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FILE: UFO1761

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Headquarters Air Force Intelligence Service
Fort Velvor Virginia 22060

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January 1983

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Possible Unauthorized Release of Classified Material

INSA (MSgt Heldman)
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1. Per our telephone conversation today, I am forwarding Mr Robert Todd's FOIA request along with the AFOSI message for determination as to classification level. As you can see, Mr Todd retyped the message "for easier reading." I have talked to AFOSI/DADF, Nadine Dulacki. According to her, they did not release the message to Mr Todd nor does she know how it came into his possession. Maj Kilikauskas (AFSAC/INOB, 664-4488) has looked at the t(message and he feels that it is a fake for several reasons:

a. There never has been an office within AFSAC (or 7602nd) with the symbol INS, INSR, or IT.

b. There has never been a "Cpt Grace" (or anyone with the surname Grace) assigned to AFSAC.

c. The purported imagery interpretation done is outside AFSAC's and AFOSI's mission. Further, AFSAC has no individuals who are photo interpreters.

d. The term WNINTEL is spelled phonetically on each occurrence. OSI should certainly be familiar with the correct spelling. Further, the document is replete with grammatical errors, typing errors, and in general, makes no sense.

3. The document is not in the standard, accepted format for classified messages.

Neither Maj Kilikauskas nor Mr Nehlig (who has worked in AFSAC many years) remember hearing of a "Project Aquarius." Further, Maj Kilikauskas had no idea if the information purportedly supplied by this Capt Grace is, in fact, classified at the Secret/WNINTEL level. He suggests that both NASA and Coast and Geodetic Survey be contacted to see if they have an interest in the message.

2. Finally, I have talked to Mr Earl Middaugh (AFOSI/IVOE, 767-5144). He remembers a FOIA request that his office staffed which involved an AFOSI message similar to this one. However, they were unable to identify it as OSI originated. He thinks perhaps this might be the same message. I have forwarded a copy of the Todd request to the AFOSI Freedom of Information Office (Bob Walker, 767-5262). Upon receipt both Mr Walker and Mr Middaugh will be better able to determine if this is a legitimate AFOSI document.

3. Until a determination is made, we will regard the document as classified.

SUSAN COOKSEY
Documentation Management Branch
(S/WNINTEL)

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PART 2

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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY
CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE
Fort George G. Meade, Maryland 20755-6000

Serial: J9014C

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This responds to your letter of 7 March 1986 in which you further narrowed your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records pertaining to Project Aquarius.

The document located in response to your request as stated in your 7 March letter has been reviewed by this Agency as required by the FOIA and has been found to be currently and properly classified in accordance with Executive Order 12356. This document meets the criteria for classification as set forth in subparagraphs 2, 4, and 8 of section 1.3 and remains classified TOP SECRET as provided in section 1.1 of Executive Order 12356. The document is classified because its disclosure could reasonably be expected to cause exceptionally grave damage to the national security. Because the document is currently and properly classified, it is exempt from disclosure pursuant to the first exemption of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. section 552(b)(1)).

In addition, this Agency is authorized by various statutes to protect certain information concerning its activities. We have

determined that such information exists in this document. Accordingly, those portions are also exempt from disclosure pursuant to the third exemption of the FOIA which provides for the withholding of information specifically protected from disclosure by statute. The specific statutes applicable in this case are Title 18 U.S. Code 798; Title 50 U.S. Code 403(d)(3); and Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 402 "note").

No portion of the information is reasonably segregable.

Since your request has been denied, you are hereby advised of this Agency's appeal procedures.

Any person denied access to information may, within 45 days after notification of the denial, file an appeal to the NSA/CSS Freedom of Information Act Appeal Authority. The appeal shall be in writing addressed to the NSA/CSS FOIA Appeal Authority, National Security Agency, Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-6000. The appeal shall reference the initial denial of access and shall contain, in sufficient detail and particularity, the grounds upon which the requester believes release of the information is required. The NSA/CSS Appeal Authority shall respond to the appeal within 20 working days after receipt.

In your letter, you take exception to the amount requested by this Agency for manpower and computer search fees to process your original request for all information on Project Aquarius. Please be advised that NSA search and duplication fees are computed in accordance with guidance promulgated in sections 6-201 and 6-202 of DoD Directive 5400.7-R.

Sincerely,

JULIA B. WETZEL
Director of Policy

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PART 3

DATE OF UPLOAD: November 24, 1989
ORIGIN OF UPLOAD: ParaNet Zeta-Reticuli
CONTRIBUTED BY: Jim Speiser

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Notes to AQUARIUS II:

1. Moore explains the origin of the document as follows:
"This is an actual example of some of the disinformation produced
in
connection with the Bennewitz case. The document is a retyped
cversion
of a real AFOSI message with a few spurious additions. It was
apparently
created by AFOSI, or at least I always assumed it was, and it was
handed
to me in February 1981 with the intention that I would pass it to
Bennewitz. My understanding, although I never knew for sure, was
that
Bennewitz was expected to wave it to the press and others as
proof of
what he was saying about an alien invasion, at which point the
document
would be denounced as a counterfeit and Bennewitz would be
further
discredited. Unfortunately (or perhaps fortunately, depending
upon one's
point of view) it didn't turn out that way."

2. In an attempt to be as true as possible to the actual
document, I
have purposely formatted lines beyond the normal 80 character
limit. For
this reason, I suggest you download the document and view it with
a text
processor that allows you to view files with line lengths > 80
chars.

3. According to Moore, the text of this document is the same as it appeared in the original message, except as follows:
4. Material in [braces] indicates that material which appeared in the original message was REMOVED and REPLACED by spurious text.
5. Material appearing in {curly braces} indicates totally spurious material which was ADDED to the legitimate text of the original message.
6. The symbol XXXX indicates places where transmission codes from the original were removed and not replaced.
7. "WINTEL" in a genuine message would be "WNINTEL" (Western AFOSI Office)
8. "SPA" means Special Purpose Access.
9. Misspellings, to the best of my ability, are true to the document.
10. A discussion will follow in a subsequent file.

--Jim Speiser

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SUBJECT CASE NR: 8017D93-126 HQ CR 44
1. SUBJECT NEGATIVES/FILM WERE ANALYZED BY HQ IVT AND 7602
AINTELG/IT AND THE
FOLLOWING RESULTS WERE FOUND:
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A. NEGATIVE #1: DEPICTING C-5A AIRCRAFT ON APPROACH AND STREAKING UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT IN LOWER RIGHT PORTION OF FILM. FILM FOUND TO BE UNALTERED. SIZE DIFFERENTIAL WAS NOT CONSISTENT WITH SIZE OF AIRCRAFT. CONCLUSION: INCONCLUSIVE

B. NEGATIVE #2; DEPICTING CYLINDER SHAPED UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT IN UPPER LEFT PORTION OF PHOTO. FILM FOUND TO BE UNALTERED. FILM SHOWED OBJECT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH FIELD DEPTH AND CONSISTENT WITH RELATIVE SIZE OF FIXED OBJECTS. CONCLUSION: LEGITIMATE NEGATIVE OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT. {BOLTON, REINFELD METHOD DID NOT REVEAL VISIBLE MARKINGS ON OBJECT.}

C. NEGATIVE #3: DEPICTING IRREGULAR SHAPED UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT IN SEVEN FRAMES OF 8MM FILM. BECAUSE OF THE SIZE AND APPARENT SPEED OF OBJECT NO FURTHER CLASSIFICATION OR CONCLUSION COULD BE DRAWN. FILM SHOWN TO BE UNALTERED.

D. 34 INCHES OF 8MM FILM: DEPICTING APPARENT COLORED OBJECT MOVING IN FRONT OF STILL CAMERA. FILM FOUND TO BE UNALTERED. SPECTROGRAPHY REVEALED COLORES TO BE BASIC PRISM FEATURES. DEPTH ANALYSIS REVEALED OBJECT TO BE WITHIN 152MM OF CAMERA. OBJECT WAS NOT CONSISTENT WITH RELATIVE SIZE OF FIXED OBJECTS OBSERVED FOR SEVERAL SECONDS IN FILM. CONCLUSION: INCONCLUSIVE.

E. ORIGINAL NEGATIVE DEPICTING UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT. FILM FOUND TO BE UNALTERED. BECAUSE OF A LACK OF FIXED OBJECTS IN THE FILM, NO DEPTH ANALYSIS COULD BE PERFORMED. {BOLTON, REINFELD METHOD REVEALED OBJECT TO BE SAUCER SHAPED, APPROXIMATE DIAMETER 37 FEET. OBJECT CONTAINED A TRILATERAL INSIGNIA ON THE LOWER PORTION OF OBJECT.} CONCLUSION: LEGITIMATE NEGATIVE OF UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECT.

2. REF YOUR REQUEST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING HQ CR 44, THE FOLLOWING IS PROVIDED: [CAPT. GRACE] 7602 AINTELG, INS CONTACTED AND RELATED FOLLOWING: (S/[WINTTEL]) USAF NO LONGER PUBLICLY ACTIVE IN UFO RESEARCH, HOWEVER USAF STILL HAS INTEREST IN ALL UFO SIGHTINGS OVER USAF INSTALLATION/TEST RANGES. SEVERAL OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LEAD BY [NASA], ACTIVELY INVESTIGATES LEGITIMATE SIGHTINGS THROUGH COVERT COVER. (S/[WINTTEL/FSA]) {ONE SUCH COVER IS UFO REPORTING CENTER, US COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY, ROCKVILLE, MD 20852. NASA FILTERS RESULTS OF SIGHTINGS TO APPROPRIATE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS WITH INTEREST IN THAT PARTICULAR SIGHTING. THE OFFICIAL

US GOVERNMENT POLICY AND} RESULTS OF PROJECT AQUARIUS IS STILL
CLASSIFIED TOP SECRET
WITH NO DISSEMINATION OUTSIDE OFFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CHANNELS AND
WITH RESTRICTED
ACCESS TO "MJ TWELVE". CASE ON BENNEWITZ IS BEING MONITORED BY
[NASA/INS], WHO
REQUEST ALL FUTURE EVIDENCE BE FORWARDED TO THEM THRU AFOSI/IVOE.
4. REF YOUR REQUEST FOR TEHCNICAL ASSISTANCE. BECAUSE OF A
CHANCE OF PUBLIC
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ASSISTANCE FROM INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN YOUR MESSAGE, MILLER,
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EXECUTIVE CORRESPONDENCE
EXECUTIVE BRIEFING
SUBJECT:
PROJECT AQUARIUS

ATTENTION
THIS DOCUMENT WAS PREPARED BY MJ12. MJ12 IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE
FOR ITS SUBJECT MATTER.

TOP SECRET
PROJECT AQUARIUS

ITS/ORCOM {PROWORD: [BLANKED] Contains 16 volumes of documented information collected from the beginning of the United States Investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs) and Identified Alien Crafts (IAC). The Project was originally established in 195[4?] by order of President Eisenhower under control of [BLANKED]. In [BLANKED] the project's name was changed from Project [BLANKED] to Project Aquarius. [UNREADABLE] [BLANKED] confidential funds non-appropriated [BLANKED] Dec. 1969 after Project Blue Book was closed. The purpose of the [UNREADABLE] collect all scientific, technological, medical and intelligence [UNREADABLE] UFO/IAC sightings, and contacts with alien life forms. This [UNREADABLE] information has been used to advance the United States space program.

[UNREADABLE] The preceding briefing is an historical account of the United States Government's investigation of Aerial phenomenas, recovered alien [UNREADABLE] Contacts with Extraterrestrial Life Forms.

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PART 5

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Mr. Peter L. Clarke
December 1983
KOB Television
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Albuquerque NM 87103

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Dear Mr. Clarke

This is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act request fo 18

November 1983 requesting access to information regarding
photographs taken by
Paul Bennewitz in 1980 near Kirtland AFB.

The only information we have in our files regarding this
incident is a copy
of a message, originator unknown, which apparently was placed
in circulation
in at least three cities in the U.S. This message discusses
analysis of UFO
photographs, and, while it does not mention who the photographer
was, it does
mention the name Bennewitz. The purported originator, the Air
Force Office
of Special Investigations, has reviewed the message and
confirmed that it is
a hoax. While the Air Force Intelligence Service is listed as a
recipient of
the message, we have no record of ever receiving it from
AFOSI. The copy
which we have in our files was forwarded to us by the
organization Citizens
Against UFO Secrecy.

We are attaching a copy of the document as we received it. We
have, however,
removed the bogus security markings so as not to alarm any
recipients. We
are also attaching other documents created by this agency as a
result of the
bogus message. These documents have previously been released
to the public
through the Freedom of Information Act.

For your further information, this agency collected
information on UFO
sightings for a few years. However, our interest in
this topic was
discontinued in the mid-1970's and our UFO records were
transferred to the
General Services Administration for inclusion in Project Blue
Book. These
records are available for public inspection through the National
Archives and
Records Service, Modern Military Branch, 8th and Pennsylvania
Avenue, N.W.,
Washington DC 20408.

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SUSAN COOKSEY
Freedom of Information Manager

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PART 6

November 13, 1989

ParaNet Information Service (Denver, CO) -- In our continuing coverage of the remarkable revelations coming out of Las Vegas, Nevada, here is the next installment to the program aired on November 13, 1989 by television station KLAS-TV and George Knapp.

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News Anchor persons:

A former government scientist has alleged that the U.S. military is flying recovered UFOs at a secret base in the Nevada desert. The allegations about the secret facility near the Groom Mountains first surfaced on Eyewitness News on last Friday [November 10, 1989].

Scientist Bob Lazar says that there are at least nine of the flying saucers being tested and that they were not built on Earth. George Knapp has more on the continuation of our series on UFOs.

Lazar: "Yeah. It was obvious it came from somewhere else, uh, other than Earth."

Scientist Bob Lazar was convinced that the technology he saw being tested at a secret base in the Nevada desert is of alien origin, and for Lazar the proof is, at least, partially in the furniture. One of the nine flying disks he says he saw at the base, which was designated S-4, looks exactly like this UFO photographed in Europe [Photo of UFO shown]. Lazar called it the "sport model."

Lazar: "I gave everything names -- the top hat one and you know the jello mold and, uh, the sport model operated without any hitches at all. I mean, it looked new. If I knew what a new flying saucer looked like. One of them looked like it was hit with some sort of a projectile. It had a large hole in the bottom and a large hole in the top with the metal bent out like some sort of, you know, large caliber 4 or 5 inch had gone through it."

Even before he saw the sport model operate, Lazar says, he suspected that the ship came from somewhere else. The realization slapped him in the face the first time he glimpsed the inside of the disk.

Lazar: "I got to look inside and it had really small chairs. I

think that was the first confirmation I had. That was just a shocking thing because everytime before that I was able to label it. This is just a little advance that a group of scientists had formed and, you know, they're keeping it secret, and yeah, we could have built a big disk like that, and yeah, that's no problem, and, you know, we could have adapted the use(?) to make it fly, but why does it have little furniture inside? [garbled]. And things began to click together just all too fast."

A few of the disks had been completely dismantled to find out how they worked, Lazar says, but others were fully operational. A Japanese TV network created this animated version of Lazar's story after his first interview with us aired in May [showing video]. Lazar says the dramatization is similar to a test flight he witnessed.

Lazar: "The bottom of it glowed blue and began to hiss like any, like high voltage does on a round sphere. It's my impression that the reason that they're round and have no sharp edges is to contain the high voltage like, uh, if you've seen a high voltage system's insulators -- things are round or else you get a corona discharge. In either case, it began to hiss as in high voltage and it lifted off the ground quietly except for that little hiss in the background, and that stopped as soon as it reached about 20 or 30 feet."

Lazar says the test of the sport model was a short one -- that it made only a few moves before setting back down. He didn't see who was actually flying the craft, but was very impressed, nonetheless.

Lazar: "Well, there's no action reaction system to it. There's no, like in a jet engine, exhaust gas being thrown out -- no propeller, no noise. It's just, for all intents and purposes, magic."

To Lazar's knowledge, the flying disks are not being used, for say, any flights to Jupiter. He said excessive caution and intense secrecy contributed to the plodding pace of the program and were a main source of his disenchantment.

Lazar: "It's just unfair, outright, not to put it in the hands of the overall scientific community. There are people much more capable of dealing with this information, and by this time would have gotten a lot further along than this small select group of people working out in the middle of the desert. They don't even have the facilities, really, to completely analyze what they're dealing with."

Gene Huff: "Well he was being quiet. If he kept me abreast of anything, he kept me abreast of the security checks -- they'd randomly drop by his house. They'd threaten his life; they'd threaten his wife's life. They had done all that so we really didn't converse, I mean, he really was adhering to the program."

Gene Huff is a Las Vegas real estate appraiser. A regular guy who just happens to have a friend in the flying saucer business. He learned about Lazar's S-4 experiences only after a

long period. Lazar is anxious for people to know that he didn't just run right out and spill the secrets of the universe, and that some things are properly kept confidential.

Lazar: "I did not believe that this should be a security matter. Some of it, sure. But, just the concept that there's definite proof, and uh, we even have articles from another world, another system, you just can't not tell everyone. A lot of people don't believe that. But, I do."

When he reached what he felt was his bursting point, he took Huff and a few others to the edge of the Groom Mountains to see the flights for themselves. A total of five witnesses on two consecutive weeks managed to dodge security patrols long enough to see the strange glowing object lift above the mountain.

Huff(?): "Uh, it came up above the same mountain. It moved around. It did a step move -- it actually went up in the air like this [showing details with hands] and it hovered then dropped way down then it just floated around and cruised around. It starts coming up the mountain range...."

This home video tape was recorded during one of the trips to the Groom Mountains [showing video tape. A lot of talking....Object in sight....Mention of brightness of the object....].

Admittedly, the tape proves very little by itself because, with the distance and darkness, there are no reference points other than the alleged flying disk, but Lazar's information about the time and location of the test flight proves correct -- not once but twice. That, according to our off-camera interviews with each of the other witnesses. Gene Huff describes his second sighting:

Huff: "Through the telescope we could see an elliptical-shaped light. You can only get so close even with a telescope to a secure facility. Anyway, it came up by us very rapidly. It glowed and glows brighter like a star and we almost got the feeling that it was going to explode, it glowed so brightly. We backed up behind the car then it went down and glowed back up a little bit and then very softly glided back over, back where the mountains where it came up, hovered for awhile, and then that's that....Just like you see in the movies."

Bob Lazar isn't the only person to claim "inside knowledge" of the flying disks at the test site -- he is just the only person to say so publicly. We have communicated with several people who say they know of the saucer program. A technician in a highly sensitive position told us it is "common knowledge among those with high security clearances that recovered alien disks are stored at the Nevada test site." A Las Vegas professional, who once served in the military and was stationed at the test site, said he saw a flying disk land outside the boundaries of Area 51 -- that it was quickly surrounded by security personnel and that he was taken away and debriefed for several hours. A man who once worked at Groom Lake as a technician, at our request, wrote this letter explaining how he inadvertently walked into the wrong hangar and saw what appeared to be a large

metallic disk under a tarp. It was being examined by men in lab coats. And, an airman who worked at Nellis at a radar installation says he and his fellow servicemen watched over a period of five nights, unusual objects flying over the Groom Mountains. He says the radar images indicates the objects zoomed into range at speeds of 7,000 miles per hour and then would stop on a dime, and that nothing we have is capable of doing that. The airman says that when word of his sighting got out, he was ordered to turn off his radar sensors for that area and told to keep quiet about the matter because it did not happen.

None of this means that the military is actually flying alien spacecraft in the Nevada desert. It could all perhaps be explained as some other secret program. Lazar insists that's not the case.

We put the matter to the U.S. Navy, which according to Lazar, is running the saucer show. Four different naval offices were contacted. All denied having any information in their files. The Naval Research Lab said it conducted a thorough search but found "zip." Naval Intelligence said much the same thing, adding, it is not required to create a file where one doesn't exist. A side note: We also requested files on a UFO sighting over Tremonton, Utah in 1952. The Navy spent more than a thousand hours studying film of that sighting -- a fact that's been noted in several publications -- but, for purposes of our request, the Navy couldn't find those files either.

Lazar: "The group that runs this project, whether it really is the Navy or they just say that, apparently these people have executive power -- they don't report to anyone."

Tomorrow, more troubling allegations of the military potential of alien technology.

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PART 7

November 14, 1989

ParaNet Information Service (Denver, CO) -- In our continuing coverage of the Riddle of Area 51, here is yet another installment of the KLAS-TV program being aired in Las Vegas, Nevada featuring Bob Lazar, who has 'come out of the closet' so to speak with information regarding government testing of UFOs.

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Just over this ridge [showing a photo of Area 51], tucked inside the test tubes of a hidden government base, the secrets of

the universe may be unfolding. The area is designated S-4, and according to one man who claims to have worked there, S-4 harbors scientific achievements that would astonish our deepest thinkers. It is technology that, if it exists, could change the world, but is allegedly bottled up by military minds.

Lazar: "It's not an overall government project. It's not something that Congress appropriates money for. 2 billion is for this; 15 billion for flying saucers; 8 billion for Star Wars. It doesn't go like that. I don't believe that they have any knowledge of it at all."

The technology that Bob Lazar says he saw extends far beyond flying saucers. An anti-matter reactor allows the spaceships to produce their own gravitational fields, he says, such a technology, if real, would answer UFO skeptics who argue that aliens could never visit Earth because the distances between worlds are too great, even at the speed of light.

Lazar: "Gravity distorts time and space. Just like if you had a water bed and put a bowling ball in the middle. It warps it down like that -- that's exactly what happens to space. Imagining that you were in a spacecraft that could exert a tremendous gravitational field by itself you could sit on any particular place and turn on the gravity generator and actually warp space and time, and fold it. By shutting that off, you'd click back and you'd be a tremendous distance from where you were but time would not have even moved because you essentially shut it off. I mean it is so far fetched, people....it's difficult for people to grasp, and as stubborn as the scientific community is they'll never buy it, but this is, in fact, that's just what happens."

Actually, Lazar's explanation is very close to mainstream scientific thought, and can be traced directly to Einstein. The difference is scientists regard it as theory only. There is much that science still doesn't know.

Dale Etheridge (Scientist): "There are people who say that our main problem with that is we don't know what gravity is. It's this magical force that acts at a distance. We can describe how it behaves -- that's what the law of gravity is -- it's just a description of how it behaves, but it says nothing about what gravity really is."

We'll use Etheridge as our barometer of scientific thought. He says we cannot produce gravity; that there's no such thing as a working anti-matter reactor, and that we have yet to figure out a way to get around the speed of light. He also concedes, though, such things are possible.

Etheridge: "Yeah. And really we don't know what's possible as there could be other civilizations out there several hundred years or so -- a thousand years, even a million years ahead of us -- that have found a way to circumvent this. We have no way of knowing for sure."

Lazar: "Well, the thing is when you harness gravity, you harness

everything. It's the missing piece in physics right now. We really know very little about gravity."

At least that's the way it used to be. Lazar says the technology to harness gravity not only exists but is being tested at S-4. And, if such technology is beyond human capabilities, it must have come from someplace else. It's more than conjecture, he says, because he also saw an element that cannot be found on the periodic chart. The element, called 115, can be stored in lead casings much like this one [showing a lead circular container]. Lazar says the government has 500 pounds of it, and it cannot be made on earth.

Lazar: "It would be almost impossible; well, it is impossible to synthesize an element that heavy here on Earth."

Interviewer: "At least right now."

Lazar: "I don't think that you can ever synthesize it. The amount of....you essentially have to assemble it by bombarding it with protons if....atom by atom, it would take an infinite amount of power and an infinite amount of time. The substance has to come from a place where super-heavy elements could have been produced naturally.

And what sort of place is that?

Lazar: "Next to a much larger sun where there would be greater mass. Maybe a binary star system -- a super-nova -- somewhere where there is just a bigger release of energy to synthesize these things naturally. It has to be a naturally occurring element."

115 is the fuel for the anti-matter reactors, he says. By bombarding 115 anti-matter is produced. A kilo of anti-matter could produce the energy equivalent of 46 ten-megaton hydrogen bombs, and comparing the energy potential of anti-matter to, say, the Hoover Dam would be like comparing planets to grains of sand. 115 could also make one heck of a bomb.

Lazar: "We're talking about hundreds and hundreds of megatons off a small piece of it. It sounds incredible, but total conversion of matter to energy would release that amount of power. And it isn't that difficult to take....get the energy out of it. So it's not something you'd ever want to fall anyone's hands."

The dangers associated with 115 and anti-matter may be the reason Lazar was hired to work at S-4. There was an accident, he says, back in April 1987. An accident that was passed off as an unannounced nuclear test.

Lazar: "Some people got killed. I was told flat out I was one of the people that were to replace these guys."

Is this why the government might be keeping the whole matter a secret? Because of the military potential of alien technology? Lazar says he believes the Soviet Union was once part of our

research on the flying disks, but that the U.S. kicked the Soviets out after making some sort of discovery. He also believes the program at S-4 is operated with funds allocated to Star Wars research, but says he can't prove it. Some UFO researchers suspect the government is test flying alien craft so that it can one day master the technology and claim it was made in the good old U.S.A., thus obscuring the possibility of alien visitations.

Stanton T. Friedman: "I think they have the duty to inform us. At least to the bare bones of what's going on. I don't want technological stuff put out on the table. I mean, I worked on classified projects for 15 years, and I don't think we need another weapon's delivery system. But I think the government does have the responsibility to release information that, indeed, the planet is being visited. Probably it should be done in conjunction with the Soviets."

Lazar: "I don't think that it will get to that level. They're not going to have a fleet of them and fly them around and....I don't think you need to do that. If you're looking at them from a weapons point of view, you're looking at an incredibly powerful device. You only need one to operate. You don't ever need to come public with it. You may want to learn more about it should it ever break which is....might be what they're doing. Uh...."

Interviewer: "They've got one...."

Lazar: "Oh, they've got a few. Yeah."

Lazar is the first to admit that his story is tough to swallow. He submitted to polygraph exams that opened up sensitive parts of his personal life, and fully expects to be ridiculed or perhaps punished for his revelations. His desire to explain what really happened at S-4 took us to Layne Keck, a licensed experienced hypnotherapist who quietly and privately tried to help Lazar remember details of the many briefing papers he says he read.

Keck: "I have no clue as to what we were getting to, and he started saying that there were pictures of what I thought was desks on the wall. Well as it turned out, it was disks that he was referring to. And, at that moment, I realized we were into something that was pretty heavy."

Keck does not exaggerate his claims for hypnosis. He regards it as a useful tool for uncovering some lost memory. He says people are quite capable of lying under hypnosis, but says the technique can be of help in determining truth. What's his opinion of Lazar's truthfulness?

Keck: "It tells me that his subconscious mind believes totally all of these things."

Lazar has long suspected that his government employers used some sort of mind control technique to prevent him from disclosing too much about S-4. While he says he has vivid conscious memories of the saucers and other technology there were

other memories, that even now, remained locked, which is why he sought out Keck in the first place. Keck is convinced that someone really did mess with Lazar's head.

Keck: "Also they used primitive fear in threatening those in his environment if he did bring this information forth. Also, it appears that maybe there were some chemicals used."

Lazar: "Nah, I'm not going to change anyone's mind. That not my intention. I'm just relaying the experience. The job that I went through. It is a fantastic thing. It's a fantastic story. I can't take people there to show them what was going on, and uh, you know, I don't expect anyone to believe it."

What if he is right? What if aliens are here? How would this change our view of the world? Our most fundamental beliefs, which is religion? We'll know more on that tomorrow.

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