimeters in diameter, as well as two cylinders 40 cm high and 20 cm in diameter.

The Soviet Union, *El Mundo* wrote, performed a successful launch of the moon robot only in 1970. The rover landed on the Moon and transmitted the first images of Earth's natural satellite. In 1965, the USA classified the report in accordance with the rules of the Cold War. The Americans wanted to understand if the USSR had achieved considerable progress in order to copy some of its technical solutions.

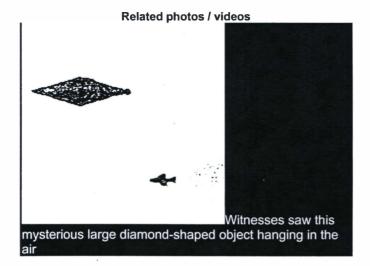
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#### **MoD Briefed Ministers Over UFO**

Sunday, March 22 01:12 am

#### PRESS ASSOCIATION

Photographs taken of a UFO hovering next to an RAF jet over Scotland were treated very seriously by military investigators, newly-released Ministry of Defence files show.



Witnesses saw the mysterious large diamond-shaped object hanging in the air for about 10 minutes before it ascended vertically at high speed.

Military experts concluded the aircraft was a Harrier, but could not identify the UFO despite apparently commissioning detailed line drawings of it.

Fearing there could be significant media interest, the MoD took the unusual step of briefing ministers about the sighting.

The incident also discloses that British military intelligence officers tasked with investigating UFO reports took a close interest in claims the US was developing a top secret spyplane.

The sighting is included in military UFO documents made available online by the National Archives.

The seven files, produced by the DI55 branch of the Defence Intelligence Staff, relate to the period between November 1987 and April 1993 and contain details of around 1,200 separate UFO sightings.

They demonstrate that British officials were more concerned about advanced new aircraft being developed by the Russians and Americans than little green men.

The files include numerous cuttings from magazines and newspapers relating to rumours that the US military was developing a hypersonic spy-plane known as Aurora.

Attached to one article about Aurora from September 1991 was a note from a MoD official that read: "Attention is really focusing on this now, notwithstanding a recent USAF 'denial briefing'".

## "Out of This World" UFO Conference and Golf Tournament

The Illinois Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) is hosting a fabulous conference at the beautiful Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa in historic Galena, IL over the dates of May 28th through May 31st. Kicking off the spectacular line up of speakers and events will be the 1st Annual "Out of This World" Golf Tournament. Other events can be planned around the locus of the historic town of Galena, including shopping and tours of this famous location.

The conference itself (over May 29-31) will feature an All-Star lineup of some of the biggest names in UFO studies. The speakers: Stanton T. Friedman, Richard Dolan, Kathleen Marden, Ted Phillips, Jesse Marcel, Jr., Don Schmitt, Kevin Randle, and Sam Maranto. Individual talks and panels will be blended with options including buffet breakfasts and luncheons, a sumptuous dinner, and a Sky Watch.

Complete details on the events, speaker profiles, optional packages and customizable features, and full registration details are available at the Illinois MUFON website at the following link:

http://www.illinoismufon.com/03comingevents.html

UFO expertise such as this rarely comes together in a single event. Don't miss this important -- and FUN -- blending of UFO expertise, history, entertainment, and good fellowship.

Illinois MUFON, Sam Maranto, Director Frank Coffman, Media Relations (<a href="mailto:fcoffman@pobox.com">fcoffman@pobox.com</a>)

#### Loveland, Ohio Triangle Sighting

By National UFO Reporting Center http://www.nuforc.org/webreports/068/S68398.html

On Saturday morning, January 17, 2009 I was leaving my house to go to work at 6:25 AM. I backed the SUV out of the garage and once I was in the street facing northwest, I immediately noticed a large bright yellowish white ball of light in the sky low on the horizon. I had absolutely no clue what it could have been, but I wondered if it was a plane on fire or maybe a large plane with its headlights pointed toward me since my subdivision is on a flight path to and from Cincinnati's northern Kentucky airport. I pulled up to the stop sign at the end of my street watching it and soon realized it was getting closer and flying toward the southeast at the back of my subdivision. I turned left and stopped at the next stop sign and looked to my right and realized it was still flying low and moving very slowly. I turned left and headed to the end of the street to exit my subdivision so I was driving southeast too and could still see the light out my driver side window. It was now to my left.

I hurried up and turned left onto State Route 48 to see if I could intercept it, and now I could see that the object was no longer a single large bright light but actually a solid object with multiple lights on it, and that it was flying very slowly, maybe only about 20 or 30 mph! It was coming toward me now so I stopped the truck and put my window down to get a better view of it. I couldn't believe how close it was to the trees that are about 30 feet tall. It was probably only 25 or 50 feet above the trees. I watched as it approached me and it had several bright white lights across the front of it.

I opened the door and stepped out of my vehicle but stood right there, and I could hear this sound coming from it that I'm finding hard to describe. Sort of like the sound of a jet engine with the volume turned way down, and this thing flew over me so slowly that I could now see that it was shaped like a triangle but with rounded edges, and was about the twice the size of my SUV. There were no wings and it had several white lights on the bottom and on the corners of it. I saw a car coming up the street behind me so I hopped back in and put it in drive and tried to keep it in my view but was unable to. I didn't think to use my cell phone to take pictures of it! The duration of the sighting was about 5 minutes.

#### Tipp City, Ohio Triangle Sighting

February 24, 2009, 11 PM
By the National UFO Reporting Center
http://www.nuforc.org/webreports/068/S68823.html

I was sitting in hot tub looking north at North Star and surrounding stars and saw a triangular shaped object. It was the matching color of the night sky so I almost could not see it. It was traveling south. If I had not been looking at the [exact] area I probably would not have noticed it. I could see the outline of the object as it glided with no engine sound or any lights. I estimate it was at about 1000 feet.

I am used to looking at night sky and watching air traffic in the area Wright Patterson AFB is about 10 miles away.

I watched as it went south past my position and I could see it triangular shape and four circular lights on rear of vehicle. The lights were a very soft colored orange. As I tried to comprehend the craft it disappeared into the night sky like a brown stone dropped into muddy water. The sighting took place over a quick period of time, possibly 10 seconds.

Within 10 seconds a commercial plane began to descend into its landing approach. It was totally different. It had blinking lights. I could see [it as an] airplane, I could hear the engines. The triangle glided down from higher altitude, had no sound, was almost invisible (shadowlike) and moved smooth and fast across sky. It looked thick and angular unlike Stealth Bomber. It was very strange.

If I had not been looking directly at where it appeared I

would have never even noticed it. I keep telling myself it was military since Wright Patterson AFB is so close. But it flew through commercial airspace with no lights and flew with a smoothness I have never seen before.

The witness wishes to remain totally anonymous.

## Pickerington/Baltimore Sighting in 1972 Report Taken by Connie McNichols, MUFON of Ohio

The Witness' Report:

When I was approximately 6 or 7 years of age I and my father who is now deceased witnessed the following sighting. I think it was in June of 1972. We lived on a farm between Pickerington and Baltimore near the community of Harley on Hwy 256. At approximately 8:00 PM sometime during the summer months I and my father were standing on the front porch. At a distance of what I would guess was 5 to 7 miles south of us.we saw a very large blimp like object. The object was at least 6 times the size of a regular blimp. I estimate the altitude to be 1000 to 1500 feet. The blimp like object was covered with hundreds of lights, white, red, green, blue and orange. The object was traveling east to west on a line that would take the object just south of Columbus Ohio.

I asked my father what is it and he replied, "Son it's not a blimp." At that moment one of the lights on the bottom of the object grew brighter in color and then dropped strait down falling at a high rate of speed. It fell to approximately 200 feet then came straight toward our house at a high rate of speed steadily dropping in altitude until it was just above the corn field across the street. Then right before impacting our house it made a sharp left hand turn to the west. As it turned I felt the heat and saw the flame on the rear of the object. It looked as if it was a small disc or flat missile shape 10 feet long and 5 to 6 feet wide and about 3 to 4 feet thick. As it turned to the west it accelerated at an extremely fast rate and climbed out of site within seconds. As we turned back to [look at] the larger blimp like object it was now moving west and out of our sight. The sighting lasted approximately 20 to 30 minutes.

The next morning we went to the corn field just next to the house where the small object had turned just before impacting our house. We observed that the corn was burned on the top of the plants in a straight path heading off to the west for 100 to 200 feet. The burn pattern was about 4 feet wide. My father called someone- "I don't know who" - to report the incident. That afternoon two men dressed in suits and identifying themselves as federal agents came to our house and talked to me and my father about what we had observed. After taking our statements they told us what we saw was a weather balloon, because the weather service had launched them from the airport in Columbus that afternoon. Funny thing is my father worked at the Columbus airport

and he did not believe the agents and stated so after they had left. He told me, "Son what we saw was no weather balloon or blimp."

#### Comments by Connie:

I had a telephone interview on September 9, 2008 with the witness, now living in Texas for over an hour. Although the event had taken place over 36 years ago it was still clear in his recalling of it. His father has since died. There are no known collateral contacts. The objects did not behave like any conventional crafts and were seen at close range (within 100 feet). The event lasted 20-30 minutes. Outside of giving the general area of sighting, the witness [could] not give the exact location of the sighting. The witness seems to be educated and well balanced individual.

Reference: MUFON CMS Report Number 12343

## Romeo, Michigan Sighting of Unknown "Craft" by a Professional Engineer

National UFO Reporting Center http://www.nuforc.org/webreports/069/S69206.html

What makes this report so valuable and interesting is the fact that the observer is a professional engineer. Here is his report:

At approximately 19:30 on Saturday, March 14, 2009 I observed the following: at Latitude 42.80, Longitude 83.01. The weather conditions were: Temperature 33.8 °F, Humidity: 70%, Visibility: 12.0 miles, Wind Direction: SSE, Wind Speed: 4.6 mph, Conditions: Partly Cloudy.

The shape of the UFOs was as follows: Craft 1 was circular all surfaces rounded, bottom slightly crowned surface, top cone shaped, no discernible lighting or markings. Craft 2 was comprised of three smaller versions of Craft 1 bound together.

The UFO(s) Speed: Approximate estimate 120 knots (222 km/h); UFO(s) Altitude: Approximate estimate 2000feet – 4000feet UFO(s) Direction; Track: from south to north; UFO(s) Color: Both craft light grey metallic The larger disk had distinct darker grey band around circumference; UFO(s) Sound Silent – no detectable sound; Unexplainable Halo: Each craft was surrounded by a translucent halo that distorted the light and atmosphere directly enveloping the craft. This band of distortion was ordered and not random (like heat waves) and a distinct pattern was present in the halo. The ripples and waves of this translucent halo gave the appearance of emanating from the craft.

While sitting outside casually observing the clear sky and evening sunshine, I first observed the objects in the southern sky at a low declination. Within the span of a second, it was clear to me the craft did not fit any definitive criterion of

known aeronautical craft.

As an engineer with extensive aviation experience and knowledge, I have an above normal list of criteria. Without an explanation for the speed, altitude, shape, and ballistics demonstrated by the craft I was observing I was naturally riveted.

As the objects approached toward my observation point, more detail became clear. I could at this point clearly make out precise shape, color, and the above stated characteristics. Of particular amazement to me was the transparent halo around each craft.

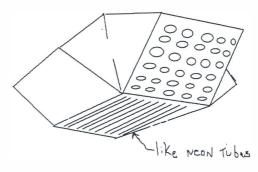
I watched the craft travel to the north as long as I could observe them, which was less than a minute. Having already calculated the approximate speed I knew any effort to retrieve a camera would have been futile.

I witnessed this alone and have no one to corroborate these events. I am a professional engineer with 24 years experience. I am currently in fine health. In case weather balloons are assumed to be what I saw, I respond by saying that they do not travel at 3,000 feet at 120 knots against the wind.

## Neon-Like Lights Seen on Unusual Object – Part 2 the Drawing

By Connie McNichols, MUFON of Ohio

In the January 2009 issue of this newsletter on page 13 we reported on an object had been seen over Warren County near Loveland, Ohio on February 17, 2008. A drawing of that object had been provided as viewed from the side and bottom by the witness. It is most unusual for UFO reports. We certainly won't make the claim that nothing like this has ever been seen before. We haven't read all UFO reports that have been made, so we can't make that claim. But in our experience it is unusual. Here is that drawing:



PARTIAL side + bottom

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# THE KENTUCKY ABDUCTION

#### Miniature UFOs

by Melvin Podeli-

Reports described in SUFOI (Scandinavian UFO Information) Kastrup, Denmark indicate sightings of quite miniature UFO's. These plane-like objects were estimated to range in size from two feet to eighteen feet. There were usually helmeted pilots associated with the objects. The reports were prevalent during the past decade mostly in Norway, Sweden, and Denmark.

One of the first reports dates back to 1965 in Holsenoy, Norway. A yellow light bright as the sun attracted the observer at a distance of one hundred feet. A small pilot wearing a helmet was seen holding a wheel-type object. When the object approached to within te feet of the observer at a window of her home, paralysis was felt by this person. The

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The February first issue of Kentucky Advocate, published Danville, Kentucky, carried an article pertaining to UFO sightings in that general area, among which was the story told by Ms. Louise Smith, Ms. Mona Stafford and Mrs. Elaine Thomas about their drive home to Liberty from a late dinner at the Redwoods restaurant located five miles north of Stanford. The ladies said that at a point about one mile south of Stanford, they saw a huge disc-shaped object which was metallic gray with a white glowing dome. A row of red lights rotated around the middle and underneath were three or four red and yellow lights that burned steadily. A bluish beam of light issued from the bottom.

The newspaper did not carry a lot of detail but it was mentioned that when the women arrived home in Liberty, it was 1:25 a.m. Having left the restaurant at 11:15 p.m., they should have arrived home by midnight, indicating that there was a time loss of about one hour and 25 minutes.

The Kentucky Advocate article was forwarded to APRO by Field Investigator Bill Terry but meanwhile he put in a telephone call and asked if we felt the case was good enough for him to make the necessary 60 mile trip to talk to the ladies. After he had read the pertinent information, Mrs. Lorenzen said she thought it would be well worth the trip. A few days later he called back and told Headquarters he thought it was a case of abduction, and that the usual hypnosis procedures should be utilized.

A call was put in to Dr. R. Lec Sprinkle, APRO's consultant in psychology and he was asked to travel to Liberty to interview the women and possibly use hypnotic procedures to relieve their anxiety and obtain any repressed information. Headquarters learned that his first free weekend for the trip would be the weekend of the 6th and 7th of March.

We will here relate the information obtained by our investigation and later explain why this report has not been published until now.

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It is important to note that although Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Thomas had known each other for many years, and Mrs. Stafford had known Mrs. Thomas for some time, Mrs. Smith had only gotten acquainted with Mona a few weeks previously.

On the evening in question, Mrs. Smith left work at the usual time and went home. She is employed as an extension assistant for the Casey County Extension Office where her duties consist of visiting families in the county, counseling them in food perparation and preservation, nutrition and gardening. She fixed herself a sandwich and soup, which she ate, then got into her 1967 Chevrolet which she had just purchased that day and drove to a service station to get gas in preparation for the next day.

While at the service station, Mona Stafford, who was driving by, spotted Louise's car, pulled her car into the station, whereupon Mrs. Smith asked her if she would come home with her and help her put the collar on a jacket she was making, as she was having trouble fitting it. The two ladies, each in her own car. drove to the Smith trailer home and set about the task. At about 8 p.m., Mrs. Thomas dropped by and the three lapsed into conversation about their favorite subject: art. Mrs. Stafford had planned to go to her sister's home to have her hair done and at about 9 p.m. said she'd better call her sister because it was getting late and besides, it was her (Mona's)

When Mrs. Smith learned about the birthday, she suggested that they all go over to the Redwoods for a late dinner and a sort of birthday celebration. Also, there was a painting on the wall of the restaurant which she had wanted to sketch. The restaurant, incidentally, is the only restaurant open at that time of night in that area.

restaurant, had their dinner and then pulled out sketch pads and went to work. A man at the restaurant asked Mrs. Smith to sketch him, which she did, and then she realized it was getting late, so the three paid their checks and left. Mrs. Smith drove, Mona sat in the middle of the front seat, with Mrs. Thomas on her right by the passenger window.

After Mona spotted the object, which was descending from their right to the left, she asked Louise to speed up as she thought it was a plane about to crash and she wanted to help any survivors. Mrs. Smith saw it clearly, but Mrs. Thomas didn't see it until it had stopped at treetop level at what they estimated to be one hundred yards ahead of them. All of the women said the object was huge, Louise describing it as "as big as a

football field," while Mrs. Stafford said it was at least as large as two houses.

Mrs. Smith said that the object rocked gently for perhaps two seconds, at which time she estimated its size, for it extended beyond the edges of the road and over the fields on both sides. Then the thing moved across the road to their left, circling behind and above some houses, and then apparently came back to the highway and swung in behind the car.

At a point in their journey about a quarter of a mile beyond the houses, the inside of the car was lit up with a bluish light which came from behind. Mrs. Smith said that at first she thought it was a state trooper approaching from behind, but realized almost immediately that it wasn't. At this point Louise and Mona were near panic. The car began to pull to the left and Louise screamed at Mona to help her control it. The speedometer was registering 85 miles per hour and both Mona and Mrs. Thomas shouted at Mrs. Smith to slow down. Louise held her foot in the air to show them and said,"I don't have my foot on the accelerator and I can't stop it!" Mona reached over and grabbed the wheel and they fought the force together. Then, quite suddenly, the women experienced a burning sensation in their eyes and Louise later described an additional pain which seemed to "go right through the top of my head! It was almost unbearable!"

The next sensation was that of some force pulling the car backward. Also, they got the feeling that the car was going over a series of "speed bumps" (raised ridges in a road which are meant to keep the speed of automobiles to a minimum). Mrs. Thomas began urging Louise to stop so that she could get a good look at the object, but Mona and Louise were too terrified. Elaine had only had a glimpse of the object as it had circled to their left and around behind him and was later to comment about the object's beauty. "I can't describe it." she said. "I've never seen red that beautiful. I wanted to get out and look at it."

Then, the women said, they saw a strange, wide, lighted road stretching as far as they could see ahead of them. At the same moment Mona noted a red light come on on the instrument panel which indicated that the engine had stalled, despite the sensation that they were moving very fast.

At what seemed to be a split second later the women saw a street light ahead and realized that they were coming into Hustonville, a full eight miles beyond where they had encountered the strange aircraft. They wondered among themselves how they had gotten there so fast, then became quiet while they proceeded on into Liberty.

When they arrived at Mrs. Smith's trailer, they all went inside. Mrs. Smith went into the bathroom, took off her glasses and splashed water on her face,

whereupon her hands and face began to burn with searing pain. All three had a red mark on the backs of their necks. measuring about three inches long and one inch wide, with clearly defined edges, giving the appearance of a new burn before it blisters. Louise and Elaine's marks were centrally located between the bases of their skulls and the top of the back, whereas Mona's was located to the left, behind her ear. They could not account for the marks, which disappeared two days later. All three were experiencing burning and tearing of their eves, but Mona Stafford had a much more severe case of conjunctiveitis (an inflammation of the conjunctiva membrane of the eyes).

Prior to washing her hands, Louise had taken off her watch and was startled to see that the hands of her watch were moving at an accelerated rate of speed, the minute hand moving at the speed of a second hand, and the hour hand was moving also. Upon experiencing the pain of the water on her hands and face she forgot about the phenomena of the watch and does not recall when it returned to normal or when she reset it.

Concluding that something was wrong, the three ladies went next door to the home of Mr. Lowell Lee, and told him what they had seen. He asked them to go into separate rooms and sketch the object and when finished, he found the resulting sketches to be almost identical.

Although all the women had trouble with their eyes, only Mona Stafford sought medical help, as her problem was so severe. The doctor who examined her found no explanation for the pain and tearing but gave her some eye drops which helped very little.

Bill Terry found out that all three of the women enjoy good reputations. Mrs. Smith, 44, is a tall, thin woman of 44 years who was widowed when a young woman and brought up her son and daughter by herself. She has two grandchildren and busies herself in her spare time with painting and sketching and gospel singing. She performs around Casey county with the Jubilee Echoes, consisting of herself, a 14-year-old boy singer and a bassist who is a police lieutenant in Danville. She is a lifelong member of the Baptist church and attends services regularly at the Poplar Springs Baptist Church in Liberty. Inquiries to such people as police personnel, her minister and employer, elicited only good comments. Several weeks after her experience she had lost 28½ of her normal weight of 125½ pounds.

Mona Stafford is 35, the former owner of an arts and crafts shop in Liberty and currently unumployed except for secretarial work which she does for her father, who owns a mobile trailer park. She was once married but has been

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divorced since 1970 and lives in a trailer home parked near her parents' home. She is a devout Christian, a member of the Hilltop Church of Christ near Liberty. She also lost weight amounting to 17 pounds but at this writing had regained 7.

Elaine Thomas is a 48 year-old-housewife who has lived in Casey County, Kentucky all of her life. She and her husband Otis live several miles out of Liberty. They have a grown daughter and three grandchildren. Mrs. Thomas is also a lifelong churchgoer and is a member of the Contown Church of Christ.

The foregoing information indicated to APRO's staff that the women were of good reputation, sincere, honest, and had no motivation to concoct a story so we proceeded with the investigation. It is at this juncture that we will explain the tardiness of the publication of this case.

Bill Terry met Dr. Sprinkle upon his arrival and the two proceeded to Mrs. Smith's home. They were met with a conglommeration of investigators from CUFOS and MUFON, who felt that they were "first" on the case and that APRO should not be allowed to enter. (They had preceded Mr. Terry to the Liberty site by only one day). Sprinkle, being a gentleman and a scholar did not want to intrude, and it was finally decided to call APRO Headquarters for an opinion. Mr. Lorenzen talked to Len Stringfield of CUFOS and MUFON who wanted to use the services of Dr. Sprinkle but did not want the report to be sent to APRO. Mrs. Lorenzen pointed out that she had written a book (Encounters with UFO Occupants) specifically so that the proceeds would furnish APRO with the conduct where with al to investigations, and that not only was APRO's money (air fare and expenses for Dr. Sprinkle) wasted, but Dr. Sprinkle's time away from his family was wasted as

It was finally decided that Dr. Sprinkle would conduct the hypnotic sessions but that there would have to be a mutual agreement concerning the release of the story. Also, during meetings before Sprinkle's arrival, some representative of MUFON or CUFOS had told Mrs. Smith (she doesn't recall who) that the ladies should be careful about having anything to do with APRO because "they would call in the National Enquirer" and they would receive much unwanted publicity. Later, in a letter from Jerry Black, a MUFON investigator and, consequently, a CUFOS investigator, suggested that the ladies contact the National Enquirer about their experience, which was a surprise considering their reluctance to have anything to do with that paper if APRO was on the case.

At any rate, it was for this reason, after the waste of several hundred dollars, APRO was unable to complete the case. Then, after the National Enquirer contacted the ladies, Dr. Sprinkle, because of his participation in the "Blue Ribbon Panel" of National Enquirer experts, was called upon to go back to iberty and regress the women.

His report of the weekend of March 6 and 7 is quite sketchy except for his characterization of the three women as reliable, sincere, etc., because Saturday was largely wasted in quibbling about who should have "control of the case." Incidentally, the MUFON people wanted to make use of Sprinkle's expertise, "as long as he was there." But they admitted they neither had the consultants nor the funds to send in someone expert in hypnotic techniques to carry out the trance sessions.

On the 23rd of July, under the National Enquirer's aegis, a polygraph test was conducted on the three ladies, and James C. Young reported, in each case, that it was his opinion, based upon the polygraph examinations, that the ladies believed they were telling the truth to the listed questions.

In his report, Mr. Young made the following pertinent observation: "Prior to the examination of these three persons it was determined by the polygraphist that these persons had been previously interviewed by Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle and the above-mentioned members of the Mutual UFO Network. How much or how little these previous interviews played a part upon what these persons now believe about this alleged encounter cannot be determined by the polygraphist. I cannot discount the fact that previous interviews with these persons could influence their personal beliefs as to whether or not this alleged encounter did or did not occur.'

Mr. Young makes a very good point. that being that interviewers showing sketches of UFO types to a witness before they make their own renderings of what they saw, is highly suggestive, as is the display of any drawings of occupants. This apparently was done by MUFON representatives prior to the polygraph test or the trance hypnosis carried out by Dr. Sprinkle on the next day, the 24th of July. APRO has a complete transcript of the trance sessions which have been examined by the staff. While Robert Pratt of the Enquirer, and Dr. Sprinkle, who has had extensive experience in this phase of UFO research, were careful not to lead the subjects, some very suggestive or leading questions were asked by Mr. Stringfield and Mr. Black of MUFON. It is just such errors that the skeptics will leap upon in attempts to discredit the investigative procedures or reliability of witness testimony in such cases.

We would like very much to quote in

polygraph tests and the hypnotic trance sessions, but space will not allow us to do so. Therefore, we summarize Dr. Sprinkle's findings from the hypnotic sessions.

"...Mrs. Smith suffered much as she relived the experience. The behaviors, e.g., weeping, moaning, tossing her head, shuddering, and shaking, etc., were evident to those of us who observed her. especially as she seemed to "relive" an experience of a fluid material covering her face. Her smile, and evident relief in "Seeing the street light" at the end of her hour and one-half loss-of-time experience was dramatic and indicated that she was "safe" in the car, once again, and returning home with her friends." Sprinkle then goes on to recount Louise's claim that her pet parakeet, who, according to her claims and the claims of others who observed the bird, refused to have anything to do with her after the UFO experience. Others could approach the bird and it would not react wildly; however, whenever Louise came close to the bird, the bird would flutter and move away from her. The bird died within weeks after the UFO experience.

Mona Stafford..."responded well to the hypnotic suggestions and she was able to describe impressions which led her to believe that she had been taken out of the car, and that she was alone on a white table or bed. she saw a large "eye" which seemed to be observing her. She felt as if a bright white light was shining on her and that there was "power" or energy which transfixed her and held her to the table or bed. She experienced a variety of physiological reactions, including the impressions that her right arm was pinned or fastened; her left leg forced back under her, with pain to the ankle and foot; pressure on the fingers of the left hand, as if they were forced or squeezed in some way; a feeling of being examined by four or five short humanoids who sat around "surgical masks" and "surgical garments" while observing her. At one point, she sensed that she was either experiencing out-of-the body travel, or else she was waiting outside of a large room in which she could view another person, probably a woman, lying on a white bed or observation table. She perceived a long tunnel, or a view of the sky, as if she had been transported to an area inside a large mountain or volcano. Although she wept and moaned and experienced a great deal of fatigue as a result of the "reliving" of the experience, she felt better the next day; she expressed the belief to me that she now had a better understanding of what happened during the loss-of-time experience.

... "Mrs. Thomas had been rather quiet during the initial interview in March, 1976, although it was obvious that she is perceptive and aware of other people's attitudes and feelings. Like the

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others, she has lost weight, but she has also experienced some personality changes. She dresses a bit more colorfully now, and she is more willing to talk and to share her ideas with others. She, too, experienced a similar reaction during the hypnotic techniques: she apparently was responding well to suggestions to go deeper; when she "relived" the UFO experience, she experienced a great deal of emotional reaction. Her main impression was that she was taken away from her two friends, and that she was placed in a "chamber" with a window on the side. She seemed to recall figures which moved back and forth in front of the window of the chamber as if she were being observed. Her impression was that the observers were four-foot-tall humanoids, with dark eyes, and grey skin. One disturbing aspect of the experience was the memory that she had some kind of contraption or "covering" that was placed around her neck; whenever she tried to speak, or think, the contraption or "covering" was tightened, and she experienced a choking sensation during these moments. At first, Mrs. Thomas interpreted the memories as indication that she was being choked by hands or that she was being prevented from calling out to her friends; later, however, she came to the tentative conclusion that an experiment was being conducted, and the experiment was to learn more about her intellectual and emotional processes. She recalled a "bullet-shaped" object, about an inch and one half in diameter, being placed on her left chest; she previously had experienced pain and a red spot at that location.

". . . During the polygraph examination, and during the initial hypnotic sessions, each UFO witness was interviewed separately from the other witnesses. After the initial description of impressions, the women were invited to attend the additional hypnosis sessions, so that each woman could observe the reaction of the other two women. During these sessions, there was much emotional reaction, which seemed to arise from two conditions: the compassion of the witnesses for their friend, who was "reliving" the experience and releasing emotional reactions to the experience; also, it seems as if the description by one witness would "trigger" a memory on the part of another witness, even if the experiences seemed to be "similar" or "different."

"Certain similarities were observed: a feeling of anxiety on the part of each witness regarding a specific aspect of the experience. For Ms. Smith, it was the "wall" and the "gate" beyond which she was afraid to "move psychologically"; for Ms. Stafford it was the "eye" which she observed and the impression that something evil or bad would be learned if she allowed the eye to "control" her; for Ms. Thomas, it was the "blackness" which seemed to be the feared condition or cause for anxiety. Each woman seemed to experience the impression that she had been taken out of the car and placed elsewhere without her friends and without verbal communication. For Ms. Smith, the lack of verbal communication was most distressing; although she had the feeling of "mental communication" that she would be returned after the "experiment."

"Differences were noted in that each woman seemed to have a somewhat different kind of "examination," and in a different "location." Ms. Smith did not have a clear impression of the location. although she did recall a feeling of lying down and being examined; Ms. Stafford had the impression of being in a "volcano or mountainside," with a room in which a bright light was shining on a white table with white clothed persons or humanoids sitting around and observing her: Mrs. Thomas recalled impressions of being in the dark chamber with grey light permitting a view of the humanoids who were apparently observing her."

In his conclusive paragraphs Dr. Sprinkle reports:

"In my opinion, each woman is describing a "real" experience, and they are using their intelligence and perceptivity as accurately as possible in order to describe the impressions which they obtained during the hypnotic regressions session. Although there is uncertainty about their impressions. especially in regard to how each person could be transported out of the car and relocated in the car, the impressions during the "loss of time" experience are similar to those of other UFO witnesses who apparently have experienced an abduction and examination during their UFO sighting.

"Although it is not possible to claim absolutely that a physical examination and abduction has taken place, I believe that the tentative hypothesis of abduction and examination is the best hypothesis to explain the apparent loss-of-time experience, the apparent physical and emotional reactions of the witnesses to the UFO sighting: the anxiety and the reactions of the witnesses to their experiences which have occurred after their UFO sighting. An interesting subsequent event is the concern of the women that they were "re-experiencing" the physical symptoms which had been experienced for several days following the January 1976 sightings....When I called them on July 26th, the women said that they were re-experiencing some of the same kinds of symptoms, e.g., fatigue, listlessness, sensitivity to skin, burning

feeling on the face and eyes, fluid discharge, etc.

"I tried to reassure the ladies that it is not an uncommon experience in hypnotic regression that persons — after "reliving" earlier emotional experiences — may re-experience some of the symptoms which accompany those emotional reactions

"In my opinion, the UFO experiences of these women are a good example of the type of apparent abduction and examination which seems to be occurring to more UFO witnesses. I believe that the investigation could be continued with the hopes of obtaining further information about their experiences. However, the present evidence suggests to me that the women have cooperated sincerely and openly in describing their reactions to their UFO sighting and loss-of-time experience, and the polygraph examination and hypnotic regression sessions have been useful in uncovering their impressions of the UFO sighting and subsequent events.

"I believe the case is a good example of UFO experiences, because of the number and character of the witnesses... and because of the results of further investigation through polygraph examinations and hypnotic regression sessions."

Dr. Sprinkle alludes to "subsequent events." Conversations with Mrs. Smith since the regressive hypnotic sessions took place yielded two very interesting bits of information: Mrs. Stafford had been having trouble sleeping, would not stay home, and would go to her parents' home or that of a friend, and curl up on the floor to sleep. She also has said repeatedly that she would not live "to see another birthday." Hopefully this is only a fear and not a portent of things to come.

Also, in the fall of 1976, Mrs. Smith was overcome by an inexplicable urge to go back to the scene of the original sighting. On August 1 she did return to the site, got out of her car, and "heard" the words: "feel of your hands."When she did so, she realized that three rings, which she habitually wore, a small gold ring, a pearl ring, and a gold ring with onyx and a small diamond, were gone. On the 26th of September, Mrs. Smith walked out onto the stoop of her trailer home and found the onyx and diamond ring lying there. For some inexplicable reason, she scooped up the ring, walked to the creek which runs by her home, and threw it into the water.

This, then, is the entire story of the Kentucky abduction. At last contact with Mrs. Lorenzen by telephone, Mrs. Smith intimated that she was beginning to have recall of the whole experience, and asked that Mrs. Lorenzen not divulge the details as she was writing a book about the

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experience. We appreciate Mrs. Smith's desires, and will not comment on further information learned from her until such time as the book is published.

However, we laud these ladies for their bravery; theirs is a very interesting and hair-raising experience and we feel sympathy for them in that their greatest ordeal may well still lie ahead: the attacks of the skeptics.

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#### Miniature

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object made a whistling type sound and was not observed by other witnesses. It was described as a midget plane without an elevator which seemed to have a black, circular bottom. Another report of a similar object occurred in Norway at Ytre Laksevag in 1972. A whistling sound was again present as was a black coloration.

Denmark was the location of a 1973 incident involving a grey object about eighteen feet long. A helmeted "rather frightened" person was noted in the front section during the observation by a woman driver at close proximity of a few feet. There was no engine or propeller. Two short, thick fins were noted at each side. The object was described as clumsy and primitive with very low speed of twelve to twenty miles per hour.

Multiple midget planes described as delta winged were seen near Overkalix in Sweden in 1972. Six of these small planes detected by a whistling sound were observed flying over a long lake at "incredible speed" at a distance of a couple thousand feet.

There have been similar Scandinavian cases described in the literature. Flying Saucer Review for July/August 1970 detailed a one foot diameter midget plane with helmeted pilot seen by two children in a farmyard. Finland has also had similar observations.

It would be difficult to speculate on possible explanations. Small remotely piloted vehicles perform missions without the necessity of a pilot present in the plane. Many of the above areas are not prime locations for model airplane enthusiasts. SUFOI is interested in learning of other eliable accounts of this nature.

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### 21st Annual Ozark UFO Conference

# UFO Conference focuses on alleged government cover-up

The 21st Annual Ozark UPO Conference will be held at the Inn of the Ozarks Convention Center in Eureka. Springs April 10-12.

The conference will include eight lectures and audio-visual presentations on Friday and Saturday. Sunday morning "mini-sessions" will include speakers and a videotape presentation.

There will be considerable attention paid to the alleged government cover-up of UFOs. Grant Cameron, whose website is entitled "A Tale of Extraterrestrial Politics in the White House," will address the conference on presidential knowledge of UFOs.

Richard Dolan, author of "UPOs and the National Security State," will discuss exposing the allegedly decades-old government cover-up of the subject.

Wendelle C. Stevens, a retired U.S. Air Force pilot, became a UFO investigator and researcher. His military career included anomalous UFO sightlings, reports and film footage made by Air Force crews. Stevens will speak on what has become his lifelong interest in uncovering the truth regarding UFO activity.

Presenter Joseph P, Farrell, of Sioux Falls, S. Dak, has a doctorate in patristics (the study of early Christian writers) from the University of Oxford. His first book "Giza Death-Star," was published in 2002. Later works include "The Cosmic War: Interplanetary Warfare, Modern Physics, and Ancient Texts," in 2007, and "Secrets of the Unified Field: The Philadelphia Experiment, the Nazi Bell, and the Discarded Theory," in 2008.

Paul LaViolette, Ph.D., will focus on reverse engineering of UFO technologies. He is the author of "The Talk of the Galaxy," "Genesis of the Cosmos (Beyond the Big Bang)" and "Subquantum Kinetics." He is also the editor of "A Systems View of Man."

LaViolette received his B.A. in physics from Johns Hopkins, his M.B.A. from the

University of Chicago and a Ph.D. from Portland State University. He is currently president of the Starburst Foundation, an interdisciplinary scientific research institute, and is a resident of Athens, Greece.

Presenter Ted Phillips will have a much shorter trip to the conference. The Reeds Spring, Mo. resident's presentation, "The Marley Woods: Ten Years of Research," will detail decades of strange encounters and sightings near Altus Spring Hollow, Mo.

Several presenters will return from last year's conference lineup, including Timothy Good, Linda Moulton Howe and Allison loiner

Good has interviewed key UFO witnesses, including astronauts, military and intelligence specialists, pilots, politicians and scientists. The Bri sh researcher has arnassed a wealth of evidence of the existence of UFOs, including several thousand declassified intelligence documents and has published six books on the subject.

Emmy Award-winning TV producer, investiga ve reporter and author Howe will deliver a presentation entitled "Bentwaters 1980: Telepathic Lights?" Her website received the 2006 W3 Silver Award for excellence in news, the 2003 Web Award for Standard of Excellence and the 2000 Encyclopedia Britannica Award honoring Internet excellence.

Reporter Angela Joiner returns to update the conference on her investigation of strange lights and sightings early last year in Stephenville, Tex.

Registration starts at 8 a.m. on Friday, April 10. The cost is \$50 per person at the door, or \$45 in advance. The conference begins at 1 p.m. that day and concludes at noon on Sunday, April 12. Advance registration is available by mail at: Ozark UFO Conference, #2 Caney Valley Drive, Plumerville, AR 72127-8725. Additional information may be obtained by phone at (501)354-2558 or by

e-mail at ozarkufo@webtv.net.

The Best Western Inn of the Ozarks Resort is setting aside a block of rooms for Conference use. Room reservations can be made by calling the Inn at (479) 253-9768 or (800) 552-3785, or by writing to the Innat P.O. Box

431, Eureka Springs, AR 72632. Their special room rate for the Conference is \$68 for double occupancy; other rates apply for other types of rooms. Other Eureka Springs lodging info is available on-line, at www.eu-rekasprings.org/placestostay.