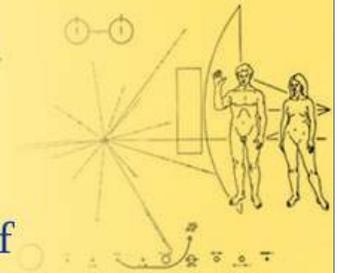




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St George and Saddam's Secret Treasure

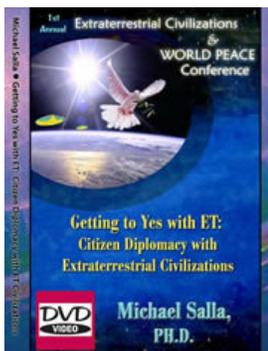
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In popular myths, the fire breathing dragon guards a precious treasure from rivals, thieves, and heroes. The Dragon doesn't know how to use the treasure, and simply guards it until vanquished by an all conquering hero. In the popular myth of St George and the Dragon, St George rescues a captive Princess by slaying the evil dragon in a desperate fight. The motifs of dragon, hero and treasure are the stuff of legend and have been retold many times. In fact the myth of St George is a Christian retelling of the earlier Greek 'pagan' myth of Perseus. A new version of St George and the Dragon is now emerging on the international arena as President George Bush prepares his military forces against the regime of Saddam Hussein.

In his role as St George, President Bush instinctively knows that the dragon, Saddam Hussein, will not surrender its treasure without a fight, and will have to be slain. The unfolding drama is as old as time itself and the final outcome can be easily predicted. What is not so clear is what is the treasure at the center of the conflict? According to President Bush, the treasure is a world free of weapons of mass destruction and terrorism. For President Bush's critics, the treasure is the abundant Iraqi oil fields that will power the global economy with cheap oil for another decade. There is, however, another treasure that is not well known due to a very successful clandestine government program that is global in reach. Iraq's treasure chest of extraterrestrial technology.

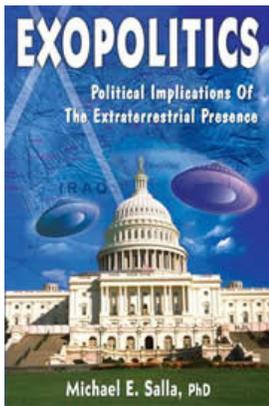
Clandestine government organizations, from at least 1947, have been reverse engineering captured extraterrestrial technology. Rather than unsubstantiated science fiction, as some critics contend, such a view is supported by more than a hundred former government and military officials who played official roles in these clandestine programs or in the associated cover up. These former officials, most of whom face severe financial and legal penalties for disclosing classified information, revealed that much of the popular technology we now take for granted, fibre optics, the micro chip, and super tenacity textiles, owe their origin to reverse engineered extraterrestrial technology.

This takes us to Iraq's secret treasure. The Sumerian scholar, Zecharia Sitchin translated thousands of cuneiform tablets, and discovered that the civilization of Sumer that flourished in the territory of present day Iraq, was aided by extraterrestrial visitors. These extraterrestrials, the 'Anunnaki', played a key role in developing Sumerian civilization in 3800 BC, and then mysteriously left around 1800 BC. What they left behind were more than just stories of humanity's extraterrestrial connection, but advanced technology that has lain hidden for millennia.

This extraterrestrial technology far surpasses the technological proficiency of the regime of Saddam Hussein who is certainly aware of its existence. While he may be devoting his regime's resources to exploiting this technology, it is very unlikely he can reverse engineer it. Therefore, like the mythical dragon, President Hussein can only marvel at his extraterrestrial treasure without knowing how to use it. On the contrary, US based clandestine government organizations have much experience in reverse engineering extraterrestrial technology, and want to gain unrestricted access to Saddam's treasure. However, given the grandiose aspirations of President Hussein, these organizations have decided that little can be achieved through negotiations. Thus there is a need for President Bush to play the role of St George, leading his military forces into Iraq to conquer the 'evil' dragon.

An important insight in the unfolding drama is that rather than the treasure belonging to a covetous President Hussein, or to equally covetous clandestine government organizations, it belongs to all humanity. A war fought over such a treasure chest of ET technology would be disastrous since it would demonstrate little but greed motivating both sides. There is no 'good' or 'evil' side in the conflict over Iraq's secret treasure. What is required is full disclosure of the hidden motives of parties in this conflict, and a genuine effort to negotiate a satisfactory resolution. Saddam Hussein will not relinquish his treasure without a fight, but he can be persuaded to relinquish control of the treasure if he were suitably 'rewarded'.

Finding a solution that rewards the role of President Hussein in making available the assets of Sumer's extraterrestrial technology for the benefit of the global community, is a challenge given the propaganda build up to a US led preemptive war against Iraq. Nevertheless, if humanity is ready for the technology of Iraq's



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ancient past, then the diplomatic challenge is something that needs to be met and overcome. Only a diplomatic solution will prove that humanity is ready to exploit the technology of Iraq's extraterrestrial heritage to ensure a united and prosperous future for the planet.

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THE SECRET RACE TO CONTROL IRAQ'S EXTRATERRESTRIAL HERITAGE





The Real Reason..... All Nations Want Control Of Iraq.....



This paper examines how the need to gain unfettered access to **Iraq's Extraterrestrial (ET) Heritage** has played a critical role in influencing US foreign policy in the Persian Gulf region ever since the Carter administration.

The paper analyzes how clandestine organizations based in the US, Europe and Soviet Union / Russia have historically maneuvered amongst themselves to gain the most strategic advantage in having access to and exploiting **ET technology hidden in Iraq**.

The paper argues that the need for a diplomatic solution to the recent international crisis over Iraq, resulted from the desire of clandestine groups in Europe and Russia, to restrict access to these sites by US organizations that have grown rapidly in power and displayed an imperialistic tendency that leads to much anxiety among their European counterparts.

The paper furthermore claims that the planet is experiencing the use of 'exotic weaponry' between clandestine groups struggling amongst themselves over how to share access and control of **ET technology**

in Iraq, while suppressing the true nature of the conflict to the general public and most elected officials.

The paper also argues that an eventual post-war agreement to rebuild Iraq under an UN mandate will mark a new phase in the efforts of clandestine organizations to coordinate their efforts in **exploiting Iraq's ET Heritage**.

Finally, the paper claims that the US triumph in launching a military takeover in Iraq generates Angst among European clandestine groups concerned over the increased Power and Imperial pretensions of their US counterparts.

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Baghdad.....is Babylon

The Original Garden of Eden
The Cradle of Humanity!



After a hastily organized summit meeting in the Azores on March 16, with his European allies, **President George Bush** decided to abandon diplomatic efforts for a further **UN Security Council Resolution** condemning Iraq's lack of progress in fulfilling existing Security Council resolutions concerning any weapons of mass destruction possessed by Iraq.

In a televised address to the Nation on March 17, President Bush gave Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, 48 hours to leave Iraq together with his sons to prevent a U.S. led invasion. On March 19, soon after the deadline had expired, President Bush ordered surgical air strikes on **Baghdad, (formerly Babylon)**, and the 'second gulf war' had formally begun.

In the immediate post-Azores environment of finger- pointing over responsibility for the failed diplomatic efforts to maintain global consensus over how to respond to Iraq, Europe and the world watches anxiously for the consequences of the US, British and Australian armed incursion into Iraq.

It is necessary to analyze the global implications of the failed diplomatic efforts.... and the subsequent military incursion from an 'exo-political perspective'..... since **Iraq** holds special

significance as a nation that **once hosted an advanced race of extraterrestrials** whose legacy has not been disclosed to the general public or elected government representatives.

Iraq's Extraterrestrial Heritage and the Clandestine Political Agenda



In 1976, a scholar translating ancient Sumerian cuneiform texts published the first of his books, ***The 12th Planet*** .

In his groundbreaking translations, Sitchin described with great scholarly precision, the technological wonders and knowledge of the ancient civilization of Sumeria.

What made his work controversial was that he claimed that the Sumerians were aided in starting their civilization by **an advanced race of beings called the Anunnaki** (Sumerian for 'those who came from Heaven to Earth').

He described technological wonders possessed by the Anunnaki, and described a factional war between the Anunnaki who finally departed the planet around 1700 BC. Furthermore, Sitchin described the home world of these beings as a mysterious planet that periodically returns to the vicinity of the solar system every 3,600 years.

Sitchin's translations, when combined with biblical and historical records..... **supporting the existence of ET races in human affairs**, made clear..... the important role..... by this ancient ET race in the genesis of humanity.

Sitchin's translations proved to be very controversial and mainstream archeologists dismissed the work..... as too speculative in its definitions, premises and conclusions.

However, there were very influential, clandestine organizations..... that took Sitchin's work..... much more seriously.

Ever since at least 1947, US based clandestine organizations have been engaged in the reverse engineering of downed ET spacecraft, and **communicating with different ET races.**

The most prominent of these organizations was associated with a secret project named Majestic that was created by President Truman in a classified memo he signed in 1947 wherein he wrote: "Hereafter this matter shall be referred to only as Operation Majestic Twelve."

Majestic initially comprised 12 members drawn primarily from the

defense and intelligence community. Over time, clandestine organizations grew rapidly due to the complexity and size of the ET presence, and they remained a public secret, with their existence and composition..... revealed neither to the general public, nor to most elected public officials.

The most prominent of the reverse engineering efforts of clandestine organizations have involved a race of ETs commonly described as 'Grays', similar in appearance to the ET's depicted in Steven Spielberg's famous movie, *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*.



The technology possessed by the Grays was far advanced to anything possessed by humanity, and efforts began immediately to learn about and reverse engineer this technology.

The content of Sitchin's work describing an ancient ET race would most certainly have aroused the curiosity of these clandestine organizations in the US and elsewhere.

The possibility that the Anunnaki, described by Sitchin, had attained a level of technological sophistication even more advanced than that attained by Grays..... was something that had to be seriously explored.

Certainly the giant physical bodies possessed by this ancient race of ET's - the Anunnaki - suggested they had reached an evolutionary level in biological terms that was more evolved than the Grays who appeared to be suffering genetic problems.

If the technological accomplishments of the Anunnaki matched their biological evolution, then the Anunnaki would have technology far surpassing anything currently possessed by any of the clandestine organizations around the planet created to study and reverse engineer ET technology.



Even more perplexing for clandestine organizations, was the idea that this advanced race could one day return to the Earth and again interact with humanity as they did in the remote past.

The idea that the Anunnaki's home world periodically returned to the Solar System would most surely have attracted attention in terms of any possible time line and what this meant for humanity.

One way of confirming Sitchin's hypotheses would have been to use the recently pioneered 'remote viewing programs' that had been secreted sponsored in the early 1970's by a number of US government and military intelligence agencies.

It is likely that these and other intelligence gathering efforts confirmed the validity of some..... if not most of Sitchin's hypotheses. If so, then there would have been tremendous foreign policy implications.....

U.S. and European clandestine organizations would undoubtedly have made it a top priority to gain access to these **ancient ET sites in Southern Iraq**..... to learn about the advanced technology used by the Anunnaki.

Furthermore, they would have been interested in learning more about the purported home world of the Anunnaki in case it did indeed return to the vicinity of the solar system in the near future.

The problem, however, was that at the time Sitchin's first book appeared, the Cold War still existed and Iraq was firmly in the Soviet sphere of influence. After a left wing coup in 1958 that deposed the Western leaning King, Iraq nationalized its oil industries and moved firmly in the Soviet camp.

In 1968, the radical socialist Ba'ath Party came to power and increased ties with the Soviet Union developing a socialist system that was secular and dependent on Warsaw Pact countries. The Soviet Union (now Russia) would undoubtedly have known about Sitchin's work..... and would already have been working to confirm if Sitchin's hypotheses were true.

The Soviet Union had a powerful political advantage in gaining access to these ET sites if and when they were found, and exploiting whatever technology lay within.

With the un-likelihood that Iraq would cooperate with US / European clandestine organizations in gaining access to these ancient ET sites, clandestine organizations in the US and Europe had a disturbing policy dilemma confronting them. If the international status quo remained, then at some point the Soviet Union might find these ET sites, and reverse engineer whatever technology existed..... and thereby eradicate whatever technological advantages the West might hold.



Furthermore, if the home world of this race did return, then the Soviet Union would be best placed to respond to whatever contingencies this created.

Given the above scenario, it would have been scarcely imaginable that US and European clandestine organizations wouldn't have developed a top secret set of foreign policy goals whose aim it was to bring about US / European access to Iraq's buried ET technology.

This would have to be achieved without provoking a Cold War confrontation with the Soviet Union who would have been aware of the West's goals and resolutely opposed to US/European access.

The Secret Agenda to Gain Access to Iraq's ET Technology



US and European based clandestine organizations have since at least the end of the Second World War coordinated among themselves a joint policy in gaining access to and reverse engineering ET technology found around the planet.

The most prominent international forum is undoubtedly the **Bilderberg group** which holds closed meetings on an annual basis. These meetings provide the opportunity for the leading industrialists, politicians, media magnates and military figures from different Western nations to meet and coordinate policies that have global significance ranging from financial and economic policy, to orchestrating political events in order to bring about favorable international conditions for their various agendas.

Less well known is that the Bilderberg group has played a key role in ensuring global non-disclosure of the ET presence, and to discredit individuals and organizations attempting to reveal the true extent of ET intervention in human affairs.



Organizations such as the Bilderberg group and other US / European based clandestine organizations, design foreign policy goals that are 'secret' insofar as these are not revealed to elected public officials, and revealed only to those officials who are bound by secrecy oaths..... **not to disclose information about the ET presence and clandestine policies to gain access to ET technology.**

In this way, it has been accurately reported that clandestine organizations have long been able to orchestrate international crises to bring about political conditions that fulfill their foreign policy goals.

The success of the secret foreign policy goals of U.S. / European clandestine organizations, in gaining access to Iraq's ET heritage and preparing for a possible return of the Anunnaki, lay in promoting international conditions that would allow U.S. / Europe to gain unfettered access to Iraq without provoking Soviet intervention and a full scale crisis in the midst of the Cold War.

The way in which this could be done would be to promote a series of regional crises that would compel Iraq's staunchly secular socialist regime to take military advantage of these crises.

The ultimate result would be that Iraq would become increasingly dependent on Western nations, and veer away from its alliance and dependence on the Soviet Union which would be distracted by its own regional crises.

The solution to the US / European policy dilemma was to sponsor upheaval in Iraq's main rival and regional powerhouse, Iran, that would inevitably force Iraq into a military confrontation with its more powerful neighbor, and thereby create opportunities for greater US and European influence in Iraq.

The primary focus of this secret agenda was that the Shah of Iran would be toppled, and replaced by a fundamentalist Islamic regime that would create havoc and uncertainty in the Persian Gulf region.

The success of this radical plan..... rested in a two-fold strategy, of first withdrawing the traditional support of the U.S. for the Shah of Iran who maintained a tight hold on political power through his powerful security forces; and second, fomenting an Islamic revolution..... by allowing a leading Iranian cleric in exile, to produce revolutionary literature for export into Iran.

This first part of this dual strategy was made possible by the Carter administration..... which had begun advocating human rights..... as an important foreign policy principle for the U.S., in dealing with its

global allies.... soon after coming into office in January 1977.



Carter's human rights initiative placed pressure on the Shah for political reforms that undermined his tight hold on political power and restrained him from using military force to stay in power. The Shah's inability to pass sufficient reforms to appease the growing Iranian middle class, led to a rapid increase in political dissent.

The second part of this dual strategy, was for **France to give asylum** in October 1978 to an exiled Islamic cleric, **Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini**, who would be given free rein to play a destabilizing role..... by advocating a radical Islamic State in Iran..... and undermining attempts to create a liberal secular state, by moderate Iranian reformers.

France agreed to give asylum to Khomeini, after he was expelled from Najaf, Iraq by the Iraqi regime that was under pressure from Iran..... to silence the outspoken cleric.

The role of France, in allowing Khomeini to enter France and use it as a base to produce a series of fiery tapes and written pamphlets denouncing the Shah's regime..... proved critical in sparking Islamic fervor..... and undermining efforts by moderate political reformers, for a secular liberal government, under the Shah.

This success of this clandestine dual-pronged strategy..... ultimately led to the collapse of the Shah's regime, who had to flee from Iran on January 16, 1979.

Efforts by moderate Iranian reformers, to bring about a modern liberal state..... were doomed by **France's decision to allow Ayatollah Khomeini..... to return to Iran....** in this critical period.

Three days after the Shah's departure, Ayatollah Khomeini triumphantly flew from France..... to millions of admiring supporters in Iran..... to announce the formation of a new government, and formally begin the Iranian revolution.

The Shah of Iran had been '**sacrificed**' and liberal Iranian reformers '**betrayed**' so a series of regional crises in the Persian Gulf could be orchestrated by US / European clandestine organizations, that would allow them to gain a strategic foothold in Iraq.

The impact of the Iranian revolution in regional terms..... was ominous for the 'Sunni' dominated regimes, that surrounded the Islamic Republic..... dominated by the 'Shiites' of Iran. For the 'Sunni' dominated Socialist regime of Iraq, (Iraqi President Al-Bakr), was forced to resign on July 16, 1979, and was succeeded by his powerful Vice-President, **Saddam Hussein**.

The Islamic revolution was a looming threat to the territorial integrity of Iraq..... and even the survival of its socialist regime. Iraq was the most developed society in the Arab..... world with high per capita indices in health, education, and public services.

Iraq's political system was dominated by socialist principles..... which made it a very secular and progressive administration in the region. Iraq, however, had a very large "Shiite" population in southern Iraq, (location of the ancient Sumerian cities..... in which lay buried..... whatever facilities left behind by the ancient Anunnaki). Baghdad is Babylon!

Iraq Attempts to take Military Advantage of the Iranian Revolution

The new Islamic Republic of Iran..... was a dire threat to the territorial integrity of Iraq..... since it would undoubtedly influence the restive "Shiite population" of Iraq who make up 60% of the population..... and resented the "Sunni" elites' (20%), that ruled Iraq.

Furthermore, Iran's Islamic State was an ideological rival to the Ba'ath socialist system..... then existing in Iraq. Saddam Hussein instinctively understood the threat posed by revolutionary Iran to Iraq, and decided to act while the Islamic regime was still in its infancy, and Iran was preoccupied..... by consolidating its regime.

More importantly for Saddam, the Iranian military had been decimated by the Revolution, with its most senior and skilled personnel..... either escaping the new regime, or being purged by the new Iranian authorities. The mighty Iranian military, which only a short time earlier..... was the most powerful in the region, suddenly was having difficulty finding enough trained pilots and spare parts, for its advanced fleets of US supplied aircraft.

The **new Iraqi regime under Saddam Hussein**, decided to strike..... and launched a devastating attack in September 1980, on its larger and more powerful neighbor, Iran..... that resulted in a long eight year war, that quickly ground down into a stalemate.

Western states, along with wealthy Arab states, began to support Saddam's regime with technology, finances and secret armaments.

The Soviet Union, preoccupied by its own military difficulties..... in countering an Islamic revolution in Afghanistan..... was not able to provide sufficient resources to help Iraq in its war.

The end of the long Iran-Iraq war in 1988 occurred almost simultaneously with a rapidly transforming global political climate. Eastern bloc countries belonging to the Warsaw Pact were beginning to collapse and the mighty Soviet Union was also in the initial stages of its eventual disintegration, into 15 independent republics.

With the Soviet Union / Russia, rapidly losing global influence, Western states gained greater prominence in Iraq. This was especially true for France and Germany, both of which played important roles in directly financing and aiding Iraq in its long war with Iran.

Significantly, France had played a direct role in supporting the construction of nuclear facilities in Osirak, which were bombed by the Israeli air force in 1981. Iraq could count on France and Germany, to take up any slack..... caused by the disintegration of the Soviet Union.

France, Germany and the Soviet Union / Russia, would also have contributed to Iraq's construction of a sophisticated network of underground tunnels and bunkers that was used by the Iraqi leadership. These elaborate constructions occurred soon after Saddam's elevation to power..... and would have been motivated both by the threat posed by Iranian missile attack, and **Saddam's awareness that Iraq's ancient (ET) heritage, much of which lay buried, was the key to his own grandiose plans for regional dominance.**

It is very likely that at some point in the construction of these underground constructions throughout Iraq, **evidence of Iraq's extraterrestrial civilization was first encountered.**

The complex task of studying and eventually "reverse engineering" these ET assets would have begun..... These initial efforts, however, would have been limited by the contingencies..... of the Iran-Iraq war.

The highly advanced nature of these technologies, and Iraq's effort to extract maximum concessions..... from Soviet / Russian and European efforts to study and exploit this technology.

It is worth emphasizing..... that the countries that actively assisted Iraq in this construction process..... were those that were most insistent of a diplomatic solution to the recent crisis: Russia, France and Germany.

US Foreign Policy and the First Gulf War

Despite its tacit support for Iraq in the Iraq-Iran war, the United States

had a distinct disadvantage to its European partners / rivals in gaining access to Iraq's ancient ET sites..... who had a longer history in assisting Iraq's socialist regime.

The Iraq socialist system, its history of human rights abuses, the brutal policies of Saddam..... that included assassinating his rivals and using chemical weapons on Iraq's Kurdish minorities, Iraq's strong links with the Soviet Union, and strong opposition to the state of Israel, made it difficult for the US to formally improve its relationship with Iraq's regime.

The US Congress, like most institutions comprising elected government representatives, was simply unaware of the need for US foreign policy..... to have a cooperative relationship with Saddam's regime, in order **to exploit the latter's ET assets.**

Congress would have revolted at any attempt to openly assist what appeared to be a brutal regime run by a despotic ruler. This meant that US based clandestine organizations had to 'orchestrate' International events..... in a way that would fulfill the secret policy goal..... of gaining unfettered access to Iraq's ET heritage.

Under the first President Bush, Iraq and Kuwait, became engaged in a diplomatic crisis over the overproduction of oil by Kuwait in 1991. Kuwait's overproduction meant that world oil prices were deflated and Iraq's oil production would not be sufficient to generate the necessary revenue for Iraq to begin the difficult reconstruction process after its costly war with Iran.

This resulted in making Iraq more dependent on Western states and clandestine organizations, a result that Saddam would not have been pleased with..... given his undoubted awareness..... that financial independence, would give him maximum negotiating power..... over whom he allowed to exploit the ET resources on his territory.

Even more vexing to the regime of Saddam Hussein, Kuwait was demanding repayment of the war loans it had given to Iraq during the eight year Iraq-Iran war. For Saddam, this was the ultimate affront given that Iraq had fought a war that directly benefited Kuwait , and the other "Sunni" dominated states in the Persian Gulf.

As far as Saddam was concerned, Kuwait should have shown more gratitude for the sacrifice in financial and human resources undergone by Iraq..... in its debilitating war with Iran. It is very unlikely that Kuwait would have taken such a risky policy, in dealing with its powerful neighbor..... had it not been for firm assurances by its main sponsor and historical patron, Britain, that Kuwait would not be abandoned in a conflict with Iraq.

Iraq's long-standing grudge against Britain's sponsorship of Kuwait

went back to 1899, when Britain took Kuwait "under its protection." The problem was that Kuwait was then a part of Iraq's Basra district, that was ruled by the crumbling Ottoman Empire.

When Iraq became independent in 1932, Basra, the newly independent country's main seaport, no longer included Kuwait. So Iraq felt cheated of both the unfettered ocean access and wealth..... that the territory of Kuwait offered.

So odious was this British policy for Iraq's political elites..... that ever since its independence, Iraq's leaders have refused to recognize the sovereign statehood of Kuwait, and continued to call for its reintegration into Iraq.

In raising its oil production, calling for repayment of its war loans, and its dubious political legitimacy in the eyes of Iraq's political elite, Kuwait was undoubtedly acting in a risky and antagonistic way.

In forcing a change in Kuwait's 'antagonistic' policies, Iraq decided to adopt some brinkmanship and massed a large army on its border with Kuwait. At this critical point, where Iraq was indicating its intent to possibly invade Kuwait..... if it did not change its policies, the US Ambassador to Iraq made what appeared to be a 'crucial error'.....

In advising Iraq about what the US view was, about the simmering Iraq / Kuwait dispute, she said the following:

"We have no opinion on your Arab-Arab conflicts ... such as your dispute with Kuwait. Secretary of State, James Baker has directed me to emphasize the instruction ... that Kuwait is not associated with America."

Given the history of Iraq's relationship with Kuwait, the 'risk taking' personal psychology of Saddam Hussein, and the antagonistic policy of the Kuwaiti leadership, it may well have been predicted..... that Saddam would interpret this as a green light to invade.

April Glaspie, was appropriately 'punished' for her 'crucial error'. However, what if this tragic error by a senior diplomat..... was indeed not a mistake? What if Secretary Baker's instruction were intended to provide Saddam with the belief, that the US would stand by, while he invaded Kuwait and eventually forced a diplomatic solution..... that would address some of Iraq's historical grievances over Kuwait.

Saddam may well have interpreted such a policy as a means of the US ingratiating itself with his regime..... in order to gain access to Iraq's strategic resources..... including any ET technology, that had been discovered.

Saddam may well have viewed this as a *quid pro quo*, for allowing the U.S. to gain more influence in Iraq and have access to the hidden / discovered ET technology. Saddam, a risk taker by nature, may well have been fooled by subtle signals, by US policy officials, and believed his regime would benefit from launching an attack.

President Bush was a former head of the Central Intelligence Agency and therefore aware of, and most likely a member of, US based clandestine organizations..... set up to reverse engineer extraterrestrial technology.

It is undoubtedly the case that Secretary Baker, as close friend and former chief of staff for President Bush, would also have been aware of the need for US access into Iraq..... to reverse engineer whatever ET technology existed.

Key figures in the Bush administration, were most likely aware of any time line that existed in terms of a possible return of the Anunnaki home world.....

The conflict over Kuwait was an ideal opportunity to lull 'Saddam' into taking the risk of military intervention..... in order to bring about the desired US intervention, that would lead to greater US access to..... and control over, whatever significant ET sites existed in Iraq.

Thus the political crisis that engulfed Iraq and Kuwait, and which resulted in Saddam taking the risky policy of military intervention in Kuwait, was orchestrated by US based clandestine organizations..... who desired unfettered access by the West into Iraq.

While such a conspiratorial orchestration of International events.....leading to the 'first' Gulf War in 1991, is undoubtedly controversial for many readers, it is very consistent with the way in which the ET presence..... has been systematically suppressed globally.

The policy of non-disclosure of the ET presence to the mass media and most elected public officials is made possible by the ability of clandestine organizations to control the mass media by manipulating evidence, intimidating reporters with threats of ridicule or dismissal for investigating UFO reports, and ensuring censorship by editors and media owners.

The same clandestine organizations responsible for this global policy of non-disclosure, has the power to orchestrate international crises and events to bring about favorable policy outcomes.

This ability is largely due to officials in these clandestine organizations being appointed rather than elected. This gives them great freedom in formulating and implementing public policy without the oversight and accountability that elected officials experience.

Furthermore, officials in clandestine organizations operate with a much longer time framework than elected public officials who typically operate with short election cycles as an important conditioning factor in developing foreign policy goals.

In short, orchestrating international events to attain key foreign policy objectives is well within the capabilities, resources, lack of accountability and oversight, and lengthy time cycles which characterize the policy making environment of clandestine government organizations.



The possibility that ET technology lay hidden in Iraq, which had a level of sophistication far advanced to whatever had been reverse engineered by recovered ET craft since 1947, would have made gaining unfettered access to Iraq a crucial policy goal for US based clandestine organizations.

This would have been accentuated if it was confirmed that the home world of the Anunnaki would be soon be returning to the Earth's vicinity of the solar system.

The existence and location of these ancient ET sites, which in most likelihood had been discovered by the Iraqis in the 1980s as a result of their extensive underground construction projects, was also possibly known..... by those states who had long provided technical assistance to Iraq: Russia, France and Germany.

U.S. based clandestine organizations were therefore at a relative disadvantage to their European partners / rivals in gaining access to this ET technology. U.S. based clandestine organizations orchestrated the first Gulf War in order to provide the US the desired access.

Subsequently, Hussein did go ahead with a war against Kuwait on August 1990, and contrary to the message delivered by Glaspie, he found that the US was resolutely opposed to Iraq's invasion and did not favor any compromise over the territorial integrity of Kuwait.

In the protracted diplomatic dialogue, over securing Iraq's withdrawal, the first Bush administration ruled out any concessions to Iraq. This meant that Russian diplomacy,

motivated by awareness that a war would appreciably diminish Russian influence in Iraq..... and its relative advantage in gaining access to and reverse engineering ET technology, would ultimately fail.

The failure of the Bush administration to support any face-saving compromise ensured that a full scale war..... would be fought to 'liberate' Kuwait. The US led multinational military, intervention, that began in January 1991, led to the expulsion of Iraq from Kuwait, and resulted in the U.S., for the first time, having a strategic foothold in Iraq with a number of Security Council resolutions, giving legitimacy to the US presence.

The US Strategic Bind After First Gulf War

Unfortunately for the secret policy goals of the first Bush administration, it was not able to force regime change in Iraq. This meant US based clandestine organizations were now in a strategic bind in terms of accessing and exploiting the ET technology..... under the control of Saddam's regime.

The US did not have the international authority to forcibly replace Saddam's regime..... and **Saddam undoubtedly felt betrayed by the US**. He could be expected to cooperate further with Russian and European clandestine organizations in exploiting ET technology, and thereby frustrate clandestine US organizations.

Clandestine European groups, together with their Russian partners, were in a stronger strategic position to their U.S. partners / rivals..... in gaining access to and exploiting whatever ET technology existed in Iraq.

Saddam was intent on having his vengeance against the US and Britain by denying all access to them.

Given that the US had the most sophisticated "reverse engineering program" on the planet..... and was rapidly developing global preponderance, as the world's lone superpower..... this was a scenario that was deeply disturbing for U.S. officials.



Aware of the possible implications of the ET technology in Iraq to change the global balance of power. At the same time, European / Russian clandestine groups were concerned over the potential for the U.S. to further consolidate its technological superiority and global dominance..... if it gained access to

Iraq's ET technology.

Another obstacle to the plan, of U.S. based clandestine organizations, to gain access to ET technology in Iraq, was the surprise election of President Bill Clinton in 1992.

Unlike the first President Bush, Clinton was not privileged to information concerning the clandestine programs involving ET technology. There is evidence that ever since the Kennedy administration, there has been a policy of not disclosing full details..... of the "reverse engineering" of ET technology..... to sitting Presidents, since this threatened the non-disclosure policy of the ET presence, and the lack of executive oversight, enjoyed by US based clandestine organizations.

As a former head of the Central Intelligence Agency, President Bush was privy to this information before he assumed his Presidency. Clinton early during his tenure demonstrated an interest in the ET presence..... which threatened the non-disclosure policy of clandestine organizations, and their political agenda in gaining complete access to Iraq's extraterrestrial heritage.

Predictably, little happened during the period of the Clinton administration for completing the secret agenda of gaining unfettered access to Iraq's ET heritage.



The election of the second Bush administration, meant that the agenda of clandestine US organizations, for gaining access to Iraq's ET heritage could resume. Many former officials from the first Bush and earlier Republican administrations..... supporting regime change in Iraq..... were appointed in the new administration.

As a result of their association with the Department of Defense, many if not all of these, would have been familiar with clandestine activities to reverse engineer ET technology and the true reason motivating regime change in Iraq.

These officials included Secretary of Defense **Donald Rumsfeld** and his deputy **Paul Wolfowitz**, the deputy secretary of state, **Richard Armitage, Richard Perle**, chairman of the Defense Policy Board, a Pentagon advisory panel, and finally **Vice President Richard Cheney**..... who was Secretary of Defense, in the first Bush Administration.



The terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, had provided the vehicle for the Bush administration..... gaining support for eradicating global terrorism..... wherever it manifested.

Once the Bush administration could make a plausible case..... that Iraq was a sponsor of global terrorism, and that it had concealed its weapons of mass destruction..... which constituted a threat to the U.S., it could develop the necessary public support for invading Iraq.

The Dangerous Rift Between US and European Clandestine Organizations



In the build up to the threatened preemptive war in Iraq, a number of events had occurred, that indicated that clandestine European / Russian organizations, were at odds..... with their US partners / rivals.

Germany was the first major nation, that publicly committed itself, to ruling out a preemptive war against Iraq, irrespective of progress in the weapons inspection process..... that began after passage of Security Council Resolution 1441 on November, 8, 2002.

Germany's staking out the 'extreme position' made it possible for France, and then Russia, to take up the more moderate position..... of only calling for military intervention if Iraq failed to comply with Resolution 1441.

France and Russia, effectively stymied U.S. efforts in passing a further resolution calling for International military intervention in Iraq..... to remove any proscribed weapons of mass destruction.

If the diplomatic maneuvering, was simply about weapons of mass destruction, then it would be fair to say..... that the U.S. was acting in a bellicose and imperialist manner..... in

demanding a further UN Security Council Resolution, to bring about closure to the weapons inspection process.



However, since Western intervention in Iraq, has long been secretly motivated by gaining access to Iraq's treasure house of ET technology, the diplomatic behavior of France, Russia and Germany needs to be understood in this context.

Many have viewed the diplomatic opposition, by the powerful trio of France, Russia and Germany..... to a US led preemptive war, as being clearly in the interests of the world community..... united against the horror of an unnecessary war, that would devastate the Persian Gulf region..... and usher in more acts of terrorism in the Middle East and elsewhere.

There is however, evidence that what secretly motivated these nations, is the awareness that US access to ET technology in Iraq, would constitute a threat due to the growing power of U.S. based clandestine organizations and their secret reverse engineering projects.

U.S. technological successes, in reverse engineering ET technology..... must surely have been a concern, for their less well funded and technically proficient partners / rivals in Russia, France and Germany.

Furthermore, the access enjoyed by the latter, in accessing this technology in Iraq, would have given them some insight into the capabilities of this technology and helped balance the technological advantages enjoyed by the US.

More importantly, European / Russian organizations, were able to work within whatever constraints were imposed by the regime of Saddam Hussein, in reaching a preliminary understanding, of the capabilities of this technology.

A preemptive war that amounted to a unilateral take over of Iraq by the U.S. and Britain, was something that European / Russian organizations would not support, given the increased opportunities..... this would give to the US, in increasing its technological advantages, and global dominance.

In short, Europe was in Angst over the prospect of an already dominant U.S., growing more powerful..... with acquisition of even more sophisticated ET technology.

It is very likely that European / Russian clandestine organizations, had 'publicly signaled' to their U.S.

counterparts..... that a unilateral takeover of Iraq was not acceptable.

The destruction of the **Space Shuttle Columbia** on February 1 was very likely a result of the clandestine struggle over who would have access and control over Iraq's ET heritage.

In a report to NASA by Larry Park, a Systems Failure Analyst attempting to identify the cause of the Columbia disaster, he claims that the disaster was caused by a freak convergence..... of scalar electromagnetic energy in the mesosphere, that struck the Shuttle during its return to Earth.

Park's report points to the possible use of 'scalar weaponry' in the destruction of Columbia. Such weaponry, uses an innovative form of electromagnetic energy that, according to a retired US army colonel and scientist Thomas Bearden, was also used..... in the destruction of the Challenger Space Shuttle and other US aviation 'accidents'..... over the last three decades, and that these scalar weapons have been developed and used.

Another controversial event, was the recent passage of **the Comet NEAT** by the **Sun**, between February 18-20..... which produced an outline of an 'eye' in satellite images..... that occurred almost simultaneously, with world wide protests against a preemptive war against Iraq.



Given the deep symbolism of the 'Eye of Horus' appearing in the images, this may have been a very public communication produced either by European clandestine organizations and / or an **extra-terrestrial intelligence** warning U.S. policy makers, about the dangers of a uni-lateral attack on Iraq.

On March 5, an unusual amount of seismic activity had begun occurring around the planet.

While much speculation surrounded the cause and seriousness of these seismic anomalies, it is worth exploring..... whether the anomalies were caused by advanced weapons technology, that was either being tested or extensively used around the planet.

The existence of advanced weaponry, that could produce seismic activity, volcanoes and severe weather conditions, was publicly acknowledged by a speech, given by former Secretary of Defense, William Cohen, in 1997.

Where at a conference, discussing the threat posed by global

terrorism, he said: "Others, [terrorists], are engaging even in an "eco-type" of terrorism..... Whereby, they can alter the climate, set off earthquakes, and volcanoes remotely..... through the use of electromagnetic waves..."

Cohen's speech was not widely reported, and indeed, has been withdrawn from the public archives..... of the Department of Defense..... thereby suggesting, that the development and use of such technology..... remains highly classified.

In a number of books and papers, discussing 'scalar weapons' which are capable of the effects described by Cohen, Tom Beardon suggests that such technology has been developed for decades..... by the former Soviet Union and other states.

He provides extensive evidence, that seismic and weather anomalies over the last thirty years..... have often been caused by these scalar weapons. Beardon believes that such technology, may well be used..... during the Iraq war and involve urban population centers coming under attack.

If anomalous seismic activity, since February 5, was caused by scalar weaponry, then it is very likely, that a secret war..... is occurring between clandestine groups, over access and control over ET technology in Iraq.

It is likely that European / Russian clandestine organizations are active in such a war..... that is being used to curtail U.S. efforts to take sole control of Iraq's ET heritage.

If a secret war is indeed occurring, then it is likely that in the interim, before a new agreement is reached..... over access and control of ET technology in Iraq, there will continue to be a violent struggle between clandestine organizations, that is kept from the public arena.

Given the power, of the 'exotic' weaponry..... possessed by these clandestine groups, this means that the planet is entering a very dangerous period. As long as disagreement exists, and the US continues to project its power and control around the planet, violent opposition by non-U.S. based clandestine groups is likely to occur.

Conclusion: Dangerous Times Ahead

The failure of a diplomatic solution, to the Iraq crisis, has ushered in a period of intense conflict..... between U.S. based clandestine organizations, with their former partners and now rivals in continental Europe..... who have aligned themselves

with Russia.

There is evidence, that powerful exotic weapons such as: scalar electromagnetic devices..... are being used around the planet..... in an effort to warn the US..... about overstepping itself, and to 'encourage' a diplomatic solution to the current crisis, over access and control of Iraq's ET heritage.

NEW POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS



In the context of heightened tension and uncertainty, following the U.S. led invasion of Iraq, the following policy recommendations can be made to help navigate through the dangerous times ahead.

- Full public disclosure of the ET presence in human affairs and the historical role played by different ET's in their interaction with humanity.
- Full disclosure of all astronomical data that can confirm whether a tenth planet to the solar system exists that has an orbit of approximately 3,600 years.
- Full public disclosure of reverse engineered or ET based technology currently possessed by clandestine organizations is immediately required.
- A UN mandate for administrating a postwar Iraq in order to ensure cooperation and consensus among major powers over how Iraq's ET heritage is used is benefit all humanity.
- Appointed officials in clandestine organizations need to be fully accountable for their actions and policy to their respective national legislatures and/or executive branches of government.
- Executive and/or Congressional oversight of US based clandestine organizations is required to ensure these organizations operate within guidelines that are consistent with the constitutional procedures and societal values.

In the present political climate, where the Bush administration appears intent on a unilateral foreign policy, supported by a small number of loyal allies, there is likelihood of increased global conflict..... given the threat..... posed by US clandestine organizations..... gaining a strategic advantage over their European / Russian rivals.



If predictions..... that the home world, (**Planet Nibiru**), of the advanced race of Ets, (**the Anunnaki**), described by Sitchin..... is soon to reappear..... are accurate, this may help explain the intensified conflict between US and European / Russian..... clandestine organizations that currently exists.

All clandestine groups..... may be jockeying for the best position, in a race for ET technology and knowledge, that may be necessary..... in a **forthcoming ET confrontation / encounter**..... that will determine the future of human civilization..... as we know it.

Why is the United States in a Hurry?

Because Planet Nibiru..... May be Coming !



The Prize is Owning and Occupying the site of the Anunnaki's "Home Away from Home"

"Iraq"

So when the Anunnaki return.....the United States would be there.....to greet them and take over their technology.

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Grieve for the loss or Iraq's historical soul

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I am grieving today for our cultural history destroyed in Iraq. Yes, it is our heritage as well as the Iraqis'. When looters armed with axes, rifles, pistols, knives and clubs stormed the Iraq National Museum last weekend, they stole and destroyed thousands of the world's treasures.

In spite of desperate requests to the U.S. military from museum staff, the looters came back to the National Museum day after day. But this was not simply a mindless mob of desperate people. This was organized by people who knew what they wanted. After the first Gulf War, nine of Iraq's 13 regional museums were plundered.

In the early years of empires, generals fought their enemies, but those who revered the culture of

the people whom they overcame are most respected today.

Assurbanirpal, the Assyrian warrior from what is today Northern Iraq, was a fierce fighter, but he also collected historical texts, records and hymns, including the "Epic of Gilgamesh," the great Sumerian poem. His interest in culture and art has survived more than his military exploits.

Our military failed to heed warnings about the dangers to the cultural heritage of Iraq. Art is an expression of individual people, of freedom. It is democracy at work. Guarding the museum with even a single tank would have prevented the pillage. It would have shown the Iraqi people that we respected them and the importance of culture.

The looters broke the heads off of priceless statues that could not be moved. They gathered thousands of ancient pots, jewels, gold work and sacred objects that will never be recovered.

They also took extraordinary Sumerian treasures: a Uruk alabaster vase about four feet high from 5,300 years ago, with the first known representation of a ritual procession offering sacrifices. A rare example of a female head in white marble, the "Woman of Uruk," from 5,000 years ago is gone. The oldest surviving example of writing on a clay tablet is missing.

The Sumerians lived in the Fertile Crescent between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. They established small city states, each with a patron god; invented the wheel; and developed irrigation systems, trade, systems of measurement, numerology and cosmology. They wrote down the "Epic of Gilgamesh."

Sumerians carved distinctive stone statues with large eyes (originally inlaid) and graceful feathered skirts. Unique objects in bronze, such as a chariot pulled by four wild asses only 2 inches high, or a vase in the form of wrestlers, cannot be sold. They will probably be melted along with the many unique gold pieces stolen from the museum.

Around 4,300 years ago, the Akkadians, a Semitic-language group, settled near the city of Babylon, not far from today's Baghdad. Sargon, an Akkadian general, became king. A bronze head, probably a portrait of Sargon, is another priceless treasure of the National Museum that is unaccounted for. And the great Hammurabi of Babylon, who ruled 3,800 years ago, left behind a codex of the first recorded system of laws; the location of those tablets is currently not known.

Smaller, less-famous works such as ornamented pots and seals by ordinary people can be as exciting as admiring masterpieces made in homage to great leaders by great artists. Each piece broken is a type of death, a loss of a soul who was speaking to us from thousands of years ago.

The U.S. State Department had promised scholars that it would protect the antiquities. Archaeologists warned the Pentagon of the continued danger to the National Museum. On April 10, NBC had a story about vulnerable archaeological sites. On Saturday, NPR spoke of the looting spreading to the museum. There was plenty of time to protect what was left.

But no. The National Museum of Iraq was emptied of hundreds of thousands of artifacts. We will never see most of those stolen art works again. And now, despite the outrage at the looting of the museum, we hear that the National Library has also been looted and burned.

As we are grieving for the thousands of men, women and children who have died and been wounded in this war, we must also grieve for the cultural heritage that has been destroyed.

The route of the U.S. military was near more than a dozen of the major archaeological sites in Iraq. It is an area that has seen warring armies for centuries. But through it all, these treasures from past cultures survived. Until now.

Museum officials are calling for a moratorium on the purchase of Iraqi antiquities, and scholars are planning a fact-finding mission to Iraq. Perhaps one solution is for the Louvre, the British Museum and American museums to send back some of their Middle Eastern treasures. These collections were taken from Iraq by archaeologists before international laws prevented the removal of cultural artifacts.

We must restore the heart of history and the soul of Iraq.

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